

Local and Other Items.

TERRIBLE WEATHER. EX-GOVERNOR LAIRD arrived home Thursday night last. A boy and a pair of oxen perished in the snow storm, last week, at Windsor, N. S. DAN. DAVIES, JR., has a few tons good Anthracite Coal, which he will sell for cash. feb18-19. Does it comfort us to know that in the neighboring Provinces the Storm King is as terrible as he is here? In "Notes of Travel," published yesterday, read "an American minister," for "the American Minister." By telegraph to McLure Bros., barque "Isabel," Capt. McLure, arrived at New York, on the 7th inst., making the passage from Pernambuco, S. A., in 27 days.

"On behalf of St. Jacobs Oil I must say a word," writes Wm. Stansbury, Lancaster, Pa. "It is a never-failing remedy. I used it for a sweetened horse, and it proved so satisfactory that I would not be without it my business. I must always have it."

THE weather in London this winter has been quite phenomenal in point of mildness. The barometer has been higher in the past three months than for thirty-three years. It touched for some days 30.87, which had not been reached since Feb. 11, 1-49, when it was something higher.

OFFICIAL statistics relating to the English army, throw some light on a question that has of late excited a good deal of interest—that of the great proportion of youthful and raw recruits in the ranks. It appears that the proportion of men under twenty years of age in the whole army is 104 per 1,000, and that the great bulk of the men—that is 620 per 1,000—are between the ages of twenty and twenty-three. There cannot be much fear for the physique of an army of which more than one-half consists of men in the prime of their strength.

THE conviction of Mr. Seymour, ex-Governor of New York, respecting the resources of the fertile belt, are rapidly spreading. Said that able man a short time ago: "Between our North Western line of 45 degrees and 54 degrees 40 minutes there is a country owned by England with greater grain and stock-raising capacity than all the lands on the Baltic, the Black Sea and the Mediterranean combined. The land laws of Canada are now as liberal as ours, as to the homestead exemption and pre-emption."

THE contributor of this week's "Stray Shots" informs us that he has indubitable evidence that "R. B. C." is one who formerly admired him, and flirted with him. This new development concerning "R. B. C." will set the dove-cotes in a flutter. Our little Island has its budding George Eliot's; and future correspondents on these "shots" will be careful when they refer to the gender of the writer. "E. C. G." thinks that "R. B. C.'s" blue-stockingism ought to be withheld. We gladly publish his effusions, and hope to give our readers "R. B. C.'s" next week.

ONE of the London fire insurance companies recently celebrated its centennial anniversary. Some very striking figures are published concerning the business which the company has done within its century of existence; also of insurance in general. In London alone property to the amount of \$300,000,000 is now insured, and in the whole kingdom the risks taken amount to as much as \$75,000,000,000. During the long history of the company in question probably of \$65,000,000 in fire claims have been paid, with satisfactory profit to the company at the same time.

THE Railway is very badly clogged up, and in consequence the trains have to move very slowly and carefully to avoid getting off the track. No. 1, which left Ch'town, 8.15 a. m. has not arrived at Bradalbane yet; No. 4, which left Summerside at 8 a. m., is now at Bradalbane, waiting to cross No. 1; No. 2 left Kingston on time this morning. She is now at Kensington on time. The train which left Georgetown at 8.15, has not yet arrived at Bedford. The Engine and plow being stuck in drift near Bear River prevents any train leaving Souris this morning. Probably no trains will leave the city this evening.

REMOVALS have now and then started that the generosity of Rubi stein had brought him into serious embarrassments, but a Berlin correspondent, who professes to know, declares that this is far from true or possible. He learns that Rubinstein recently refused an offer of 500,000fr. for a five months' tour in America, the money to be deposited in Berlin before he took his departure. His reply was this: "I shall accept your offer as soon as my banker fails, which Heaven forbid." The fortune of Rubinstein is estimated at 2,000,000fr., one-half of which is represented in his house.

THERE turned up a short time ago in the shop of a Munich antiquary a well preserved copy of Schiller's "William Tell," with notes by the author's own hand. It was purchased by the hereditary Grand Duke of Saxe-Weimar and given to his father. Formerly it was the property of the stage library, and it contained notes by the stage-master Ganast, besides the corrections and additions which Schiller made, including the song "With Arrow and Bow." The poet's hand was easily recognizable in the notes. It is believed that the previous manuscript was lost in the great fire at Weimar.

NORTH AMERICAN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.—The first annual meeting of this company must have been a satisfactory one. An unusually large amount of business for a first year has been secured, and at a comparatively moderate expense. Applications amounting to nearly one and three-quarter million dollars have been entered in the company's books, yielding a premium income of about \$57,000. This is probably the largest sum secured by any Canadian company during its first year. The books of the company, which we have seen, show that by far the greater portion of the business was obtained during the last four months of the year, owing to the difficulty in securing suitable representatives at the company's inception. Among the policyholders are the names of many prominent men in the five easterly provinces. Another feature we noticed was that most of this class of insurers favored the lifetime plan. The management of the company, we think, may well congratulate itself upon the character and amount of business secured, and consider that it has made a good start.—Moneyary Times.

F. W. Hyndman, Esq., is agent for the N. A. M. Life Insurance Company for this Province.

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NEWS NOTES.

Russia is reforming her Black Sea fleet.

Austria has abandoned the idea of occupying Montenegro.

A grand ball organized with the object of showing the variety and perfection to which the art of calico printing has arrived in Great Britain, was given a few nights ago in the Manchester Town Hall. There were about 1,200 guests, and all the ladies dressed in mode of British printed cotton.

A Montreal coroner's jury having the courage of its convictions has spoken right out in verdict. A poor fellow employed in a soap manufactory in Montreal, fell through an unguarded floor trap, some fifteen feet, into a vat full of boiling soap, and lost his life almost instantly. The jury that enquired into the cause of the unfortunate man's death, declared by its verdict that his death was caused by the neglect of his employer in not having a railing around the trap. It seems that the coroner objected to a jurymen's putting a question tending to fasten responsibility on the proper person. But the jurymen replied with a good deal of Scotch fervour: "You have no authority as coroner to prevent me. Men are being killed and murdered in Montreal now-a-days, and no one is allowed to bring out the truth." The outspoken verdict in this case will no doubt have good results.

An act which in some respects closely resembles the Irish Land Act of last year has just gone into effect by the publication of a long-expected ukase in Russia, one which would have been published last May but for the Ministerial changes which took place before the Czar had signed it. Peasants are divided by the ukase into three classes: (1) Those who have bought their land outright by the aid of Government loans; (2) those who have not yet cleared off all their obligations to the landlords; (3) those who have not made any arrangement for coming into possession of the land. As explained in an English newspaper, which finds the terms of the decree extremely obscure, those provisions which correspond to the purchase clauses of the Irish Land act are to be made compulsory on the third class, and the payment of the redemption dues is to be diminished to two-thirds of the first category by the 16 per cent, and to those of the second by 1 rouble per head. It is estimated that these concessions amount to an annual remission of 6,000,000 land dues.

At the annual meeting of the Society for the Suppression of Vice, held in New York on the 6th instant, ex-Postmaster General James defended the course of Mr. Anthony Comstock, and denied that he had tampered with the mails, as some persons had alleged. The annual report of the Society showed that its agent had travelled 15,272 miles outside of the city of New York, seized 35,000 open letters in possession of persons arrested, and 60,000 songs, circulars, catalogues, etc., of an obscene character, and destroyed twenty pounds of books and sheet stock of the same kind and twenty-five pictures. One hundred persons were arrested and forty-four were convicted and punished, while some others absconded and forfeited bail bonds to the value of \$6,100. Fines amounting to \$8,281 were imposed on convicted persons. The report detailed the processes by which this work was done, especially it stated, from Superintendent Walling, who defeated a bill before the Legislature which authorized the agent to execute his own warrants when issued by magistrates. The cost of the society's work for the year was \$8,226.98, on which there is a deficiency of \$400. The travelling expenses of the agent were \$617.50. A large part of the report was devoted to lottery gamblers, dime novels and trashy literature.

Ever since her unequal contest with England and France the Central Empire has been engaged in replacing the old war junks, which stood her in so poor stead, with vessels better suited to the requirements of naval warfare. For a time she was content with purchasing the cast-off gun-boats of English and American dockyards, but during the last six or eight years, stimulated by fear or jealousy of her more enterprising neighbour, Japan, she has turned her attention to vessels of a different class. A few years ago Sir W. Armstrong completed a dozen gun-boats of superior construction for China, and the number has since been increased. A turret iron-clad named *Ting-yuen*, launched a few weeks ago at Stettin in Prussia, is the latest addition to her naval resources. A twin vessel is in course of construction and soon to be ready. When these two really formidable iron-clads have been added to the number, China will possess a fleet of about seventy vessels, of which sixteen, it is said, will compare favorably with those of any other navy. Of course ships and armaments alone will not make a dangerous marine. Much of their efficiency will still depend upon those who man them, and the Chinese have never yet distinguished themselves in naval warfare. They will probably soon learn under European officers, and when the inevitable struggle comes with their progressive and somewhat aggressive neighbors the Japanese, it is very likely that the Chinese man-of-war's men will give a good account of themselves.

In a note to the editor of the Holyoke, Mass., Transcript, Mr. Louis Frechette, the post laureate of Canada, writes concerning some comments upon his speech at the banquet lately tendered him there:—"I feel exceedingly grateful to you for your kind words, but, as a mere question of fact, I cannot but take exception to the portion of this report where I am represented as 'speaking with equal facility both Parisian and Canadian French.' Well, Sir, I do not thoroughly understand what is meant here by 'Canadian French'; but it may not be entirely devoid of interest for some people to know that I have spent only two months of my life in France, and never learned there any other language than that which I always spoke in my family and which was taught to me in the College of Quebec, where I received my education. There may be in the United States some professors of language from France who may find a business interest in pretending that the language of Canada is different from the real French idiom, but there is not the slightest foundation for such a statement. The language I spoke in France when there, and the one I spoke in France when in your presence, is the same I have spoken all my life in Montreal and Quebec. Some of my countrymen—uneducated people—may use vulgarisms and Anglicisms; they may commit several grammatical mistakes; but incorrect as it may be sometimes, their language, and I can challenge a contradiction on that point, has not the slightest radical difference with what is called here Parisian French."

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By order of the Board, CHARLES DRINKWATER, Secretary. Montreal, December 1st, 1881. [to 17 3m2w

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