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OF THE

HISTORY

OF THE

YEAR 1864.

Events, Incidents and Casualties

IN

ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

POLITICAL CHANGES,

Military Achievements,

NATURAL PHENOMENA,

Remarkable Crimes,

STEPS IN SOCIAL PROGRESS,

&c., &c., &c.

JANUARY.

1st. Dr. French consecrated Archbishop of Dublin.... Four colored gentlemen are presented at President Lincoln's levee in the White House.... The first anniversary of the Proclamation of Freedom is celebrated with great enthusiasm in various parts of the States. ... The Duke of Augustenberg issues a proclamation to the people of Schleswig and Holstein, assuming authority as their prince.

2nd. Archbishop Hughes died at New York. ... The Danes have evacuated Holstein.... The London *Times* says:—"The New Year opens with threatenings and gloom on all sides. There is not a quarter of the world free from war or the imminent danger of war, and the sole hope of preserving or restoring peace rests in the hands of the different rulers and ministers.' .... Consols 90⅞.... The English revenue returns for the past year show a decrease of over half a million sterling.... Desperate fight in a dance house in Portland, Maine, New York, in which several persons were shot and beaten; one fatally.... In the Federal Diet a motion that the Duke of Augustenberg should be summoned to leave the Duchies was lost by seven to nine.

3rd. Home, the spiritualist, was ordered by the Papal Government to leave Rome within three days. The order was withdrawn on the remonstrance of the British Consul, it being stipulated that Home was to abstain from all communication with the spirit world during his residence in Rome.

4th. A meeting of brokers was held in the reading room of the St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal, for the purpose of establishing a Gold Exchange. Mr. C. Dorwin was appointed President, and Mr. C. J Irish Secretary of the organization.

5th. Mr. Lincoln, in a message to Congress, recommends that the resolution prohibiting the payment of bounties to volunteers after this day, recently adopted, be reconsidered, and the time extended to the 1st proximo.... Both branches of the New York Legislature are organized. The reading of Governor Seymour's Message in the Senate is the occasion of a disgraceful scene in the Assembly T. G. Alvord is elected Speaker on the first ballot.... Four Italians are arrested at Paris on the charge of conspiring to assassinate the Emperor. It was reported that they had been instigated and supplied with money by Joseph Mazzini, but the latter, in a letter to the London *Times* denies all knowledge or any connection with them.... Gold at New York is 151⅛.... Mr. Medcalf is elected Mayor of Toronto by a majority of 155 over Mr. Bowes.... William Ellis is elected Mayor of Prescott, and M. K. [illegible] Mount Forest.

In accordance with Mr. Lincoln's recommendation, the House of Representatives adopt a resolution extending the time for the payment of bounties to volunteers until February 1 .... Judge Barbour, of the Superior Court of New York, decides that, as there is no evidence that the corporation of the city or its officers aided or abetted in the July riots, the city is not liable for damages for the destruction of property Notification has consequently been made not to pay any more claims.... General Butler returns to his department, clothed with full discretionary powers to treat with the Confederate Government for the exchange of prisoners.

7th. Garibaldi's resignation of his seat is accepted in the Italian Parliament.... General Morgan is received with an ovation at Richmond after his escape from the Ohio Penitentiary.... The body of the late Archbishop Hughes was buried in the vaults of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, with imposing ceremonies.... At Albany the House unanimously passed resolutions allowing soldiers to vote.... At Halifax the steamer Chesapeake is placed in Admiralty by the Provincial Government.... Bank of Montreal 110¼.... Death of Dr. Turton, Bishop of Ely.. .. In the House of Representatives Mr. Arnold, of Illinois, urges Mr. Lincoln for the next Presidency, on the ground that his reappointment would insure emancipation throughout the Union.

8th. The Princess of Wales gave birth to a son at Frogmore.... Mr. Chaffers, ministerial candidate for Rougement Division, was elected by acclamation.... At Montreal a woman named Lydia Hutton, lost her life by falling into an open water closet in St. Paul street.

9th. The *Chesapeake* case came before the Admiralty Court at Halifax. The presiding judge was of opinion that the vessel should be given up to her owners. Case adjourned.... The New York *Herald*, in an article says:—"The commencement of the new year finds all the ramifications of finance in this country inflated to an alarming degree, and stimulated by the spirit of speculation and extravagance, we are discovered in a state of intoxication which renders us almost unconscious of our position".... Consols 91 ⅞ 91½.

10th. The English mail brings intelligence of the acquittal of Col. Crawley, of both charges on the 23rd ult.

11th. In the *Alexandra* case, the rule for a new trial was discharged by the Court of Exchequer. The Lord Chief Baron stated that shipbuilders in England had for a century built ships for every country in the world, and for all purposes. Ship-building was one of the most important of our industrial pursuits, and the building of ships, even for warlike purposes was not unlawful, provided they were not equipped, furnished or fitted out in our ports with the intent stated in the Act. Notice of appeal was given by the Attorney General.

12th. Mr. Richard Starr, of Cornwallis, Nova Scotia, having sent Queen Victoria a barrel of apples, received a letter from the Master of the Household, whom her Majesty had commanded to thank Mr. Starr for this mark of attention

13th. Inauguration of Central Fire Station, Montreal.

14th. Bank of Montreal 110½.....Promulgation of an order from the Commander-in-Chief, England, approving of the finding of the Court-martial in the case of Lt.-Col. Crawley.

15th. Richmond *Whig* thinks the future of the South is involved in the next spring's campaign in Upper Georgia....Consols 90⅞ to 90¾ for money.... Explosion of a powder ship in the Mersey. Great damage done at Birkenhead and Liverpool.

16th. New Spanish Ministry formed. Lorenzo Arczals, President ...The representatives of Austria and Prussia demand of the Danish Government the repeal of the constitution of November within two days....The Central Committee of the National Italian Society unanimously vote an address to the Emperor Napoleon, protesting against the intended attempt upon his Majesty's life.

17th. Reported discovery of gold on the Bow river, one of the tributaries of the south branch of the Saskatchewan.... Garibaldi issues a proclamation announcing the formation of a committee to promote Italian Union, and inviting all Italians to rally round it.... An attempt was made by some persons unknown to set fire to President Jeff Davis' residence.

18th. The Preston, (N. W.) woollen factory, owned by Messrs. Hunt & Elliott, destroyed by fire; loss $35,000; insurance $20,800.... Denmark rejects the Austro-Prussian ultimatum, calling for the withdrawal of the November constitution, by which the Duchies of Schleswig and Holstein were united to Denmark.... The Austrian and Prussian ambassadors report that have left Copenhagen....The Emperor of Austria reviewed 20,000 troops, who were to march immediately for Schleswig....Prussian military preparations progressing vigorously.... The Duke of Cleveland died at Roby Castle..... Gold 158¾.

19th. Col. Stephenson, C.B., Scots Fusilier Guards, continues the inspection of the Volunteer corps in Montreal.... Intelligence received from Chili respecting the burning of the Cathedral at Santiago, on the 14th Dec., 1863. The interior of the edifice being decorated with light inflammable ornaments, the flames spread rapidly, and the roof fell in, causing the loss of 2,000 lives. The victims were chiefly ladies and children.... The ratifications of the Treaty of Commerce between France and Italy are exchanged.... The Pope receives a deputation of 300 Catholics from different countries, presenting an address of fidelity and devotion to the Holy See, and protesting against usurpations and sacrileges. His Holiness replies that he desired to leave the patrimony of the Church intact to his successors. He would consequently not enter into any arrangement or treaty contrary to that end. He placed his confidence not in the strength of arms, but in a protecting Providence, and justice.... At the sitting of the Federal Diet, the Austrian and Prussian representatives ask permission to march troops through the Duchy of Holstein.

20th. Consols 90⅞.

21st. Gold at New York 157¼....Hon. S. P. Barter, of the Kentucky Senate, burned to death at Frankfort, Ky. His clothes caught fire and he was too weak from sickness to save himself....Bank of Montreal 111....The Prussian and Austrian troops begin their march upon Schleswig.

22nd. Publication of diplomatic correspondence between American and foreign statesmen during 1863. From this it appears that a good understanding has been re-established between the English and American Governments. The latter admits the difficulties in the way of the English Government, and acknowledges that the British pretensions to neutrality have been sincerely fulfilled. From the correspondence with France it appears that M. Drouyn de L'huys denied the truth of all rumors to the effect that France had taken steps to aid the cause of the South. Mr. Lincoln had declined to recognize the new order of things in Mexico. Mr. Seward admitted the right of the Mexicans to establish any form of government they pleased. but at the same time expressed his conviction that they are by habit and feeling republicans. This is a virtual abandonment of the generally received interpretation of the Munroe doctrine. .... Gen. Lee issues a general order, excusing the reduction of rations, which, he says, has been caused by circumstances beyond the control of the authorities. He exhorts the army to emulate their forefathers in valor in arms and patient endurance of hardships..... A decision was given by the Court of Queen's Bench, England, in the Sunday hay making case. This was a case in which a farmer and some of his neighbors had been tried and convicted, under an old Statute, of getting in hay on a Sunday. The Court of Queen's Bench set aside the decision on the ground that hay-making on a Sunday, when rain is expected, did not come within the Statute..... Gold at New York, 156¾..... Austria and Prussia announce to the Diet the passage of troops through Holstein towards Schleswig..... Death of the Right Hon. Sir W. Atherton, Attoney-General under Lord Palmerston's administion.

23. Disclosures of another design on the part of Southern refugees in Canada to make a raid upon Johnson's Island for the purpose of releasing the prisoners confined there. The plan was frustrated by the authorities..... Consols 90⅞ to 90⅝..... The notorious Wm. Greenwood, found guilty by a jury at the Assize Court, Toronto, of the murder of the child of Agnes Marshall, and sentenced to be hung..... The Danish Government request from the German Powers a delay sufficient to enable it to obtain the aid of the Regency in satisfying the demands of Germany and the Duchies.

24th. St. Luke's Church, Montreal, is re-opened after being enlarged and embellished.

25th. Death of David Gibson, Esq., Superintendent of Colonization Roads in Upper Canada, member of First Riding of York, in 1840, and identified with the political struggle of the Reformer's at that period.

26th. Gold in New York, 158..... The German Powers refuse the delay demanded by Denmark.

27th. Jones elected for South Leeds.... Destructive fire in Dorchester, and heroic conduct of Mrs. Irwin in saving her child from the flames.

28th Bank of Montreal 110½ to 111....Newfoundland Legislature opened by Sir Alexander Bannerman.... Gen. Wrangle summons the Danes to evacuate Schleswig. A negative will at once lead the Prussians to cross the Eider.

29th. The Federals about this time begin to break up from Memphis and Vicksburg, preparatory to resuming offensive operations.

30th. Proclamation by President Lincoln, ordering a draft of 500,000 men to serve for three years, or during the war, to be made on the 10th March, 1864, declaring those enlisted or drafted before that date, and not credited..... In the Confederate House of Representatives a bill was passed amending the conscription law so as to exempt farmers and planters on condition of their employing additional hands in the supplies [illegible] Gold 160¾.

31st. Advices from Matamoras report another revolution there.

FEBRUARY.

1st. Before the end of day, the Confederates attacked a Federal outpost and drove eight miles from Newbern, and took a number of prisoners.... The Austrian and Prussian troops assemble on the north side of the Eider. Their avowed object is to take Schleswig as a material guarantee, and hold it until King Christian convokes the Rigsraad and repeals the November constitution. According to the treaty of Gastein and Palmerston, the King of Denmark was willing to comply with the demands of the German Powers, and merely requested a few weeks' delay, in order that his Parliament might be summoned. Austria and Prussia refused to wait, and pushed their troops forward into Schleswig.... Intelligence is received from Bangor, friendly to the European and North American Railway, a resolution was adopted to the effect that the interests of the State of Maine called for the completion of the line from Bangor to a point of junction with the New Brunswick line at the boundary.

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6th. In the case of the *Chesapeake*, the judge of the Admiralty Court decides that the vessel and cargo be restored to her owners subject to the Attorney-General's claims for expenses.... The Danes have evacuated Schleswig, and are falling back.... Both houses of the British Parliament adopted an address in reply to the Queen's speech without amendment.... Earl Russell stated that England had not given the slightest promise of assistance to Denmark.... An appeal was made by the Crown to the Court of Error in the Alexandra case.

7th. An expedition consisting of part of Gen. Butler's forces, arrives at Bottom's bridge, within ten miles of Richmond. The design was to surprise the enemy and capture Richmond, where a large number of Federal prisoners were confined; but the attempt failed in consequence of the Confederates having received timely notice of their coming. Much alarm prevailed for a time in Richmond.... Stock 110¼....At a confirmation held in the Cathedral at Montreal by the Anglican Bishop, about 200 persons were confirmed.

8th. Ed. W. Green is arrested on the charge of robbing the Malden Bank of $5000, and murdering Mr. Frank Converee, the deputy cashier, on the 15th December last. Green was the postmaster of Malden; he confessed soon after his arrest.... The appeal to the Court of Exchequer in the *Alexandra* case is dismissed on the ground of want of jurisdiction.... Judgment of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the case of the "Essay and Reviews." Decision of the Court below reversed.

9th. The examination of nine officers who presented themselves for certificates before the Military Board, is proceeding at Montreal.... Gold at New York 159 to 159¼.... Accident at Georgetown Station on the Grand Trunk Railroad. Three persons killed.... Mr. Robt. Bell a graduate of McGill University, elected professor of chemistry and natural history in Queen's College, Kingston.

10th. At the annual general meeting of the Montreal and Champlain Railroad Company, the action of the Board of Direction relative to the amalgamation of that Company with the Grand Trunk Company, was fully approved, and it was resolved to petition the Legislature for an act to carry out the agreement ....In the Admiralty Court, Halifax, Judge Stewart decided that the Chesapeake and her cargo should be restored to her owners, on payment of the legal expenses of the Court. .... Mr. Buxton's resolution, denouncing the destruction of Kagosima, is lost in the House of Common's by 164 to 85 .... Consols 90⅛.

11th. It is stated that the English Government have proposed an armistice to the belligerents in Europe, on the basis of an evacuation of Schleswig with the exception of Island Alsen, by the Danes. ....Conversazione of the Association of Fine Arts at Montreal. His Lordship the Anglican Bishop, President of the Association, delivered an address.

12th. Stock 111.... Municipal elections at Montreal. Mayor Beaudry re-elected by acclamation.

13th. Consols 91¼.

14th. President Davis issues a proclamation to the armies of the Confederate States, thanking them for their heroic achievements in the defence of their country, and encouraging them to persevere in the conflict.

15th. In the Admiralty Court at Halifax, Judge Stewart gave a final decision in the Chesapeake case. The vessel and cargo are restored to their original owners.

16. Sale of real estate in Montreal. The following prices were obtained: St. Urbain street, 21-4 x 73-9, with two story brick house, £780. A similar lot and house adjoining, £790. A third lot with same front and with brick house £730. A lot forming corner of St. Urbain and Lagauchetiere streets, 56 on one by 40 on the other, with two story stone house, &c., £555. Lagauchetiere street, 66 to 86 x 241, with large stone house, &c., £1,720. St. Henry Street, 30 x 75, with brick house and shop, £850. Corner Notre Dame and St. Peter Streets 20-6 front, 21-4 rear x 64-3, £1,860.... A young French Canadian, named Dufresne, was arrested at Montreal on suspicion of being concerned in a murder committed in the United States.

17th.—Annual meeting at Montreal of the Richelieu Navigation Company. The revenue for 1863 was $166,335 against $265 305 in 1862. The expenses in 1863 were $201,054 against $186,507 in 1862. The increase of expenditure was occasioned by improvements for the purpose of better enabling the Company to compete with the Grand Trunk.... Meeting for the purpose of forming a Literary Association in Montreal ...In the House at Halifax Mr. Bourinot moved for the documents relating to the Chesapeake case; but government replied the communications from the Imperial authorities were confidential and could not be produced.... Consols 91¼.

18th. During a debate in the House of Lords on the depredations of the *Alabama*, Earl Russell stated that the British Government had always maintained that they were in no way responsible for the hostilities committed by the *Alabama*.

19th. Montreal Bank Stock 111¾.....The second session of the eighth Parliament of the Province of Canada is opened at Quebec. The following speech was delivered by the Governor General :—

Hon. Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I am happy again to meet you in Parliament, and I feel confident that during the session now commenced your best attention will be bestowed on legislation for the public welfare.

I have taken steps for carrying into effect the acts passed during last session for the organization of the militia force of the Province, and I will continue my best efforts for the attainment of so important an object. The period is approaching when by the conditions of the treaty of Reciprocity between Her Majesty and the United States of America, the notice for the termination of its provisions may be given at the option of either party, I have not failed to give my best attention to the bearing of this treaty, and the great interests affected by it. Your attention will be invited to measures designed for the improvement of our existing system of inland water communication, to attract to the channel of the St. Lawrence, a larger share than we have heretofore enjoyed of the great and rapidly growing commerce of the Western Lakes. You will also be invited to consider the expediency of providing for such improvements of the canals constructed to obviate [illegible] navigation of the river St. Lawrence, as well, it is hoped, without involving a heavy outlay, greatly accelerate the development of the extensive and valuable territory drained by that noble stream and its tributaries Unforeseen obstacles have retarded the survey of the route of the proposed railway between this Province and the sister colonies of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Arrangements are however in progress which I trust will soon lead to the execution of this preliminary work, the result of which will enable all parties to form a more satisfactory estimate than is possible at present of the expense and practicability of the proposed undertaking.

The conditions of the vast region lying to the north-west of the settled portions of the Province is daily becoming a question of greater interest. I have considered it advisable to open a correspondence with the Imperial Government, with a view to arrive at a precise definition of the geographical boundaries of Canada in that direction. Such a definition of boundaries is a desirable preliminary to further proceedings with respect to the vast tracts of land in that quarter belonging to Canada, but not yet brought under the action of our political or municipal system. The construction of the public building at Ottawa since the resumption of work last spring, has been prosecuted with so much diligence as to justify me in announcing to the officers of the civil service the intended early removal thither of the Seat of Government in pursuance of Her Majesty's selection of that city as the future capital of Canada. The discovery of gold and the valuable ores of iron in the province, which have recently been made, and which have attracted very general attention, appear to call for legislation both as regards the more systematic and perfect development of our mineral wealth and the rights as well of the public as of private individuals connected with it. I would also suggest to you the expediency of making Legislative provision for ensuring a more efficient system of investigations into the causes of shipwrecks occurring on or near the sea coasts of the Province, as well as of similar disasters, which though occurring elsewhere may, from the nature of the attendant circumstances, seem calculated to affect the reputation of our Marine Service. A fresh contract for our Ocean Mail Steamship Service has been entered into on terms which will be submitted for your consideration, and will, I believe, be found to combine efficiency, economy and safety.

I would further invite your attention to the state of the existing laws relative to Parliamentary elections; to bankrupt and insolvent debtors; to the administration of justice; to the encouragement of agriculture and of the fisheries; to the registration of titles to Real Estate; to the granting of patents for inventions.....

20th. The Governor-General left Quebec for Montreal, by the Grand Trunk Railway, on the 18th inst., and was received with the usual salutes. The Governor-General was accompanied by Mrs. Monck, Miss Monck, Lieut.-Col. Bruyeres, A.D.C., and Mr. Percy Doyle, Private Secretary. The Governor-General was received at the Bonaventure station by the Mayor and Corporation of Montreal, and proceeded to the residence of Mr. Workman, Sherbrooke street, where he will remain during his visit to Montreal. The Governor-General will receive addresses from the Corporation of Montreal, the Board of Trade, and the Board of Delegates from the Counties, on Monday next, at 12 o'clock, at the City Hall

which result unsuccessfully.... A woman is put up for sale in Armagh by her husband a man named Brien, who resides in town, the alleged cause of sale being her drunkenness. A man named Gunyan, with whom she latterly resided, bids one pound, and is declared the purchaser.

22nd. A man named Henry McArthur of St. Andrews, accidentally run over on the Grand Trunk track near the Bonaventure Station, and killed.... Reports that the Confederates have evacuated Atlanta.... Disastrous fire at Wellington mines.... Attempt to burn the Porte closes all the missionary establishments, and arrests several converts. Later advices state that the Bible and American Missionary Societies have been re-opened, in consequence of protests addressed to the Porte by the English and American Ambassadors in that city.

23rd. Extremely dark day in Montreal and elsewhere, after the air filled with smoke, ashes and the smells of burning woods.... Dr. Livingston arrives in London after his long absence in Africa.... The annual Ministerial whitebait dinner takes place at Greenwich.... A Cabinet Council is held at the Treasury.... Two gamekeepers, named Groudace and Allison, who have been convicted of poaching, sentenced to penal servitude and to undergo the latter punishment in the county prison of Sunderland, and suffer greatly from its severity.... The rifle contest at Wimbledon closes after a very successful meeting.... Consols 90⅞ to 90¼.

25th. M.S Stock 112¾; no sellers.

26th. The Court House and prison at St. Eustache, Que., destroyed by fire; three women burnt to death.... The Chambers of Deputies at Stuttgard pass a resolution protesting against the occupation of Rendsburg by Prussian troops.

27th. A Royal decree in Spain appoints a committee of directors to erect a statue in honor of Christopher Columbus.... The English Ministers dine with the Lord Mayor at the Mansion house.... The sale of the late Mr G. Daniel's library is concluded, and brings in nearly £14,000. The folio Shakespeare was bought on Tuesday, by Miss Burdett Coutts, for 622 guineas.

28th. M. C. Cameron elected over McDougall in North Ontario by a majority of 100.... M.S Stock 113¾.... The Emperor of France decides that a monument shall be erected at Vichy to the memory of Madame de Sevigne, who was the first to make known the waters of that place.... The appeal case of Yelverton vs Yelverton, in the House of Lords, is decided in favor of the appellant, Lords Wensleydale, Chelmsford and Kingsdown being in his favor, and the Lord Chancellor and Lord Cranworth in favor of the respondent; but the opinion pronounced (who was unable to attend the hearing) is against him. By this decision it is determined that Major Yelverton and Miss Longworth are not married and wife.... Consols 90⅞ to 90¼. Bank of England discount 7 per cent, and a further rise to 8 expected.

29th. A boy named Gustor Renny, aged 12, killed on the track of the City Passenger Railway. Inquest concerned a Company from blame.... Gold in New York 252.... The Confederates have possession of some of the fords of the Potomac.... Close of English Parliament.

30th. Laying of the Corner stone of the Sherbrooke Street Wesleyan Methodist Church.... Siege of Petersburg vigorously commenced.... Siege of Petersburg vigorously commenced by the blowing up of one of the principal batteries. Great destruction of life, especially on the Federal side.... Mr. Layard stated in the House of Commons that England intended to recognize the Mexican Empire.... Consols closed at 90 to 90¼.

31st. A German Church at Joliette, Illinois, struck by lightening during service. The church was filled with people, five of whom were killed, and fourteen wounded, three of whom afterwards died.

SEPTEMBER.

1st. The Federals having made a lodgement over Flint River, near Jonesboro', the Confederates abandon Atlanta during the night. President Lincoln requests thanksgiving to be offered in the churches on the following Sunday for the Federal successes.... Montreal Bank stock 112 .... Consols 88¼ to 88¾.

2nd. Gen. Slocum, with the Twentieth Federal Corps, took unresisted possession of Atlanta.

3rd. The Corporation of the Montreal present an address to General Lindsay, in connection with the departure of the Guards and Military Train from Montreal.... The Military Train embark *en route* for England.... New Time ball put up by the Harbour Commissioners goes into operation.... Regatta at Lachine.... Consols 88¾ to 88⅞.

4th. A special services are held in the churches in the States in obedience to a request of President Lincoln, who said in a proclamation duly issued, that "the signal success which the Divine Providence has recently vouchsafed to the operations of the United States fleet in the harbor of Mobile, and the reduction of Fort Powell, Fort Gaines, and Fort Morgan, and the glorious achievements of the army under Gen. Sherman in the State of Georgia, resulting in the capture of the city of Atlanta, call for devout acknowledgements to the Supreme Being".... He also tenders the national thanks to the various commanders. The army of the Potomac assulte the enemy with a terrific fire for an hour along the entire line in honor of the fall of Atlanta.

5th. Bermuda papers of this date say that the yellow fever had abated in the town of St. George, but continued in the port and on board the shipping in the harbor. One surgeon of the 2nd Regiment; one or two from Halifx, and two out of the seven sent from Canada had succumbed. All had been attacked by the disease.... Meeting of the Charlottetown convention in reference to confederation.... Morrison elected for Niagara.... The citizens of London, C. W. entertain the officers of the garrison at a banquet to express their good feeling to the troops previous to their departure.... In the Superior Court, Quebec, Judge Taschereau decides in the case of Evanturel vs. Evanturel, that the will of the late Madame Evanturel is null owing to the non-observance of the formalities required by the Code.... Consols 88⅞ to 89.

6th. Death of R. D. Collis, Esq., flour inspector at Montreal.... The Lower Province delegates arrive at Quebec.

7th. The Conference of Representatives from the several British American Colonies, summoned by His Excellency the Governor General to consider the expediency of uniting all British North America under one Government, assembles at Quebec, and is organized by the appointment of Sir E. P. Taché President, and the secretaries of the various Provinces joint Secretaries. The discussion is to proceed with closed doors.... Bank of Montreal declares a dividend of 3,000 dollars.... The Bank of England reduces the rate of discount from 9 to 8 per cent.... The State Council of Poland is opened at Warsaw by the Viceroy, Count Berg, who states that the kingdom is fast tranquilizing, but that much remains to be done to rebuild the shattered edifice and repair the damages of the insurrection.... Consols 88⅞ to 89.

8th. Quebec papers say that gold has been found in the county of Portneuf, about five miles back from the St. Lawrence river.... The Alabama is reported in the regular army of the United States, (His resignation is sadly accepted).... The elections proceed quietly throughout the United States, and the majorities for Lincoln over McClellan as President, and Johnson Vice-President.... President Lincoln is secluded at the Executive Mansion, and declines seeing them he says: "I earnestly believe that the consequence of this day's work, if it be as you assume may, up to the very highest advantage, lift us to the inevitable of the country."... In the Senate of the Confederate States, Senator Wigfall offered a resolution that it is a cowardly act on the part of the United States to impress or hire with the consent of the owner a negro slave, and that every such negro who may be impressed or hired, and who may be killed or captured in battle, ought to be executed or sold into slavery.... Excitement at Ogdensburg in consequence of the kidnapping of Confederate soldiers by individuals, and several arrests are made of persons who are found to be armed and who refuse to give any account of themselves.... The steamer Jura, Capt. Mc Seddon, left Davis' Secretary of War, is issued in digh channel, Liverpool, on the 7th inst., for Nassau, N. P. with a cargo of rifles for the rebel army. His proclamation announces a succession of victories for the rebel arms. He demands a more vigorous conscription, and is in favor of arming the negroes.... Consols 88⅞ to 89.

9th. Montreal Bank Stock 113.... Indians and Ohio have given Republican majorities.... Majority in the Election in Pennsylvania claimed by both sides.... Maryland, favorable to the Union cause. Mr. Lincoln's majority in the State about 30,000.... Presentation to Mr. Wm. Hastie of the Montreal Bass Band, of a silver claret jug in recognition of his valuable services in connection with the Band.... Two heavy shocks of earthquake felt in San Francisco.

10th. The Committee appointed at the public meeting of the citizens to take steps for offering a suitable entertainment to the delegates from the Maritime Provinces, assembled in the Council chamber of the Joined and Ball at the St. Lawrence Hall.... Dinner to the delegates at Quebec.... Consols 88¾ to 88¾.... Many additional suspensions at Liverpool and elsewhere, &c.

11th. The new Custom House at Quebec, valued at $300,000, destroyed by fire. The basement story, with the winter's supply of fire-wood was saved, together with the greater part of the furniture. The fire was supposed to have been caused by the plumbers leaving their fire burning upon the roof.... Consols 87¼ to 87⅞.... the Intercolonial Conference re-assembles at Halifax, N. S. The question for the consideration of which the Convention was summoned is said to have assumed wider proportions and more important aspects than was originally contemplated.... The Montreal Ocean Steamship *Damascus* is taken back to Moville disabled.

11th. An incendiary attempt is made by some thieves at Montreal, and a considerable amount of property destroyed before the fire was extinguished.

12th. The International Convention assembles again. It was resolved that the several governments be asked to appoint delegates to meet at Quebec early in October to consider the expediency of a Confederation of all the Provinces, and that the government of Newfoundland be requested to make a similar appointment towards a like end.... Gen Forrest camps within 15 miles of Memphis.... Gold at New York declined to 217.... Gen. Sherman orders all families at Atlanta, whose males are in the Confederate service, to go south, and the rest to remain in the city.... Exhibition at Hamilton, C. W. Upwards of 5,000 entries.... Hon. Mr. Sanborn re-elected by acclamation at Sherbrooke.

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10th. The Committee appointed at the public meeting of the citizens to take steps for offering a suitable entertainment to the delegates from the Maritime Provinces, assembled in the Council chamber of the Joined and Ball at the St. Lawrence Hall.... Dinner to the delegates at Quebec.... Consols 88¾ to 88¾.... Many additional suspensions at Liverpool and elsewhere, &c.

11th. Frightful tragedy discovered at Windsor, Canada Wm. Dolan named Cook poisoned his three children and cut his own throat.

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13th. The delegates at Quebec agree upon a basis of confederation. The Legislative Council to be composited for the present of 72 members, 24 for Upper Province, 24 for Lower Province, and 24 for the Maritime Provinces, and the same number for Lower Canada. The same number are also to represent the three Lower Provinces in the Federal Council if it comes into the confederation is to send four members. Lower House to be constituted according to population, but no province to have less than one-fifth of the present house to a total of about 190.... Gold 210½ to 209¾.... Destruction by fire of the Methodist Parsonage, Lisle. Loss $150,000.... A party of about twenty armed men enter and rob the three banks of St. Albans, Vermont, of about $200,000. One citizen, Jabez Smith, is shot dead, and another severely wounded. The raiders escaped to Canada, and proved to be Southerners who had gone over from the Canadian side and quietly collected in the town.... The Confederates surprise Sheridan's forces at Cedar Creek, and drive them in some confusion, but the enemy's gunboats, after shelling Sheridan then arrived in the field, reorganized his force and drove the enemy beyond Strasburg, capturing nearly the whole of their artillery and about 3000 prisoners.... Death of the Duke of Newcastle after a protracted illness.

20th. Publication in the Gazette of the arrest of the electors of the Grand Trunk Railway for the half years ending June 30th. The earnings amounted to 338,301, the ordinary working expenses to 210,501, and the balance to £128,280, and after deducting £31,489 for renewals of permanent way, a net balance of £181,791. The gross receipts show an increase of £24,070 or 15,30 per cent over those of the same half year of 1863.... Annual meeting of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association. The annual statement showed a surplus of $1,640.... Bank of Montreal 112.... Great excitement in consequence of the St. Albans raid. Eighteen persons, supposed to be Eastern Townships, Judge Coursol and other officials start from Montreal and proceed to actively investigate the matter.... Grand Trunk Railway returns of 100 guns from each of his armies in honor of Sheridan's victory yesterday. Grant says —"Turning when last we met I little thought a salute of one hundred guns stamps Sheridan what I have always thought him, one of the ablest generals."....Consols 88⅞ to 89¼.

21st. Twelve of the St. Albans raiders have so far been arrested in Canada and one in St. Albans.... Gold in New York 218½.... Gen. Lee officially notifies Gen. Butler of his intention to treat negro soldiers the same as others when taken prisoners.

22nd. Fifteen more of the St. Albans raiders arrested in Canada, are brought to St. Johns, where an investigation is to be commenced by Judge Coursol on Monday. None are at present from their homes, and pretend they were justified in the on rage, which they committed as an act of warfare by the Confederate against the United States.... Maryland has decided to accept the new constitution drawn up by a convention which met in April last, and which abolishes slavery. At the recent elections! Maryland is hereafter a free State, and its citizens acknowledge that their paramount allegiance is due, not to the State, but to the nation.

24th. Montreal Bank Stock 112.... Commencement of wrestling on the St. Lawrence Hall grounds between Scott and Jones, C. E. About half the money stakes has been covered.... Gold in New York 216¾.... Butchinson, another man supposed to be one of the St. Albans raiders arrested on Thursday.

25th. Gold in New York 219¾.

26th. The public conference has closed its 1 bors. All the particulars of the confederation scheme are adopted. The Legislative Assembly will consist of 194; and the Legislative Council of 72. They forsee Lower Canada is to have 64, and the other in proportion. For the Local Legislatures the number is to be fixed by the respective provinces. Provincial Governors to be appointed and removable by the Governor-General of the confederation. The debts of all the provinces to be assumed by the confederation and the present revenue to be applied to all. A sum of 80 cents per inhabitant is to be supplied by the general government as a contribution for local purposes, or any further sum required to be obtained only through local taxation. Legislative Councillors to be named from the pres nt bodies by the Governor General, to hold their seats for life—the power of disallowance of acts of local legislation to rest with the General Government. The Intercolonial Railway is to form part of the policy of the Government, and an adequate defence of the country to be provided at the cost of the confederate provinces.... Nomination for North Lanark at Almonte. Hon. W. McDougall and Bennet Rosamond nominated, a corner had the show of hands, Poll demanded.... Steamer Alexandra burned whilst passing through the Beauharnois Canal.

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