

26. At Madrid, Spain, Queen Mercedes, in her 18th year, universally beloved and regretted.

At Galston, Ayrshire, Scotland, Rev. Robert Stirling, D. D., the oldest Minister of the Church of Scotland.

JULY.

1. At Monnetier, Savoy, Italy, Miss Catharine Winkworth, author of "Lyra Germanica" and other religious works.

9. At Toronto, Ont., Alan Cameron, Esq., Barrister-at-Law.

13. At Hamburg, Germany, Ven. Arch. Mildmay, Archdeacon of Essex, and Rector of Chelmsford.

14. At Fort William, Mrs. Christina McVicar, for 64 years a resident of the North-West, aged 78.

17. Drowned in Toronto Bay, W. S. Griffin, son of Rev. W. S. Griffin, of Hamilton, and Albert P. Howland, Esq., son of F. A. Howland, Esq., Lambton Mills, Ont.

At Rugby, Eng., Dr. Thomas Oldham, for 16 years at head of the Indian Geological Survey, in his 63rd year.

18. At Vienna, Signor Alcardi, an Italian poet, and member of the Italian Senate.

23. Sir Hastings Reginald Yelverton, G.C.B., Lord High Admiral, in his 71st year.

25. At Fredericton, N.B., Hon. John S. Saunders, President of the Legislative Council.

30. At Clifton, Ont., Mr. George Liddle, for 24 years Surveyor of Customs at that Port.

At London, Eng., Dr. Benisch, one of the most learned Jewish writers, aged 67.

31. At Malta, Canon Gribble, for 20 years Chaplain to British Embassy at Constantinople.

AUGUST.

1. At Rome, Italy, Cardinal Franchi, Papal Secretary of State, in his 61st year.

4. At St. John, Newfoundland, Monseigneur Conroy, the Papal ablegate to Canada, aged 45, deeply regretted by all classes.

6. At Bristol, Eng., Canon Knight, for 59 years Rector of St. Michael's, Bristol.

9. At Tournay, Belgium, M. Barthelemy de Mortier, the most famous botanist of Belgium, aged 82.

12. At Stratford, Ont., Major Stephenson, of the Grand Trunk Railway.

At Brechin, Scotland, Rev. George Gilfillan, of Dundee, a well-known author, in his 66th year.

16. At Paris, France, Joseph Naudel, the historian.

17. At Cabul, India, the heir apparent of the throne of Afghanistan.

20. At New York City, William Niblo, a veteran Theatrical manager, and founder of Niblo's Gardens, in his 86th year.

30. At Dublin, John Eugene Cavanagh, the famous Celtic scholar, and formerly a prominent politician.

31. At Oakham, Leicestershire, Mr. Charles Hoy Frewen, one of the most influential landowners of Leicester and Sussex, in his 66th year.

SEPTEMBER.

1. At Thirlstane Castle, Scotland, the Earl of Lauderdale, in his 76th year.

At Gosport, Eng., Lieut. General Richard K. Clavell, Royal Marine Light Infantry, in his 59th year.

2. At London, Eng., Mr. George Payne, for many years master of the Pychley hounds, aged 75.

At Barnstable, Eng., Sir Frederick Williams, M. P., in his 49th year.

4. At Picton, Ont., found dead in his bed, Captain John P. Downs, an old and respected resident.

At Montreal, Rev. R. A. Fyfe, D.D., President of the Woodstock (Ont.) Theological College, in his 62nd year.

8. At Petersfield, Eng., Major General John Simpson, C. B.

General Rowley Hill, one of the survivors of the Peninsular War, in his 83rd year.

11. At Ottawa, Ont., Mr. W. H. Lee, late Clerk of the Privy Council of Canada, in his 80th year.

14. At Quebec, Rev. J. S. Sykes, for many years Port Chaplain; much beloved and regretted.

20. At Ottawa, Ont., Hon. John Simpson, Deputy Auditor-General, in his 71st year.

24. In England, Sir John Griffith, C.E. author of the Geological Map of Ireland.

John Penn, an eminent mechanical engineer.

26. At Hull, Que., from a fall over a bridge, John Stewart, Esq., Barrister, formerly of the Canadian Civil Service.

At Uxbridge, Ont., Benjamin Workman, Esq., M.D., formerly of Montreal and Toronto, in his 84th year.

30. At Bonn, Germany, Mr. Justice Keogh, of the Irish Court of Common Pleas.

Geological Survey, 1876-77.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Work was resumed in 1876 as early as the weather permitted, by Mr. G. M. Dawson, in the neighbourhood of Leech River, Vancouver Island. This river joins the Sooke from the west, about 7 miles from its mouth, and 21 miles from Victoria. Large patches of snow remained in the woods, and in the Leech Valley snow several feet in depth lay on the

ground. Gold has been found in paying quantities for about five miles on this river. Some rich spots, Mr. Dawson thinks, yet exist in its neighbourhood, but limited in extent and difficult to find. It is also probable that an auriferous horizon exists on the surface of the true bed rock, and that by hydraulic work, a great part of the cement and benches near the river might be made remunerative. Auriferous veins rich enough to pay for working