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Morning Telegrams.

EASTERN AFFAIRS.

THE NEW TURKISH MINISTRY.—St. Petersburg, Dec. 11.—It is semi-officially asserted that the reconstruction of the Turkish Ministry is an indication favorable to progress in negotiations for the definitive treaty.

BRITISH PROTECTORATE OVER TURKEY.—St. Petersburg, December 11.—A Berlin correspondent says a confidential communication from Germany, which Mr. Bourke, Under-Foreign Secretary, recently informed the British House of Commons was received in September, was a proposal that England should assume the protectorate over Constantinople, and occupy certain neighboring positions, as the price for permitting the unification of Bulgaria and Roumelia. The correspondent asserts that negotiations on the subject continue.

RUSSIAN VESSELS IN CHINESE AND JAPANESE WATERS.—London, Dec. 12.—Curious information has lately been received here concerning Russian vessels in the China and Japan seas. The fleet is receiving accessions week after week, and consists of monitors, broadside ironclads and swift wooden ships. No satisfactory explanation of the presence of these ships in Chinese waters has been given. It is said that some of the vessels recently purchased by Russia in the United States are to join this fleet.

CONTRADICTION.—Pesth, Dec. 12.—Trustworthy advices from St. Petersburg contradict the renewed rumors approaching the elevation of Schouavloff and retirement of Gortschakoff.

Sparks from the Telegraph.

Good sleighing in Belleville, Ont.

Wallace Ross has arrived in England.

Another silver mine has been re-opened at Thunder Bay.

The Rifle companies of Ottawa have received new uniforms.

A reorganization of the French Cabinet is strongly spoken of.

Quebec firemen have put their various vehicles on winter runners.

Large numbers of wild ducks are passing over Quebec, going south.

It is said the Imperial Parliament will be adjourned on Tuesday next.

The London *Times* severely criticizes Gladstone's speech in the Commons on the 10th inst.

Henry Wells, founder of the Wells College, Aurora, died in Glasgow on the 10th inst.

The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher lectured in Toronto on the 12th inst., to a crowded house.

The four masked burglars, recently convicted at Hamilton, Ont., have been sent to Kingston.

The Canadian counterfeiters, John O'Neill and Wm. Gifford, were committed to jail on the 11th inst.

The Spanish Government deny asking Germany to take collective measures against the Socialists.

The new elections in Denmark are not likely, it is said, to materially alter the strength of parties.

Discoveries of silver at Leadville, Colorado, are creating quite an excitement from their richness and extent.

Mr. Courtland, Liberal, has been returned to the Commons for Maldon, in place of Mr. Sandford, Conservative.

The Spanish Government want the French Government to prosecute a French journal for insulting King Alphonso.

A short-hand reporter is now, for the first time, employed to take evidence in the County Court, Belleville, Ont.

Nominations for the Local House were held at Winnipeg, Man., on the 11th. Mr. Louckes, a farmer, opposes Mr. Scott in the city.

The statement is made that more strong liquors have been consumed in Quebec during the present year than its predecessor.

The Spanish Premier has firmly told the Basque delegation that a state of siege will be continued until the Fuero agitation is ended.

J. W. Garrett has been re-elected President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway. This is his twenty-first consecutive election to that office.

An influential petition has been signed and presented to the Minister of Justice, asking for the release of Barber, the Montreal Bank defaulter.

A Winnipeg despatch says: Trains are now running regularly on the Pembina branch, and the line to Toronto has been reduced to three days.

The Ottawa subscription list in aid of the endowment of Queen's college has reached the sum of $15,000, including the $10,000 subscribed in May last.

Mr. St. Onge, of the Chaudiere Gold Mines, states that his company, employing 40 men, recently extracted in 15 days 138 ounces of gold, valued at $3,000.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies, by 257 to 188, rejected the order of the day expressing confidence in the ability of the Government to maintain order with liberty.

The bill regulating Inter-State commerce, passed by the Washington House, prohibits differential charges for transportation of property, rebate, pooling of freights, &c.

The end of the McCarthy case in St. John, N.B., is approaching. Mr. Palmer, for the prisoners, concluded his address to the jury on the 11th inst., and Mr. Tuck opened for the Crown.

E. Donovan, aged 15, murdered his brother-in-law, John Fox, aged 24, in South Boston, on the 11th inst. The trouble arose from Fox chastising his child, and Donovan interfering.

The Court of Common Pleas at Toronto has dismissed with costs the preliminary objections in Niagara, South Ontario and South Huron election cases. This decides the question of jurisdiction.

A man named Thomas Newman, disappeared from Newmarket, Ont., three weeks ago, and has not since been heard of. He was formerly in the 17th Regiment, is middle-aged, and of medium size.

The school census of London, Ont., just completed, shows a total of 2,858 children between 5 and 17, as against 2,757 for 1877, an increase of 101; for the separate schools there are 421, as against 403 in 1877.

Flood, Mackay *et al*, pleaded the statute of limitation at San Francisco on the 11th inst., in suits brought by Burke *et al*, stockholders of the California Consolidated Virginia mines, for accounting for $35,000,000.

The majority against the Government in the Italian Chamber of Deputies includes 157 votes from adherents of Nicotera and Crispi on Left and Centre. The forming of a new Ministry under Depretis and Zella is predicted.

It has been decided that in case the Government allows the raising of four additional companies of Rifles in Ottawa, as petitioned for, the corps be called the "Princess Louise" Regiment, with the consent of Her Royal Highness.

The Ottawa *Free Press* says it is understood that His Excellency the Governor-General has sent for the deputy heads of the different departments, for the purpose of acquiring from them a knowledge of the public business of the country.

Preliminary objections in the Sunbury County contested election case were argued before Judge Duff at Fredericton, N.B., on the 11th inst. The argument will be resumed on January 3rd. Mr. Perley is seeking to upset Charles Burpee's election.

A man, supposed to be a tramp, named McDonald, while walking on the track near Amherst, N.S., on the 11th instant, was run over by the express train for Quebec, and will not likely recover. Both leg and one arm were broken, with contusion inside.

[illegible]bert Corrie was killed in the Intercolonial Railway yard at Moncton, N.B., on the 11th inst. He was working on a shifting engine, and his foot caught between two rails while pulling a pin from a car; the car threw him down and ran over his head and leg.

FLOODS, FRESHETS AND WASH-OUTS.

Immense Destruction of Property—Bridges, Ships, Houses and Railway Tracks Carried Away—Supposed Loss of Life.

WHITEHALL, N.Y., December 11.—At Ticonderoga, the large hardware store of Hooker & Co. is flooded, damaging most of the stock. Twenty-five bridges that cross the Mill Brook between Minerville and Port Henry are swept away, leaving only two standing. The iron bridge and 60 feet of embankment just north of Port Henry on the line of the N. Y. and Canada RR., is washed away; passengers transferred at that point.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., December 11.—The bridge on the Boston & Albany RR., at Huntington is swept away; trains from the west blockaded there. On the Housatonick RR., there is a washout at Cornwall, and last night's train from New York and a special train stopped somewhere on the road. At Leamminster great damage is done by the giving away of the dam. A large number of washouts are reported from various places in New Hampshire and Maine, the Grand Trunk and Boston, Concord & Montreal and Maine Central Railroads sustaining heavy losses.

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 11.—Great freshet in the Androscoggin River; it is feared that vast quantities of logs in the booms will go out.

RONDOUT, December 11.—Most damaging freshet in Rondout and Esophus Creeks ever known; five houses in Eddyville destroyed; the two schooners "Kate" and "Mary," several sloops and barges and a large number of canal boats and lighters are either piled on the north and south dykes or sunk. Steamers "W. B. Crane," "Pittston" and "A. B. Valentine" damaged. Some lives supposed to be lost on the sunken boats. Tugs cannot assist the vessels on the dykes, by reason of the strong current. Six boats and the steamer "Marina" carried away. The "Marina" lies high on the flats. The bulk head of the dam on the creek is carried away. Much coal, lumber and wood lost. Fears of loss of life on a boat carried out of Saugerties Creek. The entire damage at Kingston, Willbur, Eddyville and Rondout is roughly estimated at $500,000.

BOSTON, December 11.—At Westfield the damage by the flood is roughly estimated at $200,000. Two wooden whip factories, occupied by Holcoombe & Cook and Edmund Cooper, are swept away. Proven's fine brick block, four storys high, is crumbling away rapidly. Steer & Turner's organ factory, and Peck, Osden & Co.'s whip factories, just south of the bridge, are swept away, though the bridge promises to hold. The streets are filled with people driven from their homes. The south branch of the river is also overflowed, and spreads nearly half a mile towards the town. There is as big a washout also in the town of Southampton, 4 miles above Westfield.

NEWBURG, N.Y., December 11.—Some small buildings have been swept away. The tide last night was the highest ever known. There were several severe washouts on the short cut branches of the Erie Railroad. No trains have moved since noon yesterday.

HUDSON, N.Y., December 11.—The dye house of A. T. Stewart & Co.'s Waterville Mills at Leeds was swept away last night.

PITTSTON, Pa., Dec. 11.—The Susquehanna is still rising; damage incomputable. West Pittston is in danger of being submerged. No trains pass over the Lackawanna & Bloomsburg road. Fears are entertained for the safety of three iron bridges spanning the river at this place.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Cellars and basements on the river front are flooded. Much damage done. Trains from the East and on the Susquehanna road are delayed. Central road all right. The water is 15 feet above low-water mark.

RONDOUT, N. Y., December 11.—At Eddyville the water damaged the guard lock on the Delaware and Hudson Canal, the water running over and through it, and has flooded what is known as the fly, on which were buildings, five of which are destroyed and many others damaged. The *debris* is strewn all the way from the lighthouse to Eddyville. The steamers Martin and Eagle, of the Newburg & Albany Line, could not enter the creek. The canal at Eddyville is much damaged.

PORT JERVIS, N.Y., December 11.—Reports from all points in this vicinity show immense damage by late rains; every bridge between Monticello and Mongaup Valley is gone. At Oakland Valley, on the line of the Port Jervis & Monticello Railroad, the flood has been very destructive. The Neversink River is overflowing, and carrying away the suspension bridge at Paradise, value $4,000, also other bridges, flooding dwellings and driving families from their houses. Streams now falling rapidly.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., December 11.—The Susquehanna is still rising, and is now 24 feet above low water. The current bears upon it haystacks, bridges, dwellings and *debris* of every description. River street is partly inundated. The citizens of Kingston are obliged to build dykes and dams to prevent the spread of the river, which now extends from the Wilkesbarre shore almost to the former place, a mile distance. Trains on the Lackawanna & Bloomsburg Railroad were discontinued to-night.

POUGHKEEPSIE, December 11.—Trains on the Hudson River Railway are running regularly. Damage in Ulster & Greene Company's is heavy. Between here and Rhinebeck the canal boats lie against the railway bank, and floating about the river are two barns, part of a dwelling, numerous dead horses and mules, hay, pork, flour, 15 or 20 new sleighs, &c., &c. Reports from Catskill show considerable damage.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 11.—Lackawanna river here very high. Railroad travel interrupted. At Portland the Delaware river has risen 19 feet, and a portion of the town is inundated.

PLYMOUTH, N.H., December 11.—The water in the Baker and Pemigewassat rivers is higher than known for years. Great damage to roads, bridges and fences. The Boston, Concord and Montreal Railway is badly damaged. The whole of the Pemigewasset valley is one sheet of water.

PITTSBURG, Pa., December 11.—The storm in this vicinity caused considerable damage. The storm was severe in the mountains east of here. The principal damage in this vicinity consists of land slides and washouts on the railroads. This morning the west bound freight jumped the track near Laughlin station, and was badly wrecked; brakeman injured.

HARRISBURG, Pa., December 11.—At 10 o'clock to-night the Susquehanna was 18 feet above low water mark, and is still rising.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., December 11.—A number of mines in the Mahoney and Shenandoah regions are flooded, compelling temporary suspension.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., December 11.—The extent of the high water damages in Northampton and Hampshire County is greater than heretofore indicated. Seven thousand feet of roadway near Leeds is gone. Williamsburgh lost nine bridges. In Gosten two large reservoirs and a mill are gone. Stevens' mill in Worthington is swept away. The immense reservoir in Ashfield is gone. The loss to the town of Williamsburg will be $12,000; Northampton, $20,000. Individual losses make a total of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 11.—A south east gale raged last night and this morning with great fury. The tide was very high, and some of the wharves were nearly submerged. The sea in the harbor was heavy, and ferry boats had a difficulty in running on time. The war ships "Bellerophon," "Rover" and "Argus" remain in the harbor, awaiting more favorable weather. Except a few fences blown down and some small vessels lightly damaged, no injury was done in the city or vicinity, but it is feared vessels off the coast suffered severely. Along the southern coast of the province the storm was exceedingly heavy. At Yarmouth the gale raged all night, accompanied by a heavy rain as here. At Liverpool the storm was severe, and continued until noon-day. The gale is said to have been the most terrific felt there for years. The barque "Linda Abbot," chartered by parties in Bridgewater, laden with lumber, and ready to sail for the West Indies, parted her chains while at anchor outside of Liverpool, and went ashore on Brooklyn shore, and will probably be a total loss. The gale was also very severe on the eastern coast of the province, and it is feared many wrecks have occurred. The schooner "Glendora," from Arichat for Halifax, laden with fish, drove ashore last night at Canso, and is a total wreck; crew saved.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 11.—There was a severe rain storm last night, causing delay in trains and blowing down fences, &c. Water in the Nerepis stream rose three feet. Some washouts occurred on the Western extension road, but they were speedily repaired. The frame of a house on Duke street was blown down during the night.

ANOTHER RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—WOODVILLE, N. H., December 11.—The through express freight from Boston with two engines went into the river near Wentworth, where the trestle was swept away, and both badly wrecked. No one seriously injured. Bridges also swept away at Warren and East Haverhill.

SWEPT AWAY BY FLOOD.—SEYMOUR, Conn., December 11.—The effects of the severe storm are apparent on the railroads leading out of Bridgeport. A number of wash-outs are reported. The Green River bridge below Barrington is carried off. At Seymour, the iron bridge in course of erection was swept away.

THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

LORD DUFFERIN'S INAUGURAL.—TORONTO, December 11.—A special by cable to the *Mail*, dated London, December 10, says:—The annual meeting of the Royal Geographical Society was held last evening, at the Society's Rooms, Saville Row, Burlington Gardens, when the Earl of Dufferin, the new President, delivered his inaugural address. His Lordship was supported by Sir Rutherford Alcock, K.C.B., D.C.L., the retiring President; Mr. C. R. Markham, C.B., the Secretary; Lord Arthur Russell, M.P., the Foreign Secretary, and other distinguished members of the Society. As an appropriate compliment to His Lordship's early travel in "high latitudes," the evening was devoted to the subject of Arctic Exploration. In his inaugural address the new President gave an eloquent and interesting account of his recent travels in the Great Northwest, with a glowing description of the prospects of that vast territory in connection with the future of the Dominion of Canada. Papers were also read on the Swedish Arctic expedition under Prof Nordenskjold and the recent Dutch expedition to the Polar regions.

SHIPPING.—NEW YORK, December 11.—Arrived Strs. "Nevada," from Liverpool....Queenstown, December 11.—Arrived Str "City of Berlin," from New York....London, December, 11.—Arrived Steamers "Ethiopia" and "Rhwiddia," from New York....Halifax, N.S., December 11.—Str "Alhambra" arrived from New York. H. M. ship "Bellerophon," "Rover" and "Argus" left their anchorage at the dockyard at noon, steamed down the harbor to George's Island, and came to anchor again, the weather being so unfavorable for going to sea.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

French Evangelization.

The second of the series of missionary meetings in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada was held last night in the Crescent street Church, and was largely attended. The division of the subject under consideration was French Evangelization. Rev. Dr. McVicar presided, and there were present Revs. Dr. Burns, J. Nichol, Scrimger, R. Campbell, R. M. Grant, A. T. Pierson, etc.

The chairman, after a few introductory remarks, read the report of the Board, which said that the aim of the Board was to give the Gospel to the million and a quarter French-speaking Roman Catholics of the Dominion. During the last three years the number of fields has increased from 9 to 33, and the missionaries from 12 to 44. The Board has stations in many important centres. In addition to the two French Presbyterian congregations in Montreal, we have the *only* French Protestant congregation in the city of Quebec—where a commodious church edifice was erected at a cost of $8,000 two years ago; the only French Protestant congregation in Ottawa city—in the Western section of which the Board recently opened a second preaching station, and the only French Protestant congregations in St. Hyacinthe, Joliette, New Glasgow, Danville, Namur, Grand Falls, Stellarton, &c., &c. The rapid growth of the work has rendered necessary the erection of mission premises at many points. There are now 14 places of worship in the fields under the care of the Board. A French department has been instituted in the Presbyterian College of Montreal, where there are at present 18 French students. The expenditure last year for the salaries of missionaries, &c., exceeded $30,000.

Dr. Burns moved "that this meeting expresses its gratitude to God for the fruitfulness of past labors on behalf of French Roman Catholics in this Dominion, and cherishes the hope that our Church may be stimulated thereby to achieve results in the future of which past blessings are only a foretaste and a pledge." The resolution referred to the fruitfulness of the work, which, of itself, was very cheering. If they went back forty years they would see the good that had been accomplished. He said, regarding the Rev. Mr. Chiniquy, that he had done a great work, and since that good man had been attacked in the speaker's Church at Halifax, he had learned to respect him more. The speaker thanked God for the work that man, with all his faults, had accomplished in connection with the cause. (Applause). He (the speaker) commended the education of the eighteen students, which he regarded as a very important branch of French evangelization. This work was healthy for the church, as they had to beware of the leaven of Romanism. Since the inception of this work it was wonderful to read of the hundreds that were being brought over from Rome. He concluded with an appeal on behalf of the mission.

The resolution was seconded and carried unanimously.

Rev. A. T. Pierson, of Detroit, moved "That this meeting regards it as an urgent Christian duty devolving upon all who enjoy the blessings and power of the Gospel to use their utmost endeavors to place within the range of their French Catholic fellow-citizens the same priceless boon." He observed that about the Christian religion there were two very remarkable features. The first was a universal invitation, "Come, all ye that labor and are heavy laden." The second was a universal obligation, "Go ye into the world," and the sum and substance of these two great features in the Christian system might be put in a single sentence, "Come, and then say, Come." They desired the French Roman Catholics to understand that the source of their hostility to papacy in all its forms was not on account of its political prejudices nor on account of its character as a form of religion, but because as Protestants they felt bound to re-affirm their emphatic protest against it as a corrupting form of Christianity. The three principal corruptions Romanism introduced were the corruption of the doctrine of justification by faith, the corruption of the doctrine of the intercession of the saints, and the doctrine of the infallibility of the Church over and against the infallibility of Christ, the Word and the Holy Spirit. These three great errors needed to be constantly held up to Christians, first to purge the church of Romanism, and secondly to impel the Church in the direction of the evangelization of the French Roman Catholic population. He deprecated the practice of some Protestants of sending their daughters to convents to be educated, and urged upon his hearers to pay particular attention to the religious training of the young.

The resolution was carried.

Rev. R. N. Grant moved that in view of the efficient and conscientious discharge of the duties of this branch of the work of the Church and of God's manifold mercies this meeting fervently recognises the necessity for systematic giving in the cause of Christ.

The resolution was adopted and the meeting was brought to a close.

THE BUTCHERS' CONTROVERSY

Meeting Last Evening—The Other Side of the Story—What the Private Stall-keepers Have to Say—They Form an Organization of Defence.

A large and influential meeting of the principal private butchers of Montreal was held in the hall, corner Craig and St. Lawrence streets, last evening, and was called to order by the appointment of Mr. W. L. Brown, of Brown Bros., 1323 St. Catherine street, chairman. He said: We are here to-night to organize ourselves into an association to resist the attempt of the butchers to send us back to the market, and to refute the false and slanderous statements circulated against us through the press. It had been stated that the movement had originated with the private butchers, but he would most emphatically deny that such was the case, as the whole agitation had been brought about by a market butcher and a private butcher, who had been unsuccessful in business, and who, in fact, wished to take refuge in the market. He might say that the agitation was more amongst those who were now in the market, but who formerly kept private stalls and were unsuccessful. In regard to the petition which had been circulated amongst the private butchers, many who signed it were intimidated, and would now gladly erase their names from the roll. They had been threatened exclusion from the markets when the law came into force if they did not sign, and this was particularly the case in the East End. In case the proposed scheme of abolishing private stalls became law it was generally understood that [illegible]s would do the same as they did in [illegible] times, when jobbing in market stalls was in order and exorbitant rates secured; when some of the fraternity carried weights and other articles around in their pockets, prepared to annihilate any one who would attempt to bid up the prices of the stalls. It had been stated by an evening paper that as a rule the private butchers did not pay up. This was utterly false, as not one of the private butchers owed a cent for licenses, with the exception, perhaps of one, a woman, who had only partially paid her license. On the contrary, the butchers of the markets were greatly in arrears to the Corporation. This same paper had stated that out of 104 stalls, which the reporter had visited, sixty-five butchers were in favor of central markets, and the doing away with private stalls. Now, there was not a man out of the forty who were assembled in that room who had received a visit from the said reporter. In regard to the cleanliness of private stalls they would not be patronized unless they were kept in a good sanitary condition, and in fact the private stalls were kept in a much better condition than the market stalls. As to the matter of convenience that was something important to consider. He knew of parties who would be unable to reach the general markets for their supplies unless attended with the greatest inconvenience. When it was known that the 104 private stalls in the city paid a revenue of $20,800 annually, and did not give the authorities the slightest trouble to collect it, was not that money a net gain to the corporation? The corporation talked about building other markets. How about that latest folly, St. James market? Was not the cost of it so great that they had to charge the butchers keeping stalls there an exorbitant rent for the purpose of defraying the salaries? And the butchers found it very hard to pay it. Now the fact of the matter was, that if matters were allowed to go on as they were at present the corporation would not find it necessary to expend a large amount of money—the people would be satisfied — the market butchers would perhaps feel a little bad over the failure of their "heathen Chinee game;" and everything would go on as satisfactory as it had done before. Before closing his remarks he would refer to the statement of an evening paper concerning the inspection and cleanliness of their stalls. He failed to see how such a statement should have been promulgated, as he might say that their shops were most thoroughly inspected every day, and the only conclusion to be drawn was that the calumny had been circulated for the injury of the private butchers. The Inspector was a practical man. He had been a butcher of forty years' standing, and was thoroughly competent in both the pork and beef butchering branches, a knowledge which very few understand. The Chairman, in concluding his remarks, said that they had been calumniated, and that they intended to carry the war into Africa. He said: "We will pursue them to the bitter end, until our rights are established, and we can carry on our business the same as others, *i. e.*, respectable grocers and the like." There was no reason why a butcher's shop should be a nuisance, none in the least, and he felt assured that the Market Committee would not grant the demands of the market butchers, as it would be a gross piece of injustice.

Mr. Geo. Bridgman, Aylmer street, naturally felt interested in this new scheme, which had been brought about by the market butchers to force the private-stall men into the market. It was now nine or ten years since the private stalls had been started, and they had given every satisfaction. Good meat had been secured, and sanitary laws were obeyed in every respect. There was more meat confiscated in the public markets than in the private. During the time that he had been in the market he had seen stalls sold for $1,300. Would it not have been an impossibility for a poor man to rent a stall? And did not those high rates engender high prices for meat? We feel that the private butchers who had signed the petition did so more from fear than anything else. There was no justice in the matter. The private butchers paid for their privileges, and paid dearly, and he believed did not interfere with the market butchers, with perhaps the exception that the price of meat was a little lower in the private stalls than in the markets. And was not this to the benefit of the citizens? Two months ago an Alderman offered his stall in the market for the price of the fixtures, $45, and since the present agitation he had asked $200 for it.

Mr. Barre, of St. Catherine street, said that stalls in the market which they formerly got $200 for they were now asking $800. This resulted of course from the present agitation.

Mr. Meunier of St. Catherine street, considered it a gross outrage on the part of the Corporation to alter the by-law. He had invested his means in opening a butcher shop within five hundred yards of the market, with the consideration that the by-law should remain as it was. It was evident that the market butchers were making money, as they had offered to advance means to the Corporation to build new markets.

Mr. Isaac Daoust, of Daoust Bros., took considerable interest in the present scheme, as it was intended to oust them out of their proper places. He was surprised to read in a public journal that an alderman had said he could not buy a decent piece of meat in the private stalls. The statement must be taken *cum grano salis*. He believed that the Market Committee would not act so far outside of the limits of their conscience by compelling the private butchers to move into the markets to their own and the inconvenience of their customers.

Mr. Joseph Laviolette, of 1312 St. Catherine street, referred to the fact that there were more than ten times the amount of cattle and sheep coming in than there were when there were no private stalls. A market butcher had said that the private stalls were spoiling the whole trade and ruining them by cheap prices. He called attention to the fact that families ate more meat because it was convenient to procure it.

Mr. Giroux, who kept a stall in the East End, believed that the stalls were a great convenience to the public, as he sold more meat after the public markets were closed than he did the rest of the day. He was frequently awakened at night to supply people who had sickness in their family.

Mr. Brown was proposed as chairman of a new private butchers' organization, and was unanimously elected, as was also Mr. Bridgman as Treasurer.

The Chairman, in bringing the meeting to a close, referred to the fact that the markets were closed at four o'clock, while private stalls were open until late in the evening, thus enabling parties who had no time to procure meat in any other part of the day to buy what they wanted, and not go to bed hungry. It have been stated that the private stalls were not cleanly. This might be said in truth of the markets, for in the east end of Bonsecours, the pits were worse than the Egyptian darkness, as the stench could be both felt and smelt.

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Bridgman, that THE STAR representative receive our thanks for being present this evening, and that in future we would be pleased to see other members of the fraternity present, as we intend to do our business above board. Carried.

A vote of thanks was then tendered to the Chairman, after which a committee was named to secure a hall and attend to all business of the Association.

BROTHERLY REGARD.

Albert Lodge Social—A Presentation to R. W. G. M. Bro. W. L. Lee.

The meeting of Albert Lodge No. 5 I. O. O. F. held Monday evening last was an exceedingly pleasant and enjoyable event. The regular business having been transacted, the Lodge adjourned. The officers and brothers, augmented this time by their lady friends, returned to the lodge-room, and after dancing had been indulged in for a short time, Bro. G. E. Nugent, N. G., called the company to order, and, on behalf of the brothers of the Lodge, presented Bro. W. L. Lee with a beautiful jewel, accompanied by an appropriate address, congratulating him on his recent election to the high office of M. W. G. M. of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the Province of Quebec.

Bro. Lee briefly thanked the brethren for the honor they had done him. He felt gratified to think they had chosen the opportunity in the presence of the ladies to bear testimony to their regard for him. They knew how much he valued the good opinion of the fair sex, and they had thus increased the obligation under which he should always feel himself bound to them. He trusted that he might be permitted to be with them for many years, and that he might never do anything to cause them to regret those kind expressions of sympathy and friendship to which they had given utterance.

THE JEWEL,

which was made by Mr. W. H. Lulham, is very handsome, and is in the shape of a five-pointed star; with open hands bearing a heart-shaped garnet in the centre. Between each point of the star is a stone; each of the fine being different and representing the colors corresponding to the five degrees of a subordinate Lodge. Raised in relief on the points of the star are the emblems of the different degrees. On the ribbon is a shield bearing the inscription; "Presented to Bro. W. L. Lee, P.G., P.G.P., M.W.G.M., by the brothers of Albert Lodge, No. 5, I.O.O.F., as a token of their regard and esteem. Montreal, Dec. 9th, 1878." And on the top the three links form an appropriate clasp for the whole. After a short interval the company adjourned to the supper-room, where a bountiful repast had been prepared. After full justice had been done to the good things, dancing was resumed, and was kept up until nearly 3 o'clock. The party then separated, having one and all spent a more than usually pleasant evening. We are not aware what trials and troubles await the novitiate into Albert Lodge (a careful enquiry having failed to elicit any information as to the whereabouts of the proverbial goat) but we feel sure they are deeply compensated for by the pleasant social relations into which the members are brought with each other.

We were pleased to notice amongst those present Bro. L. Silverman, R.W.G.W., and Bro. A. A. Murphy, R.W.G.S., the latter of whom kindly addressed the brothers in a very eloquent manner on various matters of interest to them and their friends.

THE SMALL-POX HOSPITAL.

The following additional evidence has been gathered upon this subject by representatives of THE STAR:—

Dr. Perrigo was of the opinion that some of the charges made against Miss Anderson were justifiable. In regard to Madame Fournier, he could not speak too highly of her conduct during the time when grave errors were committed in the Hospital. She had everything on her shoulders. If anything went wrong she certainly should not shoulder all the blame. He spoke of the sad case of a young lady patient of his, who had come from the West to nurse her sick sister. She contracted small-pox on the 18th November last and died on the 23rd of the same month. Hers was a dangerous case, and he went at all hours and in the most unforeseen moments, to see for himself whether anything was wrong in the Hospital or not. He never discovered any mismanagement. He had every confidence in Dr. Kennedy; did not blame Madame Fournier, and thought with Dr. Kennedy that Mayor Beaudry was to blame for many things which went wrong. Dr. Perrigo was further of the opinion that there were too many masters in the Board of Health. If there be one master and he were allowed a good living salary, so that he would be enabled to attend to his duties, and give up whatever practice he might have, everything would go on much better.

A Church of England minister, who visited the Protestant inmates of the Hospital in the month of August last, stated that he noticed nothing wrong in the condition of the building or in the way the staff of nurses attended to their duties. None of the patients made complaints to him of bad treatment.

Mrs. Rogers, of 98 William street, stated that her niece Arleine Demers, 19 years of age, was taken sick at her house with small-pox about the end of October last, and was immediately removed to the Hospital where the disease was found to be of a most malignant type. The sick girl was confined to her bed for four weeks, but at the end of that time was delivered over to her friends, weak it was true, but completely recovered of the small-pox. Mrs. Rogers spoke in unqualified terms of the kindness and attention shown to her niece by Madame Fournier, the matron, and aslo by Dr. Larocque, of the Health Department. She further said that Miss Demers was so favorably impressed by the manner in which everything was managed that she almost made up her mind to accept a situation on the staff of nurses.

POLICE NEWS.

The Recorder's Court—The Off-Side of Human Nature.

Dec 11.

For an hour before the Recorder's and Police Courts open the corridors are filled with individuals who, for nothing better to do, await the opening of the portals, and then for hours sit and listen to the proceedings. In winter the Courts furnish a refuge to many a poor half-clad man, for many indeed who would be glad to get work, and alas! for others who oftimes figure in the annals of the same Courts wherein they spend a pleasant hour or two once in a while.

Louise Pelletier, aged 19, was up before the Recorder this morning on a charge of being drunk. When the policeman found her she was sopping wet and looked like

A BUNDLE OF RAGS.

When brought to the station she told a sad tale of poverty and distress, but she is an old offender and belongs to that class of females who during the winter months so often seek protection in the police stations; $1.50 or 10 days.

Mary Carrol, aged 48, is a wretched specimen of mature depravity. She was found on the steps of the police station unable to move. The constable took her in, and in searching her found a bottle of gin. The cries which emanated from her during the night disturbed the rest of the inmates; $2.50 or 15 days.

"I WAS DRUGGED, YER HONOR,"

said Thos. J. Kenny, aged 51, a pedlar in the city. "I went into a drug store, yer honor, and bought some medicine which went to my head." "But the Sergeant charges you with being dead drunk and having a bottle of pale brandy in your pocket?" said His Honor. "True enough, yer honor, the brandy was for a room-mate." $1.50 or ten days.

THE LIST OF PRISONERS.

Alphonse St. Jacques, 21, carter; William Donaldson, 38, storeman; Louise Pelletier, 19; Joseph Denis, 26, telegraph operator; Thos. Kenny, 51, pedlar, drunk, $1.50 or ten days. Charles Robertson, driving without a number, $1.50 or ten days. Mary Carrol, 48, drunk, $2.50 or 15 days. John Fitzgerald, 24, driver, driving with his lamps not lit; warrant issued.

LATEST MAIL NEWS.

England.

English counterfeiters have of late turned their attention to Russian bank notes.

The sexton of Dagenham parish, Essex, in England, was buried alive while digging a grave.

English reporters are no longer admitted to see garroters flogged and murderers hanged.

One of the shortest wills on record has just been admitted to probate at Lewes. "Mrs. ——— is to have all when I die.'

A murder at Newcastle recently was the result of a quarrel between two men as to which was the better quadrille dancer.

A Blackburn correspondent telegraphs to the London *Globe* that thousands of operatives in that town are begging from door to door, so depressed is the state of trade.

The London *Economist* says that, with the exception of the potato (and it might have added the cabbage), the British working classes may be said to have just made a beginning in the use of vegetables.

"The Hallelujah Lassies," or "Salvation Army," a body of lady preachers under the command of a well-known clergyman, the Rev. W. Booth, have been creating some excitement in the north of England.

Bessemer steel is becoming so much improved in quality that it is being used quite largely for English cutlery. This is a great innovation, but if it proves successful it will lead to marked reductions in cutlery price lists.

Three-card-monte has invaded English railroad trains. A young man who had been swindled out of £5 while riding from Victoria Station to the Crystal Palace, in London, lately applied to a magistrate for a warrant of arrest against the sharpers.

Mr. Clare Sewell Reed, M.P., says in the *Times* that juvenile agricultural labor is now so scarce in England it is impossible to get boys for weeding, or for thinning turnips. Wages for laborers are 50 per cent. more than they were twenty-five years ago.

At Doncaster, Eng., a woman named Whiteside has been arrested on suspicion of having poisoned her husband and two children for the sake of the burial fee from an insurance society. She is also accused of forging the certificate of the death of her sister for the same purpose.

A resident of Plymouth got married on Saturday, quarrelled with his wife and thrashed her during the second hour of the honey-moon, thrashed her again at night after clubbing the wedding-guests out of the house, spent Monday at the tavern, selling all his clothes except his trousers, for drink, and on Tuesday was sent to gaol for a month.

Lord Windsor, who has just come of age and into possession of a vast property, has told his tenantry that he does not intend to employ keepers to preserve his game, but he hopes they will keep an eye on the property to prevent poaching, so that he and his friends may get some shooting. If a tenant desires an occasional day's sport he is to apply to the steward.

Sir Capel Fitzgerald, the disreputable baronet whose last appearance before a London court was for obtaining three dinners and an inrodinate quantity of liquor from an inn-keeper under false pretences, got off. The magistrate dismissed the case, while "declining to say anything as to the morality of the transaction," and the defendant promised to pay the bill in January.

Sir E. Buxton, the great brewer, owns 100 shares in the London Coffee Tavern Company. When challenged about his inconsistency in supporting both public-houses and institutions designed to supersede public-houses, he replied that it was a matter of business, and he thought that he might as well pocket the money gained in two sets of enterprises as the money in only one.

A new method of getting rid of children has been discovered in London. A woman advertised for some youngsters to be used in certain tricks at a public entertainment, promising to maintain and treat them kindly while in her service. When she got through with them she could find no owner for one little four-year-old, and had it left on her hands. She had to apply to the guardians of the parish to take it off.

There is in the Church of England a growing movement in favor of the establishment of a general assembly, in which the Diocesan Synods or Conferences shall be represented. The London *Guardian* says the "desire of some representation of the Church, in which clergy and laity may deliberate side by side on all that concerns her constitution and development, is all but universal.

Lord Chelmsfold has died poorer than any other Chancellor in the past hundred years says Lyndhyrst. His personalty is valued under $250,000, and he had hardly any real estate. He left seven children. His eldest son is now Commander-in-Chief at the Cape of Good Hope, and the third is a Lord Justice of the Supreme Court. Lord Chelmsford was kept poor by a very expensive wife.

On the 22nd ult. Sir Albert Woods, Garter Principal King of Arms, went to Windsor Castle and placed the arms and banners of the Earl of Beaconsfield in the choir of St. George's Chapel. The banner of the Premier, and scarf, sword and helmet were hung among the insignia of the Knights of the Garter above the stalls on the right or Sovereign side of the chapel, and are the last of the row, the position facing the reredos. An ormolu plate bearing his lordship's arms was also affixed to the back of his stall.

The *Lancet* brings a serious charge against the authorities who were responsible for selecting the Black Watch and the 101st Regiment for duty in Cyprus. Both these regiments, as is well known, have suffered heavily from malarious fever in Cyprus, and the *Lancet* contends that their liability to attacks of fever ought to have been perfectly well known to the General Staff; and that being so, they should never have been sent to Cyprus without inquiry as to its suitableness from a sanitary point of view.

The Liverpool *Mercury* says that a noteworthy instance of commercial morality is announced by Mr. Peter Bancroft, of that town, who recently received an unsigned letter, in which was enclosed a bank note for £1,000. The only information vouchsafed by the sender was that the bank-note was the amount of an old debt and accumulated interest, which he was sorry not to have been in a position to forward to Mr. Bancroft before. Mr. Bancroft has not the slightest idea from whom he has received this conscience money.

Special Notices.

Beware of Socialists.

Beware of any man who seeks to convince you by arguments, however assumingly broad and philanthropic, that the world can reach a higher social and moral plane through anarchy and by saturating the flags of the nations in their rulers' blood. Beware, too, of the man who attempts to convince you that there are better remedies for chronic diseases of the stomach and liver than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Pleasant Purgative Pellets. They have stood the test of many years' trial by the public, and their sales are annually increasing.

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WANTED, a thoroughly competent Book keeper. Address, stating references, and salary expected. F W, STAR Office. 292 2

WANTED, an experienced Nurse, Protestant preferred. Apply to Mrs. P. R. Bedpath, 114 McKay street. 292 3

WANTED, a smart Boy, about 16, for Fur store, one having been with a furrier before preferred, also, Girl finisher. Apply 61 St. Joseph street. 292 2

WANTED, a young Lady, a good Singer and Piano player, to travel with a young gentleman, exhibiting Edison's Phonograph; expenses paid from Montreal. Address, James A. Longside, Toronto, P. O., Ont. 292 6

WANTED — An experienced Drayman. Apply to Wm. Dow & Co. 292 tf

WANTED — Cigar-makers and Bunch-makers, at J. M. Fortier's, 441 St. Paul street. 291 5

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A first-class Salesman and Saleswoman. None need apply unless experienced in Millinery and Dry Goods. References required. A. D. Florant, 367 St. Joseph, corner Mountain street. 291 4

WANTED, a thorough Saleswoman, for a Confectioner's Store. Address, Box 1654 P. O., City. 291 3

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—Two Housemaids, four General Servants, two Plain Cooks, three young Girls, with good references. City Registry Office, 1222 St. Catherine street. 290 6

WANTED—Experienced Book Agents, Ladies and Gentlemen. Best book. Everybody wants it. Large wages to live canvassers. Address, stating experience, Box 334 P.O., Montreal. 290 6

WANTED — Three First-class Working Jewellers. Apply at J. R. Harper & Co.'s, 386 Notre Dame street. 289 6

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LOST.—On the 29th November, a Bull, brown color, with white spots, the right ear cut; also, on the 9th December, a red Cow, left ear cut, both belonging to Mr. Racicot, of Ste. Victoire, Sorel. Information will be received by Mr. O'Reilly, of the Viger Market, on Craig street. 292 3

LOST—This morning, between St. Lawrence Hall, via St. Francois Xavier and Craig streets to St. Charles Borromee, a Package of One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars with Mechanics' Bank bills of the following denominations:—20 $4's, 9 $5's—$125.00. A liberal reward will be paid by leaving same at the STAR Office. 291 4

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ART CLASS.

In consequence of the marked suc[illegible] of the ART CLASS, during the last year, Mrs. [illegible]VELL is induced to enlarge its programme by ha[illegible] MONTHLY CONVERSAZIONES, at which wi[illegible] be exhibited, through the liberality and court[illegible] of some connoisseurs, a few choice sample[illegible] Paintings in Oil, Drawings in Water Colors, Pe[illegible] Ink Sketches, Etchings, Engravings, Ceramics, [illegible]mels, Carvings, Bronzes, Medals, &c., for the pu[illegible]se of cultivating good taste and familiarity with [illegible] Fine Arts among her pupils.

At these Conversaziones sho[illegible] papers will be read, and discussion invited thereon, [illegible] that the mind and the eye may be both educat[illegible] and brought to the knowledge of the true and th[illegible]eautiful.

In the Art Class, the Elements of Design, Perspective, Drawing from the Flat Round and Life, Painting in Oils and Water Co[illegible], Ceramic Decoration and Modelling will be t[illegible] by Mr. GRAY, upon the system adopted and recommended by the Commissioners of the Kensington Art Museum, England.

In order to extend the usefulness and give the opportunity to young ladies, who are not members of the regular classes, to participate in the advantages of the art culture thus bestowed, Mrs. LOVELL will be prepared to receive extra pupils.

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THE STAR.

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE CIRCULATION OF THE STAR for the week ending December 7, and the corresponding period of 1877:

DECEMBER, 1877.			DECEMBER, 1878.		
Monday..	3	15,084	Monday..	2	14,920
Tuesday...	4	15,060	Tuesday...	3	14,865
Wed'sday.	5	14,867	Wed'sday.	4	14,518
Thursday.	6	15,105	Thursday.	5	14,724
Friday....	7	14,957	Friday...	6	15,037
Saturday.	8	14,817	Saturday.	7	16,226
Total......		89,890	Total.....		90,290

Average daily circulation for week ending December 7, 1878:

15,048.

The books and vouchers are constantly open for inspection, and the public are invited to call and examine for themselves.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1878.

Answers to Correspondents.

PATRON.—Oblige me with the names and addresses of newspapers devoted to dogs and poultry. ANS.—The *Canadian Gentleman's Journal*, in Toronto; *Wilkes' Spirit*; *The Sportsman*; *The Clipper*; *Turf, Field and Farm*, New York, and, indeed, all the sporting papers in the United States and Canada.

AN ENGLISH READER.—Can I send a parcel of Indian goods, made of bark, beads, &c., to England, free of Customs duty? Would it be the best to send them by post or express? Are there any Canadian gold coins, and, if so, what is their value? ANS.—There appears to be nothing in the British tariff to prevent such goods going duty free. The method of sending would depend on their bulk and weight. We have no Canadian gold coins.

GREAT BRITAIN may, after all, assume a protectorate over Constantinople, with even the consent of Russia.

THE freshets and wash-outs that have taken place within a day or two are most serious, the amount of damage done being very considerable.

IT has been estimated that the expense attendant on the vice-regal journey from Halifax to Ottawa will amount to little less than fifty-thousand dollars. This figure includes the expense attending the demonstrations in Halifax, Montreal and Ottawa.

ACCORDING to *La Minerve*, the Quebec Government hove done a very improper thing in disqualifying Mr. Martel from his seat in the Municipal Council of Chambly Basin, he having, by the certificate of the Secretary-Treasurer, complied with all the requirements of the law.

THE question of a standing army for Canada, reference to which was made in THE STAR last evening is, creating much talk among our Volunteers. So far, however, nothing definite has been received at the Militia Office here. This much may be said of the matter, however,—that the present Minister of Militia is in favor of a scheme which will give to the Province a small standing army. The opinions of Sir Selby Smythe in this particular are no secret. That officer has over and over again spoken favorably of the scheme for the establishment at least of the nucleus of a standing army, and recent events which called upon the Volunteer Militia of the country so extensively seem to strengthen these opinions.

IN another article allusion is made to the subject of the super-abundance of addresses with which the Marquis of Lorne and his wife have, it is said, been overwhelmed since their arrival in this country. According to the latest advices the faithful Conservatives of the Capital having been "addressing" Sir John Macdonald and Doctor Tupper, together with their organist, Mr. C. H. Mackintosh, of the Ottawa *Citizen*. The terms of the addresses were couched in the usual strains of appreciation of services and devotion to party, and elicited replies in the course of which promises were reiterated that pledges which had been given would be redeemed and that by legislation endeavors would be made to retrieve the position of the country. Sir John Macdonald, however, warned his admirers not to be in too great a hurry, while Dr. Tupper, who was even more honored than his leader, being the recipient of a portrait of himself, assured the people that they would have no occasion to regret their action of 17th September last.

THE trial of Mr. John Ruskin for libel in criticising the paintings of Mr. Whistler, resulted in giving the artist a farthing damages and letting each party pay his own costs. Mr. Whistler it seems is one of the modern school whose aim is to invent a new style of painting better than that of the great masters, exhibited certain pictures at the Grosvenor gallery in the summer of 1877. He did not give them any comprehensible names, but called one an "arrangement," another a "nocturne," a third a "harmony." It was generally agreed that it required a powerful imagination to see in them any of the things that usually make pictures. Mr. Ruskin not only said this, but came down upon Whistler with a sledge hammer, declaring that "the ill-educated conceit of the artist approached the aspect of willful imposture;" adding: "I have seen and heard much of cockney impudence before now, but never expected to hear a coxcomb ask 200 guineas for flinging a pot of paint in the public's face." Mr. Whistler asked $5,000 for the damages to his reputation, and then his counsel proceeded to argue the case before the jury as a question of art; whereas, according to Mr. Smalley, their true point was—allowing the paintings to be bad, was Mr. Ruskin's language legitimate criticism, or was it an attack on the painter's character? An ordinary jury might have understood that question; but when it came to a dispute between one set of critics and artists and another coterie of artists and critics, of course the more ordinary and obvious school had the advantage. In the United States some of the papers are strongly inveighing against Mr. Whistler's insolence, saying that a new school of Art should not have been dealt with as insolently as he saw fit to do, but at the same time they blame Mr. Whistler's counsel for not having presented the case in a much more acceptable manner.

Seasonable Sentences.

Now that we have got the Marquis of Lorne and his princess wife fairly among us, and have given them both such a hearty welcome, it is time for people to settle down and look at their advent in a sensible light. Since the "Sarmatian" landed the new Governor-General, everything has been going with a whiz. That style of thing cannot be kept up, and there is no need that it should. Loyalty is one thing, lavish adulation another, while a mixture of the two is an abomination no thinking person can stand. We concede that the composition of these addresses affords occupation to some minds, especially those of men possessed of a belief in their powers of turning a rounded period; that certain worthy individuals earn a few honest dollars engrossing them, and that certain other individuals acquire a temporary eminence and a permanent sense of superiority to ordinary mankind by reading them. But the mass of mankind outside of these individuals, their friends and families, don't care two straws about addresses, skip them when they see them in the papers, and pity the unfortunate Viceroy at whose head they are so pitilessly pelted. Lord Dufferin has much to answer for in his encouragement of that most dreary of all bores, the professional address presenter, and we venture to predict that long before the Marquis of Lorne gets ready to start home again he will be thoroughly tired of this kind of thing. Let the Princess and her spouse be treated like rational beings, and not as if they were merely prize cattle or Aztec children, trotted about for show. Give them a chance to move about as if they had a right to independent action. Let mayors, corporations, functionaries of every kind, toad-eaters, tuft-hunters and snobs generally give them a little peace, and not follow them perpetually. Let people who may have to meet them not make idiots of themselves by rushing into extravagance, and let us have no nonsense in the way of Turvey-dropism. A dancing-master in Toronto, named Fanning, who had been hissed out of Ohio as incurable, went to London last summer, and claiming to having had instructions from the Lord Chamberlain as to Court etiquette, has returned, and has recently published and is selling a lot of ungrammatical trash purporting to inform people, presumed to be reasonably intelligent, how to behave in the presence of royalty. This fellow's pamphlet is the veriest trash, and yet the "bloods" in Toronto are buying it by the thousand, and people are actually sending their sons and daughters to Turvey-drop to be equipped with a knowledge of Court deportment. Let us have none of this nonsense in Montreal, at any rate. Let us behave like well-ordered beings, blessed by Providence with brains enough to keep out of the way of disgusting our visitors and charges with overdoses of flattery and slavering obsequiousness.

City News.

THE BACHELORS OF MONTREAL will give a ball about Christmas time.

MR. THOMAS WHITE, at present in Washington in connection with the National Board of Trade proceedings there, will return on Monday.

GENERAL SESSIONS. — Harriet Day was yesterday found guilty of receiving stolen goods. William Morcom then stood his trial on the charge of stealing a coat from the Waverley House. This is the case in which the jury formerly disagreed.

THIEF ARRESTED. — Several boxes of Dufresne & Mongenais' cigars were recovered Tuesday, and one of the thieves was arrested. The cigars were found in the store of Mr. Racette, St. Paul street, to whom they had been sold by some of the thieves.

SEASONABLE SPORT.—The members of the Montreal Snowshoe Club were out in force last evening for their tramp across country, and had a most enjoyable time of it. The Montreal steeplechase for the President's gold medal and five other prizes will be had on Wednesday night, January 8th.

BRIEFLETS.—It was a fine frosty morning, and the air in Montreal was clear and bright. ....Pavements slippery and not a few tosses. ....At a meeting of the Montreal Committee of the Council held yesterday in this city, Mr. Henry Lyman presiding, Mr. Hopkins was instructed to prepare plans and specifications for the re-erection of the Crystal Palace building on the Provincial Exhibition grounds, and a building committee was appointed....The robbery at Mr. Rey's store, mentioned in the first edition of THE STAR yesterday, was supplemented by a piece of barefaced impudence on the part of the thief. He returned to the store and had a glass put into his watch by the proprietor, who was not quick enough to catch him, although his son recognized the man as the thief.

Suburban News.

ST. CUNEGONDE.—Mayor Lalonde and Councillor Hetu, of St. Cunegonde, have been authorized to sign the necessary papers to allow Messrs. Beique & Beique to commence the new water-works.

Amusements.

MADAME DE SEVE'S CONCERT will be held this evening in Mechanics' Hall, commencing at 8 o'clock. Mr. De Seve is one of the most pleasing of our Canadian violinists, and should add in no small degree to the success of the concert. As the concert has been inaugurated to help a young Canadian to pursue his musical studies in Paris, it commends itself to the charitably disposed, as well as to those who delight in good music.

City Improvements.

The widening of part of Claude street has opened up an avenue to Bonsecours market, long needed, and when it is completed those who do business at the market will have much upon which to congratulate themselves.

There are at present in course of construction in the Western suburbs of the city under the supervision of Mr. Eric Mann, architect, four large houses on Clarke avenue, two of which front on the avenue and have each 26 feet front with extension wings in rear and 52 feet in depth. Both have porches, verandahs and ornamental cornices. Those fronting on Olivier street are 35x35, stone fronts with bay windows and generally fitted with with all the improvements necessary to first-class residences.

Taking Documents from the Court House.

On Tuesday, at the First Division of the Superior Court, Mr. Duhamel, advocate, complained to the presiding judge, Mr. Justice Johnson, of the negligence of the Prothonotary in not producing the record in a case in which he was interested; whereupon His Honor made the remark that it was improper and directly against the law to allow parties to take records out of the Court House, and that it was only in this country that that practice was tolerated, that in England a man would be put in prison for such an offence. He added, that serious consequences might arise out of such a practice; saying, that one day as he was walking along St. James street, he met a member of the Bar carrying a bundle of papers, and noticing that the learned gentleman had dropped a paper out of the bundle he was carrying, His Honor stooped down and picked up that paper, which turned out to be a list of exhibits belonging to a record of the Superior Court. His Honor again remarked that the loss of that document might have led to some very serious consequence.

THE POST OFFICE.

Scenes and Incidents this Morning.

This morning the usual busy scenes were to be witnessed in the Post Office, and some of them were peculiar. One, which was unique, deserves special mention. It was that of a dog fancier who had a basket of puppies for sale, and these being of the water spaniel breed, excited much attention. Hangers-on are few, the dread of pickpockets has made people more careful of their letters, and there will probably be few such cases to report as that mentioned in Tuesday's STAR, of a man having registered letters picked from his coat pocket,

THE INQUIRY OFFICE,

as usual, has its curious business to transact. Many queer questions are asked of the obliging clerk in attendance. Among them is one from a gentleman in Ohio, who "wants to purchase a Canadian pony, 15 hands high, black, long tail and with all the points that are good in a beast." Another wanted to know "how to go about getting a good situation in the Post-Office;" still another called in person and asked where the dead letter office was, as he wanted to place a tombstone over a letter of his which had died in process of transmission. These are specimens of hundreds of daily queries.

LOST ON THE PLAINS.

A Montreal Man Starves, is Succored, and Gorges Himself to Death.

From a contemporary we learn of the terrible death of a Montreal man in Arizona. It seems that the young man, whose name was J. Burrill Atherton, and who was in the employ of Mr. Swalwell, stevedore, at the wharves in this city a few years ago, joined the United States cavalry in 1876, and was immediately removed to Arizona in connection with the protection of the citizens of that State against the invasions of the roving bands of Indians that infest that locality; and he gained great distinction as a brave soldier. On the 17th of last October Atherton and a detachment of comrades were sent to one of the agencies of the Government to enquire into a recent attack of the Indians on the stores of the Agency. The Agency was situated about fifty miles from where Atherton's company was encamped, and, after a long and fruitless chase for the turbulent redskins, the detachment determined to return to the main camp. By some accident or other Atherton got separated from his comrades and

LOST HIS WAY ON THE PLAINS.

After wandering around for four days without food he became utterly exhausted, and laid down to die in a little valley through which ran a miniature river. He was found by a trapper who was passing that way on horseback, at the close of the fifth day, in a very weak state from hunger and exposure. The man immediately prepared to relieve poor Atherton, and cooked a quantity of venison, meat and potatoes which he had in his saddle-bags, and left him eating while he went to the brook near by to get some water to make coffee for the almost famished man. Imagine his horror on returning

HE FOUND ATHERTON STONE DEAD.

He had eaten his food so ravenously that he either choked himself, or so disturbed or overloaded his stomach that the result proved fatal. Information was then forwarded to an acquaintance of his in Montreal, who, in turn, wrote to Atherton's mother, who lives in Wolverhampton, England. The young man lived in Montreal four years altogether, and was very sober and industrious. He will be remembered by many around the wharves now, as he once boarded with a Mrs. Mullin on Commissioners street.

THE INTERNATIONAL DAIRY FAIR.

Ineffectual Attempt to Decry Canadian Butter—Official List of Prices—A New Yorker's Opinion.

It is to be regretted that an attempt should have been made by the special reporter of a morning paper of this city to cast a slur upon Canadian exhibits of butter at the recent International Dairy Fair held in New York. The special reporter, however, having found out his mistake upon reading THE STAR of Dec. 7th, at once proceeded to modify his first statement by saying "of course some packages are very fine, and it would be difficult to find better." Very true. He adds, however, "but take the lot collectively, a better display might have been made." Now, admitting this to be true, which is a feasible probability, we would ask why single out the very creditable display of Canadian butter for such an insinuation, when it was more applicable to every section of American butter on exhibit? In the special reporter's communication, which appeared yesterday in the paper above referred to, he says: "What I originally stated, I maintain." But of course he does not intend this to apply to the whole of his original statement, because he mentioned therein that "five lots only are exhibited, all by Messrs. A. A. Ayer & Co., of Montreal," which is so absurdly incorrect, as we have previously shown, that it cannot for a moment be maintained. We are now in receipt of the official list of prizes taken at the International Dairy Fair for Canadian butter, and are pleased to notice that Messrs. A. A. Ayer & Co.'s exhibits carried off the first and second prizes, both for creamery and dairy butter as follows:—

Creamery—1st, Russeltown Flats, C. Turcot.

Creamery—2nd, Nith Valley, Gales, Woodcock & Co.

Dairy—1st, S. Goodhue, of Barnston.

Dairy—2nd, G. W. Ayer, per William Beattie.

These creameries and dairies, which are handled exclusively by Messrs. A. A. Ayer & Co., were much admired, and attracted considerable attention. The third prize was awarded to the Teeswater, Ont., Creamery. A New Yorker at the fair observed that it was true Canada had not a very big display of butter, but, said he, "what there is of it is mighty pretty." The first and second prize for Canadian cheese was awarded, as we before stated, to Mr. T. Ballantyne, M.P.P., Stratford, Ont.

COMMERCIAL.

December 12.

Pictou, N.S., shipped last week 2,292 tons of coal, making the total shipments for the season 142,497 tons.

A convention of steamboat owners at New York have appealed to Congress to assist the shipping interest to put an end to railway pooling, and to have free canals.

The Chicago *Tribune* says: A lot of 100 barrels of stuff supposed to be yellow grease was sent from this city to Cincinnati last week on an order. By some mistake a bbl of pork got into the consignment, and now there is a claim for damages, the pork not being worth so much as grease. How are the mighty fallen.

Outside Business Troubles.

Hanam, Lieutenaner & Co., clothing dealers, of St. Paul, Minn., have failed. Liabilities, $250,000.

William Kandick, liquor and produce merchant, Halifax, N. S., who is said to be largely involved in the business of W. C. Brennan & Co., insolvents, has called a meeting of his creditors. He will probably only require an extension of time to meet all obligations.

At a recent meeting of the creditors of Larochelle & Scott, Quebec, Mr. Larochelle offered $15,000 cash for the estate, and placed a document before the meeting, signed by most of the creditors, accepting the offer. The attorneys of some of the English creditors, however, objected, and further legal proceedings will probably be had.

At a meeting of the creditors of ex-Alderman Gearing, Toronto, held yesterday, a letter was read from him stating that if the creditors relinquished their claim on his household furniture to his wife, he would return and give up $1,800 he had with him. Resolutions were passed agreeing to do this, appointing inspectors of estate, and instructing the assignee to pay workmen's wages as soon as he had funds in hand. The assignee was instructed to write to Mr. Gearing stating the result of the meeting.

The Hay Market.

For some time past a considerable quantity of wet and damaged hay has been brought into the city, and sold at from $6 to $7 per 100 bundles of 15 lbs. each. It can generally be seen on the market just after sundown, when its demerits are not so easily detected. Sales of good Timothy were made yesterday afternoon at $8 to $8.50, and a few extra choice loads brought $9.50 to $10 per 1,500 lbs. The supply this week has been large, but the demand about absorbs all offerings. Straw is in pretty fair demand at from $4.50 to $6.50 per 100 bundles of 12 lbs. each.

The Fuel Market.

COAL.—Dealers complain loudly of the stagnant condition of the market during the past week, which they attribute exclusively to the recent mild spell. The lower prices in New York have had no effect on this market, nor are they likely to have. The advance established at the beginning of the present month has been sustained.

We quote prices per ton, delivered, as follows:—

Pittston and Lackawanna		
Stove, 2,000 lbs..........	$7 00	to $0 00
do. Egg..........	6 75	0 00
do. Chestnut......	6 50	0 00
Grate..........	5 50	0 00
Pictou Steam, 2,240 lbs.....	5 50	0 00
Scotch Steam, do	5 50	0 00
Newcastle Smiths, do	5 50	6 00

CORDWOOD.—There was a considerable quantity of firewood on the wharves near the Victoria pier yesterday, but it was being hauled into the city yards. The weather has been against the wood trade for some time past, but the present change to colder weather will undoubtedly make things brisker. Prices are steady at per cord delivered as follows:—Maple, $6.25 to $6.75; birch, $5.75 to $6; beech, $5 to $5.50.

MORNING MONEY MARKET.

New York.

December 12, 11 a.m.

Gold............	100¼	@ 00
Sterling Exchange.........	483	@ 00
MONTREAL.		
Greenbacks bought at a discount of..........	1	@ 00
Greenbacks sold at a discount of..........	0	@ 00
Drafts on New York........	0	@ 00
Silver bought at a discount of	6	@ 8

W. WEIR,
Stock and Exchange Broker,
Cor. St. Francois Xavier and Notre Dame streets.

Noon Telegrams.

PRINCESS ALICE PROGRESSING FAVORABLY.—LONDON, Dec. 12.—A despatch from Darmstadt says the Grand Duchess of Hesse is progressing favorably, and is now able to take some nourishment, and the fever is diminishing.

THE NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The *Sun* says it is said by persons enjoying confidential relations with President Hayes that either Stanley Mathews or E. Rockwood Hoar will be the new Attorney-Generél.

BLAINE'S SPEECH.—NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Mr. Blaine's speech fell rather coldly, even on a great many Republicans. The passage of the bill to regulate interstate commerce, by the Senate is doubtful; but as it relates to an important question of rates of freights and passengers on railroads, it is bound to devolve considerable debate.

THE ELECTORAL BILL.—NEW YORK, December 12.—A Washington special to the *Times* says the indications are that Edmunds' Electoral Bill will receive the support of several Democrat Senators, and pass with perhaps some amendment.

NOT GUILTY. — NEWCASTLE, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Vincent and William Newcomb, charged with attempting to kill a negro recently to cover up infanticide, were found not guilty.

FIRE.—MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 12. — The Eagle Furniture Manufactory establishment was burned; loss, $10,000.

SUICIDE.—ENFIELD, O., December 12.—Erastus Barnes hung himself yesterday while temporarily insane over the death of his wife two years ago.

COTTON AND CONSOLS.—LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12, 11:30 a.m.—Cotton—Uplands, 5; Orleans, 5....LONDON, Dec. 11, 11.30 a.m. Bonds—Four and a-half's, 106¼; 67's, 105½; fives, 108½.

EXTENSIVE ROBBERY.

Bonds, Securities, Bank Stock, &c., Amounting to $100,000 Carried Off.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 12.—One of the most daring and successful robberies ever perpetrated in St. John was executed yesterday afternoon, when the private office of Turnbull & Co., on Ward street, was entered, and bonds, stock certificates and other valuable papers, in all to the value of over

ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

were carried off. About 4:40 o'clock Mr. Turnbull went to his safe for the purpose of procuring some papers for A. F. Randolph, President of the People's Bank, Fredericton. Putting in his hand to take out the cash-box, he found, to his amazement, that

IT WAS GONE.

The box contained, as far as known, 46 New Brunswick Railway Company debentures of $1,000 each; $21,000 in Spring Hill Coal Mining Company stock certificates; $15,000 in Peoples Bank stock certificates, Bank of New Brunswick and Maritime

BANK STOCK CERTIFICATES

and other papers, in all representing, it is supposed, about $100,000. None of the other papers or securities in the safe were disturbed, though there was about $2,000 in bank notes and some bonds, &c., in a package close to the apartment where the cash box was kept. For some days a plumber and carpenter were engaged

DOING SOME REPAIRS

in the office, but with this exception no stranger had access to the apartments where the safe was kept. Neither Mr. Turnbull nor any of the firm's employees can fix on any exact limit of time within which the cash-box was stolen. It might have been on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, but the fact that it was

TAKEN DURING BUSINESS HOURS

is beyond dispute, as the doors of the vault and safe are carefully locked every night, and the safe combination is known only to the firm members and their confidential clerk. No suspicious persons have been seen about the premises, and it is impossible to account for the robbery.

Age of Enlightenment.

In an age of enlightenment like the present, the value of electricity, and of compounds containing an eclectric principle as remedial agents, is widely appreciated. Foremost among the latter, both as regards the thoroughness and safety of its effects, and the rapidity of its action, is Thomas' Eclectric Oil, a widely popular external and internal remedy for coughs, colds, sore throat, asthma, croup, and other affections of the breathing organs; an invaluable outward specific for lame back, soreness and contraction of the muscles, and every variety of sore or hurt; a prompt source of relief for pain, and a medicine upon which the public can also implicity depend in cases of rheumatism, neuralgia, piles and kidney complaints, inflammatory affections, dysentery, and many other ailments. Its persistent use eradicates the most obstinate of the disorders to which it is adapted. Physicians speak of it in the highest terms. Moreover, horsemen and stock raisers administer it with the greatest success for diseases and hurts of horses and cattle. Sold by all medicine dealers. Price, 25 cents. Prepared only by Northrop & Lyman, Toronto, Ont.

Special Notices.

NATIONAL PILLS are applicable even for infants, as well as adults.

WHITE DRESS SHIRTS made to order, at Bond's Shirt and Glove Store, opposite Thompson's Hat Store.

PHOSFOZONE—A preparation which restores to the human frame the most essential elements of life, giving *energy* and *vitality* to the whole muscular and nervous system. Sold by all druggists.

THROAT DISEASES. — A physician and sufferer from Bronchitis says: "For alleviating that horrid irritation only felt by those who have suffered from any *Bronchial affection*, and for Hoarseness and Sore Throat too, I am free to confess (though I am an M.D.) that "*Brown's Bronchial Troches*" answer all that is claimed for them.

ATTENTION!—Christmas Gifts adapted to every age and condition in life will be found at the Bazaar in the Ladies Benevolent Institution, 31 Berthelet street, on Saturday, 14th December. A beautiful "Windsor" stove, an iron crib, tea tables, chairs, trimmed baskets, pictures, lamps, fancy China, dolls of artistic beauty and dress, toys and groceries, all—at a crash in prices!

New Advertisements to-day.

MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL.

NOTICE!

From and after the 1st January, 1879, no out-door relief will be granted unless upon the presentation of a certificate, stating that the party presenting the order is known to the person giving the certificate, and is unable to pay for advice and medicines; such certificate to be signed by a Governor of the Hospital, a subscriber to the Hospital of not less than $5, a member of the Medical Board, or a clergyman resident in Montreal.

By order,

293 tf Committee of Management.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A small French Carom Billiard Table, complete; suitable for a private residence, Only six months in use. Apply after 6 p.m. at 134 Drolet street. 293 6

TO LEND — $28,000, on first mortgage on city property, at low rates. Apply to J. Leveille, Real Estate Agent Office, No. 12 Exchange Bank Building, 102 St. Francois Xavier street. 290 6

TO LET, at a nominal rent, a first-class Farm. To a thorough farmer this is an exceptional opportunity. Address "Farmer," STAR Office, Montreal. 270

TO LET—On St. John street, Quebec, a large Double Store, plate glass front, gas, shelving, and counters complete, suitable for Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, or the Auction business; rent low by the month or year. Apply at 274 St. Lawrence Main street, St. Jean Baptiste Village, or to Mr. Thomas Casey, Quebec. 293 6

ROOMS—To let, furnished, part of a house or several rooms, with use of kitchen; private family, west end. Address, "Beta," STAR Office. 293 3

ROOMS—With use of kitchen, to let. 813 Craig street. 293 6

ROOM—A pleasant front room with board, for a gentleman. 218 Bleury street. 293 5

BOARD—First-class Board and comfortable Rooms, with every attention. 18 Victoria street. Terms moderate. 293 3

LOST—A young Terrier Bitch, about six months old, dark grey hair; ears and tail docked. The finder will be rewarded at 491 St. Paul street. 293 2

WANTED, a general Servant, to go to St. Therese. Apply at 404 St. Antoine street. 293 2

WANTED, a Girl accustomed to Feeding a Newspaper Folding Machine. Apply at the STAR Office. 293 3

WANTED, an Assistant Pressman and an experienced Feeder for a Taylor Press. GRAHAM & CO., STAR Office. 293 2

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PROTESTANT HOME FOR FRIENDLESS WOMEN,
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The Committee of Management of the Home for Friendless Women beg the use of your columns to make an appeal to the public for aid, and in doing so they desire to give same information with reference to the Institution.

The object of the Institution is not to give temporary relief, even to the worthy and deserving. The House of Industry and Refuge on Dorchester street is doing this work in such a praiseworthy manner that it would not be advisable that another Protestant institution so near at hand should undertake the same duty. The especial object of the Home for Friendless Women is to provide a way by which intemperate or fallen women who have the disposition to amend their lives may be aided in their purpose of reformation. The Home being limited in its capacity, only those are received who are most likely to be benefitted. Admission is restricted to women under thirty years of age, and these are required to engage to remain one year; a twelve month, it is found, is short enough time in which to change the habits of the inmates, and to train them to vocations by which they will be enabled, when discharged from the Home, to earn their own livelihood.

The labor of the women while in the Institution is made, as far as possible, to contribute to their support. During the past eight months over nine hundred dollars has been received by the Treasurer from this source, an amount largely in excess of that received at any corresponding period. The Committee are exercising all the economy they possibly can, and yet they find themselves over six hundred dollars in debt. This is owing not to increased expenditure, but to diminished subscriptions. Doubtless, the commercial depression which has befallen the community during the present year, fully accounts for the falling off in the contributions, and yet perhaps in many cases it is to be attributed to the benevolent Christian public not being aware of the work which the Home for Friendless Women is acchmplishing, and the need there is for assistance.

While in some instances the Committee have met with disappointment in their endeavors to promote the permanent reformation of the women whom they have cared for, yet in many others success has attended their efforts, and there are a goodly number of women in Montreal and elsewhere now earning an honest livelihood, whose reformation, under God, is owing to the Protestant Home for Friendless Women. The good which has already been done stimulates the Committee to continue their labors. They venture to express the hope that their appeal for aid will meet with a generous response.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

CORNELIA HUTTON, Acting-President.
ELIZA A. REID, Treasurer.
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Those who prefer my make of Tobacco CAN ONLY BE CERTAIN THEY ARE GETTING IT BY SEEING MY NAME ON THE STAMP.

W. C. McDONALD,
Montreal, 25th September, 1878. 237*

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The Subscribers will sell at their Stores, Nos. 126 and 128 St. Peter street,

On Friday, 13th December,

all the Unclaimed Freight and Baggage belonging to the above Company.

Sale at TWO o'clock.

BENNING & BARSALOU,
291 Auctioneers.

By Marcotte & Archambault.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1875 and AMENDMENTS THERETO.

The undersigned have received instructions from the Assignee, to sell by Auction, at 541 St. Catherine street, Two Hearses, one large and one small; Two two-seated Sleighs, one plain Sleigh and two Horses.

LOUIS DUPUY,
Official Assignee.
MARCOTTE & ARCHAMBAULT,
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ALSO,

On account of whom it may concern—5 Working Sleighs, 4 Carioles, 3 Cutters, 5 Portland Sleighs, 2 Boston Sleighs, 2 Double Sleighs, 5 Plain Sleighs, 2 Butchers' Expresses, 3 Grocery Expresses, 5 Buffalo Robes &c., on

SATURDAY, 14th inst.
Sale at TWO o'clock.

MARCOTTE & ARCHAMBAULT,
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GREAT SALE INFANTS' TOYS, FLOWER VASES, MEERSCHAUM PIPES, &c.

On Friday, 13th instant,

at 77 St. James street, we will sell by auction, a large assortment of Curiosities and Infants' Toys consisting of 100 dozen Flower Vases of all kinds and qualities, 10 dozen fine Work Boxes with gilt ornaments and corners, 50 doz Meerschaum Pipes of all kinds, 100 gross Dolls, an importation of $7,000 worth of Children's Toys, as well as 100 dozen French Braces, and large lot of Lead Pencils. The whole will be sold without reserve in lots to suit purchasers.

Sale at TEN o'clock.

MARCOTTE & ARCHAMBAULT,
292 Auctioneers.

By C. F. Elwes.

UNRESERVED SALE WEBER PIANO, &c. The subscriber will sell at his Rooms, 91 St. James street, next door to La Banque du Peuple, on FRIDAY Morning, December 13, a fine toned 7-octave Weber Piano, Stool, Cover, &c. Now on view. Sale at 10.30.

C. F. ELWES,
292 2 Auctioneer.

SLEIGHS, ROBES, &c.

A large assortment of New and Second-hand Sleighs of all designs. Black Bear, Musk Ox and extra dark large Buffalo Robes, will be sold at 91 St. James street, on

Friday, December 13th.
Sale at TWO o'clock.

292 2 C. F. ELWES, Auctioneer.

By W. E. Shaw.

AUCTION SALE OF HORSES, SLEIGHS, ROBES, HARNESS, &c., &c.—On FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 13th inst., at Maguire's Horse Bazaar, 679 Craig street, good Family and Working Horses, Cutters, Family Sleighs, Buffalo Robes, &c., &c. Sale at TWO o'clock.

W. E. SHAW,
292 Auctioneer.

EVENING SALE OF FURNITURE AND STOVES.

On Friday Evening next, 13th inst.,

I will sell by auction at my Stores, 195 St. James street, for immediate removal, 9 Ash and Walnut Bedroom sets, with Chairs all complete; 5 Parlor sets in Rep and Haircloth, Couches, Cane Chairs; large lot of Hall and other Stoves, one case Fur Caps, and other sundries.

Sale at SEVEN o'clock.

W. E. SHAW,
292 Auctioneer.

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CABINET ORGANS.

I am instructed by the SMITH ORGAN CO., of Brome, who are winding up their business for the present, to sell by auction the stock of Cabinet Organs on hand.

The Sale will take place at my Stores, 195 St. James street, opposite Molsons Bank, on

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Every Instrument will be fully warranted, and will be on view at my store the day previous to the sale.

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W. E. SHAW,
292 Auctioneer.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1875.

In the matter of WM. HENDERSON, Insolvent.

SALE OF LUMBER.

The undersigned Assignee will sell by Public Auction, on

Wednesday, the 18th December, 1878,
at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon,

on the premises formerly occupied by the Insolvent, 342 William street, the whole of the Stock of Lumber belonging to the estate, amounting as per inventory to $2,572.77. The stock consists of Dimension Timber, Deals, Strips, Battens, Hardwood Planks, &c., and will be sold in separate piles as entered in inventory.

ALSO,

On Thursday, 19th December, 1878,
at Eleven o'clock forenoon,

will be sold the Lumber belonging to same estate, and stored in yard, 130 St. Constant street, amounting per inventory to $388.17.

Inventory can be seen, and all information obtained, on application to Messrs. Beausoleil & Kent, 55 St. James street, Montreal.

C. BEAUSOLEIL,
Assignee.
W. E. SHAW,
291 Auctioneer.

Insolvent Notices.

INSOLVENT ACT of 1875,
And Amending Acts.

WILLIAM A. MOORE, PLAINTIFF,
and
JAMES BRADY AND DAVID BRADY, both of the City and District of Montreal, Plumbers and Traders, heretofore carrying on business there together as such, in co-partnership, under the name, style and firm of BRADY, BROS. & CO., Defendants.

A Writ of Attachment has issued in this cause, and the Creditors are notified to meet at our Office, No. 353 Notre Dame street, Montreal, on

FRIDAY, the 27th day of December inst., at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon,

To receive statements of affairs, to appoint an Assignee if they see fit, and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally.

JOHN TAYLOR,
JOHN M. M. DUFF,
Joint Official Assignees.

Office of Taylor & Duff, Official Assignees and Accountants, 353 Notre Dame street, Montreal, 10th December, 1878. 292 1

INSOLVENT ACT of 1875,
And Amending Acts.

In the matter of JOHN CALDWELL, an Insolvent.

The undersigned Assignee will Sell by Auction, at the Court House, in the room devoted to Insolvency proceedings there, on

Saturday, the 14th day of December inst., at 10 o'clock forenoon,

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All information can be had on application to the undersigned.

ALEX. MOFFAT,
Assignee.
Montreal, 4th December, 1878. 289

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This Hotel has Special Accommodation for

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Both in Public Dining Rooms, or in Private Rooms, as desired. Also, accommodation

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Music during Winter Months in the Promenade, on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Evenings.

Rates for Permanent Board will be made according to location and floor from $45 up.

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A General Meeting will be held at the Club Rooms, On THURSDAY, 12th Inst. at Eight p.m. 293 1

ZETLAND LODGE,
A. F. & A. M., No. 12, Q. R.

The Regular Monthly Communication of the above Lodge, will be held in the Masonic Hall, Place d'Armes, on THURSDAY Evening, December 12th, at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

By order of the W. M.,

ALEX. MUNRO, M.D.,
292 2 Secretary.

FIRST ANNUAL SOCIAL AND Concert of the Princess Louise L.O.L., No. 7, will be held in the ALEXANDRA ROOMS, St. Catherine street, on THURSDAY Evening, Dec. 12th. Tea at 7 o'clock. Concert to commence at 8. Tickets, 25c., to be had at the door. 292 2

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Doors open at 1 o'clock. Performance at 2.

No Reserved Seats at Matinee.

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A Public Temperance Meeting

WILL BE HELD IN THE

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On FRIDAY Ev'ng., 13th Inst.,
AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.

ALL ARE INVITED!!
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THURSDAY EVENING RECEPTIONS,

TO-NIGHT!

EVENING DRESS.

No ladies alone admitted. All applications for tickets to be made a week in advance.

Ladies' Season Card, $3; Gentlemen's, ditto $10.
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DR. BLACKADER

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AT EIGHT o'clock.

Free to all. Young men specially invited.

D. A. BUDGE,
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A Paper on Prints,

COMMONLY CALLED

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At the earnest solicitation of some lovers of the Engravers' Art,

MR. THOMAS D. KING,

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The Paper will begin at Three p.m. The Prints illustrating the various processes of Line, Etching, Dry Point, Stippling, Dotting, Mezzotinto, &c., will be on view from Two to Four p.m.

Admission, 25c. Members of Art Classes half-price. 292

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"THERE'S MILLIONS IN IT."

LECTURE BY WILLIAM E. BESSEY, M. D., C.M.,

Friday, 13th December, 1878.

AT Y. M. C. ASSOCIATION HALL.

Doors open at 7.30. - - Lecture at Eight.

Tickets, 25c; for sale at Dawson Brothers, Chas. Alexander's, W. Drysdale's, F. E. Grafton's, and at the door.

291 4 Proceeds for a family in distress.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

ANNIVERSARY MISSIONARY MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN

Crescent Street Church, Montreal,

III. On Thursday, 12th December. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

These meetings have been instituted for the purpose of giving information respecting the missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada at home and abroad, in the hope that a review of the work in which the Church is engaged may tend to increased interest, effort, and liberality, on the part of its membership, and also that by this means a wider sympathy may be created in the work undertaken by all other branches of the Church of God who are in like manner engaged in promoting the cause and kingdom of the Redeemer.

The Chair will be taken punctually each Evening at 7:30.

The meetings will be closed at Ten o'clock.

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DANCING!

SIG. HAZAZER'S ACADEMY.

Gentlemen and Ladies' Classes, MONDAY and FRIDAY Evenings, 8 till 11.

Juvenile Classes—WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY Afternoons, 3 till 5 30.

Waltz Lessons—WEDNESDAY Night; gents, 50c ladies, 25c.

Private Class—THURSDAY Evenings.

300 Fancy Dresses to hire. 293*

MONTREAL POULTRY, DOG AND PET STOCK ASSOCIATION.

The adjourned Quarterly Meeting of this Association will be held in the Alexandria Rooms, 1310 St. Catherine street, on FRIDAY, the 13th instant, at 8 o'clock p.m. Business—To receive the Report of the Treasurer on the late exhibition and for such other business as may come before the meeting. A full attendance is requested.

ROBT. M. LOVELL,
291 3 Secretary.

WESLEY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

The LADIES' AID SOCIETY intend holding a Sale of

Useful and Fancy Articles

In the ALEXANDRA ROOMS, St. Catherine street, on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 19th and 20th of December.

Any Donations of Fancy Work, sent to the Rooms on the morning of the Bazaar, will be thankfully received. 281 tf

New Advertisements to-day.

NERVOUS DEBILITY,

vital weakness and prostration, the result of excess, indiscretion or over-work of brain and nervous system, is radically and promptly cured by

Humphreys' Homeopathic Specific, No. 28.

It is perfectly harmless, been in use twenty years, has cured tens of thousands, and is the most successful remedy known. Price, $1.00 per vial, or five vials and large vial of powder for $5.00.

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No. 6.—Oyster Fritters.

Order of your Grocer a quart of Phelps' Oysters. Take four eggs, a tablespoonful of milk, salt and pepper and bread crumbs; lard some of the Oysters, make a thick omelet batter with four eggs and a tablespoonful of milk, dip the Oysters into the batter and then into grated bread. Fry them a nice color. 291*

CIRCULATION OF THE DAILY STAR FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 7th, 1878 :—

Monday	14,920
Tuesday	14,865
Wednesday	14,519
Thursday	14,724
Friday	15,037
Saturday	16,226
Total	90,290

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS.

BARNSTON—On the 11th of December, at Lachine, the wife of Alexander S. Barnston, Esq., of a son.

DUBEAU—At 194 St. Elizabeth street, on the 10th December, Mrs. L. N. Dubeau, of a daughter.

BABY—On the 11th December, at 75 Mansfield street, Mrs. H. Baby, of a son. 292 2

ROSS—At 430 St. Dominique street, on the 9th December, Mrs. James Ross, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ALCOTT, MOORE—At Cornwall, on the 3rd December, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Dr. MacNish, Mr. Samuel Alcott, eldest son of William Alcott, of Swift River, Mass., to Agnes, eldest daughter of Mr. John Moore, Cornwall.

Ottawa and Toronto papers please copy.

DOW, GUNN—At Whitby, Ont., on the 4th day of December, by the Rev. R. Chambers, John Ball Dow, barrister-at-law, to Mary A., daughter of Dr. Gunn, of Whitby.

DEATHS.

KIRKWOOD—On the 10th December, Mrs. Eleanor Kirkwood, widow of the late Robert Kirkwood, aged 73.

SMITH—Suddenly, at East Barnard, Vermont, on the 9th of December, Columbus Smith, Esq., millwright, formerly of Montreal, and father of Mrs. Duncan McCormick, of this city. 202 2

HEBERT—In this city, on the 10th December, Mrs. Marie Rose Delima Busseau, wife of Charles P. Hebert, merchant, aged 47 years and 1 month.

Funeral will take place on Friday, the 13th instant, from her late residence, No. 101 Champ de Mars street, at half-past eight a.m., to Notre Dame Church, and thence to the Roman Catholic Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

GRANT—On Bear Creek, Sombra, Ont., on the 27th of November, John Grant, in the 88th year of his age.

STEWART—On the 5th December, at East York, Ont., in the 77th year of his age, James Stewart, Esq.

AMBERY—In London, England, on the 19th November, Rev. John Ambery, M.A., late Classical Professor, Trinity College, Toronto.

RUTHERFORD—At Toronto, Alexander Stewart Rutherford, aged 50 years.

DALTON—At Toronto, on the 6th December, Lillie Dalton, aged 16 years and 8 months.

Two O'clock P.M.

COMMERCIAL.

British Grain Markets Inactive—Holders Ask Concessions—Wheat Elevators Filling Up in the West—Flour Market Dull—Hogs Firm—Provisions Steadier.

English advices regarding breadstuffs are unsatisfactory, markets being very inactive, with buyers refusing to "toe the mark" except at concessions. The imports into the United Kingdom for week ending yesterday were 215,000 to 220,000 quarters of wheat, 90,000 to 95,000 quarters of corn, and 110,000 to 115,000 barrels of flour as compared with the previous week of 260,000 to 265,000 quarters of wheat, 150,000 to 155,000 quarters of corn, and 105,000 to 110,000 barrels of flour. On passage for Great Britain there are at present 1,750,000 quarters of wheat and 350,000 quarters of corn as against 1,700,000 quarters of wheat, and 310,000 quarters of corn at the same time last week—an increase of 400,000 bushels of wheat and 320,000 bushels of corn. Wheat in Chicago keeps pretty steady for that fluctuating centre, especially as the Keenes, Rumseys, Fishers, and Dows are said to be looking over the field for further mischief. All the elevators in Chicago are rapidly filling up, some having become completely choked already, and a similar state of affairs exists in Milwaukee. Grain storage there will be high this winter, at a time when it never before needed to be lower. The flour market on 'Change to-day was dull and less steady than a week ago. There was no demand, and prices were nominally unchanged.

The following were to-day's quotations :—

Superior Extra	$4 40	to	$4 45
Extra Superfine	4 30	to	4 35
Fancy	4 10	to	4 15
Spring Extra	3 97½	to	4 05
Superfine	3 65	to	3 75
Strong Bakers	4 15	to	4 40
Fine	3 15	to	3 25
Middlings	2 85	to	2 95
Pollards	2 50	to	2 70
Ontario Bags	2 00	to	2 05
City Bags, delivered	2 12½	to	2 17½

A steadier feeling was developed in pork and lard this morning in the west with a slight advance in prices, owing, no doubt, to colder and more favorable weather. Mess pork and lard sell here at about previous rates. Dealers in this city complain of the high freight now charged on pork and lard from Chicago, $97.80 being paid last week for a car-load from that city, whereas a short time since the regular rate was about $60 per car. Dressed hogs continue scarce, and meet with ready sale at from $4.50 to $4.75. A few extra choice carcasses bringing $5 per 100 lbs. The market is firm at these figures. A better demand for dressed poultry was experienced this morning, and several cases of turkeys sold at 7½c, geese are offered at 5c to 5½c, chickens at 5½c to 6c. Venison carcasses are wanted at 6c per lb, most of the arrivals this week having been picked up at that figure, saddles are worth 10c to 11c per lb. The butter market is fairly steady at recent quotations with a moderate amount of goods changing hands on the basis of 15c to 17½c for fine to fancy Eastern Townships, and 14c to 16c for same grades of Morrisburgh. Brockville sells at 8c to 12c, Western dairy at 8c to 11c, and poor store-packed Western at 5c to 6c. Cheese is dull with prices low and weak. Ashes steady at $4 per 100 lbs for pots. One bale of hops reported to-day at 8c. Apples are offered by the car-load at $1.50 per barrel for good Canadian, but buyers are scarce.

Receipts of produce are: 400 barrels of flour, 11 bbls of ashes, and 796 packages of butter.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12, 10.25 a.m.—Wheat, 82¼c January, and 82⅞c February. Corn, 30¼c asked December, 31c asked January, and 31½c February. Pork, $7.72½ January; $7.82½ February. Lard, $5.55 January; $5.65 February.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 12, 10.15 a.m.—Wheat, 82c January; and 82⅞c February.

W. J. Fairbairn's Liverpool cable despatch reports scarcely anything doing in wheat, with prices nominally unchanged.

The hog market was steady in Chicago to-day, light grades selling at $2.55 to $2.65 and common to choice lots, $2.50 to $2.90. Receipts, 35,000 head.

Viger Cattle Market.

We seldom remember seeing this market so crowded with cattle as it was this morning, and prices were lower. There was a good demand, however, and a considerable quantity of small coarse stock changed hands at from 2c to 3½c per lb, live weight. Mr. D. Bright, of Sutton, sold 4 cattle for $175, or at 3c per lb. Sales were also reported of 8 cattle at 3½c per lb, 3 do. at 3c, 3 do. at 2⅞c, and 11 do. at 3c. Mr. Henry Coutu bought 10 cattle at 2c to 3c per lb, live weight. Mr. Robt. Mackintosh, of Chateauguay, sold 3 cattle at 17c each, or at 3c per lb. Dealers having cattle for sale were from Ottawa, London, Toronto, Perth, the Eastern Townships, Coteau Landing, and Ste. Marie. Lambs and sheep were in good demand, but were scarce, and higher prices were obtained. Choice lambs brought as high as $4 each to-day. A lot of 60 ordinary lambs sold at $3, and 73 fair do. at from $3.25 to $3.67½ each. These prices would stand from 6c to 7c, dressed weight. Live hogs are selling at $3.75 to $3.85, and some holders ask $4.

MONTREAL STOCK REPORT.

(REPORTED SPECIALLY FOR THE STAR.)

December 12, 1878.

Par Val.	Am't. Paid.	BANKS.	Value p. c.		Cash Value p Share	
200	All.	Bank of Montreal..	108¾	to 00	217	50
200	"	" x-d	00	to 00	00	00
40	"	Ontario Bank......	68	to 69	27	20
100	"	Consolidated Bank	61	to 61¼	61	00
50	"	Banque du People..	58	to 58½	29	00
50	"	Molson's Bank.....	80	to 82½	40	00
100	"	Bank of Toronto...	118	to 19½	118	00
25	"	Bk Jacques Cartier	33	to 34	8	25
100	"	Merchants' Bank..	80	to 80¼	80	00
50	"	East To'nships' Bk	00	to 00	38	75
50	"	Can Bk of Com'rce.	104½	to 05	52	25
100	"	Metrop'litn, Bk x-d	00	to 00	00	00
100	"	Exchange Bank....	69	to 70½	69	00
....	—	Ville Marie........	00	to 00	00	00
100	"	Union Bank........	00	to 00	00	00
		MISCELLANEOUS.				
40	"	Mont Telegraph Co	108¾	to 00	43	50
50	"	Dominion Tele Co..	00	to 00	00	00
100	"	Rich & Ont Nav Co	49½	to 50½	$49	29
50	"	City Passenger R R	75	to 80	37	50
40	"	City Gas Co........	106½	to 07½	42	80
50	"	Mont L & Mort Co..	00	to 110	00	00
100	20 pc	Royal Can. Ins. Co.	83	to 85	3	00
100	All	Harbor Bonds......	00	to 00	00	00

FENWICK & BOND,
Merchants' Exchange.

New Advertisement's this P.M.

FIRE! FIRE!! FIRE!!!

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!

ALL THE GOODS DAMAGED

In our Windows, which took Fire on Saturday last, are now laid out for Inspection in front of our Store, and will be sacrificed to

ENSURE QUICK SALE!

Remember they must all be sold this week, to make room for our

GRAND CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S SHO[W] NEXT WEEK.

OVER $6,000 WORTH OF OUR NEWEST AND FINEST GOODS! CONSISTING OF

Colored Silks, Rich Brocade Silks, Irish Poplins, Laces, Plaids, Dress Goods, Shawls, Clou's, Muffs, Ruffllngs, Velvets, Fringes, Ribbons, Hosiery, Skirts, Mantles, &c., &c.

SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY FIRE or SMOKE!

WILL ACTUALLY BE GIVEN AWAY, AT

H. & H. MERRILL'S,

288 NOTRE DAME STREET. 290

Don't forget that the Sale of above Damaged Goods will commence To-morrow, the 11th instant, and will last but four days, for reasons above.

H. & H. MERRILL. 291 4+

BONDS.

Mass, Gold......5s
New York......7s
Cleveland......6s
Indianapolis......6s

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8 Wall Street, New York.

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CURTAINS! CURTAINS!!

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Call and examine our Stock of Lace and Muslin Curtains, and be convinced that our prices are 25 per cent. lower than other stores.

CURTAIN MUSLINS.

Narrow Curtain Muslin, from 5c per yard.
Good Curtain Muslin, from 10c per yard.

CURTAIN NETS.

Good Curtain Nets, from 11½c per yard.
Good Curtain Nets for Long Curtains, 20c per yard.
Very good Double Border Curtain Nets, 25c per yard.
Splendid Curtain Nets, 30c per yard.

MUSLIN CURTAINS.

Useful Muslin Curtains, 65c per set.
Good Muslin Curtains, 80c per set.

LACE CURTAINS.

Splendid Lace Curtains, $1.10 per set.
Splendid Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, new patterns, $1.25 per set.
Extra Large Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long, $1.75 per set.

READ THIS!

Our Lace Curtains at $2.10 per set, are equal to any sold elsewhere at $3.00 per set.
Beautiful Lace Curtains, $2.50 per set.
Our Lace Curtains at $3.00 per set, are well worth $4.00 per set.

S. CARSLEY'S FOR LACE CURTAINS.

CARSLEY'S DRESSES.

New Washing Homespun, to be sold at 5½c per yard.
New Worsted Serges, to be sold at 11½c per yard.
New Persian Cord, to be sold at 15c per yard.
New Empress Cloth, to be sold at 16c per yard.
New Imperial Serges, to be sold at 17c per yard.
New Snowflake, to be sold at 20c per yard.

S. CARSLEY,

393 and 395 Notre Dame street.

CARSLEY'S DRESSES.

New British Serges, to be sold at 23c per yard.
New Turkish Cloth, to be sold at 20c per yard.
New Empress Cloth, to be sold at 25c per yard.
New Russell Cord, to be sold at 27½c per yard.
New Homespun Serges, to be sold at 29c per yard.
New German Cashmeres, to be sold at 21c per yard.

CARSLEY'S DRESSES.

New all-Wool Empress Cloth, to be sold at 29c per yard.
New all-Wool German Cashmere, to be sold at 31c per yard.
New all-Wool Worsted Serges, to be sold at 42c per yard.
New all-Wool French Poplin, to be sold at 40c per yard.
New all-Wool Pele de Chamois, to be sold at 38c per yard.
New Homespun Serges, to be sold at 50c per yard.
New all-Wool Lyon Serges, to be sold at 45c per yard.

CARSLEY'S DRESSES.

New Scotch Tweed Homespun, to be sold at 22c per yard.
New German Tweed, for Costumes, to be sold at 25c per yard.
New French Homespun, to be sold at 30c per yard.
New Serges, silk finish, to be sold at 38c per yard.
New Camel's Hair Cloth, to be sold at 38c per yard.
New Embroidered Cashmere, to be sold at 43c per yard.
New all-wool French Cashmeres, to be sold at 58c, 75c and 85c per yard.

S. CARSLEY,

393 & 395 Notre Dame street.

THE GREATEST DRIVE OF THE SEASON IS AT

S. CARSLEY'S,

In Double Warp Black Lustres,
Reversible Black Alpacas, and
Silk finish Brilliantines.

ALL AT WHOLESALE PRICES!

Country Merchants and institutions liberally dealt with.

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Double Warp Reversible Black Alpaca and Lustres, warranted Rock Dye, at 8c, 10c, 12½c, 15c, 17c, 19c, 21c, and 25c only.

THE BEST VALUE IN THE CITY,

is our all-Wool Black French Cashmere, twilled on both sides, at 38c a yard only.

NOVELTIES IN BLACK GOODS.

We have just opened out a Splendid Display of Fancy Black Goods, in all the Latest Novelties,

SUCH AS

Damascene, Scrolls, Matalasse, Mohairs, Diamond Cloths, Pele de Chamois, &c.

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PROBABILITIES. — METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, TORONTO, Dec. 12, 10 a. m.—The storm which was central to the north of Montreal yesterday morning, has almost dissipated. The barometer is comparatively low over Eastern Canada and the Gulf, and very high over the Western States. The weather is fine in Ontario and Quebec, and showery in the Maritime Provinces. Fresh to brisk westerly winds prevail on the lakes. The temperature is above the freezing point in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, but in the other provinces hard frosts have occurred. Storm signals were ordered down last night at all Canadian ports. Probabilities for the next 24 hours: For the lower lake region, fresh to brisk south-westerly to north-westerly winds, partly cloudy weather, stationary or lower temperatures. For the St. Lawrence, fresh westerly winds, partly cloudy weather. For the Maritime Provinces, moderate to fresh south-westerly to north-westerly winds, cloudy or partly cloudy cooler weather, with showers in the Eastern portion.

FROM HALIFAX, N.S.

SCHOONERS WRECKED.—HALIFAX, December 12.—The schooners "Lizzie M. Stewart" and "Watson Baker," from Prince Edward Island for Boston, both laden with potatoes, were wrecked near Shag Harbor, Shelburne County, during the late storm. The vessels are a total loss. Crews saved.

SUDDEN DEATH.—John D. Cummins, shipping master of this port, died suddenly this morning of paralysis.

FROM QUEBEC.

STEAMER SOLD.—QUEBEC, Dec. 11.—The steamer "Rhoda," of 45 horse power, has been sold here by auction for $3,200 to J. & E. Couture & Co., of Levis.

ELECTION.—Mr. Edward Larochelle has been elected President of the Corporation of Pilots.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT have not yet settled upon the six special constables to be sworn in as a Government force.

MR. COATES, the great thread manufacturer, of Paisley, Scotland, arrived in town this morning.

FROM OTTAWA.

(SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE STAR)

MINISTERIAL PRESENTATIONS.—OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—Fully two thousand persons occupied the Opera House last night, on the occasion of the presentation of addresses by the workingmen of Ottawa to Sir John A. Macdonald and Hon. Dr. Tupper. Long speeches were made and considerable enthusiasm was manifested.

ADDRESSES TO THE MARQUIS.—The county of Ottawa Council and the Hull City Corporation will present addresses of welcome to His Excellency this afternoon.

A HIGHLAND COMPANY.—Col. Macpherson is at present engaged in organizing a company of Highlanders. The smallest man must be over five eight and a half inches in height, and the calf of his leg must measure no less than fifteen inches round.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—A boy named Battri was thrown from a load of hay near Aylmer this morning, and, besides fracturing his collar bone, received internal injuries, from which he died an hour later.

FROM THREE RIVERS.

(SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE STAR.)

BRIDGE CARRIED AWAY. — THREE RIVERS, Dec. 12.—The Q., M., O. & O. railway bridge at Berthier, which was almost completed, was carried away by the current last night. The bridge was to have been terminated and officially christened to-day, but its baptism must now be indefinitely postponed.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Two young men named Bailey and Bellerose met with a sad accident yesterday, which ended fatally for one of them. They were playfully wrestling on a platform car in motion at Maskinonge, when they slipped and fell beneath the wheels. Bellerose was killed, and Bailey escaped with the loss of his two legs. No hopes are entertained of the recovery of Bailey, as his injuries seem to be beyond cure.

BELL VS. RICKABY.—The judgment delivered by Judge Routhier in this case the other day was merely on the Rickaby demurrers, which were dismissed by the Judge. The case has not been argued as to the merits yet.

THE LOOP LINE.—The work on the Loop line is being vigorously pushed forward, although the rainy weather is a great drawback.

FROM TORONTO.

(SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE STAR.)

CONTRADICTION—TORONTO, Dec. 12—The rumor that Barber has been released from the penitentiary is contradicted. The statement was set afloat by a gentleman in this city, who stated to a reporter that the information was given him by the Deputy Minister of Justice.

SILK ROBBERY.—The amount of the silk stolen on Tuesday night from John Macdonald & Co.'s store was much exaggerated. It is only $2,000 worth.

ABSCONDED.—Another city contractor named George Thompson has levanted, leaving his workmen minus two weeks' wages. They have been paid by his sureties.

MAYOR MORRISON is confined to his house with indisposition.

A COMPANY OF CITIZENS is being formed to establish rolling mills on the marsh if they can arrange favorable terms with the Corporation. They interviewed the property committee this afternoon.

THE WEATHER still remains cold, with sharp wind from the north-west.

THE BUOYS in the harbor will be set up next week, and the lights put out for the winter on the 24th.

City News.

POLICE COURT—THURSDAY.—Before C. A. Dugas, P.M.:—Napoleon Millette, aggravated assault, continued to 2 p. m. James Kelly, selling liquor in less quantities than three half-pints; John Phillips, assault and battery, cases continued to the 13th instant.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.—The managers of the Ladies' Benevolent Society acknowledge with thanks the following donations: Large walnut sofa, covered in hair cloth, for the committee room, from J. N. L. Craig, Esq.; door mat from Mrs. John McDougall; a quantity of cast-off clothing from Signor Harazer, obtained at his "Old Clothes" matinee; bundle of cast-off clothing from a lady in Sherbrooke street; a barrel of apples from Messrs. Hart & Marion; 7 lbs. of tea from Thomas Cox, Esq.; a barrel of potatoes, a barrel of turnips and a few cabbages from Mr. John Bonner.

PORTRAITS OF THE MARQUIS AND MARCHIONESS OF LORNE.—We have received from Messrs. Scott & Frazer a communication in which they say, in answer to our notice of the lithograph portraits of the Marquis and Marchioness of Lorne, that the portraits were pronounced *excellent* by both Lord Lorne and the Princess; and that they should be happy in proof of this to show a letter from Capt. Campbell to the lithographic artist. Their approbation of the portraits is shown by the Marquis and Princess having appended their autographs and by the fact of their having purchased a large number of the proof copies. Four proofs were, they say, reserved for Her Majesty.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The Band of Hope in connection with St. Jude's Church held its first meeting of the season last evening in the School-room, Rev. J. H. Dixon in the chair. There was a very fair attendance. The band has a membership of 150 on its roll against 115 last year. After several hymns had been sung under the leadership of Miss Burkett who presided at the piano, addresses were delivered by Mr Elliot, superintendent, and also by Revs. Messrs. Belcher and Dixon. The latter gentleman spoke of his recent visit to Europe and the deplorable state of drunkenness in which he found the lower classes in many of the large cities.

"LES FIANCES DE 1812."—Last night the third and last representation of this piece by the members of the Sixty-fifth Battalion assisted by Madame Mangard and Madame Granger, was given in the Academy of Music very successfully, so far as concerns dramatic effect. It would have been pleasing to have seen a better attendance and a more liberal extension of patronage by the members of other battalions. It is certain that did they only know the scenic and musical treats they lost, to say nothing of the acting itself, they would feel very much disappointed. We only hope that it will be deemed advisable to repeat the performance, when the Sixty-fifth may rest assured that their endeavors will be substantially appreciated. Among those who were present last night we noticed Mr. Jean Bte. Wilscam, an old gentleman of 88 years of age, a veteran of 1812, to whom the episode presented was familiar, and who greatly enjoyed its production.

THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.

A Magistrate Wants to Revise the Police Reports of the Papers, Except Upon Matters of Course—He Complains to the Police Committee.

A STAR representative called upon Mr. Dugas, Police Magistrate, this morning to ascertain his views upon a wish publicly expressed by him to have the items published by the Press, in certain cases, brought under revision of the Magistrates of the Police Court. Mr. Dugas gave as his reason for the proposal that the ends of justice would be better served in many cases were the names of criminals not made public until they were brought before the magistrates and the facts connected with their crimes judicially investigated. His contention is that a clerk in their Court should be appointed to furnish such information as the Press is to be permitted to publish. All the newspapers to get the same news.

Reporter—How do you intend to deal with matters which come under the notice of members of the Press who never come to your Court.

The Magistrate—Well, we have the power to prohibit its publication and to punish those who disobey. But, of course, we know the reporters do their best to make their papers readable, and get all the news they can. We cannot blame them. But what would be a good thing I suggest now. It is an agreement between the STAR and *Witness*—they get most of the news—not to publish anything except what we give them. We could easily persuade the morning papers to fall in with the plan.

Reporter—I hardly think you could get the plan to work, sir. In these days of competition we get all the news we can for THE STAR, and, provided the news is fact, publish it in advance of all other newspapers. And I may tell you that a great deal of it does not come from your Court officials. What do you specially complain of?

The Magistrate—The cases of Kearney and the members of the Star Club are in point. Mr. Kearney complains very much. He says he got the goods from a man who, taking the hint from the Press, cleared out. And now those other fellows for the shooting have also gone.

Reporter—Well, I may tell you, sir, that that information did not come from any officer in your court. "THE STAR" published the information as to the Kearney matter only after the arrests had been made; the particulars of the Phillips affair and about the Star Club were in our hands to be published before any warrant had been issued, but was only written up afterwards.

The Magistrate—I know that you get information from the detectives, some of whom want to make themselves celebrated, but I have written to the Police Committee on the subject, and Mr. Desnoyers and myself have also made up our minds to apply to the Government, and lay before them the whole matter. We want to protect the citizens against thieves and robbers.

Reporter—We all desire that, sir; I am certain no representative of the press in this city desires anything else, and in the majority of cases there is nothing like publication of a crime to bring the perpetrator to justice. This ended the conversation, Mr. Dugas again reiterating his respect for the Reporters, and his belief that they were actuated by none other than a feeling of duty similar to that which compelled him and his associate, Mr. Desnoyers, to move in the matter.

POLICE NEWS.

A Pugnacious Female—The Blake Act—How His Honor the Recorder Deals with Offenders.

December 12.

Annie E. Brown, a pugnacious and decided brunette with black eyes, had a weak voice and a manner of interrupting witnesses which decidedly aggravated His Honor the Recorder. She was charged by Mrs. Murray with assault, by striking her in the mouth with one of her fists, while she was attending to her sister, Mrs. Street, St. Dominique street. Mrs. Murray in her evidence said that Miss Brown acted in the capacity of servant, and in compensation received her board. Mrs. Murray had adopted a little girl, Caroline Barry, aged 13, and had let her stop with Mrs. Street until the latter became convalescent. It seems that the little girl found some towels and soap in Miss Brown's room which she knew had been stolen from Mrs. Murray, whereupon she informed her adopted mother of the theft. Ever since that time the little girl swore that Miss Brown had beaten her unmercifully. The manner which she usually adopted in wreaking her revenge was to take the little girl

BY THE HEELS

and knock her head against the wall, also by choking and kicking her. Once Mrs. Street had to come down from her sick bed, thinking that the girl Brown was killing the child. The affectionate actions on the part of Miss Brown had led Mrs. Murray to request her sister Mrs. Street, to send her away, which coming to the latter's ears, exasperated her to such an extent that she struck Mrs. Murray in the mouth.

"What have you to say for yourself?" asked His Honor. "I was guilty of unladylike conduct," replied Annie, softly. "But I never did so before. I

CAME FROM PENNSYLVANIA

to Montreal, and first stopped at the Ottawa Hotel. My intention was to thoroughly inspect Canada, and I have only inspected Montreal. I used to take orders for an artist in Williamsport, who painted portraits from photographs—but can't I make a statement?"

"No."

"Well, I have no witnesses."

His Honor then advised her to leave Mrs. Street's house, else something might turn up which would compel him to send her to a much larger house kept by Mr. Payette. He would fine her $2.50 or fifteen days.

"I will go to jail," says Miss Brown, "before I'll pay a fine for striking her," and a policeman escorted her gracefully out from the Court. Another charge has been made by the little girl against Miss Brown, which is left in abeyance.

THE BLAKE ACT.

Patrick McAllister, aged 21, of Colborne street, was charged by Thomas Driscoll, a grocer, doing business at the corner of McCord and Ottawa streets, with firing a shot from a pistol into his house. Mr. Driscoll's evidence was to the effect that while he and a young man were sitting in the store about half-past nine last evening, he heard a shot and then a scream. On looking to where his wife and two daughters were sitting sewing he saw that they were in a great state of excitement from the fact that the bullet had passed within a few feet of them and imbedded itself in the wall. McAllister was drunk at the time and says it was done accidentally. His Honor fined him $50.

YOUTHFUL WEAPON CARRIERS.

Clarence Lucas, 12, and William Morrison, 13, were arrested under the Blake Act for unlawfully carrying fire-arms. They pleaded guilty, and his Honor required them to give bail to keep the peace for six months, which was accordingly done. Edward Donoghue, aged 14, of Water street, is a fast youth. He goes to Panet street school and likes to think himself a man. As a natural consequence, a youth of his size and calibre would be delighted with a revolver for a toy. Young Donoghue yesterday practised on a passing carter named James Wingham, with such good effect that he raised his scalp a little bit, but no further injury. The boy elected to be tried by jury at the Quarter Sessions.

LIST OF PRISONERS.

Twelve cases were disposed of to day by His Honor the Recorder. Jacques Chouinard, 23, carter, loitering; Michael Brennan, 27, drunk, $1 or 8 days. George Provencher, 25, plumber, drunk; John Collins, 23, laborer, drunk, $1.50 or 10 days. Annie E. Brown, 26, assault and battery, $2.50 or 15 days. Alphonse Michaud, 19, cigar-maker, 2 months' hard labor, $10 and costs, $1.50 damages or two months' hard labor. Edward Donoghue, 14, school boy, firing at James Wingham, trial by jury. William Morrison, 13, and Clarence Lucas, 12, school boys, carrying pistols, sureties in six months to keep the peace or 30 days. Louis Therien, 22, laborer, assault, no complaint, discharged. James Montgomery, 50, carter, absent from carriage, trial to-morrow. Patrick McAllister, 21, bricklayer, having loaded revolver and firing shots, $50 fine.

New Advertisements this P.M.

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ESPECIALLY WITH INVITED GUESTS

and those from a distance to induce them to arrange for sittings before leaving the city, that the Picture may be as complete as possible.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS—One of the Finest Assortments in the city, comprising Clark's Canadian, Prang's American, De La Rue's and other makers.

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Six O'clock P.M.

Evening Telegrams.

THE LAST FENIAN PRISONER.—LONDON, December 12.—Edward O'Kelly, the last Fenian prisoner now confined in Ireland, is to be released before Christmas. His friends are endeavoring to secure permission for him to reside in Great Britain.

FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN.—PARIS, Dec. 12.—The appointment of Admiral Juarez as Ambassador to Spain is announced officially.

BURNED TO DEATH.—PROVIDENCE, R.I., Dec. 12.—A two year old son of Frank Deerfield, left alone in a room to-day, set his clothes afire with matches and perished. The house was fired, but extinguished.

THE ITALIAN CABINET.—ROME, December 12.—King Humbert has summoned Signor Depretis to advise with him concerning a new Ministry.

OBIT.—PARIS, December 12.—Gustave Rouland, French statesman, is dead.

SS. ARRIVALS.—LONDON, December 12.—Arrived, SS. "England." ...... NEW YORK, December 12.—Arrived, SS. "City of Chester," from Liverpool...... GLASGOW, December 12.—Arrived, SS. "State of Louisiana."

MONOPOLY IN ENVELOPES.—NEW YORK, December 12.—The *Herald* says New York and Philadelphia envelope manufacturers request the Postmaster-General to adopt higher rates for stamped envelopes, as the present prices makes a Government monopoly against which private persons cannot compete.

City News.

BILLIARDS.—A match will be played at the Richelieu Hotel to-morrow evening, between Messrs. Lavigne and Masse, 200 points, French carom, for $50 aside.

ROYAL PATRONAGE.—Her Royal Highness Princess Louise has graciously consented to become Patroness of the Protestant Infants' Home, 508 Guy street.

ANOTHER ARREST.—James Morahan, 24, carpenter, has been arrested by the detectives in connection with the cigar robbery at Messrs. Dufresne & Mongenais' store, on Notre Dame street.

THE "STAR" CLUB.—We are requested by Mr. John Henry Elliott, of 41 St. Famille street, to state that the "Jack Elliot" mentioned as a member of the "Star" Club is not himself, although among his friends he is familiarly known as "Jack."

PRESENTATION.—Mr. Jas. Wilson, jr., oil merchant, Common street, was last night presented with a gold watch, chain and address at the Albion Hotel, by a number of friends on the occasion of his leaving for Ireland. The presentation was made by Mr. Stitt, of the Albion, in appropriate terms.

PERSONAL NEWS.—Hon. L. S. Huntington, Ottawa; Hon. Mr. Joly, Messrs. J. Horace Kent, Sheriff of New Hampshire; Digby Johnson, Liverpool; Hector Cameron, Hon. D. L. Macpherson and Hon. William Macmaster, of Toronto, are prominent arrivals at the Windsor.... Messrs. John Leitch, St. John, N. B.; David Fraser, Metapedia, and Jacob Y. Shantz, of Berlin, are registered at the Albion.... Messrs. E. H. Evans, Toronto; Yates Hickey, Philadelphia, and H. J. Larkin, Dublin, are guests at the Ottawa.

PHILANTHROPY VS. BUSINESS.—Many persons visit the Water Department, and some interesting scenes might be noticed as people enter the office daily to transact business. A reverend gentleman, prominently known among the Roman Catholic parishioners in the East end, called this morning to see about water rates, and accosted Mr. Lapierre with: "Are you going to charge for this work of charity?" "Two dollars, sir," said the urbane official. "Two dollars? You made me pay six dollars of a fine last year for water leakage; but I will take a hundred out of you some other way for it!" "Well, we can make no favorites," said the official, laughing. "The idea of charging $2 for such a thing as that," said the clergyman. "Well, look here now; supposing some poor woman next door to you should come in and ask for a pail of water," said the officer. "I would give it to her right off," was the priest's prompt answer. "Well, supposing you were in my place, and a poor woman came and said she couldn't pay her water-rates, what would you do?" "Let her off with them," was again the prompt reply. "Well, that's philanthropy, but if you followed it in this place you would not be an official here long. That is the difference between philanthropy and business," and the eminent divine went his way, joining in the merriment of the clerk.

Washout at Stanstead.

The following telegram was received by the Post-office here this morning, from the railway mail clerk on the Massawippi Valley Railway, dated, Stanstead 12th:—"Severe washout; no mail car up last night; used a baggage car; no mails from the South."

The Returning-Officer's Bills.

The investigation at present on foot by the Government into the bill of expenses of returning-officers, appointed during the late Dominion elections, promises to result in a considerable paring down of the different items. Each deputy returning-officer is being examined as to his particular services, as well as the amount of money expended by him, and there appears ground to believe that some very interesting details could be published were it not that the commissioner who conducts the inquiry is doing it in secret, as in duty bound, most probably. At any rate it will be some weeks ere the deputy-returning-officers, poll clerks and others interested will receive their wages.

The Lost Found.

On Monday last we announced that an emigrant arriving in the city on Sunday from Halifax lost his wife shortly after the stoppage at the depot. He went West, a few hours afterwards, disconsolate, but not sufficiently sensible of his bereavement to prosecute a search for his missing spouse. During the past few days the lady has remained in the background, but yesterday, having spent her money and being desirous of joining her neglected consort, she applied at the Immigration Office for a passage westward. She was then staying at the Franklin House, where, however, she had only been one night. Where she had been during the interval between her arrival and reappearance at the Emmigration Office is a profound mystery; but her appearance and manner lend to indicate that she is not a stranger to the ways of the world. She was supplied with a ticket, and it is to be presumed that within the next few hours a family reunion will take place.

Amusement and Instruction.

We had the privilege of listening to Mr. Thomas D. King's paper on *Prints*, which he recently delivered at the last *Art Conversazione*, given by Mrs. John Lovell, and we are glad to know that Mr King is to repeat it on Saturday afternoon at the rooms of the Natural History Society. Perhaps, it would not be saying too much if we pronounced the paper as one of the best digested we have had the pleasure of recording. When we take into consideration the scope and nature of the subject, we marvel that so much research, and that such a lucid history of one of the most popular branches of the Fine Arts could be condensed into a space of forty minutes. Though the paper was, to a certain extent, technical, it was, nevertheless, graphical, and in some portions quite poetical. It was, furthermore, fully illustrated by choice specimens of the engraver's art, embracing all the varieties of style, line, etching, dotting, stippling, mezzotint, aquatint, and wood cuts. Those uninitiated in the mysteries of an art which has done so much for our gratification, by calling new pleasures into existance, we advise to go to the rooms of the Natural History Society on Saturday afternoon, and we feel sure they will never regret either the time or the money bestowed.

An Interview with Ald. Holland.

Ald. Holland, with reference to the butchers' stall question, says that as affairs are at present, the butchers have fair play all round. He does not believe in further market extension. It was suggested by some of the market butchers, that a market should be erected on the site of the old Crystal Palace, but this would severely injure the St. Ann's Market butchers, and on the same principle should one be erected at Guy street, the St. Antoine Market butchers would be prejudiced. He believed that many of the market butchers who had induced those private stall owners who had signed the petition before the Council, to do so upon the threat being made to them by Ald. Lavigne and others, that the butchers of the markets had matters pretty much in their own hands, and would shut up the private stalls in any event. He could assure all parties concerned that the market butchers did not control the markets or the Market Committee as they did some years ago; nor could they do so now. When a stall became vacant in the old time, it went to whomsoever the butcher quitting it wished it to go. Now it was the Chairman of the Market Committee and its members who had to do with leasing vacant stalls, and the city derived the revenue from them. In conclusion Ald. Holland said he believed the public to be far better served under the existing rules of the Market Committee than they could possibly be by an abolition of private stalls, both as to convenience of the purchaser and the quality of goods purchased.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

Court of Appeals.

Present: Hon. Chief Justice Sir A. A. Dorion, Hon. Justices Monk, Tessier, Ramsay and Cross.

Wm. Rutherford, appellant, and La Banque National, respondent. The appeal is on the demand of assignment made by the bank against the appellant under the Insolvent Act of 1875. Mr. Rutherford contested the demand on the principle that his embarrassment was only temporary, and was occasioned by the failure of his former partner, Alexander Holmes, with whom he formerly carried on business, under the style of Holmes, Rutherford & Co. It was alleged that at the time of the dissolution Holmes had assumed to pay some of the debts, but he failed to do this. The Superior Court rendered the judgment appealed from, rejecting the pretensions of Rutherford, and dismissing his petition, maintaining that the demand of assignment was well made. Mr. Geoffrion for respondent.

In the case of Levy, appellant, and Barbeau, respondent, Mr. McCord appeared on behalf of Levy and argued that the judgment of the Court below, granting a *saisie arret* against the Stadacona Bank for $1,400, should be quashed, as due notice had not been given to his client as tutrix and had not been put correctly on the list of liabilities.

BANKRUPT COURT.

Hon. Justice Torrance presided.

THE TANNERIES LAND SWAP CASE.—In this case a motion was made this morning by Mr. Thomas Darling, assignee to the estate of John Rollo Middlemiss, to order the Sheriff of Montreal to set aside proceedings in regard to lot No. 169 of the parish of Montreal. The sale of this lot is advertised at the suit of Henry J. F. Jackson, Esq., and was to take place on the 8th inst. The grounds of the petition are, that Mr. Jackson's action was returnable in Court subsequent to the issuing of the writ of attachment against Middlemiss, and that all the proceedings in the suit of Mr. Jackson, to wit: the judgment of seizure of the property in question, are utterly null by the fact that the defendant's estate was in the hands of petitioner. His Honor Judge Torrance granted the petition.

A writ of appeal has been entered by Attorney-General Ross acting on behalf of the Bagg estate, against the C. P. R. Co., *in re* the placing of the rails of the Company on the sidewalk opposite the estate, at St. Jean Baptiste Village.

PUBLIC OPINION.

The "Sun" Sustentation Fund.

To the Editor of THE STAR:

SIR,—In reply to the letter of your correspondent, signed "Irish Catholic," in your issue of the 7th instant, asking, "Has a statement ever been published through the papers or at public gatherings, showing the receipts and disbursements on account of the '*Sun* Sustentation Fund'?" I beg to state, as Treasurer of the fund, that I have on several occasions, at public meetings of parties friendly to the *Sun* fund, submitted full statements of receipts and disbursements, giving names of subscribers, &c., and that the same were read to the meeting by the Secretary. I now beg to say that the whole amount I received as Treasurer was $1,851.25, and the payment to the proprietors, for which I hold vouchers, was $1,870, leaving a small balance due to the Treasurer. If your correspondent "Irish Catholic," or any subscriber to the fund, will be kind enough to call on me at my office, I shall be most happy to show them all the papers and vouchers. The following gentlemen were the committee of the fund, viz., Messrs. William Wilson, M. P. Ryan, Myles Murphy, M. C. Mullarkey, and James McShane, Jr., and the accounts, receipts and disbursements have been many times submitted to them.

JAMES O'NEILL.

TEMPERATURE.

December 12, 1878.

Temperature in the shade, by Standard Thermometer, observed by Hearn, Harrison & Co., Opticians and Mathematical Instrument makers, 242 and 244 Notre Dame street.

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6 p.m.	8 a.m.	1 p.m.		Max.	Min.	Av'ge.
27°	22°	26°		33°	29°	31°
Max.	Min.	Mean.				
27°	21°	24°				

BAROMETER.

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MONTREAL PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

Practice this week will be on FRIDAY as usual; next week the Practice will be on THURSDAY Evening. Members are requested to attend as regularly as possible, as the next Concert is to be given in January.

ARTHUR M. PERKINS,

293 2 Secretary-Treasurer.

CONTINUATION SALE OF FINE FURS AND ROBES.

Saturday Afternoon and Evening, 14th instant,

At the Salerooms, 195 St. James street—Sealskin Persian Lamb, Astracan and other Jackets. Muffs Caps, Gauntlets, Children's Furs, Buffalo and other Robes, &c., the whole without reserve,

At TWO and SEVEN o'clock.

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293 Auctioneer.

FOR SALE—A Skye Terrier Dog. Age, 1 year; well-trained, sharp watch dog. Price, $5. Apply at 10 St. Sophia lane. 293 3

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ROOM—Furnished or Unfurnished, cheap, with use of Kitchen. 5 St. Elizabeth street. 293 6

FOUND, on the 9th instant, a Black and Tan Dog. If not claimed within three days from date will be sold to defray expenses. Apply to J. Beresford, No. 8 St. Catherine street, City. 293 2

EMPLOYMENT WANTED, by a respectable person from the country (Protestant), as good Cook, and who will wash and iron. Best of city references. Apply at Mrs. Bland's Registry Office, 23 Chenneville street. 293 6

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A General Servant. 575 St. Catherine street. 293 2

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WANTED, a young Girl as Nurse, at 56 Cadieux street. 293 2

Extra Edition.

Evening Telegrams.

THE DEFINITIVE TREATY OF PEACE.—LONDON, December 12.—The report that Germany has made a proposal that England should assume a protectorate over Constantinople as the price for permitting the unification of Bulgaria and Roumelia is intrinsically improbable, and also at variance with the official note from St. Petersburg, stating that the reconstruction of the Turkish ministry was favorable to the progress of negotiations for a definitive treaty, and that Russia only desires full and complete peace in conformity with the Treaty of Berlin. The Emperor Alexander, in a speech at Moscow, recently, declared he hoped for a speedy signature of the definitive treaty of peace with Turkey.

RUSSIAN INTERFERANCE NOT TO BE TOLERATED.—LONDON, Dec. 12.—In the House of Commons this afternoon Sir Stafford Northcote stated that when he recently made the statement in the House that the Russian envoy to the Ameer had left Cabul he believed that it was equivalent to the return of the whole Russian mission. He (Northcote) had, however, subsequently obtained information which led the English Government to come to a contrary opinion. The matter is now being inquired to. Sir Stafford Northcote stated emphatically that the English Government will not acquiesce in Russian interference in any form at Cabul.

THE AMERICAN CONSPIRATOR IN CONSTANTINOPLE. — CONSTANTINOPLE, December 12.—The American Consul has made three applications for the release of Romer. He was informed that Romer was a party to the conspiracy in 1869 in Syria, but as his arrest was contrary to treaty obligations, the Vizier ordered Romer to be delivered to the Consul for trial. The Minister of Police requested the remand of the prisoner until to-day. The Consul protested and will apply again to-day for the custody of Romer.

RUSSIAN OCCUPATION OF BULGARIA.—LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Russians have decided to leave 50,000 men in Bulgaria, and concentrate all troops in excess of that number at Adrianople until the definitive treaty has been concluded.

DISSOLUTION OF ITALIAN PARLIAMENT PROBABLE.—ROME, December 12.—It is now believed there will be a dissolution of Parliament, and a business Ministry in the Interim.

CONTRADICTION. — CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 12.—British Ambassador Layard contradicts the report that he is negotiating an additional treaty with Turkey.

TURKISH REVENUE.—CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 12.—The new Budget shows the revenue of the Empire to be sixteen million Turkish pounds.

GORTSCHAKOFF.—LONDON, December 12.—Prince Gortschakoff arrived at St. Petersburg last night.

THE FLOODS IN THE STATES.—LAWRENCE, Mass., December 12.—The water of the Merrimac gained nearly as high a point as the great freshet in the spring of 1869, and is still rising. Nine feet of water is now passing over the Essex Company's dam. All the mills in the city, except a portion of the Everett New Pacific, have been obliged to suspend.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 12.—The water is higher in the Merrimac and Concord rivers than since 1870. Middlesex mills have closed. Prescott mill was shut down at noon and all other manufactories have partially suspended.

MECHANICS FALLS, Me., Dec. 12.—Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad has six heavy washouts. Trains will not resume for a week.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Dec. 12.—The barometer on Tuesday night indicated 28° F., the lowest ever known here. The total rain-fall was over 4½ inches. Two culverts of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Road were washed out, and nearly 250 telegraph poles blown down between here and Syracuse. Despatches are sent to Syracuse by cars.

City News.

S.S. ARRIVAL.—The steamship "Brooklyn," from Liverpool, arrived at Portland this morning.

REPORTED BURGLARY.—It is said that the second-hand store of Mr. McDonough, on Commissioners street, was burglarized last night to the extent of several hundred dollars.

CHAMBLY CONTESTED ELECTION.—About twenty witnesses were examined to-day in the Superior Court, before Hon. Justice Papineau, on behalf of the defence. Yesterday twenty-five witnesses gave testimony.

MRS. JACK SHEEHAN was arrested this afternoon, and a stockingful of jewellery found upon her was identified as the property of Mr. Gurd, jeweller, on St. Catherine street, whose place was robbed a few days ago.

THE STAR CLUB AFFAIR is likely to be buried in oblivion, as the leading spirits in recent shameful events have fled from Montreal. The detectives have been searching for them in vain. It is said that one of the parties under arrest volunteered information to save himself, and that the police are in a fair way of getting some others who are held to be implicated in the recent robberies.

AN OLD STORY IN A NEW SHAPE.—This morning a man entered the store of Mr. Ganthier, in the Quebec suburbs, and asked the boy in attendance to give him a quart of molasses, requesting that it should be poured into his hat for convenience. The boy objected, saying that it would spoil it. The man, however, took the molasses and commenced emptying it into the hat. The boy then finished it, but had no sooner pouted it in than the man slapped it in the boy's face and took $25 out of the cash drawer of the store.

The Grand Trunk Railway.

The traffic returns of the Grand Trunk Railway for week ending Dec. 7th were $177,764, against $200,419 for the corresponding period last year, showing a decrease of $22,655.

Montreal and the Railway.

Our reporter learned that an interview had taken place early to-day between the Premier, the Mayor and the Chairman of the Harbor Commission, who represent, as will be seen, the most important interests conceived in the project under discussion. It was a meeting of no protracted length, although it may be remarked that considerable discussion was had at it. A question lay at issue between the Harbor Commission and the Quebec Government, but the whole matter was harmoniously arranged. In fact, to use the words of Mr. Cramp: "Matters have arrived at the most harmonious basis possible between the Commission and the Premier, subject of course to the approval of the Harbor Board." Thus it may be inferred that

A SETTLEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED,

an inference strengthened by information gleaned subsequently from the Premier, Mr. Joly, who stated to a STAR representative that he could not have believed previously that one hour's discussion in Montreal could have placed matters in so satisfactory a condition.

LAST MOMENTS OF CASTAFROLAZ.

He is to be Hanged To-morrow Morning.

For some time past a number of persons, influenced by humanitarian feelings, have been engaged in an effort to obtain the commutation of the death sentence of Castafrolaz, the Rouse's Point murderer. The condemned man, up to a recent day, has been of the opinion that there was some chance for a commutation of the death penalty. Now the last hope has gone, and

CASTAFROLAZ IS PREPARING FOR ETERNITY.

He lately has written some most pathetic appeals to Messrs. Schwob, jewellers, of Notre Dame street, with whom he had been employed, begging them to use their influence for him at Ottawa. So far they have been unsuccessful. One of the members of the firm is in Ottawa at the present moment on his mission of charity, but as will be seen below, there is no hope that Castafrolaz will escape.

THE EXTREME PENALTY OF THE LAW

will be carried out in a strictly private manner, the scaffold having been erected only a few feet above an excavation made within the jail-yard, and in which the body will be suspended after the fatal drop. There will only be admitted on the occasion those whose presence is imperatively required. The execution will take place at eleven o'clock, ten minutes previous to which the bells of the town will toll as the signal for the Catholic population to offer prayer on behalf of

THE CONDEMNED

in accordance with the announcement made on Sunday by the Rev. Mr. Aubry. It is understood that Castafrolaz will deliver a brief address from the scaffold. He is perfectly resigned to his fate, which has, however, somewhat affected his health. He had built his hopes upon the auspicious advent of the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise. Nevertheless, instead of buoying himself with hopes that were not to be realized, he has been preparing himself for the fate that awaits him, and to make that peace with his Maker which he cannot have with the world on this side the grave. He has made his confessions several times, partook of the communion on Friday, as well as Sunday, and listens most attentively to the instructions of his spiritual advisers.

NO HOPE.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE STAR.)

ST. JOHNS, December 12th, 1878.—Sheriff Nolin has received instructions from the Minister of Justice that the law must take its course.

FINANCIAL.

The money market is quiet as usual, but rates are stiffening. Sterling Exchange in New York sold at 48 to-day, and Gold at 100¼.

The following sales occurred at the Regular Stock Board this morning: 25 Montreal, 139; 2 do, 139¼; 78 do, 139; 25 do, 139¼; 15 do, 139½; 34 do, 139¼; 75 do, 139; 120 Ontario, 68½; 40 do, 68; 10 Consolidated, 61⅝; 15 do, 62; 2 do, 61; 25 Peoples, 58; 100 Jacques Cartier, 33; 20 Merchants, 80¼; 15 do, 80½; 20 Commerce, 105; 30 Exchange, 69½; 25 Montreal Telegraph, 108; 25 do, 108¼; 125 do, 108⅜; 100 do, 108½; 25 do, 108⅞; 5 Richelieu, 50½.

A break all round is about the most correct definition that can be given of the stock market to-day. Montreal declined to 139 and Ontario went down to 67⅞. Merchants was very weak and sagging, being sold at 79. Montreal Telegraph was about the only stock that held its own against the wave of depression that swept over the market to-day. Richelieu was weak and 1½ per cent. lower. Instead of there being a short interest in Richelieu, it is pretty plain that the stock is suffering on its merits alone, as it is feared there will be no dividend declared at its next annual meeting, the interim dividend having well absorbed all net earnings. Gas dropped off with the rest. 100 shares of City Passenger Railway, quoted yesterday at 50, should read Richelieu Navigation Company.

Afternoon sales at the Regular Stock Exchange were:—50 Ontario, 67⅞; 30 Consolidated, 61½; 20 do, 60½; 100 Toronto, 118; 25 Merchants, 80; 25 do, 79½; 10 do, 79; 100 Commerce, 105; 250 do, 104½; 100 ex-div. do, 101½; 100 Richelieu, 49½; 50 do, 49½; 27 do, 49; 50 City Gas, 107; 25 do, 106½.

Prices of breadstuffs and provisions in Liverpool :—

	Dec. 11th. 5 p. m.				Dec. 12th. 5 p. m.			
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Flour	18	0	22	0	18	0	22	0
Spring Wheat	7	6	9	4	7	6	9	4
Red Winter	8	8	9	0	8	8	9	0
White Winter	9	4	9	9	9	4	9	9
Club	9	7	10	0	9	7	10	0
New Corn	23	3	23	6	23	3	23	6
Barley	3	2	0	0	3	2	0	0
Oats	2	6	0	0	2	6	0	0
Peas	32	0	00	0	32	0	00	0
Pork, new	40	0	00	0	40	0	00	0
Lard	32	0	00	0	31	9	00	0
New Beef	80	0	00	0	80	0	00	0
Bacon	22	6	26	6	23	6	26	6
Tallow	36	9	00	0	36	9	00	0
Cheese	46	0	00	0	45	0	00	0

The following were the fluctuations in New York stocks, furnished by Messrs. MacDougall Bros., stock brokers, 69 St. Francois Xavier street:

December 12th, 1878.

	Op'g	11:30	2:10	Clo'g
W. U. Telegraph	94½	94	......	94½
LakeShore	68⅞	68¾	......	68⅞
Pacific Mail	13½	......	......	13½
Erie	19¼	......	......	18
Ohio & Mississippi	7½	......	......	7½
Northwest	47¼	47⅜	47⅜	47⅜
do Preferred	77⅜	77¼	......	77⅜
St. Paul	35½	35	34⅜	34⅞
do Preferred	73¼	72⅞	......	72⅜
Michigan Central	......	......	......	67½
Jersey Central	28⅞	29	......	29
N. Y. Central	112½	......	......	112½
Delaware & Lackawanna	43¼	42½	......	42⅞
Delaware & Hudson	37½	37	37½	37½
St. Joseph	13¾	......	14	14
Rock Island	118	......	......	117¾
C. C. & I. C.	5⅜	5⅜	......	6
Toledo & Wabash	21⅝	......	......	22
Union Pacific	65⅞	66	......	67¼
A. & P. Tel.	......	......	......	......
Gold	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛
Exchange	483	......	......	483½
Money	......	......	......	2½

Latest Market Prices.

CHICAGO, December 12.

Wheat, December	$0 00	to	$0 00
" January	0 82⅜	to	0 00
Corn, December	0 00	to	0 00
" January	0 31¾	to	0 31
Oats, December	0 00	to	0 00
" January	0 20⅝	to	0 00
Barley, December	0 00	to	0 00
" January	0 95	to	0 00
Pork, December	0 00	to	0 00
" January	7 75	to	0 00
Lard, December	0 00	to	0 00
" January	5 55	to	5 67½

Business Troubles.

Simpson, Wallace & Co., organ makers, St. John, N.B., have failed.

New Advertisements this P.M.

SALE OF DAMAGED TOYS, FANCY GOODS AND TOBACCONISTS' SUNDRIES, &c.

ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

On Monday Morning Next, 16th Inst.,

We are instructed to sell at the Stores of Messrs. L. Hamburger & Co.,

No. 422 ST. PAUL STREET,

About $10,000 worth of Toys, Fancy Goods and Tobacconists' Sundries, slightly damaged by a late fire on the premises, comprising:

Briar Pipes, Cigars, Meerschaum Pipes and Cigar-holders, Cigar Cases, Match Boxes, Cigarette Paper and Cases, Cherry Stems, &c., Toys, Mechanical Toys, Stoves and Tinware, Inkstands, Flower Pots, Toilet Sets, Clocks, Tooth Brushes, Hair Brushes, Nail Brushes and Hat Brushes, Metallic Books, Pencils and Maps, &c., &c.

Sale at Ten o'clock.

M. HICKS & CO.,

293 Auctioneers.

LARGE SALE OF COSTLY FURS, ROBES, &c.

On Saturday next, 14th Instant, Afternoon and Evening,

we will hold at our Rooms, No. 428 Notre Dame street, a large assortment of Costly Furs, comprising Ladies' Mantles and Jackets, in Seal, Persian Lamb, Astracan and Beaver; Caps in Seal, Sea Otter, and Mink; a great variety of Muffs, Gents' Coats, in Persian Lamb, Racoon and Buffalo, Caps in Otter, Seal, Persian Lamb, Mink, Beaver, &c.; Gauntlets and Mitts, Children's Furs, &c.; also, a number of lined and unlined Buffalo Robes.

Sales at TWO and Half-past SEVEN o'clock.

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UNIVERSITY LITERARY SOCIETY—The usual Weekly Meeting will be held on FRIDAY Evening, December 13th, at 8 p.m. As business of importance will be considered, every member is requested to be present.

A. W. ATWATER,

293 2 Cor Secretary.

NOW IS YOUR TIME BOYS and GIRLS for SKATING. Only Five Cents in the Mall Line Basin, first lock, at foot of McGill street. Always kept in good order. Skates to rent. Open until 10 o'clock every night. 293 3 s

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LOST—On Wednesday morning, 11th inst., a goat. Finder will be rewarded by returning it to No. 275 Bonaventure street. 293 6

EMPLOYMENT WANTED, by a respectable Woman, as Wet Nurse. Apply at 131 McCord street. 293 3

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BAILIFF'S SALE—PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, District of Montreal—No. 8,830. CIRCUIT COURT, Montreal.—Andre B. Craig, Esq., M.D., of Montreal, Plaintiff, vs. Anatole Archambault, grocer, of the same place, Defendant.—On the 21st of December instant, at Nine of the clock in the forenoon, at the residence of the said Defendant, in the City of Montreal, will be sold by authority of Justice, all the goods and chattels of said Defendant, seized in this cause, consisting [illegible] ture, &c. Terms of sale [illegible] Montreal, 12th December [illegible] [illegible]PSON,

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BURIED ALIVE!

OR,

THE BEAUTIFUL SPIRIT.

CHAPTER LI—*Continued.*

They continued their investigations, and at last, in the very last room they visited, they came upon the ladder which Bernice had left leaning against the trap-door of the low upper garret which she had made her haunt. During the secret stay of young Lady Chetwynd in the house, she had drawn up the ladder after her when in the upper garret, and had usually hidden it in an adjacent closet after her descents. It will be remembered that she had fled in great haste upon the occasion of her last visit to the garret, both Monk and Sage having searched for her for hours in the vicinity. The ladder then was precisely as she had last used it.

Bisset's eyes gleamed as he beheld the ladder. He sprang forward, and climbed up the rounds like a cat, and was in the upper garret.

Something in his manner infected Chetwynd and Tempest with like energy. They came after him up the ladder into the upper room.

It was only a low garret, barely six feet high in its highest part, without windows—a mere den, lighted and ventilated through seams and crevices in the slated roof.

And yet it was seen at the first glance to have been the haunt of a human being.

There was a mattress in a corner, a pillow, and blankets. A bit of broken mirror was affixed to a rough-hewn post. There were a few toilet appurtenances that had evidently been brought up from a guest-chamber below.

"Some one has been here," said Tempest, wonderingly. And, by the perfect neatness that reigns here, I should judge the inmate had been a lady."

"She stayed here for weeks at a time," said Bisset, quietly. "See here."

He pointed out in a corner remnants of food, bones of fowls, a box of biscuits, and other edibles. The gentlemen examined them curiously.

"Do you think, Mr. Bisset, that the person who has lived in this room is the same who has performed the part of Lady Chetwynd's spectre," inquired Mr. Tempest, with anxious interest.

Bisset replied in the affirmative.

"She must be demented," said the young marquis, thoughtfully. "It seems strange, indeed, that a girl with Bernice's fortunes should be living under my very roof unknown and unsuspected. Bisset, I cannot think the so-called spectre a designing woman, as Miss Monk suggests. She must be demented, poor soul. I'd stake my life upon her purity and nobleness. I have seen the world, and studied human nature, and I know that 'a corrupt soul could never look out of such pure, sweet eyes as hers.'"

Bisset did not reply. He was flashing his light to and fro high above his head, and darting his inquisitive glances hither and thither.

The gleam of something white—a mere roll or bundle—behind a beam overhead, met his eyes. He caught at it, and pulled it down. It unrolled, and its silken length fell upon the floor.

It was the burial robe of Lady Chetwynd.

The three gentlemen stared at it for a full minute in silence.

"That is the robe my wife was buried in," said Lord Chetwynd, in a strange voice. "I should know it anywhere. And it is the dress worn by the spectre—look at the sleeve!"

Bisset lifted into plainer view the small elbow sleeve, with its frill of rare point lace. Part of the frill had been forcibly torn out.

The officer produced the fragment of lace which Lord Chetwynd had given him, and fitted it to the original frill. The fact was apparent at a glance. The fragment had been from that very frill.

Again the three were silent, looking at each other and at the gown.

Mr. Tempest was the first to speak.

"As we have proved conclusively," he said, "that the Chetwynd spectre is a living woman, and that she has lived in this room for days, perhaps weeks. Some one of the household may or may not be in her confidence, and supply her with food. It is clear also that the woman, for purposes of her own, chooses to pass herself off as a ghost. Now, what is her object?"

That question will have to wait for an answer, said Bisset, dryly. "There are other questions to be considered first. For instance, this singular hallucination of my lord that this gown was actually worn by the late Lady Chetwynd in her coffin. Do you really mean, my lord, that this is the identical gown worn by her ladyship in her tomb?"

"It looks like the same," said Chetwynd. "Of course it cannot be the same, and yet I remember this gown well. Lady Chetwynd wore it the evening of her arrival home. She looked so lovely in it that I remarked it particularly, and in her girlish pleasure she called my attention to the pattern of the lace and other points."

"The gown was made by a French milliner," said Bisset, examining the robe critically.

"So was Lady Chetwynd's," said his lordship. "I can only say that the two gowns are precisely similar, and that the resemblance cannot be a mere accident."

"Do you adhere to your original declaration that this is the same gown that Lady Chetwynd wore, my lord?" demanded Bisset.

"That declaration was the result of impulse," replied Chetwynd, more calmly. "Of course the gown is not the same. How could it be? But this is like it—very like."

"Can you guess, my lord, that this is not Lady Chetwynd's gown?" asked Bisset, quietly.

"Can I prove that it is not?" iterated Lord Chetwynd, in tones of surprise. "Of course it is not. I spoke wildly, in the first flush of my excitement, when I declared it the same gown. But that it should be the same is impossible."

"Was there no other mark upon her ladyship's gown besides the pattern of the lace by which your lordship might identify it?" persisted the officer.

"No—yes. Upon the evening after our dinner party, as Lady Chetwynd and I stood in her boudoir," replied the marquis, "the ornaments upon my watch-chain became entangled in the lace on the inner side of her sleeve. Our attempts to detach the ornaments resulted in a rent in the lace—an odd little zigzag rent—which Fifine, Lady Chetwynd's French maid, repaired the next day. I have never thought of the incident since, until now your question recalls it."

"We can soon prove, then, if this be her ladyship's gown," said Bisset. "Look!"

He displayed the inner side of both sleeves. Lord Chetwynd examined both, and uttered a strange cry, starting back.

He had found the little rent he had described, but so carefully darned as to be imperceptible save to the closest scrutiny.

Bisset and Mr. Tempest examined it narrowly.

"This is incredible," said the explorer, in sudden agitation. "Are we to understand that this is actually and truly Lady Chetwynd's burial-gown?"

"It is proved by his lordship to have been Lady Chetwynd's robe, worn on her first evening in this house," said Bisset. "But it is not yet proved to have been the gown in which she was buried."

"But it is the same," declared the marquis, "the very same. She was buried in this gown—I'll swear to it. She looked in her coffin like a bride. She had no other white silk gown cut square in the neck, and with sleeves like those. Ask Miss Monk. She knows, and will tell you."

"Let us not drag Miss Monk into this business of investigating, my lord," said Bisset. I prefer to keep Miss Monk in ignorance of our movements. Is there no other who can identify the gown?"

"Lady Chetwynd's French maid, Fifine. She lives in London. I have her address somewhere."

"Very well. We will apply in due time to Mademoiselle Fifine," declared Bisset. "But to go on with our work here. Your lordship has proved conclusively that this gown belonged to Lady Chetwynd. Your lordship also believes this gown to have been her ladyship's burial robe. You will be report has gained cr... I assure you of its falseness, British Minister to ... lordship's presence to the old brute force system of Chet... diplomacy.

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"This is a most singular proposal, Mr. Bisset," said Tempest, endeavoring to recover himself. Why should you seek to disturb the remains of the dead? I cannot wonder that Lord Chetwynd refuses to grant your request. I think I never heard so strange a proposal in my life."

"But these are strange circumstances in which we find ourselves, sir," said Bisset, respectfully. "There is a fair share of probability that this gown was worn by Lady Chetwynd in her coffin. How, then, did it come out? It is for us to ascertain."

"No, no," said Chetwynd, brokenly. "I may have been mistaken in some way, after all. Of course, my wife could not have been buried in this robe and it be here."

"But why of course, my lord?" demanded Bisset. "I tell you, sirs, you are standing upon the threshold of a mystery so deep that I dare not as yet declare to you all my suspicions. What shall I say to you, and not betray too much? Have you never heard of people being buried in trances? Have you never heard of cases of suspended animation? Why should not Lady Chetwynd have been the victim of catalepsy? Suppose she were buried in a trance—suppose that some one, tempted by the idea that her ladyship wore jewels in her coffin, broke it open to rob her—suppose, being in a trance, she had revived——"

"Oh, great heavens," cried Chetwynd, "why do you thus torture me? My poor wife is dead, heaven help me!"

"But suppose she is not?" continued Bisset, his cool, keen eyes kindling with strange fire. "Such things have happened as burials of bodies that were wrapped in trance, and not dead——"

"But she was dead—my wife, my darling! She lay for six days in state. The doctors said that she was dead, my poor lost Bernice! Why do you harrow up my soul in this manner?" cried the young lord, pale with anguish. "I tell you she was dead. Oh, heaven, to think of her lying alive in her coffin, in that vault, while I was weeping for her in our deserted room at home! I shall see the awful picture while I live. I shall fancy her struggling—calling to me. Oh, merciful heaven! Bisset, I cannot forgive you."

"Pardon, my lord, but the fact remains," said Bisset, firmly. "It is possible that Lady Chetwynd was buried while in a state of suspended animation."

"It is not possible," cried Tempest, in an agony. "How can it be? She was not buried for six days."

"There are well-authenticated instances where animation was suspended for a week, or even so long as ten days," declared Bisset, calmly.

"But she was dead, I tell you," said Lord Chetwynd, brokenly. "Ah, there was no mistake in that fact. She died of fever contracted in the cottage of a poor tenant. She knew that she was dying. She bade me good-bye. And when she had died her eyes became sunken, and the look that the dead have mantled her face. There was a strange blueness about the poor, pinched face——"

He broke down sobbing.

Bisset started eagerly.

"A blueness, my lord?" he ejaculated. "For heaven's sake, go on. Did this blueness settle most heavily under the eyes and about the mouth?"

"Yes, yes. It changed her, giving her a ghastliness that haunts me still."

Bisset communed with himself for some moments. Evidently Chetwynd's words had produced a vivid impression upon him. At last he spoke—

"My lord, your words but confirm my desire to look within Lady Chetwynd's coffin. There is a state of trance characterized by the peculiar blueness of visage you have described. I cannot tell you more yet, but before heaven I swear I will lay before you, before I shall have relinquished your service, a story that will thrill you with horror. I believe that Lady Chetwynd was in a trance when she was buried."

Chetwynd reeled, his bronzed, noble face becoming ghastly white.

"Ah! What?" he gasped. "You believe that she—my wife—my little Bernice—died there in her coffin, while I was weeping and mourning for her here?"

"No, no. You do not comprehend me entirely. She was buried alive——"

Tempest echoed the words with an anguished groan.

Chetwynd put up his hands as to ward off a blow. He could not speak.

"I repeat," said Bisset, and the flickering candle-light fell full upon his earnest face, "that Lady Chetwynd, in my opinion, was buried alive. I believe that, for purposes of greed or other purposes, she was rescued from her tomb——"

"Rescued?" cried Chetwynd, in a quick, hollow whisper.

"Whether she arose from her coffin in her right mind or not, I cannot yet determine," pursued Bisset; "but that she arose from her coffin I am fully persuaded. I believe that she lives——"

Chetwynd retreated to the wall. He seemed about to faint, but his blue eyes burned with a wild and awful fire, and the ghastliness in his face deepened.

"Shall I go on?" asked Bisset, with an anxious glance at the marquis. "I believe that Lady Chetwynd lives. I believe that it was your own wife you have seen so repeatedly, my lord. I believe that Lady Chetwynd's spectre is Lady Chetwynd's living self."

CHAPTER LII.

MORE STILL AHEAD.

The words of Bisset, as he thus declared his belief in the continued existence of Lady Chetwynd, burned like coals into the hearts of his two listeners. Both Chetwynd and Tempest stood like statues, motionless, dumb, frozen in an awful horror. The words of the officer seemed wild and heartless. Tempest was conscious of a dull, vague sentiment of resentment against him, but Chetwynd was dazed and incapable of thought. Ghastly, and wild, and white, he looked like one stricken with death.

He did not faint nor fall. His breathing was stertorous, like one in an apoplexy. Tempest aroused from his own stupor, to regard his host in a sudden terror. He sprang towards him, putting his arms around him and supporting him tenderly.

"Speak to me, my lord," cried the explorer; "speak to me! Only let me hear your voice! Great heaven, he is ill!"

Chetwynd moved feebly, and the awful ghastliness began to give place to returning color in his face. Gradually his senses gathered back their strength—gradually the sound of ringing in his ears and his blindness of vision ceased. He drew a long, sobbing sigh, and withdrew himself gently from Tempest's support.

"My lord, ought we not to descend to the lower room?" asked Tempest, anxiously. "This has been too much for you. You look ill."

"I am better now," said the marquis, in a voice scarcely to be recognized as his own. "I was overcome for the moment. What was it you were saying, Mr. Bisset? Ah, I remember now. You were saying that—that you believed my mysterious visitor with Bernice's eyes to be Bernice herself, living."

"Yes, I said so, my lord, and I repeat my assertion."

"It is preposterous," said Tempest; "it is wicked."

"I have said words here to-night, my lord," said Bisset, in his firm, clear tones, "that will haunt your lordship to your dying day unless you comply with my demand. The vision of your wife's coffin will be present with you waking and sleeping. You will ask yourself, in the long and lonely nights, whether that coffin be empty or no. You will ask yourself whether the form of your young bride has mouldered to dust, or whether she wanders, demented, unearthly, somewhere about the great, evil, wolfish world. Unless you search her coffin, the demons of doubt and fear will make you miserable. The bare possibility that my words are true will ever and ever recur to you. You will never be rid of a secret terror——"

"Mr. Bisset," interposed Tempest, "I protest against this harrowing up of his lordship's soul. He cannot bear it—nor can I."

"And more," persisted the detective, unheeding the interruption, "my lord, you will not dare to marry Miss Monk while a doubt remains of your wife's death."

"Mr. Bisset," again exclaimed Tempest, angrily, "I must again protest——"

To be continued.

After a sharp struggle with the encroaching owners of adjoining property, the magnificent ground of Epping Forest, 6,000 acres of greensward and noble timber, within half an hour's rail of the poorest districts of London, is now secured to her citizens for ever, mainly through the public spirit of the corporation.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The manufacture of jewellery from pure blood of the ox is flourishing in Germany. The blood is dried, reduced to a powder and then molded and polished. The ornaments thus produced are capable of high polish.

Garibaldi will perhaps be a man of comfortable fortune, after all. He has sold to a company the privilege of quarrying granite on the island of Caprera, to pave the streets of Rome.

Several lads of Springfield, Vt., are suffering from incipient spinal disease, caused by a brutal system of hazing practised in the graded schools, wherein the victim is tossed up and down on his back.

A Cincinnati paper mentions a curious physiological phenomenon recently discovered in that city. A full-blooded negro woman, about thirty years of age, is gradually turning white. The changing process began about five years ago, and although most of her face is still black as a coal, about two-fifths of her body is white. She is under medical treatment for consumption, and the doctors call the singular transformation going on "absorption of pigment."

Much inquiry has recently been made as to what has become of the Grand Duke Alexis. About the time of the breaking out of the Turco-Russian war he came to America with several vessels, and at last accounts had sailed from San Francisco for the Red Sea, to observe naval movements in that neighborhood. For the last year nothing has been heard of him, notwithstanding scores of European correspondents are on the alert for news of his movements.

Victor Hugo has been working too hard, and has been obliged to retire for rest to his home in Guernsey. He has an unreasonable habit of working upon four or five subjects at once, rarely knowing which he shall finish first. In the morning, he begins with whichever subject first takes his fancy, and after devoting himself for a few hours to verse, turns to his novel after luncheon, and finishes the day by writing on some theme utterly unlike that which he took up in the morning. He has now in preparation six prose works and four poems.

The Sacramento *Bee* records one of the many cases of the terrible effects of using arsenic as a cosmetic, and bleaching preparations on the hair. About a year ago, a young lady began to use freely preparations for turning the hair to a golden tinge, and also for her complexion. Her appearance soon changed. She grew plump and rosy; her skin was white and clear; her hair soft and beautiful. But violent headaches soon commenced. She could not sleep. Night and day her head distressed her. Her mind grew feebler and feebler. To-day, this girl of twenty years is a maniac in a lunatic asylum.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

Striped *moire antique* goods are again revived.

Brocaded ribbons are in rich Roman colors.

Jetted trimmings sparingly used are again fashionable.

The minuet is to be fashionable at dancing parties this year.

Girls are taught to cook in the Iowa State Agricultural College.

Ulsters have large capes, beginning at the side seams of the back.

Boots of white rabbit skin and of white morocco are worn in Paris.

An effort to make the camelia fashionable for evening wear is on foot.

Brocade and velvet are shirred on the newest dresses, instead of being left plain.

White cloth, white felt and white ribbed velvet are all considered very stylish this season.

The favorite button with French dressmakers is the Japanese button of metal in three colors.

Olive-wood goods are unusually cheap this year, probably on account of the rivalry between them and Japanese wares.

Cashmere is still a favorite material for wrappers, and is shown in pale tints for handsome Princess wrappers or half-fitting sacks.

Small capes of Breton lace are noticed on some of the most recent conceptions in millinery. The lace is net, darned in pretty patterns with linen flees. It is also frilled into handsome rosettes, and frequently aids in softening and beautifying the stiffer materials, as only lace can.

For trimming children's garments, there are blue bands of check and Scotch plaid materials, Scotch plaid braids, and jacquard braids, some of which have dark grounds with raised strips of dull blue, red, brown, green, etc. Silver and gilt buttons are seen to good advantage on children's dresses. For little tots, who wear silk or cashmere slips of dainty colors, Smyrna, Torchon or Breton lace is the trimming most used and is put on perfectly flat.

An elegance is added to felt hats and bonnets for winter wear, with the warmer and more wintry-looking costumes, by bordering the edge with chenille cord intertwined with either satin cord or tinsel. A thick, heavy-looking chenille and satin cord is handsomer than the tinsel combination, though both have equal favor. The ties or strings, with which the fashionable bonnet is now always completed, are generally fastened to the sides, fretted of on, or under the back, as was the mode last winter.

The War at the Cape.

Cape Town items to the latest London dates, Nov. 9, are as follows:—The Cape *Argus* says:—"No reliable news has been received from Zululand or the Transvaal. Cetewayo is reported to be much incensed because the Governor of Delagoa Bay has refused to supply him with gunpowder, and a rumor is current that Secocoeni has been taken prisoner with 500 of his tribe. Sir Bartle Frere is still at Maritzburg. Gen. Thesiger has gone to Grey Town. The Caffre chiefs Gungubela, Tini Mapomo, and Stocktyali have been sent down to Cape Town to be domiciled on Robben Island. It is said that a memorial from Griqualand West for immediate annexation to the Cape Colony will shortly be forwarded to the High Commissioner. Things are not improving at latest advices on the northern border. The Colonial forces are split up into small parties, and the rebels have it all their own way, taking such cattle as it pleases them to seize. The Civil Commissioner of Newcastle, and Captain Bloom have raised a body of 70 men to join Col. Bayly, and it is expected that in a few days this force will be recruited to 100 men. Captain Bloom will have the command."

The *Standard and Mail* says:—"Kreli continues to baffle all attempts which are made to capture him, but, with this exception, the programme of the Ministry for securing the peace of the colony is being successfully carried out. The work of disarming the natives is going on quietly, and the late rebels are submitting with tolerably good grace to their altered circumstances. There are rumors in circulation of additional fighting in Griqualand West, but nothing of a decisive character has been accomplished. In Griqualand East everything is peaceful. There has been an important meeting in Tambuland between the Secretary for Native Affairs, and the leading chiefs, in which the most amicable sentiments were exchanged, and in course of which it was stated that Gangalica Gangalywe is about to pay a visit to Cape Town. Sir Bartle Frere is making a favorable impression in Natal, and is taking every opportunity of impressing upon the colonists the duty of self-defence. Confederation is another of the subjects upon which the High Commissioner has dilated, and his views with respect to it are attracting a good deal of attention. Her Majesty's troops continue to move forward towards the mountain fastnesses of Secocoeni, but our latest advices do not inform us of any outbreak of hostilities. It is generally felt that the work of pacification in Zululand and the Transvaal will be one of time."

The *Cape Times* says:—"Movements of armed parties take place in Zululand, and the military dispositions made by General Thesiger are narrowly watched by the natives. Nothing certain is known of Cetewayo's intentions. The state of the country has made transport very difficult, and although the Imperial authorities have purchased 20 wagons and 300 oxen from one man, the advance of troops and their impedimenta must be seriously hampered until rain falls. The Portuguese Government at Lourenco Marques having attempted to occupy the island of Inyak, awarded to Portugal by Marshal MacMahon's arbitration, the natives living there have driven them off, asserting that the island was long ago given to the English, and that they will not allow the Portuguese to settle upon it."

LATEST MAIL NEWS.

Canadian.

Small-pox has created much excitement at Alberton, P.E.I.

Four bears were recently shot in Cashel, near Belleville, Ont.

There are a few cases of typhoid fever in the Mennonite villages, west of Red River.

Okhari Lodge of Good Templars (Oneida Indian) has now a membership of 63 persons.

An old woman in Antigonish, N.S., fainted a few days ago at her first sight of a railroad train.

Mr. D. I. K. Rine will shortly return to Canada from the United States, where he has been for some time.

Mr. Walter Thompson, of Mitchell, Ont., made a sale of $10,000 worth of oatmeal last week. It goes to Liverpool.

Two years ago Norwich, Ont., had only three manufactories run by steam. In a month or two she will have eight.

And now a Galt, Ont., boy has invented a flying machine and wants some one to furnish money to enable him to make a model.

There was exported from Napanee, Ont., this season, 45,308 pounds of cheese, of the value of $37,069. It was sent chiefly to Liverpool.

Silas James, a veteran who fought under Nelson at the battle of Trafalgar, died last week at Blanchard, Ont., at the age of ninety-five.

A six-year-old boy was picked up in the gutter at Windsor, Ont., a day or two ago, helplessly drunk with whisky procured at his own home.

The Hamilton *Times* publishes a letter advising no young man to go south in search of employment, as there are already two for every situation.

It is expected that the Midland Railway will be opened for traffic to Georgian Bay next spring. Only about three miles of road remain to be built.

A second crop of barley has been raised by Mr. Nicholas L. Lazier, of the township of Hallowell, Ont. The heads are full and well formed, and would thresh out as well as many a first-crop.

If the account presented to the Napanee, Ont., School Board be a correct one, the public schools there during the past year used sixty Imperial gallons of ink, or 7,680 of the ordinary stone bottles!

The Oshawa, Ont., *Vindicator* is now delighted with Canada as a country to live in. "Everything is cheap, if work is scarce. It is consoled by the fact that milk is 2c. a quart and turkeys 7c. per lb.

A farmer took a load of butter to Brockville, Ont., recently for sale, and was offered the remunerative price of two cents a pound for it. He was so disgusted that he dumped the whole load in the water.

On November 20th there was shipped for San Francisco per steamship Dakota treasure to the amount of $85,132. This, the heaviest shipment of the year, is accounted for by recent arrivals of gold dust from the Cassiar, B.C., Mines.

The Owen Sound, Ont., *Tribune* suggests that some united action should be taken in the way of petitioning Parliament to prevent the wholesale destruction of fish during the spawning season by extending the present "close season."

Mr. McCuan, of the Waba Mills, Ont., is getting out the timber for the new railway bridge across the Madawaska near Arnprior; and several American gentlemen who have contracted for the work are actively prosecuting operations for the completion of the structure.

Major George A. Camp, says the *Pioneer Press*, has just returned from a business trip to Manitoba. He expresses himself as astonished at the rapid increase of population along the Red River Valley, and predicts that the great city of that section will be Winnipeg.

Stratford, Ont., is being made hot just now with threatened libel suits. Mr. Fahey, for the *Herald*, has entered a suit against the *Beacon* for charging him with larceny, and Jas. Corcoran is after the *Herald* with a libel suit for charging him with cheating the Government as a distiller.

Most of the Southampton, Ont., fishermen have laid up their boats. The season has been a poor one, both for fish and markets. Herring have been very late in striking inshore, and the last fishing proved best. The season has been the stormiest known for twenty years, and little work could be done. Many nets have been destroyed or injured.

Mr. David Wootten, sr., who kept a green grocery store in Markham, Ont., village, has been missing for nearly three weeks. At that time he drove to Unionville, and leaving his horse and buggy there, he wrote home telling his family they would never see him again. Since then nothing has been seen or heard of him, and it is feared he has made away with himself.

Dr. Malloch, who has been deer hunting up the Opeongo Road, Ont., asserts that there is no doubt of the existence of splendid phosphate deposits at Clear Lake and other localities in the vicinity in the county of Renfrew. The distance to rail transportation, however, may be for some time a formidable bar to any successful development or working of the mineral in these localities.

The Chatham, Ont., *Banner* says:—Mr. Cumming, the assignee of the estate of McMichael & Hughson, Blenheim, issued a first and final dividend sheet of 100 cents in the dollar, payable to creditors on the 10th inst. The payment of such a dividend is something unusual. Indeed, a similar occurrence has never come under our notice during all the time the insolvent law has been in force.

The Arnprior, Ont., *Review* says:—Notwithstanding the adverse views expressed by Mr. Vennor, apparently without much knowledge of the subject, in regard to the existence of phosphate on the Bonnechere, Mr. W. Bannerman and Mr. R. Turner are prosecuting their mining operations at Lake Clear with great energy and with gratifying success. The supply of phosphate of the best quality is said to be inexhaustible. Messrs. Bannerman and Turner have refused an offer of $10,000 for their claim.

They have an excellent way of getting rid of beggars at Clinton, Ont., by placing them in the lock-up. After a day or two ago, a Frenchman, pretending to be stone-deaf and dumb was going the rounds there from door to door, begging, when he was arrested and taken before the Mayor, who asked him quietly whether he would go to jail or leave town. With a wonderful quickness the afflicted individual replied "I'll leave." His Worship told him to be gone, and to his surprise the man threw down his crutches and ran from his presence with a speed that would do credit to a professional runner.

A new town called Nivenville, Ont., has just been started at the station of that name on the Pembina Branch of the Pacific Railway, twenty miles south from St. Boniface. The site N. W. ¼, sec. 30, Tp. R. 4, E, in the north-west corner of the Mennonite Reserve. The business of the extensive Mennonite settlement will certainly greatly tend to draw this town, where the nucleus of an important market town of the near future is already formed. Stores have already been erected and opened, and a large elevator, hotel and mills are to be erected in the spring.

The Arnprior, Ont., *Review* says:—"Mr. Stafford has shown us several specimens of quartz which he had picked up in this neighborhood, and which bear every indication of being of the genuine auriferous order. They were found in the same locality in which those we mentioned a few weeks ago have been discovered, and should they turn out to be what, on a careful analysis, we believe they will prove to be real specimens of gold bearing quartz, we may confidently look forward to the development in our midst of an excitement and a rush equal to anything which characterized the palmy days of the gold diggings in California or Australia. The supposed gold discoveries have been made along the bed of the Madawaska near Arnprior.

American.

The Chinese have two Joss houses in New York.

A Nebraska justice held a sheep thief in $3,000,000 bail.

Ploughing is still in progress in various sections of Minnesota.

Thirty-two cases of diphtheria are reported at Port Jervis, N.Y.

A child eleven years of age was murdered in Rochester, N.Y., the other day.

Francis Murphy converted eight thousand drunkards in New York in three weeks.

Four hundred deer have been killed daily in the Adirondacks during the fall months of this year.

A North Carolina gentleman has raised this year 604 bushels of potatoes on an acre of ground.

The New England railroads have decided to discontinue the issuance of half-fare tickets to clergymen.

Eighty thousand head of cattle was the present a Texan cattle king gave to his daughter on her marriage.

Moose are getting troublesome on the upper Kennebec, and parties have been obliged to kill a number of them.

Three hundred men and women met in a hall in Indianapolis, Tuesday night, and organized the Indiana Cremation Society.

The citizens of Truckee, Nev., have forced the Chinese to leave the town and locate on the opposite side of the Truckee River.

Three pounds of butter, wrapped in a cloth, with a piece of paper attached for the address and stamps, has been mailed at Bloomington, Iowa.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor is the owner of a miniature painted on a cobweb, and it is believed to be the only thing of the kind in the country.

Every codfish having the least bit of patriotism in his bones will confine himself to American waters and American fishhooks. —*Detroit Free Press.*

Horace W. B. Tabor, the new Lieutenant-Governor of Colorado, was a stone-cutter in Augusta, Me., in 1856. In 1860 he went to Colorado, became a miner, and is now worth $2,000,000.

A company which proposes to construct a pipe-line from the Bradford (Pa.) oil region to Williamsport, Pa., has been organized, and all the stock has been subscribed. The line will be able to transport 8,000 barrels a day.

Twin sisters, daughters of a widow in Centralia, Ill., and eight years of age, were taken with the same fever two weeks since, died on Friday last within an hour of each other, and were buried on Sunday in the same grave.

It is leaking out, says the Detroit *News*, that Talmage has been badly sold by the New York policemen; that finding a green horn with plenty of money they have improvised gambling houses, and put up various other jobs for his especial benefit.

The sun shines every day of the year in Denver. The Colorado *Bulletin* states that an old resident, who has kept a record of the days when the sun was visible or invisible, vouches for the fact that there has been unobscured sunshine on 365 consecutive days.

A Louisiana paper reports that there are now nearly, if not quite, 50 cases of leprosy in Lafourche, that State, all originating from one person thus suffering, who some twenty years ago settled on the lower portion of Bayou Lafourche. Legislative enquiry is asked for.

Capt. Kershaw, at the age of twenty, married a girl of thirteen. They lived together unhappily for a few months, agreed that they had wedded too young, and separated. After the lapse of ten years they recently met in Texas, and began matrimony over again.

It is noted by a New Jersey nursery dealer as a feather in the crest of the sparrow, that whereas formerly he employed two boys all the summer long in keeping 4 acres of rosebushes clear from the destructive bug, this season it has been wholly unnecessary, owing to the advent of the sparrow.

At a town meeting in Sandwich, Mass., on Saturday, in reference to the oyster fishery in Monument and Barlow rivers, it was voted that the rivers be opened every Saturday; that each family be allowed to take but one bushel of oysters, each to make its own catch, the right not being transferable.

A Newfoundland dog ran up to two men near Worcester, barked furiously, tugged at their coats, rad ran off a little way. Then he returned as before. They at length understood that he wanted them to follow. He conducted them to a pond, where a small dog was in the water and unable, by reason of the smooth, high stone sides, to get out.

The latest fish story is that of four Long Branch fishermen, whose anchor line was seized by a whale which made straight for the open sea, towing the boat at tremendous speed. After being dragged about a mile the frightened fishermen cut the rope and pulled hastily for shore whilst the whale continued its course and progress with the end of the rope. Next!

A Cincinnati court has refused to grant a divorce where a young woman married, after a sixteen days' acquaintanceship, an adventurer who pretended to be the son of a wealthy land-owner. The fraud, the judge ruled, was in the inducement to marriage, not in the marriage contract itself, which is not affected by previous misrepresentations as to name, fortune, or social standing.

Mr. Moody's meetings in Baltimore are carried on rather quietly, but with success. A meeting of the Evangelical Pastors of the city was held recently, at which it was resolved to appoint a commission of ministers representing the different Protestant denominations, with Mr. Moody as chairman, to appeal to the Christian people throughout the United States to unite in a concert of prayer and of evangelistic efforts during the entire month of January.

Augusta Guidi and his wife were very miserable in San Francisco. They had been married only a few months, but were already discouraged by poverty, having been accustomed to an easy, careless life. Guidi sent a letter to a friend, requesting him to go to a certain spot in a suburb of the city, find a bit of red paper, and follow a trail of similar pieces until he came to "something startling." The friend did as requested, and found the dead bodies of Guidi and his wife. They had committed suicide.

Mayor Latrobe, of Baltimore, has just bought a doll. And this is why he did it: A day or two ago he received a letter, written in a childish hand and shockingly misspelled, but evidently sincere:—"I am little hellen," it said, "and I want a little dolly for cristmas and I ant got no papy to buy me any and mamma ant got no money to buy it either so I think I will not have no fun at cristmas so I think you have got lots of money so you will please buy me a little dolly for cristmas you can get a pretty one for ten cents."

A young *attache* of the Belgian Legation recently reached Washington fresh from London, his last station, and greatly vexed over what he was pleased to call his exile. "At all events," he was in the habit of saying, "I shall speak no English in Washington: I learned it in London, and I don't intend to spoil my accent." Time passed. The *attache* was at a reception. Some friend of his asked a bright young American woman to permit him to present the *attache* to her. "Oh, dear, no," was the reply, and it has travelled over Washington, "I couldn't think of such a thing. I learned my French in Paris, and it would ruin my accent to talk with a Belgian."

A short time ago a German employed in the forge department of the Dover Stamping Company, at Cambridge, Mass., was made the victim of a practical joke that has since resulted in his becoming insane and being incarcerated in the lunatic asylum at Worcester. With the design of frightening him, one of a gang of his fellow-workmen told Starbecker that in a certain cemetery in Longwood there was a grave in which several thousands of dollars were buried. Starbecker went to the graveyard one dark night, and was kneeling by a tombstone, when a figure clothed in white arose as from the grave. The German started to run, when another figure, dressed in black, crossed his path. The poor fellow fell in a fit. Since then he has been insane, and on Saturday last was taken to the asylum.

World Over.

A new bird of paradise has been found on the west coast of New Guinea.

A postal card has been around the world from Chemnitz, Germany, in 117 days.

A Jewish weekly has been started in Cairo, the first and only one published there.

The bloodhound is now employ by Spanish fishermen to catch sharks in the Cuban coast.

The electric light is seen to the most advantage in the Paris Hippodrom. Five burners irradiate a company of 10,000.

A priest has just been expelled from the Vatican for selling the late unpopular Pontiff's old slippers and drawers to rich dames.

So great is the scarcity of ... in England that annually ... ... At prices equivalent to 12 cents each, ... ounces at 9 cents.

Twelve million franc tickets have been sold for the great Russian lottery. The prizes are of all values, between one franc and 100,000 francs.

The Sultan of Turkey, after a careful estimate, has discovered that it will take about $140,000,000 to patch up the leaks in the treasury that the recent war caused.

No reason within memory has been so unfortunate for the Greenland whaling fleet as that just past. The whole Scotch fleet secured but six whales, and one steamer was totally lost.

A prolonged drought has brought the inhabitants of the Philippian Islands to a state of starvation, and their destitution has been intensified by the ravages of locusts.

The first street railway in Rome is now in successful operation. It runs from Porta del Popolo to the old bridge of Ponte Molle, on the Tiber—a length of two miles.

An English officer, who has long resided in Italy, says that its army is as disciplined and brave as any in Europe, and that its officers study harder to-day than English officers do.

In Florence a wealthy Jew named Cassuto has presented the synagogue with six solid silver lamps, valued at over $4,000 and has bound himself to keep them supplied with oil.

At the little village of Imari, in the province of Hizen, Japan, are made telegraphic insulators of such good quality that Europe is sending for them in preference to those of home manufacture.

Two burglars have been arrested at Adelaide, Australia, who distributed tracts on Sunday in order to become acquainted with the premises they intended to work, and when captured ate £300 in £20 notes.

It is said that the foundation and pillars of the great Gothic cathedral of Cologne are fast undergoing chemical decomposition, and that before the close of the present century the safety of the edifice may be endangered.

A lawsuit for a small piece of woodland, which was claimed by two branches of a family, has been settled at Aix, France, after lasting fifty-six years. The loser had to pay the winner's costs, which amounted to $12,000.

Baroness Mary Itulak Artymowska, 25 years of age, and moving in the best Russian society, says the Paris *Estafette*, has just been banished to Siberia for forgery, fraud, and bribery, leaving debts to the amount of 2,000,000 roubles.

It is announced that Lieut. Zubowich will again put his mare "Caradoc" to a severe test. He is in England, where he intends endeavoring to Cross the English Channel from Dover to Calais on the animal's back, supported by his swimming apparatus.

The Khedive of Egypt has got a great liking for old English furniture, and, of course, must have a room in his palace furnished with it. He has purchased a cabinet at the Paris Exposition at a cost of $10,000, and the rest of the fixtures of the room correspond.

The Emperor William likes to go to the theatre, sometimes going, it is said, nearly every evening for two weeks. He only cares for short, laughable pieces. The programme of the night's entertainment was submitted to him for approval every morning during his visit at Wiesbaden.

Japanese farmers are in distress. Floods of extraordinary magnitude have swept the lowlands; insects have destroyed 80 per cent. of the bean crop; small insects have devastated the rice fields; and in various parts of the empire virulent infectious diseases are reported among horses and cattle.

Cremation in Italy is slowly gaining ground. From January, 1876, until May last, 23 dead bodies—including one only of a woman—were consumed in the Milan Crematorium. Of these bodies four, weighing 63, 62, 41 and 59 kilogrammes, produced ashes weighing from two to three kilogrammes.

The Belgian Bishops have asked the Vatican for instructions regarding the intention of the Belgian Government as to the proposed modification in the system of public instruction. The reply they have received directs that they should exercise prudence in combating the Ministerial plan and avoid diplomatic action.

An ingenious Parisian swindler, on the Sunday after the Exposition closed, sold 600 tickets to it at double price. He had accumulated a stock of old ones, and inscribing them with certain cabalistic characters told the purchasers to present them at a certain door and give the doorkeepers a certain password and they would be admitted.

Twenty years ago in Bulgaria there was not a school. Now every village has one. Even to the south of the Balkans the desire for improvement has extended. In the province of Philippopolis there are 305 primary schools, 15 superior schools, with 356 teachers and 12,400 scholars; 27 girls' schools, with 37 teachers and 2,265 pupils.

The Columbarium, as the cremation house in the cemetery at Gotha, Germany, is called, has been completed. The town authorities have decided that the coffins for cremation are not to measure more than 2.25 metres in length, 0.75 in width, 0.72 in height. The urns to be placed in the Columbarium are not to have more than 0.80 metres in height and 0.40 in diameter. The cost of cremation will be about $6.

Owing to the demoblization of the Russian army, the surplus cavalry horses are being sold off by auction at ridiculous prices. Thus the Live Stock Journal tells us that a party of Prussian Jews recently attended the sales and recrossed the frontier with 1,00 horses they had purchased for 285 ... dollars, or rather less than 1s. each. The ... price at which a fair animal can be obtained on the Prussian side of the front... is twenty guineas.

Some fifty years ago a tig... escaped from a menagerie in England, and ... after killing some sheep on Salisbury Plain, attacked one of the leaders attached to a western mail coach, and was shot by a guard, who in those days always carried a blunderbuss. Since then wild animals have from time to time escaped in a similar manner from other menageries, but have ... been captured or killed; but, lately ... Hutchin, Pas-de-Calais, France, a panther has become a most serious nuisance.