

to emment it. It is neither healthy for boys nor pleasant to their households, to have them hurry back from the dinner-table to their lessons. It is apt to affect injuriously the digestion at a tender age and promote headache. Many children live so far from school that they have to remain there together idle during the mid-day recess and without supervision. The moral influence thus exerted, being often most regrettable, while the late six o'clock dinner, thus made necessary, incapacitates them for evening study at home. Much better, it seems, to have only one session, and even that not without intermissions from mental relaxation. The plan works well in Boston, and, when adopted, will work even better here under our more rigorous climate. W.

A telegram from Rome in the New York Tribune says that Ste. Marie affirms, Surratt told him that Lincoln's assassination was a preconcerted plot; that he (Surratt) carried direct from Jeff. Davis's Cabinet at Richmond the principal details of the plot to Washington, and that the assassination was not only in accordance with the desire of the Davis Cabinet, but was done by their directions and orders.

A rupture between the Governments of Turkey and Greece is imminent.

An important diplomatic treaty has been concluded between the Papal and the Italian Governments. The French Minister at Rome has informed the Pope that if he withdraws from the Holy City the French troops will hereafter give him no support.

A London despatch of Wednesday last sums up the Fenian news in a paragraph:—"The Fenian troubles are increasing; dissatisfaction is spreading; more troops are to be sent to Ireland."

The "Bolivar," the steamship seized in the Medway, it has been clearly proved, was not intended for the Fenians, but for the Government of Colombia.

A conference of the North German States is to be held in Berlin on Saturday.

An awful colliery explosion is reported at Barnsley, in Yorkshire. So far as can be ascertained, about 300 men and boys were almost immediately hurried into eternity. A few hours later, a second explosion occurred, by which about 30 of the exploring party lost their lives.

The steamship "Cuba" has escaped capture by the terrible Fenian cruiser which the N. Y. World despatched from Newburyport a few days since in search of British ships and British goods and chattels.

Political matters are assuming a new aspect in Mexico. A Vera Cruz letter states that the clergy offer \$20,000,000, and mercantile men \$10,000,000, to Maximilian for his immediate wants, and also promise to continue the payment of similar sums annually, if he will remain at his post; and that with these means for the maintenance of his army, he will stay and fight it out.

CITY ITEMS.

THE VICTORIA SKATING CLUB.—We understand that it is intended to open the Rink on Monday evening next.

"DAVE CARNEY."—A horrible-looking dog is allowed by its owner to roam up and down Craig street, near St. Urban. The animal is in a dreadful state of disease with mange, and is liable to give it to children or passers-by who might rub against it.

INDUCTION TO ST. GABRIEL STREET CHURCH.—The induction of the Rev. Robert Campbell by the Presbytery of Montreal, as pastor to the St. Gabriel street congregation, Church of Scotland, took place last evening. After the usual services and forms, the Rev. Dr. Jenkins preached from the 12th chapter of 1st Corinthians, verse 1. He afterwards addressed the Rev. Mr. Campbell on his duties as a minister, and the latter received the right hand of fellowship from the members of the Presbytery. The Rev. Joshua Fraser addressed the congregation on their duties towards each other; and, at the close of the proceedings, those present gave a cordial greeting to their new pastor.

READINGS BY ADJ.-GEN. COL. McDONNELL.—There was a large audience present last evening in the school-room of Trinity Church, in order to listen to the readings on behalf of the day-school, by Col. McDonnell, Adj.-Gen. of Militia. Amongst others who were present were His Excellency the Administrator of the Government; also Col. Dyde, Commander of the Volunteer Force; Asst.-Adj.-Gen. MacPherson, and a number of officers and many ladies. The programme was an excellent one, taken from Shakespeare, Tennyson, Macaulay, Poe, Barham, and Campbell. The "Raven" of Poe, a most difficult piece to recite, was given so as to bring out the wild glamour of the piece, and was listened to with great attention. The other pieces were done justly to, and the reading was, no doubt, successful for the purpose for which it had been given.

LA BANQUE JACQUES CARTIER.—The annual general meeting of the shareholders of this institution was held yesterday at 3 o'clock. The business of the past twelve months has been very satisfactory and the results highly gratifying to all those interested in the prosperity of the Bank.

The net profits of the year ending 30th Nov. last, amounted to \$30,566.20 Less two dividends of 4 per cent. each 70,343.71

Leaving a balance of \$30,322.43 Adding balance at credit of Profit and Loss account 30th Nov., 1865 44,385.56

Giving a total balance of profit or rest of \$74,708.99 being equal to 7 per cent. on paid up capital.

After the adoption of the Director's report and the usual votes of thanks to the Directors and officers of the Bank, a sum of one thousand dollars was tendered to the President, in acknowledgment of his services during the year.

Messrs. Louis Boyer, Hubert Parre, and Victor Elston, whose term of office had expired, were re-elected by acclamation, and the meeting then adjourned.

COMMERCIAL

Weather boisterous but pleasant; dust falling in all directions. Navigation is now virtually ended on the St. Lawrence and the canal for the season. Thermometer at 7 a.m., 29 above zero.

The mails for Europe per S.S. "St. David," via Portland, will be closed at the Montreal Post-Office, to-day, Friday, at 11 o'clock p.m.

CASES OF THE FAILURE OF MESSRS. OVEREND, GURNEY, & CO.—Proceedings in the Court of Chancery in the case of Overend, Gurney, & Co., have brought out startling facts. In the first place, the business of the firm was remarkably good up to 1867, netting about \$100,000

per annum, but in 1856 the able manager, Samuel Gurney, died, and in 1857 his able partner, Mr. Chapman, retired. The remaining partners lived at a distance, and then began a career of lax management, in which immense loans were made on insufficient security, so that at the time the company was changed into a limited one, the amount of exceptional loans was \$4,199,000; the loss on which was estimated at \$3,117,000. But the so-called securities held for these loans turned out to be pretty much like those of the Bank of Upper Canada for the Zimmerman Bank loan and the Grand Trunk £100,000 bill of exchange.

The position of the firm, so far as then known, was truly represented to the Directors of the new limited company, and the old partners, who had drawn no profits since 1857, agreed to make up the estimated deficiency by relinquishing the amount of profits for these five years, which stood at their credit; viz., £940,000, together with their individual real estate, to the value of £2,320,000; and the value of the banking-house £45,000; and the good will of the business £500,000—which sums, amounting to £3,805,000, would, it was hoped, not only cover the losses, great as they were, but leave a surplus to the old partners of £638,000.

All these calculations, however, proved fallacious; the credit of the new Company was injured by the sale of the property of the heads of the firm; the business continued to be risky; the bad debts, as already mentioned, turned out to be all bad; and the whole gigantic affair collapsed. It is thought the directors of the limited firm, by concealing from the new shareholders the facts which they knew concerning the immense outstanding bad debts, have rendered themselves personally liable, though it may be very difficult to realize that liability.

The moral of this sad commercial story is, that new partners should be exceedingly careful of going into old complicated businesses, in which allowances made for realizing doubtful assets seldom or never turn out sufficient.

AMERICAN FINANCES.—Of all the departmental reports presented to Congress, that of the Secretary of the Treasury possesses, perhaps, the greatest interest both for the United States and other nations. So far as we can gather from it, Mr. McCulloch thinks the irredeemable money system introduced by Mr. Chase was a great mistake, and that the sooner that mistake is rectified the better. He is also opposed to any permanent national debt, and thinks strenuous efforts should be made to diminish that which has been incurred. He explains his reason for holding the large amount of gold of which so much complaint has been made; namely, to regulate the gold market. So long as he retained this great amount ready to sell at any time, the premium could not go up much; and regarding, as he does, the Wall street speculations in gold, and consequent fluctuations, as very injurious to the country, he thought it well to repress them even at considerable loss of interest. His policy will be to diminish paper circulation, and return to specie payments so gradually as not to cause any violent convulsion or alteration in values, a plan which is very beautiful in theory, but which is liable in practice to the same objection as the timid boy's way of going gradually into very cold water to bathe. However great the shock may be, the best way usually is to incur it at once, and let matters re-adjust themselves as speedily as they can upon a sound foundation. It should, however, be noted, that the large manufacturing and business interests of the States are for the most part insisting upon an indefinite prolongation of the present irredeemable paper money system as the only means of paying the interest of the public debt.

NEW YORK MARKETS. (From New York Independent.) MONEY MARKET.—Gold has declined to 137 1/2 per cent., and is heavy at that. A gold exchange, or clearing-house, is to be established this week, under the management of Jacob Russell, Esq., late of the Treasury Department of this city. It will have a capital of \$500,000, and will prove of great utility to large gold dealers. Both stocks (Governments excepted) and gold are under a dark cloud for the present. The contemplated legislation in Congress is viewed with apprehension. While a member of the Lower House has introduced a bill enacting the sale of two millions of gold every week, temporarily, a senator has introduced another authorizing a further expansion of currency of one hundred millions. These measures equid distant ways. The latter measure will produce a further rise in price of stocks, gold, and all productions, which otherwise must inevitably fall. Until it is clear what is to be done, or that nothing fresh is to be enacted with respect to the currency, uncertainty nestles in the market. Unless something is forced to maintain prices, they must fall. There is no spirit in trade, commerce, or speculation. The public securities are steady. Bank stocks are strong. Insurance stocks are nowhere, and quotations are altogether fallacious. Money loans are money at 7 per cent. Bank loans are scarce, and deposits are falling off in amount. Foreign exchange rates are lower. Sterling 60-day bills 109 1/2 per cent., bankers' notes. Advances from Washington indicate that the public sale by the Treasury of two millions of gold every Monday in this city will be adopted at an early day.

DAV GOODS.—Trade is stagnant. Prices are low, but seemed to have reached their lowest point. Credit is much contracted.

FROM N. Y. TRIBUNE (12th). FLOUR AND MEAL.—Our flour market has been liberally supplied, and, with very mild weather and a limited demand, all grades have declined, especially the medium and family grades; these have been extremely slow of sale, and have been disposed of at very irregular prices. Common brands have declined slightly and are comparatively in limited supply and not generally wanted on the market; as a further slight concession in shipping brands, many export orders might be filled. We have added slowly to our stock and estimate it at 560,000 bushels, against 680,000 bushels the corresponding week last year; but the supplies of both flour and wheat in the interior to come forward are less than one quarter those of last season, and with a better export demand, most holders are confident. Canadian flour is unchanged.

GRAIN.—In wheat only a moderate business has been done. The less favorable news from Europe, a marked decline in gold, and a further advance in freight, have prevented the filling of orders, and millers have not been so cautiously in view of the declining tendency in flour; Spring has declined 50 per bush; White Winter has improved and is in very limited supply, and this is true of the whole country; the public generally are slow to believe reports of short crops, and attribute high prices to speculation, but this is far from the truth this season; only a wheat crop is lamentably short, as the last year's crop is so liberally demonstrated; our receipts have been liberal, but as the season will close to-day this week will close the season.

Our present stock is about 1,160,000 bushels against 2,900,000 bushels last year, and with a fair export and good domestic demand our present supply will soon disappear. Barley has risen in more moderate arrivals prices are quite firm, the more favorable news from Europe inducing much firmness, though with a decline in gold and some advance in freights very little has been done. The stock of this staple is about 1,800,000 bush. Indian Corn has been in moderate request, and, with larger arrivals, a material decline in gold, since advance in freights, and very changeable advices from Europe, prices have declined rapidly, and have fluctuated violently, with only a moderate business doing in exports. We have added daily to our stock, and estimate it at 3,400,000 bushels, with liberal arrivals of new consumption of old has fallen off. Canadian Peas are in firm demand; sales of 17,200 bushels at \$1.36 in bond, and \$1.50 for do. free.

PROVISIONS.—We have had an improved tone in our Pork market, with a more active and very general demand for the trade and for the hotels, &c.; prices have advanced materially; to-day there is a moderate business done, about former prices, closing quiet. The market in the afternoon for Pork was firmer. We learn that the Government entered the market late this afternoon, and made purchases of Mess Pork to a considerable extent, the particulars of which are not made public.

Wool.—We have rather a better inquiry for this staple since our last; prices ruled steady, but are still nominal, the sales making being confined entirely to small lots of fine to manufacturers.

BUTTER.—The butter trade is somewhat mixed up this week, for while a dealer who has an order for a small dairy of choice State firms will occasionally, though very rarely, pay 40c., after filling his order he cannot be induced to take a second lot just as good for more than 35c. Welsh butters are overhauled, and a little of the cream selected at 35c., while the majority has to be sold at 30c. to 32c.

CHEESE.—Cold weather, endangering cheese in transit, being only 17,354 for the week, which is less than half the number reported one week ago. The demand, too, being limited, does not encourage bringing forward.

HORS.—Emmet Wells, in his latest circular, thus speaks of the hop trade: "The better feeling in our report of last week still rules an improving market, stimulated as it has been by extremely light receipts and a steady consumption, which has reduced the stock to a point below that of any preceding week since the opening of the season's trade in September. An export order, by telegraph, from Europe has just been received for 200 bales; but if the present consumptive demand continue, without more liberal receipts, our present stock will not admit of the execution of further shipping orders to any considerable amount. The same feeling of firmness which has characterized the trade from the beginning of the season still exists, and will likely continue and increase as the stock gradually becomes reduced."

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The Hoe Prosper.—A great many just now are interested in the hoe and provision market, and are anxiously considering the causes, which, for the present, and also prospectively, must determine prices. The heavy decline both in hogs and the hog product, which for several weeks past has been steadily progressing, and the present indifference of packers, still indicate clearly the almost unanimous conviction of those who have all the risks of curing meats, that prices have not yet reached a safe level. While the growing disposition of farmers and drovers to sell at best figures obtainable, and make their loss on one, argues a very general belief that low prices must be accepted. But the bottom is not touched yet. We must have lower prices.—Cincinnati Commercial.

Boston Wool Market.—We are able to note a better inquiry for this staple which has apparently had the effect of increasing the confidence of holders and checking the decline, though, thus far, there is no quotable improvement in prices. But the market is more regular and settled, and sellers are asking and obtaining better bona-fide rates than they would have willingly accepted a week or ten days ago. In combing wools, small lots native at a range of 65c to 68c; Canada do is scarce and nominal at 80c to 82c.—Commercial Bulletin.

MONTREAL CATTLE MARKET.—Dec. 14. Extra Cattle, none in market. First quality of Cattle, \$61 to \$7; Second and Third, \$5.25 to \$5.00. Milch Cows, \$20.00 to \$25.00; Extra, \$40.00 to \$45.00. Sheep, \$3.00 to \$3.50; extra, \$6.00 to \$7.00; Lambs, \$2.50 to \$3.50 each. Hogs, live-weight, \$5.00 to \$6.00, silver; Dressed, \$6.50 to \$7.00, silver. Hides, inspected and trimmed, \$1.00 to 91c per lb. Pelts, 80c to \$1 each. Tallow, 6c per lb.

REMARKS.—Market fully supplied, and dull, but no material change in prices.

TORONTO MARKETS.—Dec. 12th. The week has been one of the fullest of the year in commercial circles. Few or no transactions in produce have taken place, and quotations are therefore, for the most part, merely nominal. Butter—Very dull; store-packed selling at from 11c to 14c. Dressed Hogs—Selling at from \$4.75 to \$5.75; the latter price being paid only for extra heavy. Poultry—Chickens 20c to 30c per pair. Turkeys 50c to 70c each. Geese 40c to 50c each. Ducks 40c to 50c per pair. Apples, \$1.50 to \$2 per bush, from farmers' waggons. Onions—No demand. Worth nothing on the street light; no inquiry. Receipts on the street light; selling at about 40c. to 45c. Peas—No receipts. No round lots offering. Prices on the street range from 60c to 65c.

TORONTO CATTLE MARKET.—Prices ranged as follows, per 100 lbs, dressed weight:—1st class Cattle, \$6 to \$7; 2nd do, \$5 to \$5.50; Inferior, \$3.50 to \$4; Sheep, prime, \$5 to \$6.50; Common, \$4 to \$4.50; Lambs scarce and in demand at \$2.50 to \$3; Calves, \$7 to \$8; Deer, \$7 to \$10.

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