



COMMENTING upon the dearth of fuel, a correspondent suggests that it would be a paying speculation to construct a wooden railway from the bush to the Richelieu river for the transportation of coal wood to the city.

We may expect that the Champlain Railway Company will, when their line is extended, gladly give every inch to the wood trade, and every month brings us nearer the time when the completion of the railway to St. Jerome will place at our command the much-talked-of forests of the north country.

REFERRING to the Toronto Central Prison revelations the leading "Reform" organ speaks of Her Majesty's loyal Opposition as "these tatterdemalion politicians" and says:— "There is no want of joy in the Opposition camp; the noisy party are in high feather; the anticipations awakened in their breast are of far things soon to come. Like carnivora at feeding time, they smell the man with the meat, and begin jumping about and howling wildly, and thrusting their paws not always very clean—through their cages to grasp the dainty morsels."

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Granted, but it becomes a "Reform" Government to make "fish of one and fowl of the other." If inactive interference in politics by Government officials is a grave offence in Kingston, it is none the less so in Montreal. Yet we do not hear of any such dismissions in this part of the country, though it is notorious that Government officials made themselves particularly conspicuous by the part they took in the late elections. "Fair play is bonnie play" all the world over.

A VERY remarkable performance is advertised to take place in the Theatre Royal this evening, viz. the debut of a section of the Montreal Fire Brigade, with hose-reel, horse and all, in an adaptation of "The Streets of New York."

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also 500,000 acres of land which it is proposed shall be given in part payment for the labor required to build the line. A Toronto contemporary says: "The railway will be a most important and useful public enterprise, opening up a most valuable section of country, and affording a means of communication not only for the produce of the region to be traversed, but for the supplies necessary for the numbers of men and animals employed in the immense lumbering trade in that section. The Company propose to co-operate with the Local Government in assisting from 2,000 to 3,000 emigrants or others to settle upon the land. They will pay four dollars per head for suitable emigrants, paying for their labor partly in cash and partly in land. The advantages of this scheme are obvious. The one great drawback which has attended all government emigration schemes has been the difficulty of inducing emigrants to settle in the backwoods instead of the States and cities and towns. This difficulty would be obviated by the fact that the emigrants would be paid in land, made readily accessible by the road constructed by their labor. Every accommodation will be provided for the emigrants and their families. No fewer than 12,000 men, 10,000 horses, and 8,000 cattle are employed in lumbering operations in the Ottawa Valley. The construction of the Victoria line would reduce the cost of the supplies required for the vast industry of the Ottawa Valley. The demand of the "Grange" has also no distant day be a power in this country—for cheap transportation, is anticipated by the proposal of the Company that the House should vest in the Lieut.-Governor, power to make equitable traffic arrangements as between the Victoria Railway and all connecting lines, an arrangement which would tend greatly to the advantage of shippers of produce and other freight from the Western cities and towns to the Upper Ottawa and vice versa."

MASONIC. Formation of a New Lodge. The growth of the city westward having rendered the formation of a local Masonic Lodge desirable, proceedings to that end culminated last night in the organization of the Ionic Lodge U. C. A. and A. M. G. B. O. The ceremony of installation took place in the British Masonic Chambers, Notre Dame street, R. W. Bro. Milton performing the duties of Grand Master. The following are the names of the officers:—V. W. Bro. Joseph Tees, W. M.; R. W. Bro. P. Peavy, P. M.; Bro. W. W. Moore, R. S.; Bro. J. H. Hervey, Stewards; Bro. J. C. Strother, Tyler. The membership roll numbers some thirty-five names.

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The programme, a most liberal one, was then proceeded with. It included vocal and instrumental music, readings and recitations, and the performance, Bro. Battersby, Cording, Dickinson, Grant, Hutchinson, Jarvis, McMaster, Prevost, Ross, Spence, Stephenson, and Walker, being assisted by several lady amateurs. Altogether the entertainment was very creditable, and in a number of instances the audience insisted on an encore. The proceedings terminated with the singing of the National Anthem.

ST. JEAN BAPTISTE SOCIETY. A special meeting of the St. Jean Baptiste Society was held last evening in the Cabinet de Lecture. Aid. Lorange succinctly explained the object of the meeting—the passage of a number of resolutions, the demands of which were deemed necessary to the well-being of the Association, by the committee of Management, and the consideration of an invitation to extend to their compatriots in the United States, to be largely and efficiently represented at the meeting of the 24th of June. This scheme he pronounced both beautiful and patriotic—one from which he hoped great benefit would arise—and he explained that it was thought proper for the better and more thorough representation of each section, that the members should be divided into classes, in the following order: the clergy; the liberal professions; such as were connected with commerce and industry; mechanics; and the trades.

M. L. O. David declared that amendments had become absolutely necessary to bring strength and vitality to the Society, and was ready to propose such as they neither purposed nor desired to destroy any fundamental principle upon which the constitution was based. The following resolutions were adopted:—That the members of the Society in the United States should be invited to actively participate in their efforts to secure the passage of the law proposed to the constitution as proposed; he saw neither their utility nor necessity, and he maintained that to divide their membership into distinct classes, would be but to pave the way for serious divisions. To the statement that their meetings should be more frequent in order to increase their vitality, he replied that formerly they were accustomed to meet quarterly, but the attendance was so meagre that it was deemed advisable to increase the frequency; he was confident that to open their doors so as to admit all without distinction would not necessarily tend towards unification, and was ready to propose such as they neither purposed nor desired to destroy any fundamental principle upon which the constitution was based.

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INDUSTRIAL BAZAAR. THE ladies of the committee of the Industrial Bazaar.

GRAND MASQUERADE. DOMINO AND CITIZENS' DRESS BALL.

WALKER'S CABINET COOK. THE undersigned has a cabinet of choice and superior quality.

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By John J. Arnton. AUCTION SALE - GOOD FURNITURE.

ST. JOSEPH SUBURBS. SALE OF TWENTY BUILDING LOTS.

SUBSTANTIAL BRICK HOUSE. AND GOOD LOT, FURNISHING, Point St. Charles.

PROPERTY CORNER OF ST. CHARLES AND RICHMOND STREETS. POINT ST. CHARLES.

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POST-OFFICE TABLE

Table with columns for destination (e.g., Montreal, Quebec, Ottawa) and time of departure/arrival.

LOCAL MAIL

Table listing local mail routes and their respective times.

ARTIST'S PROVERB

Proverbs and sayings related to art and industry, such as 'The artist's proverb'.

THE DEEP SECRET

OR

THE LIVING WOOD

CHAPTER XV.

Main body of the serialized story 'The Living Wood', starting with 'After the departure of Lord Alloway...'.

Continuation of the serialized story 'The Living Wood', detailing the characters' interactions and the plot's progression.

Advertisement for 'THE WONDERS OF MODERN CHEMISTRY' by Dr. Radway, featuring 'Sarsaparillian and its Associates' and 'THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER'.

Advertisement for 'CIDER! CIDER! CIDER!' and 'PURE APPLE CIDER', including 'LENTI LENTI' and 'FINNAN HADDIES'.

Advertisement for 'GENTLEMAN' and 'S. GOLTMAN', featuring 'CLOTHING' and 'MANUFACTURING WORKS'.

Advertisement for 'GEORGE HARVEY' and 'SEWING-MACHINES', including 'THE ST. LAWRENCE SEWING-MACHINE COMPANY'.

Advertisement for 'WHITE STAR LINE' and 'NEW YORK TO LIVERPOOL', including 'ALLAN LINE' and 'WATER ARRANGEMENTS'.

Advertisement for 'GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY OF CANADA' and 'SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY', including 'WINTER ARRANGEMENTS' and 'SPECIAL NOTICE'.

Small advertisement for 'RADWAY'S READY RELIEF'.

Small advertisement for 'WALSH'S GREAT BOOT AND SHOE STORE'.

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Small advertisement for 'M. H. GAULT, Agent'.

Small advertisement for 'ROYAL INSURANCE CO. OF LIVERPOOL'.

Small advertisement for 'IRON IN THE BLOOD'.