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PROGRESS OF MONTREAL.

New Public and Private Buildings.

We herewith present, as we have done annually for several years past, our review of the new buildings erected and improvements carried out in the city during the year which is drawing to a close. It is a most pleasing feature of these retrospects that we have always a vast improvement to chronicle,—there is neither standing still nor going back, but always a marked, frequently a rapid advancement to note. So quickly indeed, are changes for the better effected, that travellers absent for but a few months, return to find the aspect of whole districts altered. How great the difference then to those resident in the city for thirty odd years, between the appearance, resources, and extent of the great commercial metropolis now and when they first took up their abode here. Where offensive quagmires and sluggish streams of muddy water then obtained a place, the greatest thoroughfares, the largest commercial emporiums, the most charming parks and delightful villas are now to be found. The St. Lawrence has been spanned and the few straggling wharfs are replaced by magnificent docks, a credit and ornament to the city. Manufactories of every sort have sprung up, the handiwork of which competes favorably with that of any other country in the world. Groupes of hovels have been torn down to make way for terraces of noble dimensions or lofty ornate blocks of crystal and marble.

Gates there were to enclose the city; but it burst these narrow limits long since, and leaped up over the mountain, covering it with palatial residences. The suburbs have been extending in every direction, and now constitute little towns in themselves. In 1861 the population was estimated at 100,000, but the vast increase since that period must have raised it some twenty-five or thirty thousand. The outlying districts are in no way inferior either, to many portions of the city proper, though less attention is of course paid to architectural design. Not only has there been material progress within the city, but a vast improvement in the style of the buildings. Greater taste is displayed, and the most artistic combinations of architectural skill are to be found in the imposing structures occupied by our great mercantile firms. Some of the public buildings lately erected under the direction of Messrs. Hopkins, Perrault, Lawford & Nelson, Taft, Thomas, and others, are particularly noticeable in this respect. A very gratifying increase in the number of churches has taken place within the past few years, several having been completed within the last twelve months, while others are still in course of construction. There are at the present time upwards of fifty of these sacred edifices scattered throughout the city, all of which are well supported and the services largely attended.

There is one regret which we think we have before expressed, and which we have again to repeat, that is that Montreal cannot boast of any extensive park or pleasure ground. Although efforts have been made to secure this great boon, and explorations of land have actually been made, yet no successful issue seems as yet to have been arrived at. The time is rapidly passing when such a valuable addition to the health and beauty of the city, and such an important source of enjoyment to the citizens can be obtained. Land in every quarter, and especially in desireable quarters, is quickly being covered with buildings, and we shall soon be densely packed in without a breathing spot anywhere. The few "squares" now to be found are all very well in their way, and "Viger," which adorns the central portion of the city, is becoming a charming spot; but something more extensive is required. We hope that the project of a large park, so frequently spoken of, and in regard to which a report is now before the City Council from the Special Committee, will be carried out, and that Montreal will yet have added to her attractions, at least a resemblance of the parks of the old world, which afford to thousands such a welcome retreat from the dust and heat in the summer months. One of the points which may be noticed in this connection, is the projected railroad round the Mountain, a Bill for the incorporation of which was passed at the last Session of Parliament. This line, when completed, will afford to all a ready means of escape from the city, and a park on its route would undoubtedly prove a most popular resort.

We have not, perhaps, to notice the erection of so many new buildings this year, as on some previous occasions, the principal features of the improvements of the past year, being the widening of some of our great thoroughfares and the erection of magnificent blocks of buildings for commercial purposes on the new line. Each seems to vie with the other in the beauty and extent of these great palaces of trade, which are not only substantial and well adapted in every way for the business for which they are constructed, but highly ornate in appearance. The widening of Notre Dame Street will, we believe, be completed next summer, and it will then certainly compare favorably with the finest thoroughfare of any city on the continent. Amongst other streets which have been or are about to be widened, are the following: Anderson, from Lagauchetiere to Dorchester; Lagauchetiere, from St. Genevieve to Cemetery, and also from near St. George to near Cote, Wellington Street to Mr. Mullins' property; Sherbrooke Street, from St. Denis to Union Avenue; Murray Street at Smith Street; Bleury Street at Mayor Street; Bonaventure, from Victoria Square to St. Michael's Lane. It is proposed, we believe, to widen Bonaventure throughout to 70 feet. It is a question, however, whether further improvements of this character should be carried out, whilst the city is permitted to remain in such a state of filth as we now find it, and destitute of many sanitary arrangements of the very highest importance. The citizens generally would undoubtedly rather see money spent in keeping clean the streets, in draining swampy land, and in taking other measures of a precautionary character, than in widening or extending thoroughfares.

While on the subject of streets we cannot forbear directing attention once more to the material used in their construction. Every one knows that Bonaventure street has been shunned by vehicles throughout the whole of last summer in consequence of its being covered with great boulders—for really no other term could be applied to the stones used in the covering. Although the City Surveyor has year after year in his reports protested against using limestone for macadamizing the streets, it is still taken from the Reservoir and spread upon them, some of the stones used being as large as one's head, as for instance in the street we have named, and Berthelot street. It is utterly impossible that a good enduring surface can ever be obtained in this way; hence the abominable condition of many of our thoroughfares and the enormous expense of keeping them in any sort of passable condition. The stone obtained by the enlargement of the Reservoir can doubtless be applied to some good purpose, but that is certainly not the macadamizing of the streets. In the construction of a good road, not only does much depend on the metal used, but also on the substratum secured for the material to rest upon which should be firm, solid and dry. If the sub road be well laid, enormous expense is saved in repairs. But too much attention cannot be paid to the quality of stone employed in forming the road covering. It should not only be hard, but tough, so that it may not be reduced to powder by the action of the wheels. Granite is one of the best materials, and our able City Surveyor, Mr. McQuisten, has constantly, but unavailingly been urging its introduction. Limestone, almost above any other description, should be avoided in consequence of its softness and affinity for water, which causes the road where it is employed to split up after wet weather succeeded by frost. Mud is produced in wet weather and blinding dust in dry. Such roads can never be kept in a clean and healthy condition, and are a constant source of expense if they are to be kept in repair. But not only is this soft stone employed, but in lumps of ridiculous dimensions. Every piece should pass through a ring two and a half inches in diameter in every direction; but some of that we have seen used here would scarcely go through a ring six or eight inches in diameter. It is laid down also in coats altogether too thick. Many roads are spoilt in this way. Never more than three inches should be spread at once, and half that is often sufficient. We are aware that our City Surveyor has endeavored to correct these evils, but his recommendations have been too frequently overlooked. We hope an improvement in this direction may take place before next year. In the paving of the streets we have to notice St. Sulpice, which has been covered in part with granite blocks imported from Furness' Quarry, Argyleshire, Scotland The remainder has been done with Brockville and Bord a Plouffe stone,—the whole of much smaller stones than have hitherto been used here. They have been laid on a bed of concrete, and the joints were filled with gravel. Any of this sort of work which we have seen in progress has, it seemed to us, been done with great care. The street to which we have just referred is, perhaps, the best paved in the city. We think, however, that the Corporation should hold out some inducement to parties to open granite quarries in the country. There is plenty of it we believe, and the Corporation have only to decide to do a quantity of granite block paving for a few years to come, to induce parties to quarry it. Limestone may be a little cheaper per yard, but the granite would last ten times as long. We have frequently referred to the large system of drainage which is being carried out, and therefore shall not enter into that subject at present. About 16,000 feet of 2 feet brick sewer have been laid during the past season. Coteau Barrow, Point St. Charles, McGill, Bonaventure, and Fullum street main sewers were completed. William street main sewer has been completed to the west of McGill street. Small drains have been laid in Seigneurs, Chatham, Sanguinet, Sherbrooke, Aylmer, Bonaventure, Guy, Dubord Wellington, Canning, Hospital, Amherst, College, Roy, Berri, St. Mary, Woodyard, Montcalm, Wellington and Aqueduct streets. A large amount of new water pipe has also been laid during the year, the total since the 1st of Feb., 1865, up to Nov. 30th 1865, being 1822 feet of six inch, and 3433 feet ot 4 inch cast iron main pipe, making a total of 5255 feet. Also 417 service pipes were connected to the main in the streets, and 19 on distribution pipes inside of houses already supplied, making a total of 436 houses newly supplied with water. Three additional fire hydrants were erected. Amongst the improvements carried out under the superintendence of this department is the new wheel, descriptions of which have recently appeared in these columns, by means of which it is hoped that an unfailing supply of water will be secured for the city. The wheel has been fairly set in operation, and all the difficulties at first experienced overcome. The air vessel and crank shafts required for the old wheel have been ordered, and will probably be fitted in the spring or beginning of next summer. It still works to its full capacity. Tenders have been received for 24 inch pipes to complete the double rising main, for which nearly two miles of piping are required. We have here briefly noticed a few of the points which occur to us in connection with the work of the past year, and shall now proceed to note in detail the new buildings and improvements.

Point St. Charles—Commencing at Point St. Charles, we find that a number of small buildings and tenement houses have been put up since our last visit to accommodate the constantly increasing population of this district, most of these being erected by workmen on the Grand Trunk and in the factories of the vicinity.

Messrs. James Newal, Alevan, J. Martin, G. Grierson, J. Wilson, Rob. McWood, David McWood, J. Lock and P. McDermott, have each put up a two story brick dwelling, and Thos. Jones a one story ditto.

Seigneurs Street.—Dr. Archambault, a two-story brick house, with two dwellings.

Chatham Street.—Pierre Dube, two-story house, with two dwellings. J. Leduc, a wooden one-story dwelling. C. Mareau, a one-story brick dwelling. Mrs. Dunwoodie, a two-story brick dwelling. Mr. Henry Judah, a three-story stone building, and, now building, two brick houses.

Aqueduct Street.—Mr. J. P. Clarke's house in this street (formerly Judge Lafontaine's) has undergone an entire renovation, and been fitted up with steam, &c., under the supervision of Mr. Windeyer, architect. The improvements cost about $3,200.

F. X. Monette, a one-story wooden dwelling.

On a new street, west of Acqueduct street, three dwelling houses have recently been erected for Mr. Wm. S. Evans, two stories, basement and attic, basement of stone, front above of brick, with very neat window and door trimmings. These three houses are built on a frontage of fifty feet, and each has the following accommodation: in the basement, kitchen, breakfast room, and store room; 1st story, drawing and dining room with folding doors between, hall, passage and stair to second story, on which flat there are two bed-rooms and closets, boudoir and bath room; in the attic there are two very large bed-rooms with closets, they are also furnished with water, gas, bells, and speaking tubes. The interiors of these houses are very well finished. The same proprietor has just commenced the erection of three additional houses from the same design, adjoining those just completed. Mr. James Garven, jr., in the architect.

Richmond Street.—Francois Malette, two dwellings, two stories, of wood. Louis Tellerette, a one-story brick dwelling.

Mountain Street.—Four dwellings, each two and a half stories high, have been built by Robert French, Jas. Russel, Thos. Symington, and Wm. Cheese.

Drummond Street.—The semi-detached house erected for M. H. Gault, Esq., by Messrs. Lawford and Nelson has been completed during the past year.

Upper Peel Street.—In this street a very neat lodge in the Italian style, built of brick and cutstone having an ornamental verandah and metal cornices, high pitched slate roof with oval dormer windows in it, has been erected for Andrew Allan, Esq., from a design by Mr. Hopkins.

Mansfield Street.—Two houses in this street are now being erected for Mr. William Wilson, 50 feet front, with a depth of 32 feet; 2 stories high, basement and attic, built of brick, with elaborate limestone dressings to windows and doors. They are to be fitted up with all the modern improvements, supplied with hot and cold water. They are also to be supplied with gas, bells, and speaking tubes. To each of these houses are added ice-cellars; in the rear are built coach-houses and stabling for the accommodation of two horses, with fuel-cellars underneath. They are intended to be ready for occupation on the 1st of May next. Mr. James Garven, Jr., is the architect.

Cote St. Antoine.—Mr. A. H. Forbes has recently erected an elegant villa residence at Cote St. Antoine, in the Italian style of architecture. The front is of stone, with bay window and balcony overhead, and projecting porch in front of principal entrance. The house contains the following accommodation:—Basement: breakfast-room and kitchen, with closets and servants' bedrooms, wine and coal cellar; 1st story: drawing and dining rooms, with sliding-doors between, passage and entrance hall, butler's pantry, and stair to second story, on which flat there are two bedrooms, with closets to each, library, bath-room, &c, and passage, windows to passage, library and front bedroom, each opening on to a balcony. We understand that plans are completed for an extensive addition to this house. Mr. James Garven, Jr., is the architect.

Rosemount, Cote St. Antoine.—To meet the demand for houses in this direction, R. J. Reckie, Esq., has built three first-class villas on his property at Rosemount, in the Italian and Gothic styles. From the extent of the property now laid out in building lots, stretching from the Toll-bar to the proposed Boulevard, on the slope of the mountain, either an upper or lower site can be obtained. From the upper site an extensive view is had of the River St. Lawrence and adjoining country. These houses form a good addition to the neighborhood, and will no doubt attract the attention of parties desirous of living out of town. Mr. Thomas L. Scott was architect, and George Roberts builder.

Simpson Street.—On the west side of Simpson Street, above Sherbrooke, has been erected, during the past season, for George Starke, Esq., a detached villa residence in the Italian style, having cut-stone front, rusticated bay window and porch, front and side verandahs and balconies, gabled roof with deep projecting eaves and other picturesque features. The house is about 48 feet by 45 feet, two stories in height, exclusive of basement and attic, and is divided internally into a spacious hall, and the general accompaniments of a detached house. The views from this spot over the river below are very fine, and enhance the value of the place, and when finished, and the gardens and outbuildings completed, these premises will form another attraction to this pretty locality. The contractors are as follows:—Masons' work, Brims & Taylor; brickwork, C. P. Wand; carpenters' work, Montgomerie Bros.; plastering, Phillips & Wand; painting, H. Millen; metalwork, Prowse & Macfarlane. Architect, Thomas Brothers.

Drummond Street.—Mr. William Workman has made some extensive alterations and improvements in connection with his residence on this street, comprising a wing, coach house &c.

The Skating Rink.—A number of improvements have been carried out under the superintendence of Mr. Hutchison, architect, during the past season. A new music gallery has been erected on the right, and there is some talk, we believe, of another being put up at the other end of the building, which would have a good appearance. The bed of the rink has also been raised, and painting and other improvements been carried out.

Colbourne Street.—Mr. J. W. Leslie has recently erected two very neat brick cottages on Colbourne street near Wellington street, Mr. James Garven, jr., is the Architect

Murray Street.—Mr. Joseph Tees is here having erected by Mr. Hodson, architect, two double houses, brick, stone foundations, cost $1800 The same architect is putting up in this street a shop and four tenements, frame and lined with brick, for Mr. John Sheehy, cost $1800.

McCord Street.—One brick house, two stories high with stone frontage, flat roof covered with patent roofing and graveled, laid out for four tenants, 34 ft front by 35 ft in depth, belonging to Mr. James Hickey, Grocer, N. Larue & Co., architects.

McCord Street.—A two story brick dwelling for Mr. Jas. Micky.

Callier Street.—A two story brick shop and dwelling for Mr. Dorion.

William Street—Mr. Hodson, architect, is putting up in this street for Mr. Jas. McKeown two double houses, brick, with stone foundations, cost $2000.

Mr. S. F. Sykes has put up one two-story and a one story brick shop.

Ottawa Street.—Mr Taft has erected in this street for Mr. Patrick Wainfield, two houses which form the corner of Prince street, containing one shop and three tenements.

Congregation Street.—Mr. Colin Anderson is here putting up a double house, brick with stone foundation, cost $1300, Wm. H. Hodson, architect. The latter is also erecting for Mr. Thos. Hall, near the above, two small self contained houses, frames lined with brick, cost $950.

Chaboillez Square.—A one-story brick shop for Mr. John Edward.

St. David's Lane.—Mr. Hodson, Architect, is building in this street, between St. Joseph and Bonaventure streets, two double houses, frame and brick, for Mr. Henry Deverell; cost $1800.

Wellington Street.—Mrs. Robt. Crenshaw is erecting 2 self contained houses and shop in Wellington street, Point St. Charles, substantially built of brick, stone foundation, cost $2600. Wm H. Hodson, architect.

Bonaventure Street.—Messrs. N. Larue & Co., Architects, have put up for Mr. David Morrison, a terrace, or block, of brick houses, with wood foundation, and pitched roof covered with tin (or sheet iron,) and laid out for 14 tenements (or dwellings.) and one store on ground floor, 119 feet frontage on Bonaventure street, and 54 feet on St. Martin street. The same Architects have also built on this street one two-story cut stone house, pitched roof, and laid out for two dwellings, roofed with tin, 32 feet front by 33 feet in depth, for Mrs. Patrick Durick and Miss Catherine Kelly. Mr. Edward C. Fraser is having erected in Bonaventure street one brick and stone store and dwelling three stories high, cut stone pillars and base, moulded caps, cornices and brackets, with brickwork and moulded heads to windows, being neat and effective in design. The work is now commenced and to be roofed on or before 1st Feb., 1866. Cost when completed about $1,500. Wm H. Hodson, Architect.

Mercantile Library.—This handsome building, which has been constructed on the new line of Bonaventure street, is rapidly approaching completion. The frontage is 54 feet, and the building from the pavement to the top of the cornice 58 feet in height. It is constructed of Ohio stone above the basecourse, which is of limestone. The elevation presents a handsome appearance, consisting of three stories of varied design as to window openings and other details. The building consists of two main portions, connected by a spacious hall going the entire height of the structure, and from a wide staircase on one side of the latter access is given to the various rooms on each story. The entrance to the hall is in the centre of the facade, and 13 feet in width. On each side there will a handsome shop, having good cellar accommodation. In the rear, on the ground floor, will be three large rooms, consisting of a board room, class and lecture rooms. Facing the stair case, in the centre of the building, will be a room adapted for a chess room, or office. The height of this story is 14 ft. 6 in. clear. On the first floor, and fronting Bonaventure street, is the reading-room, 50 ft. long, 40 ft. wide, and 17 ft. high, with an entrance from the upper hall or landing. The library is in the rear portion of the building; it will be 48 by 28 feet, and of the same height as the reading-room. Between these two rooms, and separated from them and the hall by glazed partitions, will be the librarians office. The second or top story is to be devoted in front to the lecture room for the members of the Association, of the same size, and over the reading-room; while in rear of the library will be found a well proportioned and effectively lighted room intended for a picture gallery or museum. The light during the day time will be obtained from the large skylight in the centre of the room; while ample provision is made for a large number of gas burners for the night, arranged in the best possible manner for throwing an equal and good light upon pictures or other objects. The main stair case terminates at this level, and opposite to it and between the lecture room and picture gallery is a room suitable for an office. The height of this story is 17 feet. The entire building will be heated by steam. The work has been carried out under the supervision of Mr. Hopkins, architect.

Messrs. Gill and Geen have erected a two story brick house for their business as manufacturers of packing boxes, &c. Daniel Morrison a three story brick house occupied with shops and dwellings. J. H. R. Molson and Brothers have erected a very handsome range of buildings for offices and stores, the lower part of cut stone and the upper of brick. This range is a great improvement to the street. Martin Hickey, a two story brick dwelling. Francis Lapointe a two story shop and dwelling. Arthur Haddle a one story dwelling.

St. Antoine Street.—Messrs. Cockburn, Brown and Napier have erected extensive brass foundry works, the lower part being used for their work-shops, &c., and the upper part as a very handsome show room; the building is brick, two stories high. John Martin a workshop for his business as plumber and gasfitter, two stories, brick. Mrs. Snowdon has had erected, by Messrs. N. Larue & Co., architects, two three story brick houses with stone foundation, and flat roof, covered with Patent Felt roofing, laid out for three dwellings and one store on the ground floor, 43 feet frontage on St Antoine Street, and 35 feet frontage on Desrivieres street.

Little St. Antoine Street.—Edw. C. Fraser, two brick and stone stores and dwellings, three stories and basement; neat cornice above windows and doors, and to roof with consols, brackets, &c. Architect, Mr. W. H. Hodson.

Cathcart Street.—Mr. A. Joyce, confectioner, has recently built a store, bakery, and dwelling on the corner of Phillips' Square and Cathcart street. The counter and shop fittings are very neat. In the second story, in addition to the dwelling, is a large room elegantly decorated for the use of clubs and dinner parties. Mr James Garven. jr., is the architect.

A two story brick dwelling for Mr. M. Ouimette.

University Street.—Mr. W. Adams has put up a row of five brick buildings, two stories, and Mr. J. D. Adams one two story stone dwelling.

Ontario Street.—Mr. Gennette, one three story brick dwelling.

Union Avenue.—Alderman David is erecting a row of very nice cut stone houses, two stories high, with handsome porticoes. There are six dwellings, each 24 by 38 feet. Inside they will have all the modern improvements. Mr. M. Laurent, architect.

Cadieux Street.—Mr. James Smith, N.P., is erecting in this street a comfortable brick cottage as a private residence. Mr. Hutchison, architect.

Aylmer Street.—Mr. B. Murphy, a 2 story brick shop and dwelling.

Alexander Street.—At the corner of Alexander and Bernard streets, James Clark, Esq., has been having erected, under the direction of Mr. Taft, architect, a neat two story brick building. It is divided into one shop and two dwellings.

Bleury Street.—The splendid church of Gesu of which there was a full description in our last report has now been completed with the exception of part of the internal decorations, which will not be finished for some time yet. The walls are painted in panel; the lines on the roof are geometical, springing from circular panels, and filled up with designs in fresco illustrative of scenes in the life of Christ or incidents connected with his history or labours. Under the roof over the sanctuary is the representation of the four and twenty elders before the Throne of God and the Lamb. A medallion, overlooking the choir, contains the Nativity of Christ; above the chapel of St. Ignatius is Christ blessing little children, and Christ among the Doctors in the Temple. Various other scenes such as the raising of Lazarus, the Good Shepherd carrying home the stray sheep, the Prodigal Son, &c., fill up the side panels, while, in a corresponding place to the scene among the Doctors in the Temple, is Christ with a poor artisan, himself using the implements of Trade. The other illustrations will be of a similar character. The tone is warm yet subdued, and the colours used are suitable to the grave character of a building used for divine service.

Bleury Street.—Two brick stores for Mr. J. Cox. A three story brick dwelling and shop for Mr. Thomas Dowd.

St. George Street.—Two brick dwellings, 2 stories, for Mr. Jas. Smith.

Devienne Street.—Two brick houses two story's, for Mr. Joseph Larammee.

Hermine Street.—Two brick houses, of two stories each, 28 feet by 44 feet, with foundation of stone, roofed with tin, best style. The houses are laid out for two tenements and a store on the ground floor, belonging to Mr. Daniel Kearns, Grocer. Narcisse Larue & Co., Architects.

Hermine Street.—Two brick houses, 2 stories for Mr. D. Kearns.

Scotland Street.—Three two story brick dwellings for M. W. A Evans. One ditto for Mr Geo. Bishop, and one ditto for Mr. McDougall.

St Urbain Street.—On a portion of the "Fisher property" in this street several new residences have recently been erected; among other proprietors Mr. J. G. Falkiner has built a comfortable looking 2 story brick house with cutstone basement. The windows are segment headed and have the dreesings of raised brick-work pointed in black mortar. A porch and steps form a principal feature in the front on the street side. Mr. Hopkins, Architect.

Upper St. Urbain St.—Considerable additions and alterations are being made to the residence of B. Devlin Esq. by Messrs. Lawford & Nelson, architects.

St. Charles Barromme Street.—Mr. Godfroi Chapleau, a one story work shop. Mr. Joseph Bourgoin, two 2½ story brick dwellings.

St. Phillip Street.—A block of seven brick dwellings for Mr. Alfred Pinsonneault.

St. Famille Street.—Two houses on St. Famille Street have recently been commenced for Mr. William Wilson. These houses are to have elegant cut-stone fronts, and are set back ten feet from the line of the street. The basement story is to be seven feet above the ground level. The principal entrance steps, which are eleven in number and ten feet long, are of stone, with cast iron newel and rail. Underneath is the servants' entrance to basement; the basement windows are 6 feet 6 inches wide, with paneled jambs and brackets supporting the balcony to the first story windows, all of stone. The remainder of the basement is built of rock-face ashlar, with a projecting course of bouchard ashlar on top, level with top of first floor beams. The whole of the front above is to be fine bouchard ashlar, the principal entrance to have stone columns 9 feet high, with moulded base and Corinthian caps, with frieze, cornice and entablature on top, projecting 3 feet from front of building. The face of the frieze will be richly carved, the principal entrance will be 8 feet wide, the first story windows are to be six feet six inches wide, having on each side stone pilasters, supporting a very ornamental frieze and cornice on top. The second and third story windows are also to be very rich. This front, when completed, will be one of the most ornamental fronts yet adopted for dwelling-houses in Montreal. The interior will be finished in every respect in keeping with the fronts, and will be arranged as follows:—Basement: servants' entrance under principal entrance, vestibule and passage, with stair to first story, wine cellar, breakfast-room and kitchen; 1st story: vestibule, hall, stair to 2nd story, butler's pantry, drawing and dining-rooms, with sliding-doors between; 2nd story: two large bedrooms, with closets to each, boudoir, bath-room, linen closets, &c., with stair to 3rd story, on which flat there are four good spacious bedrooms, with closets, &c. These houses are to be fitted up with all the modern improvements and requirements. The front will be enclosed with a neat cast-iron railing, on stone coping. In the rear will be erected coach-house and stabling for the accommodation of three horses, with fuel cellars underneath. These houses are expected to be completed, ready for occupation, on the 1st of May next. Mr. James Garven, Jr., is the architect.

Rue St. Famille.—James O'Heir Esq. has erected a first class private dwelling, with handsome and somewhat ornamental cut stone front, covered with tin and having a portico to the front entrance. The inside is highly decorated with ornamental plaster cornices, and the whole comprises every modern improvement; size of building 25 feet by 44 feet; cost about a5000. H. M. Perrault, architect.

St. Lawrence Main Street.—Mr. Guerin has recently had extensive improvements and a new front put to his store on St. Lawrence Main street. Mr. James Garven, jr., is the architect.

St. Lawrence Main Street.—A block of brick buildings has been erected in this street for Alex. McGibbon, Esq., by Messrs. Lawford & Nelson, Architects. They present a very neat appearance, being faced with Ohio stone, the roofs covered with tin. The houses are 24 by 36 each, with basement, two stories and attic.

Mr. R. W. Brown, two brick buildings, two stories, shops and dwellings.

St. Dominique Street.—Mr. Windeyer, Architect, has erected a dwelling in this street for Mr. William Bowden, at an expense of $1600.

St. Dominque Street.—Mr. Joseph Wray, three three story brick buildings, comprising shop and dwelling for the proprietor. The same gentleman has also erected another block of two story brick buildings containing six dwellings, called "Mount Charles Place."

In St. Dominique Street, near Lagauchetiere street, the Misses Scott are building three houses, twenty two feet by thirty-six feet deep, two stories with attic and basement, all finished. These have cut stone fronts, and will be finished in first class style throughout. Architect, Mr. Taft.

St. Constant Street.—Louis Lambert, two brick dwellings, two story, and Joseph Larose, three ditto.

German Street.—A two story brick dwelling for Mr. John Chester. Two 2½ and one 1 story brick building for Mr. Leblanc.

St. Elizabeth Street.—A one story wooden shop and dwelling for Mr. J. B. Marcotte.

St. Denis Street.—The Congregational Nuns of Notre Dame have erected on this street a splendid building, to be devoted for an academy. The front is built of cut stone, with heavy ornamental dressings to openings, and is very attractive, and a great improvement to this locality. The building is three stories high, with attics and basement, and will be used as an academy for the present, but has been planned out with a view to it being converted into three separate dwellings at any future date. The interior will be well finished; the ground floor to consist of a large examination room and a small chapel and parlor; the upper stories will be used as class rooms, and the attics and basement for general domestic purposes. The building is 80 feet by 44 feet, and covered with tin; cost, about $16,000. Mr. H. M. Perrault, architect.

The gentlemen of the Seminary of Montreal have just completed on the vacant lot formerly occupied by the Bishop's Palace, on the corner of St. Denis and St. Catherine streets, an extensive three story stone school house with high basement. This building is of plain stone, with cut stone door and window dressings of very bold effect. There is a spacious gallery to the second story giving quite a relief to the long line of frontage; the building is terminated by a bold eave cornice and centre pediment surmounted by a pedestal and cross; the roof is covered with tin; the building although narrow for its great height, is beautifully adapted for class rooms being lofty and well ventilated. The basement consists of keeper's apartments and library and a large room for manual sports and juvenile plays; the first and second stories contain eight large class rooms separated by glass partitions; there are also wide entrance stairs at each end of the building and the centre entrance; the third or last story will be converted into a chapel, with lofty segmental ceiling of very good effect; this building is 120 feet frontage and 35 feet in depth; cost about $22,000. H. M. Perrault, architect.

Trinity Church, Viger Square and St. Denis Street.—This handsome edifice which has been already fully described in our columns, has been completed internally and used for Divine worship since September last. The erection of the tower and spire—the gift of Wm. Molson, Esq.,—is being proceeded with and is expected to be finished in the course of the ensuing summer. There is also in course of construction in the rear of the church a building containing commodious vestry, sextons' house, engine room and heating apparatus. The church, which presents a very elegant appearance both in the interior and exterior, as well as the adjoining buildings, were designed and erected under the superintendence of Messrs. Lawford & Nelson, architects.

Sherbrooke Street West.—The residence of James Johnston, Esq., situate on the Priests' Farm, has been completed during the past summer. The building was described on a former occasion. The architects were Messrs. Lawford & Nelson.

St. Catherine Street.—Messrs. Sandham and Arless have put up for Mr. Jas. Stewart, on the corner of St. Catherine and Guy streets, a very neat two story stone and brick house, with finished basement. Also a similar house adjoining, for Mr. James Patterson. Also, in the same street a little further west, two brick and stone houses, two story, flat roofs, finished basements, for Dr. Bazin, dentist. Adjoining these Mr. Lindley has put up two other houses of a similar character. No other new buildings seem to have gone up west of this point in this street.

Erskine Church—St. Catherine Street.—The large church, which has been erected this summer on the corner of St. Catherine and Peel streets, is for the congregation of the Rev. Dr. Taylor of the Canada Presbyterian Church, who being nearly all residents of the west end of the city, found it necessary to part with their present building on Lagauchetiere street east, and erect a new one in a more central locality. The site adopted is a very suitable one, and the building when finished, with its enclosure will be a pleasing feature in St. Catherine street. The foundation was built in the autumn of last year, and covered up in the winter, the works were recommenced early the following spring, and being pushed on with vigour, the walls and tower were built, and the whole enclosed by the roofs and spire in good time this autumn. The finishing of the interior will be proceeded with this winter so as to enable the congregation to hold divine service there in May next. The building is 134 feet long by 82 feet over projections. 00 feet in height from the ground to apex of roof, 90 feet clear height inside, tower 22 feet square, 120 feet in height, and total height of tower and spire 185 feet. It is calculated that the building will afford comfortable sitting accommodation for 1200 people. The style of the church is of the 2nd or so called decorated period of English Gothic. The walls are built of strong rubble masonry, faced externally with narrow cornices of dark blue lime stone with hammer dressed rough surface. The openings are pointed throughout with tracery in the window heads. The windows and doorways have cut stone jambs and arches, the large centre doorway having columns and arch richly moulded. The buttresses have cut stone quoins and set offs. There are lobbies with entrances and staircases at each of the four corners of the church, that is front extending wholly across the front opening into the tower in the centre. In the interior the pews are made curved and radiating from the pulpit. The galleries occupy three sides of the church and are approached by staircases at either end. The pulpit is an arched and groined recess at the end, with stained glass window, platform, &c., and will have communication with the ministers vestry and library, at the back of recess. The roof is made open, showing the arched principals and timbers which are stained as oak. The basement is 14 feet clear height and is of the whole size of the building, forming school room, vestries, &c. The Contractars are: For Masons work, Wilson & McFarlane; Carpenters do, McDonald & Holmes; Plasterers do, Phillips & Wand; Metal work, G. W. Reed; Painting, H. Miller; Glazing, J. C. Spence; Slating, Mr. Nicholson. Architect, C. P. Thomas.

Dr. Godfrey has built two very elegant first-class houses on the corner of Catherine Street and McGill College Avenue. The houses are three stories high, with high basement of stone, rock-face ashlar, and chiseled marginal joints. The front above is of brick, the cornice window and door dressings being elaborate and ornamental. The principal entrances are large, with pilasters on each side, with very ornamental carved brackets, supporting frieze, cornice and entablature on top. In the centre of frieze there is a carved shield, with scroll ornaments on each side. Above the brackets are lions' heads, altogether making a very fine entrance. These houses are built back ten feet from the line of the street, with balustrade in front, and a wide flight of steps and landing to principal entrance. A surgery has also been built in the rear of the corner house, fronting on McGill College Avenue, the Doctor intending to occupy this house for his own residence. The interior has been fitted up in very good style, and contains the following accommodation:—In the basement: Breakfast-room and closet, kitchen and closet, servants' room, storeroom, wine and fuel cellars; 1st story: Drawing and dining rooms, with sliding-doors between, vestibule, hall, butler's pantry, and stair to second story. Two large bedrooms, with closets to each, boudoir, bath-room, &c., linen closet, passage and stairs to third storey, on which flat there are four very good bedrooms, with closets. The surgery is divided into three apartments, public and private surgery, and laboratory. In the rear is built coach-house and stabling for three horses. These houses are fitted up with all the latest improvements and requirements—hot and cold water-pipes, gas, bells and speaking-tubes. The fronts are to be finished in imitation of brown sandstone. Mr. James Garven, Jr., is the architect.

Church of St. James the Apostle, St. Catherine St.—The new tower and spire of this church (the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Phillips) and which has been previously described, has been completed during the past year under the superintendence of Messrs. Lawford & Nelson, architects.

Mr. Charles Lariviere, a one story brick dwelling and shop. Madame Denege, two two story brick dwellings. Mr. Lockhart one 1 story brick dwelling. In the same street Louis Lebrun and Joseph Poitra, have each erected a one story stone dwelling. James Boyle a one story brick dwelling. Prospere Archambeau, and Q. B. Debouchany, each two brick dwellings, two story. Two small brick dwellings for Mr. Joseph Larammee. Michael Maloney, a two story brick dwelling house.

On this street opposite "Argyle Terrace" Mr McBurney is erecting a residence, having a Cleveland stone front, of an ornate character, upon a cut lime stone base course, about 5 feet in height and 3 feet in width. A bay window of good proportions is intrcduced on the ground floor which gives a pleasing outline to the front and makes a good addition to the size of the rooms. The steps to the front door are of dressed lime stone, giving a very substantial appearance to the entrance. It is surmounted by a stone balustrade. The house is two stories in height with a high pitched slate roof and forms altogether one of the best examples of a moderately sized town residence in this now very desirable locality. Mr. Hopkins is the architect from whose design the building is being carried out.

Mignonne Street.—Mr. Ste. Marie has put up two two-story brick buildings, containing shop and dwelling, and also two one and a half story dwellings.

Dorchester Street.—The Western Methodist Church.—This building, the walls of which were built during the summer of last year, was briefly noticed in our last report, but as it was not finished or opened until very lately, we think it deserving of a passing notice. This church is the largest of the three or four churches lately erected under the auspices of the trustees of the Methodist Church extension fund, and is intended as a branch of the centre or Great St. James Street Church. The building is 126 feet by 74 feet over projections; height from ground to apex of roof 72 feet; tower and spire 165 feet. The walls are built of strong rubble masonry; faced with narrow courses of dark blue limestone, with hammer dressed surface. The jambs and arches to openings throughout, as also, set offs and quoins to buttresses, and other dressings are of cut Montreal limestone. The windows and doorways are pointed with tracery in the heads of different patterns. The interior has accommodation for about seven hundred persons without galleries. The roof is open, shewing arched principals resting upon Ohio stone columned corbels. The pulpit is in a pointed arched and groined recess at the end, which also forms the organ gallery and choir. The Ministers vestry is under the organ gallery. The basement is twelve feet in clear, and is divided into school rooms, vestries, &c. The contractors were as follows: Stonework, Messrs. Perrault and Payette; carpenters work, Mr. Wm. Rutherford; plasterers work, Aitken and Morrison; painters work, Mr. Murphy; glazing, Mr. Millen; metal work, Prowse and McFarlane; architect, C. P. Thomas. One two-story brick house with stone foundation, with a pitched roof, covered with sheet iron, 30 feet by 36 feet area, laid out for two tenements, belonging to Mr. W. M. Burnet. Narcisse Larue & Co., Architects. Mr. John Leeming has erected a handsome private residence in the west end of this street, corner of Guy. It is built of brick in the Italian style, with Ohio stone dressings. It is elegantly finished off, heated with steam, and furnished throughout with all the latest improvements. Its cost is about $8,800; Mr. R. Windeyer was the architect.

Knox Church, Dorchester Street.—This Church which has recently been opened for service, is in the early english style of Gothic architecture, and consists of a nave and side aisles with pulpit recess. The principal entrance is through a large open porch, and there are two side entrances giving access to the galleries and basement. The nave, arches and roof are supported on light piers, which also carry the galleries, and these latter are made to project octagonally between the piers, thus relieving the usually stiff and formal appearance. The ceilings are plastered, and the roof timbers formed so as to divide them into panels; the ceiling over the pulpit recess is groined, and forms, as it were, a sounding-board for the speaker. The pulpit itself is a spacious platform, having a handsome Gothic balustrade in front, worked in black walnut wood. The windows are filled with glass of diaper pattern, with a stained magin round the different compartments; the rose window over the south gallery is filled entirely with stained glass and with its rich and varied colours produces a beautiful effect. The pews on the ground floor are arranged on a circular plan and with the galleries afford accommodation for 750 persons; another 100 sittings might be added if thought desirable. The basement is large and lofty, well lighted and provided with two entrances at each end. It consists of a large lecture room, vestry, library, minister's room, &c. The building over all is 110x58, and 57 feet to the aped of the reof. It is intended at some future time to add a handsome tower and spire at the west side, the height of which will be 140 feet. The church is built with Montreal stone; the ashlar work in small, even courses of Montreal faced stone, the quoins, strings, weatherings, &c., being dressed. The columns of the porch are of similar stone highly polished, producing very much the effect of Purbeck marble. The contractors for the stone work are Messrs. Bourgoin and Bruneau; for the wood work, Mr. Edward Maxwell; for the plastering, Messrs. Barnett and Woods; plumbing and gasfitting, Mr. Date; painting and glazing, Mr. Usherwood; ornamental glazing, Mr. Spence. The whole has been carried out under the supervision of Messrs. Lawford & Nelson, architects.

Mr. Supplice, a two-story stone-dwelling. Mr. Joseph Richard, two one-story stone dwellings.

Mr. J. B. Goyette, two 2 story brick buildings containing shops and dwellings. M. Lamoureaux two ditto. Two dwellings, two stories for Mr. Wm. Baruch.

The American Church.—The congregation of the American Church have erected a very commodious building in Dorchester Street, corner of Drummond Street. It has a neat and very massive appearance, being a copy of Park Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn. The architecture is of a very mixed character. The front elevation is flanked by two towers, one of which is finished square, surmounted by battlements, and the other, which forms the corner of the two streets, is carried up in a spire two hundred feet high. The spire, judging from the portion already up, promises to be of a very graceful appearance. The lecture-room and Sunday-school rooms are built in rear. The ceiling of the church is painted in fresco. The gallery forms a figure approaching that of an ellipse, in one end of which is placed the pulpit, and immediately in rear, the choir and organ, which occupies a recess left for it. The windows will be of stained glass. A noticeable feature of the building is the number of means of ingress and egress, there being seven doors. The church is 144 feet long, by about 86 feet wide, and will accommodate about 1300 persons, the pews radiating from the pulpit. It is to be finished by April or May next. The whole work has been carried out under the superintendence of Mr. Hutchison, architect, the contractors being as follows:—Masonry, Payette & Perrault; carpenter's work, Geo. Roberts; plastering, Phillps & Wand; iron work, Prowse & Macfarlane; stained windows, &c., Mr. Spence.

Lagauchetiere Street.—Henry Gauthier, a two story brick house with metal roof, intended for a dwelling.

Lagauchetiere Street.—A two-story brick shop and dwelling for Mr. John Mahoney.

Craig Street.—One brick house, stone foundation, three stories, and a gateway for the block, flat roof covered with patent roofing, 40 feet frontage by 90 feet depth, for Mr. Albert Furness; N. Larue & Co., architect.

Mr. Louis Compte has put up in this street a two story brick dwelling, gravel roof. Mr. Ernest Chanteloup a one and a half story working shop. Four two story brick dwellings for Mr. Richard corner of Salaberry street. Two 2 story brick ditto for Mr. Jas. Marcot, corner of Voltigeur street. J. Cadonet has built a two story brick building with three dwellings. P. J. Durack, a cut stone two story house with two dwellings. Olivier Faucher, a three story stone building with two dwellings.

Mr. John Brown is erecting a three-story brick warehouse on Craig Street, intended for manufacturing purposes. Architect, Mr. Fahrland

Joseph Benn Esq., notary, a three story building for his office and dwelling house. It is of cut stone, with a very nice Corinthian cornice, almost the only ornament used in the front. In rear is a large wing, and inside are all the modern improvements of a first class house. Mr. M. Laurent, architect.

Mr. T. S. Judah, a store extending back to Fortification Lane, a depth of 90 feet. It is three stories, of cut stone, the lower part to be occupied as a shop and the upper part as show rooms, &c. M. Laurent, architect.

St. Helen Street.—Three stores have been put up in St. Helen street for the Estate Mills. These stores are about thirty feet front each, by ninety-six feet deep; the fronts are of cut stone, in the Italian style, the openings being as large as the style will permit of. The fronts are freely ornamented, although very little carving is used. They are well finished throughout, and form a very fine block. The architect was Mr. A. B. Taft.

St. Peter Street.—Messrs. Caverhill's buildings. The block of three warehouses erected during the past season on St. Peter street for these gentlemen are now completed externally, with the exception of the cornice. The buildings run through from street to street, having windows and goods entrances on St. Alexis street. Each warehouse is 32 feet by 130 feet clear, and six stories in height including basement. The heights of the various stories are as follows: basement 9 ft in clear, ground floor 15 ft do, 1st floor 14 ft do, 2nd floor 12 ft do, 3rd floor 10 ft do, 4th floor 10 ft do. When these buildings were about to be commenced there was considerable discussion as to the line of street best to be adopted. The importance to property holders in this street and vicinity, of making the ultimate finished width of the street greater than it is at present cannot but be seen by all, and it therefore seems to be regretted that any opposition should have been made to the nine feet line. However the Messrs Caverhill, deeming it an advantage, have adopted this as their line. The front on St. Peter street is an elaborate composition in the Italian palazzo style, bold and massive in character, being designed to meet the peculiar requirements of the material used—our local limestone. Great care has been taken both in the selection of the material and the execution of the work, reflecting great credit upon the contractors. The height from the pavement to the top of the cornice is 80 feet. The frieze and cornice terminating the whole is of galvanised iron with cast zinc ornaments. The front on St. Alexis street is designed to suit the locality, being plain and massive, and is also of the Montreal limestone. The entrances in this street give these warehouses the advantage of being able to keep the front unobstructed by goods The interior is laid out to suit the requirements of the different occupants. The parties who have taken the buildings are, number one, Messrs. Thos. May & Co., number two, Messrs. Crathern & Caverhill, and number three, Messrs. Claxton & Co. The whole of the different flats are heated by Golds' steam heating apparatus, and all the various fittings required will be of the most modern and approved character. The contractors are as under: Stone work: Messrs. Perrault & Perrault; carpenter's work: Laird Paton; brickwork: John Bulmer; plastering: Mr. Metevier; galvanised iron work: Prowse & Macfarlane; painting: Mr. Robert Wright; architects: Messrs. Thomas Bros.

Notre Dame Street.—The stores No. 257 and 259, built for Thos. Mussen, Esq., are of a new and original design. They are an addition to the old and well established store, a portion of the front in St. Lambert street being used again in the new edifice. It now, with the addition of a fourth story, forms a block of sixty feet frontage on Notre Dame street, and eighty feet on St. Lambert street. Mr. Mussen we understand again occupies the whole, one portion being devoted to dry goods, and the other to carpets, &c. It is built of Montreal stone in the Renaissance style of architecture, being remarkable for its originality in detail, the cornices, &c., being treated as if they were metal and not sham stone; the upper one being one of the handsomest in the city. Wrought iron beams, newly introduced in construction, have been adopted for carrying the floors. They are entirely hid. This gives greater height to the rooms and extra solidity to the edifice, and is valuable in case of fire. In the upper and lower stories, four in number, the rooms are of 78 feet by 22 feet, and 80 feet by 25 feet respectively without a support, a great advantage over the old system of uprights and columns. The interior has been specially fitted up to suit the requirements of the business, utility having been considered in any portion in preference to appearance; color adopted for finishings in delicate green and gold. Mr. Thos. Scott was architect. Contractors for stone work, Lebarge and Bestroy; carpenter and joiner, Lamoureux and Freres; plasterer, Phillips and Wand; painter and glazier, J. Usherwood; plumber and warming apparatus, Chas. Garth; galvanised iron cornicas, Prowse and McFarlane; iron girders, Henry Wood.

Three stores have been erected in Motre Dame street, between St. Peter and Dollard streets, the property of H. Stephens, Esq. They have plain cut stone fronts, and are in what may be termed the Italian style. The openings are large, and the stone work light, giving the whole a very graceful appearance. They have private doors to the second flats, thus making them suitable for independent use. The interiors are well finished, and they are very desirable shops. They were put up under the auspices of Mr. A. B. Taft, Architect.

Mr. James Brennan is about to erect two cut stone stores on the corner of St. John and Notre Dame streets, next to Alexanders. They will be four stories high and basement. The fronts will consist of pilasters, caps and bases, cornices, &c., with circular front at angle, being a great improvement on the abrupt corner, and more particularly in this case, St. John street being so narrow. The block will present a very handsome appearance, judging from the plans. Mr. Hodson is the architect.

One cut stone three story house, with a roof-story and a pitched roof covered with tin, laid out for one dwelling and a store on the ground floor, 90 feet in front by 49 feet in depth, for P. B. Badenaux. N. Larue & Co., architects.

Mr. Henry Mussen has erected two stores four stories high in Notre Dame Street. The front is cut-stone, except the ground floor, which is formed of cast-iron columns 4 inches in diameter, and give to the store a fine appearance. The upper part of one store is intended for show-rooms and manufacturing purposes, and the upper part of the other store is divided into offices. The work has been done under the superintendence of Mr. T. Fahrland, architect.

The Canadian Institute is erecting a three-story building in Notre Dame Street. The front is of cut-stone. The ground-floor is occupied by a store and the main entrance to the Institute room. The second floor is divided into offices in the front, and library and reading-room in the rear. The whole of the third flat is intended for the meeting-room, and the attic for the museum. Mr. Fahrland is the architect.

Mr. C. A. Terroux has erected, according to plans made by T. Fahrland, architect, a three and a half story building in Notre Dame Street. The front is of cut-stone, and the roof made of the best quality of tin, tongued and grooved, made by Reed, intended for store and showrooms.

Mr. Pierre B. Nadeau, has put up a fine stone store and dwelling, three storeis in height.

Alderman Gorrie has made very extensive alterations in his property near the Donegana Hotel, which now forms a very handsome range of shops, four in number, of cut stone, four stories high, four dwelling houses being on the upper floors The lower story is 13 feet high, and the upper are each 11 feet in height. Mr. M. Laurent, architect.

J. C. Boulanget Esq, has built a new front and completely altered the inside of his property which now consists of three shops and two dwellings, four stories high, with cut stone front. The lower story is 13 feet and the others are 10 feet each in height.

On the site of the old St. Louis Hotel, Honourable F. Quesnel has built a very splendid range of stores having a frontage of 71 ft and a depth of 75 feet, four stories in height. The windows are arched and a considerable amount of ornament has been introduced, and the height of the lower story adds very much to the appearance of the building; it is 15 feet high, the others being 12, 11 and 10 feet respectively. The shop windows are plate glass, in one piece, 12 feet by 5 feet 6 inches. The design is well carried out. The architect is Mr. M. Laurent.

The same architect (Mr. Laurent) has designed the alterations in the shop occupied by Mr. Theodore Turgeon, the property of Mr. Edward Gauthier. A large addition has been made to the rear, the whole inside has been changed, giving an increased depth of 40 feet to the interior of the shop.

Merchants' Bank.—This building forms the corner of the Place d'Armes and Notre Dame Street. It has a frontage of 36 feet on the Square, and 71 feet on Notre Dame Street. The building is 4 stories in height, exclusive of the basement, making a total of 65 feet above the pavement. The exterior is built of Ohio sandstone, on a limestone base, the whole being of the best quality as to material, and the workmanship throughout is first class. The ground floor is composed of segmental headed windows and door-openings, springing from rusticated piers. The three upper floors have the facade broken up by single and triplet windows, with segmental pediments, cornices, and moulded architraves, the windows in each floor being differently treated from that below it. The basement ground and first floors are devoted entirely to the requirements of the Bank, and consist, in the former, of the Banking-room, having its main entrance on the corner of the Square, the Cashier's room, Savings Bank department, and the fire-proof safes. On the first floor are the Board-room, a fine apartment about 30 feet square, the President's and other rooms. In the basement are the lavatories and closets for the Bank clerks, and here also are the fuel cellars and furnace room, &c. The two upper stories are divided into suites of public and private offices, which are separated from the Bank portion by iron girders and fire-proof arches. The building will be heated throughout with hot water apparatus. Mr. Hopkins is the architect.

The buildings which form the corner of Notre Dame street and Place d'Aarmes have been erected by E. Muir, Esq. They have a frontage on the former street of 64 feet, and on the latter of 45 feet. The building is designed to combine the greatest lightness with strength. The style employed is an adaptation of Rhenish architecture to street buildings. It is four stories high; each story is arranged as an arcade, the arches being supported by piers and small detached columns, with richly carved capitals. The necessity of obtaining all the light from the street, required that the greatest portion of the fronts should be of glass; but to make it as little conspicous as possible, the windows have all been deeply recessed from the face of the wall, producing a fine play of light and shade so difficult to obtain in limestone, of which the building is constructed. The cornices and belt courses which mark the division of each story are continuous and without break in their entire length. The fronts are surmounted by a bold deeply dentiled cornice, which forms an effective finish to the facade. The lower story is divided into three shops, the front being occupied by Mr. E. Muir, junr., as a drug shop, and by Mr. Hendry silver smith, as a shew room. The drug shop has been very tastefully fitted up with counter and shelving of maple and black walnut, made by Messrs. G. J. & W. Hilton, from designs by the architect for the building. The second shop is to be occupied by Mr. Prince as a music store, and the third by Messrs. Gagnon & Watson as a dry goods store. The second story is occupied by the Lancaster Insurance Company, who are fitting up very handsome offices. The third story is not yet occupied The fourth is fitted up as a masonic lodge room, fifty-three feet long by thirty-four feet wide, having all the adjuncts of commodious anti-rooms. The masonic fraternity are ornamenting and decorating their room in a very tasteful manner. The building has been designed and carved out under the superintendence of Mr. A. C. Hutchison, architect.

The trustees of the estate of the late J. D. Gibb, Esq., removed two substantial cut stone stores to erect in their place on the new line of the street a handsome building of similar material on the three upper storeis, but ornamental iron columns and galvanized iron, enriched cornices, &c. It is divided into two stores, having a separate entrance to offices on the upper stories, and has all been rented to Mr. McIver. The shops have been fitted up in a style to correspond with the exterior of the building, and the offices have each their own washing and fuel closets and other conveniences. The whole was carried out from the plans and under the superintendence of Mr. Hopkins.

C. S. Cherrier, Esquire, is now building on this street, at the corner of Gosford street, three first class three-story stores, with attics. The front is of cut stone; the lower story consisting of lofty pilasters resting on moulded pedestals. The openings of the two principal stories are semi-circular headed, with archevolts, and key stones; each story is separated by cornices. The openings of the third and attic stories are square headed, with heavy carved trusses, and the whole terminated with a neat denticulated eave cornice. The gable is also of cut stone, part of the ornamental front returning on Gosford street, with a slightly rounded corner, which produces a good effect and obviates the defect in the sharp angle of the two streets. The interior of these stores will be neatly finished; the front openings will have large panes of plate glass. The whole will, when completed, be a great improvement to Notre Dame street. The size of the three stores is about 60 feet by 75 feet; cost, about $16,000. Mr. H. M. Perrault is the architect

On the same street, adjoining the above, Baron Grant has made a great improvement to the old Commisariat building, the ground floor story being similar to Mr. Cherrier's building; the remaining stories having lofty rusticated pilasters and caps, dying under the eave cornice. The whole is finished with a bold cornice, adding also another improvement to this street. The interior of this building has been altered to suit the circumstances, and the whole will now be converted into shops below and large dwellings above. Cost, about $5,000. Mr. H. M. Perrault, architect.

Great St. James Street.—We have already given some account in these columns of the large store on the corner of Victoria Square and Great St. James street, the property of H. Stephens Esq, and built for Messrs. H. Morgan & Co. The building is rapidly approaching completion. It is 80 feet front and 85 ft deep, is four stories high above ground with a lofty and well lighted basement. They style of the building is Italian, but without ornamentation, the two fronts being very plain, yet having that light and graceful appearance that we observe in almost every first class American retail store. The interior is to be handsomely furnished and will be one of the finest retail places of business in Montreal. The material of the two fronts is white Ohio sandstone. Mr. Taft is the architect. A number of alterations have been carried out on Mr. Henry Lyman's house, under Mr. Windeyer's superintendence.

The proprietors of the Montreal Herald having purchased that property in Great St. James Street, adjoining the Colonial Insurance Company's Offices and Messrs. Dawson Bros., are adapting the same to the purposes of their business—the publication of the Montreal Herald and Book and Job Printing generally. The building now being erected in rear, on the line of Fortification Lane, will be thirty feet wide and sixty feet deep. The presses, steam-engines, and machinery generally, will be on the ground floor, on the line of Fortification Lane, extending to the line of the front building on Great St. James Street. The story above, of the same size, will be devoted to despatch rooms, apartments for the storage of paper, &c. The third story, running forward to the level of Great St. James Street, will contain business offices, editors' and reporters' rooms. The three stories above this will be employed as compositors' rooms for the Herald and Jobbing Department. The front and back building will be lighted by a well 14 by 30 feet. Mr. Milloy, Agent for the Royal Mail Line of Steamers, will continue to occupy the office on Great St. James Street until the expiration of his lease. The apartments above this will be rented as offices. The work is to be completed by the 15th March next, being carried out under the superintendence of Mr. Taft, architect.

St. Paul Street.—Messrs. John Pratt & Co. have erected on St. Paul and St. Eloi streets a substantial cut stone store, the front having pilasters of large stone blocks, with caps, cantilevers, and a bold cornice above, adding much to the appearance of that portion of St. Paul street. Size, about 24 feet by 55 feet; cost, about $4,000. Mr. H. M. Perrault was the architect.

The gentlemen of the Seminary have put up in this street, near Capital, two three story brick stores, and two other of the same kind of brick.

A three story store, the lower story cut stone, the upper of bricks, has been built by Mr. Pierre Delorme, for a leather store. The lower story is 13 feet 6 inches high, and the upper stories 11 and 10 feet respectively. It extends back to Capital street, having a depth of 70 ft. Mr. M. Laurent architect.

At the corner of Capital and Chagouamigon streets, in rear of his former premises in St. Paul street, Mr. Henry Judah has built a three story cut stone store, which joins on to the other in St. Paul street making one large store 90 feet in depth. Mr. M. Laurent, architect.

St. Sacrament Street.—Corn Exchange.—*The Property of the Cuvilier Estate.*—This large building has frontages on three streets, viz., 54 feet on St. Sacrament and 101 on St. John Street, with a similar frontage on St. Alexis Street. The ground and second stories are built in cut-stone, rusticated, and having moulded arches over the windows of the latter, and bold cornices separating the two lower stories from the Corn Exchange Room, which is on the top or third story. This portion of the building is executed with brick piers between the large circular-headed window openings, 21 in number, having moulded stone-bases, carved imposts or caps to the piers, from which the pomelled arches of the window-heads spring. A handsome cornice of galvanized iron surmounts the building, and the roof is covered with slate. The two lower stories, ground and first floor, each 11 feet in height, are divided into offices fitted up with every convenience. The Exchange, as above stated, is on the top story. This fine room will be 97 feet long by 55 feet. average width, and 35 feet high to the centre portion of the ceiling, and 26 feet at the side next the walls. The roof is an open timbered one, to be stained and varnished. A gallery 15 feet wide and 55 feet long is fitted up at one end of the room, under which are the Board-Room, Arbitration-Room, and Secretary's Office, all of ample size and height. The approach to each story of the building is by three wide doorways, one opening from each of the three streets. The staircases to the upper offices and Corn Exchange are easy, and of a width of 10 feet. The whole of the building will be thoroughly heated by steam on Gold's principle from two large boilers in the basement. This portion of the building is devoted to cellarage, fuel places, and rooms for the keeper. Mr. Hopkins is the architect.

Commissioners Street.—The Mayor, J. L. Beaudry, Esq., is erecting a very handsome cut stone building, four stories and a very high basement. The rear is in Capital street and one side on St. Sulpice street, and the front, side and back are cut stone very well dressed, in an ornamental style, yet not overlaid with petty details. It is intended for stores and offices. The lower story is 14 ft 6 in., the others being 11, 10 and 10 feet high. Mr. M. Laurent, architect.

St. Sulpice Street.—A new Ohio stone front is now in course of construction for John Donigani, Esq, the previous one having been taken down as behind the age, and not affording sufficient light. The front is in a modernised Italian style, highly decorated and from its lightness and delicacy forms a prominent object when seen from the French Square. The three lower floors being retained and the ceiling of the fourth story raised so as to give sufficient height as to serve for a gallery for painting and the Fine Arts, it will, as is usually the case, be lit from the ceiling in addition to the front light. No great effect of height could therefore be obtained in the elevation. We notice however a new arrangement by which the lower portion of each floor is robbed of a part of its wall behind skirting, where light is of no object, to give to the room or story below what it so much wants, viz, light. The lower and upper stories are divided horizontally by enriched and ornamented stone cornices, &c., and vertically into 4 bays by columns and pilasters. These with their caps of the same material are each of different design and lessen in size as they ascend. The carved work is specially good, being bold and effective. The cornice is to be of galvanised iron surmounted by a clock and canopy, and on either gable or top of Mebyoyn Wall, Vases &c. are to be introduced. Architect, Thos. S. Scott; the contractors are Dawson, Nesbit & Connor, for the masonry, Prouse, and McFarlane for galvanised iron work.

Jacques Cartier Square.—A. Prevost Esq. is now ereeting, on the northeast side of this Square, an extensive four story stone building, intended for shops in part of the two principal stories and hotel with reading room in the remainder, the whole being connected with buildings previously erected in rear. The front although plain in style is quite an improvement to the place, the ground floor consisting of pilasters surmounted by arch headed openings, with heavy key stones and bold cornice, the upper stories being divided by moulded belt courses, the whole crowned by a rich eave cornice, with steep pitch tinned roof affording lofty garret-room; the interior of this building will be finished with every modern improvement, and heated with Golds patent. The proprietor deserves great credit for his share of improvement in this Square; size of building about 80 feet by 45 feet; cost $16,000. H. M. Perrault, architect.

Berri Street.—A Villa residence on the corner of Dubord and Berri streets, in the Italian style of architecture, has been built for the residence of Mr. H. J. Clarke, Advocate, from designs prepared by Mr. James Garven, jr., Architect. It is a very neat edifice, built of brickwork, with lime stone dressings. There is a double storied piazza in front, which will make it very pleasant in summer, as it faces the centre of Viger Garden. The house is very well finished and fitted up with all modern conveniences. Also, an extension wing in rear. The design we think, is very well adapted to the locality.

In the vicinity of Viger Square, Mr. J. B. Rolland, bookseller, and City Councillor, has erected a block of six first class cut stone dwelling houses, on Berri street. Each dwelling is 25 feet front and 42 feet in depth, the whole block thus occupying a frontage of 150 feet on the street. These houses, adjacent to which the same gentleman is now erecting three other lodgings of the same description, are finished in basement, ground and two upper floors, each of them yielding an area of 3650 feet fit for occupation. A portico has been provided to the main entrance of each dwelling. The buildings, though simple in style, are possessed of a commanding appearance, the facade being. besides, relieved with a bold eave cornice enriched with blocks and dentils. The block is recessed from the street, allowing ornamental grounds to be formed in front, which are protected by a balustrade fence. All modern improvements required in first class dwellings have been introduced by Mr. Rolland in his block, however costly they might turn out, so as to make it attractive for the best class of tenants. The houses are provided with gas service in every room, hot and cold water being distributed in all stories. Water closets and baths have equally been attached to every lodging. These houses are heated by steam, on Gold's system. The aggregate cost of this property, outbuildings included, not comprising the price of land, amounts to nearly $43,000. Mr. A Leveque is the architect of these buildings. The several artificer's works have been performed by the following contractors: masonry and cut stone, J. B. Barbeau; carpenter and joiners' work, J. B. Manta; plast ering, Lamoureux & Barnett; painting and glazing, F. X. Lemonde; plumbing and heating apparatus, Robert Mitchell & Co.; plumbing, gas fitting, steam heating, bell hanging, and speaking pipes by Robert Mitchell & Co.

Mr. C. A. Lusignan, three stone dwellings, two stories.

Dubord Street.—Dr. Dubord has erected a very handsome cut stone, four storey, dwelling and office in this street. The building is finished off internally and externally in the best style.

St. Martin.—Benjamin Painchaud, a two-story wooden house.

Latour Street.—Cusack Brothers, a two-story shop and dwelling, brick. Arthur McGinn, a two-story shop and dwelling, brick.

St. Gabriel Street.—Messrs. Villeneuve and Lacoille have here erected a brick store and dwelling.

Dufresne Street.—Two brick dwellings, two stories, for Mr. Amade Dufresne.

Amherst Street.—Two double houses, brick and stone foundation, for Mr. Ed. Whelan; cost about $900.

St. Nicholas Tolentine Street.—A two story brick dwelling has been erected in this street for J. Latourneau. A two story dwelling for Louis Peltier, and two ditto for Z. Charest.

St. Andre Street.—Two three story brick dwellings for Messrs. Genereux and Bayard.

Campeau Street.—A two and a half story brick dwelling for Mr. Leandre Prevost.

Panet Street.—A two storey brick dwelling for A. Gaudry.

St. Andrew Street.—Mr. Pierre Labelle, a two-story stone dwelling. High Constable Bissonette, and Mr. Edward Maille have put up in this street, two two and a half story stone dwellings. Mr. Adolphe Payette, a two-story brick shop.

St Joseph Street.—J. B. Larin has built dwelling and stables, of wood. William Morgan, a range of stores, three stories, wood. W. Masterman, a two-story range of brick stores.

Rolland Lane.—Hypolite Miranda, a three-story brick dwelling.

St. Hubert Street.—Mr. Jean Claville, two two-story brick dwellings.

Gosford Street.—Mr. Pietro Moretti, sculptor, has put up a new one-story brick shop in this street.

Hochelaga.—The Convent.—A very large, elegant and substantial addition has been built to the Convent at Hochelaga, from designs prepared by Mr. James Garven, Jr., Architect. The front is entirely of stone, having a frontage of one hundred and sixty feet. The design comprises two additional wings, which, for the present, have been omitted; when erected, will make a frontage of two hundred and fifty feet. The building, when completed, will also have three domes. The centre portion of the building projects ten feet, which comprises the principal entrance. On each side of this projection are colonades 60 feet long, projecting 10 feet from the front of the building, with columns of the Ionic order, of which order the building has strictly been carried out. Over the principal entrance a beautiful portico has been erected, with a double flight of steps to platform; the door is large, with stone pilasters on each side, and cornice and entablature on the top. The internal arrangements are very good, and well adapted to the purpose for which it has been designed, being an Institution for the education of young ladies. The rooms are spacious and the ceilings lofty. It has also been fitted up with all the modern improvements and requirements. It is heated by steam and supplied with water from the St. Lawrence River by a steam-pump, which has been fitted up for that purpose. It also commands a beautiful view of the River St. Lawrence.

The American Presbyterian congregation of Montreal has just completed a very neat school-house and chapel at Hochelaga, in the Gothic style of architecture, built of brick, with limestone dressings. The school-room is in the basement, and the basement-walls are built six feet high above the ground-level, and faced with rock-face ashlar, and a row of fine bouchard ashlar on top to receive brick walls. The principal entrance, which is large, is reached by a wide flight of steps, with stone coping on each side. There are also projecting buttresses on each side of the principal entrance; also angle buttresses. Over the principal entrance, in the centre, is a circular window, which is to be filled in with stained glass. A belfry is also erected of brick, on top of the front wall, projecting and resting on carved corbels. It is intended to seat about 300 persons. Mr. James Garven, Jr., is the architect.

St. Lamberts.—The Wesleyan Methodists of Montreal East Circuit are now erecting a very neat church at St Lamberts. This edifice is a very neat design in the Gothic style of architecture. It will be built of brickwork, with lime stone dressings, projecting porch, with circular window overhead, which is to be filled in with various colored stained glass, projecting buttresses to front, and belfry on top of front of building, projecting and supported by two carved corbels. This church is intended to seat about 250 persons, and is expected to be completed by the 1st of January. Mr. Jas. Garven, jr., is the architect. This is the finest Protestant place of worship erected in St. Lamberts.

THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

To the Editor of the Times.

Sir,—I am desired by the Minister of the United States to request the publication in your columns of the folowing despatch addressed to him by the Secretary of State on the 4th of last month. It is intended as a general answer to the various addresses spontaneously called forth from all part of this kinsdom by the lamentable events which happened at Washington in April last. These papers were received in such numbers as to render the labour of answering at the time each one separately, under the peculiar circumstances attending the situation, impracticable. It is therefore hoped that by now presenting to them this paper directly through the press the respectives parties interested will be pleased to accept of it as an acknowledgment to themselves by the United States Government of their kind and earnest sympathy in their moment of publiccalamity, in lieu of a more formal and direct communication to the same purport, which, but for those circumstances, would undoubtedly have been transmitted earlier and in a separate form to each.

I have the honour to be, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

BENJAMIN MORAN, Secretary of Legation.
Legation of the United States, London, Dec. 1.

"Department of State, Washington, Nov. 4.

Sir,—During the seasons of spring and summer, which have now passed, you transmitted to this Department the manifold expressions which were made by the Government, public authorities, civic, ecclesiastical, and educational, corporations and associations, as well as by public assemblies of citizens and by individual citizens of the realm, of their feelings of sympathy and condolence with the Government and people of the United States in the calamity which they had suffered in the lamentable death of the late President Abraham Lincoln. The same proceedings spoke in one voice the language of indignant reprobation against the perfidious political crime of assasination, by which the eminently useful and honourable career of the late Chief Magistrate was so abruptly brought to a fearful, yet for him most triumphant end.

"Owing to some peculiar casualties the efficiency of this department was impaired at the time these despatches were received. They obtained only a simple and formal acknowledgment from the presiding Secretary, and no instructions were given you concerning the recognition of the papers alluded to, by this Government. I have now to inform you that all of the communications thus received were, without any delay, submitted to the President of the United States, and were read by him with profound emotions of sensibility and gratitude. It was his expectation that the parties from whom these generous and sympathetic utterances had come would be duly and properly assured of their consolatory influence, not only upon himself but upon the whole American people. It is deeply regretted by this Government that this expectation of the President was found impracticable.

"Our Government, simply constructed with adaptation to the transaction of necessary affairs in the ordinary course of administration, found itself in the condition in which this department then existed inadequate to the immediate acknowledgment of such various and vast obligations suddenly and unexpectedly incurred. The regret. however, is in some measure mitigated by the fact that these expressions of British sympathy and good will were only a part of similar manifestations of the same feelings which occurred in every part of the world. Nevertheless, the President earnestly desires that recognition shall even now be made of the sympathies and condolences which we thus poured in upon us with a profusion that did honour to human nature.

"You will attempt to execute this purpose so far as Great Britain is concerned by giving to Earl Russell a copy of this despatch, and by promulgating it in England, either with or without accompanying references to the addresses, resolutions, letters, and other testimonials to which I have referred as shall be found practicable.

"I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
"WILLIAM H. SEWARD.
"Charles Francisa Aadms, Esq., &c."

Protestant House of Industry and Refuge.—The managers of this Institution beg to acknowledge the receipt of the following handsome donations from Messrs. A. W. Ogilvie & Co.:—One barrel flour, one do oatmeal, one do cornmeal, one do pot barley, one do split pease.

The Treasurer of the St. Patrick's Society hereby thankfully acknowledges the receipt of $5,25c through the hands of W. O'Brien, Esq., the same being a portion of surplus money remaining in the hands of Committee, on Banquet given the Hon. T. D. McGee.

The New England Society of thiscity will celebrate the anniversary of the Landing of the Pilgrim Fathers on Plymouth Rock, on Friday evening, 22d inst., by a banquet at the St. Lawrence Hall.

ANIMOS NOVITATE TENEBO. OVID.

THE MONTREAL HERALD.

TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 19, 1865.

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TEMPERATURE

In the shade by Standard Thermometer, observed at C. HEARN'S, Optician, 242 Notre Dame Street.

8 A.M.	1 P.M.	6 P.M.
11.0	22.5	25.0

Recorded by Patent Register.

MAX.	MIN.	MEAN
25.0	8.5	16.7

Montreal, Dec 18, 1865.

PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS THIS DAY.

Festival of the Young Men's Christian Association at Mechanics' Hall this evening.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

BY JOHN LEEMING & CO.
Real Estate, at his Office, at Twelve o'clock.
BY HENRY J. SHAW.
Library, at his store, Great St. James Street, at Two and Seven P.M.
BY L. DEVANY.
Gold and Silver Watches, Jewellery, at 252 Notre Dame Street, at Two P.M.
BY JOHN J. ARNTON.
Apples, at his store, at Ten o'clock A.M.

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS TO THE MONTREAL HERALD.

OTTAWA, Dec. 18.

The Ministers are all here yet, and at this moment (4 p.m.) are in Council. It is expected that most of them will leave to-morrow. Mr. Alexander Morris, M.P.P., is in town.

The first number of the *Times*, a new daily paper, appeared this morning. It is published in the name of Mr. Robert Davis.

The weather is not so severe to-day as during the three days previous. Very little snow as yet; sleighing not good.

The Mayoralty nomination came off to-day—Mr. M. K. Dickinson, who has occupied the civic chair for two years in succession, was elected by acclamation.

The Cabinet Ministers have been engaged during the week with the Reciprocity question. It is said that early in January a deputation will proceed to Washington to continue negotiations opened by Messrs. Howland and Galt.

Hon. T. Ryan has been appointed a commissioner to enquire into the best mode of extending direct trade between these Provinces and the country on the Mediterranean.

Nothing is yet known as to when Parliament will meet.

The Roman Catholics are about establishing in Ottawa an orphan asylum.

QUEBEC, Dec. 18.—Weather mild and beautiful.

COURT OF APPEALS.—The Chief Justice being able to take his seat upon the Bench to-day, the Blossom case came before the Court. Five times tried in Montreal, and, save in one instance, no decision given, it was transferred to our city, where the law was to be finally interpreted and judgment rendered. But it seems as if the prospect of a solution of the difficulty were as far off as ever, without Judge Drummond. There were still be only four Judges present, and these, it is said, seem equally divided, the Chief Justice and Judge Meredith being apparently of as strong opinion on one side of the case, as Judges Aylwin and Mondelet are on the other. Of course, His Honour Chief Justice Duval did not state his views, but the general impression in Court, from his observations, was that he was favourable to the application for bail. Neither Blossom nor Mr. Devlin, his counsel, was in attendance, and the petition was simply submitted on his behalf by Mr. M. A. Hearn. The argument of Messrs. Ramsay and Okill Stuart against the application occupied the Court all day. Mr. Ramsay contended that it was discretionary with this Court to grant or refuse bail in all cases, and that in this matter it ought to be refused. Mr. Stuart raised a question as to the jurisdiction of the Court under the circumstances, and as the Chief Justice appears to have already studied the case, his formally expressed opinion may be looked for in a day or two, but unless it coincide with those of Judges Aylwin and Mondelet, which it is said is not likely, the matter will remain in statu quo until March next.

A one story brick dwelling in the Cul de Sac occupied by a tinsmith, was entirely destroyed by fire at 7 o'clock this evening. The house was in ashes before a drop of water could be obtained from the hydrants. Origin of the fire unknown.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

GENERAL PRESS DESPATCHES.

ARRIVAL OF THE "PERUVIAN."

PORTLAND, Dec. 18.—The Peruvian arrived at 6 a.m.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 7th.—Weather broken and boisterous.

FRANCE.—Gen. Schofield's visit to Paris continued to attract attention.

PARIS.—A correspondent of the London Globe says: Gen. Schofield is stated to have arrived on a political mission from Washington and had called on Drouyn De L'Huys, and adds that the supposed object of the visit is for the purpose of smoothing down some passages in the impending message which the President meant rather for home service than for France. He is also presumed to be directed to explain the appointment of Logan who is accredited to Juarez. Logan, it is said, is to start in search of a Mexican President or Republican Court, and is to report progress in that voyage of discovery.

The Times' Paris correspondent mentions Gen. Schofield's arrival, and rumors that he is charged to treat for the evacuation of Mexico by the French troops. The writer says he has reason to believe on very fair authority, that the French government has not received any communication of the kind alluded to from the American government.

The Paris telegram of the 6th says that Schofield is not entrusted with any political mission but visits Europe for the benefit of his health with the intention of making a lengthened stay on the continent.

The cattle plague in the shape of contagious typhus, is said to have been imported into the Jardin d'Aclimation Paris, by two gazelles received from England. Orders consequently had been issued, prohibiting importation of all animals into France, except horses, asses, mules, and dogs. Bourse flat, 69.

The Belgium Morning Post says that notwithstanding more favorable bulletins of the King's health on the 6th, his condition precludes hope of recovery.

SPAIN.—The Madrid letter of the 3rd says that the rejection of mediation by the Spanish Government in the Chilian difficulty is again positively announced by the semi-official Correspondencia de Espana.

The Madrid Epoca publishes a letter from Admiral Pareja to the English minister at Valparaiso. The minister had written to the Admiral stating that he could not believe Valparaiso would be bombarded in view of the large amount of property owned by foreigners.

The Admiral courtly replied that if proper warning was given neutrals to remove their effects it was the incontestable right of belligerents to resort to bombardment. We therefore gave due warning.

AUSTRIA.—The Lower Austrian Diet, after three days animated debate, adopted by a large majority the draft addressed to the Emperor against the September Patent.

LIVERPOOL, December 7.—The Shenandoah put back to Liverpool on the 6th with loss of sails and short of coals. She experienced heavy gales.

The second Fenian trial was that of O'Leary, which terminated on the 6th with a verdict of "guilty." The prisoner addressed the Court and denied that he was a traitor, saying he owed no allegiance to the Queen nor obedience to British laws. He was sentenced to twenty years penal servitude

The Times congratulates the Irish government on being able to secure a succession of convictions of the leading Fenians, with so little difficulty, in spite of everything that can be done for the defence. A fresh jury was empanelled for each case, so that every conviction represents the result of an independent judgment by a distinct body of men.

The London Times says it is due to Governor Eyre, no less than public opinion in England that a full and searching inquiry should be made into the history of the Jamaica rebellion, and we learn with utmost satisfaction that such an inquiry is to be instituted forthwith.

Indications increase that the Russell ministry intend to introduce a reform bill into Parliament.

The case of Mrs. Yelverton, versus the Saturday Review, for libel, at Edinburgh, resulted in a verdict for defendant by 9 to 3. The verdict was received with hissing in Court. The Jury was absent six hours.

Hamburg papers state that a portion of the Heligoland Rock, long undermined by the sea, had fallen and was engulfed in the waves. Out of 500 inhabitants on the island, 70 are said to have perished.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.—Funds dull and drooping. Discount market unchanged. Demand moderate.

All the Fenian prisoners were removed on the night of the 2nd, from the jail where Stephens escaped, to Kilmainham jail; owing to the alleged disaffection among the officials. Among the latest arrivals is a clerk to an important government functionary in Tipperary.

The Times indulges in a friendly editorial towards America, founded on Mr. Seward's despatch relative to Mr. Lincoln's assassination, and says England has no objection to the extension of American territory, either by way of Mexico or Canada, provided it is done honestly and with the consent of the people concerned.

Parliament is summoned to meet on the 1st February.

Queen Victoria's assent to the betrothal of Princess Helena and Prince Christian of Holstein is officially promulgated.

The Liverpool Chamber of Commerce has petitioned the Postmaster-General for the Cunard steamers to leave Liverpool on Friday instead of Saturday.

The Paris papers continue to comment on Schofield's visit. The *Presse* believes that whatever the nature of Schofield's instructions, the evacuation of Mexico is likely to be the result.

The Spanish advices indicate increased naval preparations against Chili and an indisposition to accept mediation.

There is great agitation at Stockholm pending the action of the Reform question. The Chambers of peasants and citizens adopted a Reform measure. The chambers of nobles and clergy were debating it.

Notwithstanding the statement the Bhootan question will be amicably settled.

COMMERCIAL.

BREADSTUFFS.—Flour: Transactions unimportant. Western Canal, 28s 6d to 29s 6d; Philadelphia and Baltimore, 29s to 29s 6d. Wheat; Canadian white and mixed, 10s 10d to 11s 6d, Red, 10s to 10s 6d. Corn: white, 32s to 33s 6d; mixed, 30s 6d to 31s 6d; yellow, 31s 6d to 31s 9d.

Provisions—Ashes, about 150 brls ashes sold during the week; Pots 42s; Pearls 33s. Pearls quiet at these rates. Stock: 1600 brls Pots, 100 do Pearls.

Consols 87⅞. 5-20's declined, closing 64 to 64¼; Illinois receded ½; 82¼ to 82¾; Erie's improved 1½. 58¾ to 59¼.

ARRIVAL OF THE S. S. "CUBA."

HALIFAX, Dec. 18.—The steamer Cuba, from Liverpool on Saturday, Dec. 9, via Queenstown on the 10th, arrived at 9 this morning.

The King of Belgium was dead.

The Persia arrived out on the 8th.

The Arago arrived at Falmouth on the 8th.

It was said that Austria and Mexico were negotiating for the more speedy enrolment of 10,000 Austrians, which were to be furnished for five years.

At the American banquet in Paris on Thanksgiving day, our minister Mr. Bigelow expressed very pacific sentiments, and Gen. Schofield proposed the toast "Friendship between France and the United States."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Gov. Corwin remains in a critical condition. His death is momentarily expected.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 9.—Cotton sales to-day, 5000 bales; market easier and some descriptions a trifle lower. Breadstuffs quiet and unchanged. Provisions quiet and steady. Petroleum firm.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Consols for money 87⅜ to 87½; Erie shares 58¾ to 59; M C 81¾ to 62; U S 5-20's 63¾ to 64.

CAIRO, Dec. 17.—The notorious guerilla leader Mat Suton under sentence of death escaped from Memphis military prison on Thursday last. The small pox is raging among the freedmen in the vicinity of Selma, Ata., to such an extent that they are not allowed into that city except under the most pressing circumstances. Lieut. Commander Barlett of the monitor Oneida, shot and killed a gambler here yesterday and has been arrested and bound over to answer the charge of manslaughter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—House special.—Mr. Moulton, of Virginia, offered a resolution which lies over, calling on the President to inform them why Jefferson Davis has not been brought to trial for teason.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The latest reports from the Columbia River Gold Fields represent them as the richest in the world.

PORTLAND, OREGON, Dec. 15.—The bark Live Yankee reports a shock of an earthquake at sea November 12th.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Post says the loan market is easy and the accumulation of capital continues. Money is, by some lenders, offered at 7 per cent. Commercial paper is passing with a little more freedom at 7 to 9½ for first class names.

The Bank statement shews an increase in deposits of 4,500,000, and in specie of 1,500,000.

The stock market opened active but became dull and closed firm. Governments are rather lower and railroad shares irregular with a tendency to improvement.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

MIDNIGHT DESPATCHES.

BELLEVILLE, C. W., Dec. 18.—The fire of Saturday night originated in the cellar of R. Holden & Co's drug store, from a lamp coming in contact with some Japan leaking from a cask. The fire immediately spread with great rapidity and all efforts to extinguish it proved fruitless. The total loss is estimated at $70,000, on which there are about $35,000 insurance. The following is a list of the sufferers as near as can be ascertained: Erastus Holden, $10,000, insured $7,000; J. Whiteford, $12,000, insured for $7,600; R. Holden & Co, drug store, $14,000, insured for $6,000; M. Gillen, hardware, $12,000, insured for $4000; F. Hackett, dry goods, $14,000, insured for $10,000; M. Adamson, grocer, $3000, insured for $2000; J. L. Orme, $1200, insured for $1000; J. L. Orme, book store, &c, Jno Taylor, watchmaker, $200, no insurance; Masonic rooms, $2060, no insurance; Elliott & Co., Curtis, Lewis, Nathan Jones, T. M. Smith and others. Damages to buildings and stock to the extent of 3 or $4000. nearly all the insurance companies being more or less interested.

The Honourable B. Flint was to-day elected mayor by acclamation.

FURTHER BY THE CUBA.

The Cuba has 17 passengers for Halifax and 85 for Boston.

The City of Limerick sailed for New York on the same day that the Cuba took her departure.

The Edinburgh, from New York, arrived at Queenstown at noon on the 8th inst.

The third Fenian trial, that of Michael Moore, pike-maker, resulted in his conviction, and he was sentenced to 10 years' penal servitude.

The special commission for the trial of the Fenian prisoners would adjourn in Dublin on the 13th inst. until the 6th of January, the interim being devoted to the trial of the Cork prisoners.

The trial of Halligan, an employee in the Irish People newspaper office, is progressing.

The Channel fleet is ordered to winter in Ireland, and the officers are not to be allowed the usual leave of absence.

The Patrie says that Gen. Schofield is about to proceed to England on a confidential mission from President Johnson, to prevent any difficulties arising between Great Britain and America.

Mr. Cardwell, the Colonial Secretary, has promised the anti-slavery Society, that a searching inquiry should be made into the late proceedings in Jamaica.

The Paris Bourse was flat on Saturday. The rentes closed at 68f 82c.

The three mates and boatswains of the ship Antartic lying in the Mersey, bound for New York, have been lodged in jail, charged with killing the cook and steward.

Bell's Life publishes an account of a complimentary dinner given to John C. Heenan by the Victoria club of London, prior to his visiting America.

The mail from ports on the west coast of Africa has arrived. The news is unimportant.

The Army and Navy Gazette says there are between 19 and 20,000 of the regular army in Ireland.

The same paper says that the army estimates, which were all to be prepared by January 14th, will now be much later than usual.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The affairs of Jamaica continued to absorb great attention.

The Peace Society had addressed a memorial to Earl Russell on the subject.

A deputation from the Anti-Slavery Society was to wait on Mr. Cardwell, the Colonial Secretary, on the same subject, on the day the Cuba left Liverpool.

Sir Henry Storks, the Governor of Malta, had been summoned to England. One rumor connects this movement with affairs in Greece, but other reports say he may probably be sent to Jamaica.

The Army and Navy Gazette says his summons to England has reference to a Jamaica commission of inquiry, which, report says, will be composed of Sir H. Storks, Sir E. Head, late Governor of Canada, and a legal gentleman.

The London Daily News says that the Government has written Gov. Eyre, requiring a full explanation of the Jamaica affair, and has resolved to institute a thorough and searching inquiry in a few days.

The weekly return of the cattle disease in England shows a continued increase.

An official letter from the Consul General at Odessa states that the cattle plague exists permanently on the Steeppes of Kherson, and is cured by sodorifics.

The Royal Agricultural Society have resolved that its usual annual meeting shall not take place until next year, on account of the cattle disease.

Capt. Waddell, of the Shenandoah, remained in Liverpool and will continue to do so until the extradition claim of the United States Government is adjusted.

FRANCE.—The weekly return of the Bank of France shows an increase of cash on hand of $22,250,000.

The Pall Mall Gazette says that the message of President Johnson is looked for in Paris with unusual interest, owing to the belief that it contains paragraphs commenting upon the action of France in Mexico which will require explanation.

The Patrie says that negotiations are progressing between Austria and Mexico for the more speedy enrollment of the 10,000 Austrians who, under the original arrangement, were to be recruited in Austria in five years at the rate of 2000 men a year.

The Bourse closed quiet and steady on the 8th inst. at 68f 90c.

SPAIN AND CHILI.—The Paris Patrie says that President Johnson has ordered the American minister at Chili to offer his good offices for the settlement of the Hispano-Chilian affair. It adds that the friendly intervention of England and France also affords ground to expect that the difficulty will be amicably adjusted.

The correspondent denies that the Queen of Spain is in ill health.

BELGIUM.—Changes for the worse had manifested themselves in the condition of the King of Belgium.

In the House of Nobles, the Government bill for reform in the constitution was adopted by 361 against 294.

The Chamber of the Clergy unanimously passed the bill, which has thus gone through the four Chambers.

There was great rejoicing throughout the country over the events and great public festivity and illumination at Stockholm was preparing in honor of it.

ITALY.—The Chamber of Deputies has elected Signor Mari its President by nine majority over Mordivi.

AUSTRIA.—Votes against the September patent continued to be addressed to the Emperor by numerous Provincial Diets.

London Money Market.—The English funds continue flat. Consols further declined ⅛ on the 8th inst. The demand for discount was rather active, and a little business was done under 6 per cent.

Commercial—Liverpool, December 9, a.m.—Cotton—The regular weekly report of the Liverpool cotton market was sent out by the Peruvian. Breadstuffs—Flour quiet and steady. Wheat quiet but firm. Winter Red, 10s 4d to 10s 11d. Corn flat and 6d to 1s lower; mixed, 30s to 30s 9d. Provisions—Beef firm. Pork inactive and market bare. Bacon very dull and prices still declining. Lard quiet and steady; sales at 72 to 74 for European. Butter dull and unchanged. Tallow firmer and 6d higher. Produce—The Brokers' Circular reports Ashes at 42s for Pots and 48s for Pearls. Sugar heavy. Coffee steady. Rice inactive. Cod oil steady at 51 pounds. Rosin dull. Spirits Turpentine inactive. Petroleum firm at 3s 2d to 3s 6d for refined.

LONDON MARKETS.—Barings' Circular reports Wheat quiet and steady. Flour scarce. Iron firm. Sugar firmer. Coffee tending upwards. Tea quiet. Rice flat. Spirits turpentine firmer. Petroleum firm; refined 3s 6d to 3s 7d; crude nominal at £22. Sperm Oil quiet at £117. Linseed Cake firm. Tallow steady at 49s 6d.

The Cuba reports on the 10th inst. at 4 a.m., off Waterford, passed the steamship Persia, bound in.

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23.—Cotton goods quiet. Exchange 2s. Freights 42s 6d.

BOMBAY, Nov. 24.—Cotton firm.

THE *GLOBE* AND THE GRAND TRUNK.

"We noted with great pleasure that at a late meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway Company in London, a strong determination was expressed, on the part of several of the leading shareholders, to make the necessary expenditure to put the road in good order. One or two shareholders, indeed, expressed a wish to have interest paid on the bonds rather than make the necessary out lays in renewing the road-bed. But the weight of the meeting was in favour of the policy which can alone establish the railway on a sound footing. Mr. Brydges and his constituents know better than we how much it costs them to repair the damages of the hundred accidents which constantly occur upon the road—the detentions, the breakages, the compensation for lives lost, and other items. Judged by an unprofessional eye, it would be infinitely more economical to provide good sleepers, and good iron, than to bear the outlays arising from accidents, as well as infinitely more agreeable to the public and the employes of the road.

"The enormous increase of traffic on the Grand Trunk during the past year indicates what its business may rise to in the future. The present is, by no means, a remarkable year, save in the contrast to those which preceded it. We may expect many such seasons as the present, and, beyond that, the Grand Trunk may hope for great returns from the steady increase in wealth and population of this naturally rich and rapidly-improving country. There are no bounds to the business which the Grand Trunk may do in the future; but the first condition is, that the road shall be made safe and speedy for passengers and freight. At present it is useless to conceal the fact that it is neither.

"Perhaps there are some people foolish enough to conceive that, in making these remarks, we are actuated by prejudice against the Grand Trunk. They entirely misconceive our position if they do so. We very gladly recognize the fact that the most important of our railways is not, at the present moment, seeking anything which is contrary to the public interests, except the Amalgamation Bill, which received so decisive a defeat last session as to be unlikely to come up again with any chance of success. If the managers of the road would keep this position, would refrain from seeking undue advantages, which wise and upright citizens cannot but refuse to grant, the unpopularity which has marked their career would entirely cease, and they would be aided in many ways in carrying on their work. There is no unfriendly feeling towards them on the part of the people of this country. All would gladly see the road prosper. To command confidence, however, and secure increased business, it is necessary, before all things, that the road should be safe, and we shall hail with pleasure the announcement that Mr. Brydges is to be enabled to go on at a much faster rate with the renewals which have been in progress for some years."

The *Globe* is certainly playing the part of Mrs. Candour with remarkable ability. No doubt, every one must rejoice at the prosperity of so important a Canadian institution as the Grand Trunk, if it were merely as an index to the prosperity of all other Canadian interests. But look at this touch:—"Perhaps "some persons are foolish enough to conceive "that in making these remarks, we are actuated by prejudices against the Grand "Trunk." Not the slightest possibility of making any such mistake. The time of the *Globe's* prejudices are at an end—it would be as reasonable to believe that it is actuated by prejudices against Mr. John A. MacDonald, or Mr. Cartier, or Lower Canada domination, or Bishop Lynch, or Pius the ninth, or Separate Schools or Sectarian grants. Prejudice indeed!—the *Globe* is the most unprejudiced journal in Christendom; and having got rid of all prejudices, how remarkably simple and ingenuous it has become. "We very gladly "recognize the fact, that the most important "of our railways is not at the present moment "seeking anything which is contrary to the "public interests, except the amalgamation "bill." That sentence is really more touching than the other. The Company having got from Mr. Brown all that it sought from the reopening of that Postal subsidy question, which the hon. George wisely prophesied would be the first step of a Coalition government, and after having its demands so completely complied with that it professes itself fully satisfied, the *Globe* tells us that it is "at this moment asking "nothing which is contrary to the public in-"terest." The *Globe* and its proprietor, till the latter took office, was never tired of denouncing the demands of this Company; but the latter granted every thing he had before condemned so soon as he was admitted to office, and now his newspaper tell us that the Company is not at this moment asking anything more! We see, indeed, that Mr. Watkin, at the last half yearly meeting of the Company in London, congratulated the stock holders upon their now having a government which was entirely favorable to them. That of course, is Mr. Brown's government, however singular such a statement respecting such a government would have appeared a few months ago. But we have got rid of all our prejudices!

THE "TIMES" AND THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.—We print elsewhere the letter of Mr. Seward, *apropos* of which the *Times* is so complimentary, as according to our telegraphic news, to offer to withdraw all opposition on the part of Great Britain, if the United States can only persuade the Mexicans and Canadians to agree to permit an extension of American territory over the neighbouring countries.

VERY INGENIOUS INVENTION.—As Mr. Cartier found it desirable to send Mr. Delisle to the West Indies and Brazil in place of Mr. Thos. Ryan, it became necessary in order to preserve the saccharine matter from fermenting and becoming acid, to do something with Mr. Ryan. According our ingenious State chemists have invented another Mercantile Commission, and Mr. Ryan is appointed the Commissioner. We think, however, that it will be necessary to discover another French Canadian and another Upper Canadian, who are in want of a journey gratis, or we may expect that something will go wrong in the Mediterranean, to which place it appears that Mr. Ryan is to be sent. What does Mr. Brown think of this. The last time he had anything to say on these foreign journies we remember, he considered them as execrable jobs. Probably he has altered his mind on that subject as well as upon Popery, Mr. Cartier, and Lower Canada domination.

THE ENTRIES OF GOODS FOR THE UNITED STATES.—We are informed that the American Consul has not refused to issue certificates as heretofore on invoices giving the bonded value of goods to be exported into the U. States, but simply informed gentlemen presenting such invoice that he had been informed by a special agent of the Treasury Department that the actual market value should be given instead, and that collectors had been instructed to seize goods so invoiced, and that if certificates were issued to them on the bonded value that he would consider it his duty to inform the collector of the port where they were to be entered of the fact.

NEW BOOKS.

THE CANADIAN NATURALIST AND GEOLOGIST.—October. Montreal: Dawson Bros.

In the October number of this monthly will be found the address of the President of the British Association at the opening of its last meeting in Birmingham; A Geographical sketch of Canada, being extracts from a work of Dr. T. Sterry Hunt; Review of the Northern Buccinums, and remarks on some other marine mollusks, part 1st, by Dr. Wm. Simpson; and a Provisional Catalogue of Canadian Cryptogams.

LOWER CANADA LAW REPORTS. Quebec: J. N. Duquet & Co.

The November number of this publication has been received.

THE PRESBYTERIAN. December. Montreal: John Lovell.

The December number of this ably conducted magazine closes the eighteenth volume. The opening article is on the Powers of Scotch Presbyteries in Canada, in which the writer examines the question whether a Presbytery of the Church of Scotland, on the application of a licentiate of that church, and on the presentation of documents, unauthenticated by any Presbytery of the Church here, could ordain such licentiate to a charge in Canada; and further, whether that ordination legally confers upon such licentiate the status of a minister of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, inducts him into a special charge in that church, entitles him to act as Moderator in a Kirk Session, and gives him a claim to the other benefits arising from a connection with the Church, without other process than the enregistering the certificate of his ordination by the Scotch Presbytery in the books of the Presbytery within whose bounds the church to which he is so ordains lies. These considerations are suggested by the late induction of the Rev. Mr. Paton as assistant to Dr. Mathieson, but are taken up, not on personal grounds, but on the general grounds of Church discipline. There are also some remarks on the temporalities fund, followed by a large amount of Church news, communicated articles, notices and reviews, &c.

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS.

To the Editor of the MONTREAL HERALD.

MONTREAL, Dec. 18, 1865.

DEAR SIR,—May I be permitted to encroach on good nature and ask your kindness for a small space in your very valuable paper to answer an article in this morning's issue of the *Herald*, signed "H.M."

The meeting of commercial travellers, called for next Friday evening, is only a preliminary meeting, and the promoters of the movement are not bound particularly to carry out their own views, but would be very thankful to any gentleman who has any views at all to express to be present at the time appointed, and we shall be most happy to listen to his counsel for or against the subject. Your correspondent who says he has been connected in some way or other with a similar society in England, we most especially invite, his presence and aid I am sure will forward our ideas, the principal one of which is to found an asylum for the orphans of commercial travellers.

Yours, dear Sir,
Very respectfully,
L. COHEN.

MONTREAL LITERARY CLUB.—Last evening Mr. George Murray, Secretary of this Club read a paper on "Public Speaking," dwelling chiefly on the patient study and industry as indispensable for success as an orator. After referring to the ancient orators, Demosthenes, Cicero, &c., he dwelt upon those of England. Sheridan and Disraeli, in their first efforts, made miserable failures, but expressed their determination to succeed, and they did. Chatham committed to memory selections of the best authors, and read carefully twice over Baillie's Dictionary, so as to gain a thorough knowledge of the English language. Burke labored superhumanly to become an orator. Curran, in his first efforts as a speaker, displayed no qualities of the orator. His voice was bad, his action awkward and he was excessively diffident. He was called in the debating society "Stuttering Jack." By unremitting perseverance he overcame his defects, and became a most powerful orator. His invectives were said to be like streams of lava. Earl Stanhope stated, Pitt acknowledged to his father that he owed his readiness of speech mainly to reading books in foreign languages, and translating them into English. Mr. Murray read several opinions of eminent men on the influence of public speaking and the best means of becoming orators. A vote of thanks was returned to Mr. Murray for his highly useful paper, and a desire expressed that he should continue the subject at another meeting. Mr. B. Chamberlin, and Mr. R. Leach, and Rev. A. Paton made some remarks on the paper highly complimentary to the author. A Book Club has been formed amongst the members, who subscribe $2 a year, with which the best books appearing will be purchased and lent to the members of the Club. After the books have been used for a year, they will be given to the Literary Club.

Several members were elected. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, A. D. Parker, Esq., occupied the chair.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—The annual festival of this very deserving Association takes place to-night. The annual meetings have always hitherto been of a very agreeable kind and from the announcement made of the present it is not likely to prove less successful than those which have preceded it. The objects, too, of the Association, are such as to recommend it to public support. In addition to addresses from Canadian clergymen, the Rev. Jean Paul Cook, a distinguished minister of the Methodist Church in France, and President of the Young Men's Christian Association in Paris, will give some very interesting information regarding similar associations there. The Committee have made every arrangement for a successful meeting. The Chair will be taken at half-past seven in the Mechanics' Hall.

FINE ARTS.—We would call the attention of the lovers of Art to Mr. Leeming's Sale of Oil Paintings to-morrow. Among the various gems to be submitted to competition are several worthy of place in any gallery. Sidney R. Percy's name is well known in Europe as a first-class Painter, and a specimen from his pencil, now on view, is worthy of his name. "After the Storm," by F. Musin, is a Marine of excellent quality; "Repose" is truly what it is represented. Indeed, the whole collection are pictures of first-rate quality, and well worth the attention of the public generally. Catalogues are ready, and may be had at Mr. Leeming's.

In reference to the remarks made at the meeting of the Art Association in regard to the funds collected for a statue of the Queen to be erected in Montreal—we are authorized to state that Wm. Molson, Esq., is the Treasurer, and that all the funds collected are deposited in Molson's Bank. A public question was asked in one of the daily papers some time ago, which was immediately answered over the signature of Mr. Murray and Mr. John Leeming, stating as above, that the amount of funds then collected, were deposited in Molson's Bank, and still remain there. Mr. Leeming was only appointed "Secretary" on the resignation of B. Chamberlin, Esq., when the funds that had been collected were deposited to the amount of $2129,20, from which $55 has been paid to J. A. Perkins, who assisted Mr. Chamberlin as Secretary.

Mr. Leeming resigned his Secretaryrhip in May, 1864, previous to his going to England, but he is still anxious that the object should be accomplished, and is willing to give his services, if required, to secure its attainment. We understand that a meeting of the Executive Committee will be called immediately after the holidays.

CITY ITEMS.

CITY MORTALITY.—There were 10 interments in the Protestant Cemetery: 3 men, 2 women, 2 male and 3 female children. Diseases: old age 2, heart disease 1, infantile debility 1, paralysis 1, teething 1, hooping cough 1, still born 2 drowned 1. Wards, &c.: St. Lawrence 3, St. James 1, St. Antoine 1, West 1, Suburbs 2, unknown 2. Birth places: Scotland 3, Canada 5, England 1, unknown one. Under one year, 5.

In the Catholic Cemetery 44 interments: 12 men, 8 women, 14 male and 10 female children. Diseases: Fever 1, infantile debility 17, accident 2, heart disease 4, dropsy 2, child birth 1, pleurisy 1, asthma 1, typhoid fever 1, paralysis 1, teething 5, consumption 2, hydrocephalus 1, debility 3, inflammation 1, hemmorhags 1. Wards, &c.: St. Lawrence 4, St. James 9, St. Antoine 5, St. Anne 7, St. Mary 3, Suburbs 6, Hotel Dieu 3, General Hospital 1, Sœurs Grises 6. Birth places: Canada 30, Ireland 14. Under one year 18.

POLICE COURT.—The gang of young thieves committed on Saturday were re-examined yesterday on fresh charges brought since their committal.

F B McNamee, Esq., was brought up on a charge of assault and battery committed on the person of Lawrence Devany, Esq., auctioneer. The offence complained of took place on the 6th December in Notre Dame Street. The two parties have not, as the evidence showed, been on good terms for some time past. On that day the prosecutor was standing talking to Alderman McCready, when the defendant came up, and some words having passed, the assault was then committed. The charge was admitted, and the defendant was fined the full penalty of $20, which was at once paid.

RECORDER'S COURT.—Robert Mack was charged with assaulting a policeman who had tried to assist him while drunk, and with tearing the policeman's coat, besides refusing to pay a carter whom he had employed, was fined $10. Edward Smith for an attempt to rescue Mack was fined $5. His Honour said that the prisoner's conduct during the first part of the affair was so highly creditable that he regretted he should have so forgotten himself as to attempt a rescue when his companion was apprehended. Helen Martin was charged by Mr. Pendleton with having while a servant in his house assaulted his child, a boy nine years old, seriously injuring his head. The boy's story was that he had gone down to the kitchen with a message, and had been kicking his feet up and down for sport, when he happened to touch defendant's dress. She, without warning, doubled up her fist, and struck him in the forehead, the blow knocking him down. The back of his head struck the floor and he was much hurt. The coachman Denis Collins, for the prosecution, said he was busy writing when the affair took place. He could neither remember what was said or done. In fact he was so busy writing that he saw nothing. He heard the child crying, and looked up, and saw the child rising from the ground. On cross examination he admitted that something had flown past his head and struck the wall. Did not know what it was. Saw the handle of the toasting fork lying near where this had struck. Did not know anything whatever. The girl in defence said she had been much annoyed with the children, that a fortnight before this boy had kicked her in the stomach, and, on the occasion which led to this charge, he had come to the kitchen and thrown several articles at her, among others a toasting fork, and attempted also to kick her. She had pushed the boy to prevent him kicking her and he had fallen. Two female fellow servants of Martin were called, the case having been put off to give time for Mr. Pendleton to send for them, and their evidence, although given very reluctantly, satisfied the Recorder that no undue violence had been used by the girl in defending herself from an attack by the boy Pendleton. The case was dismissed. There were altogether 21 cases.

PRIVATE POLICE.—The merchants in St. Paul street near the Custom House Square have appointed a private police force who patrol St. paul street, Custom House Square and Capital street. The men are armed with revol-vers.

We trust that the ladies interested in the success of the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society's great concert, to take place on Thursday, 4th January will not fail to attend the meeting of the Ladies' Committee, at the Mechanics' Hall at 3 o'clock to-day, to concert such measures as will render it attractive, as in former years. See advertisement.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

To-day at two o'clock Mr. Shaw will commence the sale of the Library. As we understand none of our public libraries are in funds to purchase from this fine collection, private gentlemen who wish to supply their libraries will have a fine chance of doing so at their own prices. It is a great pity that the Mercantile Library, the Mechanics' Hall Library, and other public institutions are compelled to let this fine collection be sold without securing some of the works which are so well adapted for public institutions of this kind.

LARGE AMOUNT OF REAL ESTATE FOR SALE BY AUCTION.—The very important public sale of property advertised by Mr. Leeming for some time, takes place to-day (Tuesday) at 12 o'clock. Prince Rupert Place, over-looking McGill College Park. The houses in this terrace are first-class, being recently built; contain modern improvements; several are warmed with Gould's steam heating apparatus, and being rented to highly respectable tenants, are in the best possible order. Leases of most of them expire next May, when purchasers can obtain possession.

Cut-Stone Cottage, No. 72 Aylmer Street.—See advertisement respecting this handsome property for sale by auction to-day at twelve o'clock.

No more central or valuable property as a business stand can be found in the city than the premises corner St. Paul and St. Francois Xavier Street and on Commissioner Street, for sale to-day at 12 o'clock.

The houses in Richmond Square, for sale at the same time, will probably find ready buyers.—See advt.

Mr. Devany, it will be seen on reference to his advertising column, commences his great sale this afternoon at the store of Mr. S. G. Levy, 252 Notre Dame Street. The stock embraces a most attractive collection of Gold, Silver and Diamond backed Watches, heavy gold Chains, Table and Pocket Cutlery, Papier Mache and fancy goods, Electro-plated Ware, &c. Sale at two o'clock.

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

HERALD OFFICE, MONTREAL, Monday, Dec. 18, 1865.

The weather continues cold and clear.

Telegram advices per "Peruvian" at Portland, and "Cuba" at Halifax, both from Liverpool, till the 9th inst., were received to-day.

Breadstuffs and Provisions quiet and steady. Consols 87¼ to 87⅞. U. S. 5-20's 63½ to 64.

The Flour market is very dull and unsettled, and with exception of Bakers Flour and low grades, sales have been small. No sales of round lots are reported. Bakers Flour sold at $5,40, $5,50, $5,52½ and $5,75. No. 2 sold at $4,75. Fine at $4,20; Middlings at $3,80, and bag Flour at $2,95 to $3.

OATMEAL, per brl. of 200 lbs—$4,75 to $5,10.

WHEAT per bushel of 60 lbs—Dull. Chicago Spring and Milwaukee Club $1,15 to $1,20; U. C. Spring $1.15 to $1,20.

PEASE per 60 lbs., 70 to 72½c.

INDIAN CORN per 56 lbs.—57c to 58c.

BARLEY per 48 lbs., 60 to 65c.

OATS per 32 lbs.—32c.

ASHES per 100 lbs—Unsettled. First Pots $6,85 to $7,00. Seconds 6,00. No Pearls offering.

PORK per brl. 200 lbs.—Dull. Mess, uninspected and inspected, $23 to $25. Dressed Hogs $7,50 to $8,25, according to quality and weight.

BUTTER per lb.—Dull. Choice 21 to 24c.

CHEESE per lb.—Dairy 12½c; Factory 13c.

FINANCIAL—Sterling Exchange firm. Bank 60 days sight on London 9½ to 10 prem. for cash. Private nominal. Sterling Exchange in New York 9½.

MONEY MARKET.

Montreal, Dec. 18th, 6 P. M.

Gold opened this morning at 146¾, advanced to 146⅞, and closes at 146⅞.

Greenbacks and Bank notes are bought at 31¾ to 32, and are sold at 31¼ to 31½. No large amounts offering.

Bank Exchange on New York has been sold at 31¼ dis.

Silver is bought at 3¾ to 4 per cent dis., and is sold at 3¼ to 3¾ for large lots. Small amounts at 3½.

NICHOLS & ROBINSON, Brokers.

DAILY REPORT OF THE MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

(*Reported exclusively for the "Montreal Herald."*)

The Firms composing the Board:—C. & C. G. Geddes, James Hempsted, Robert Mitchell, Joseph Wenham, A. M. Cohen, E. Ford, McCulloch Bros., Geo. W. Simpson John Bethune jun.

12.30 P.M.—Monday, Dec. 18, 1865.

STOCKS.	BUYERS.	SELLERS	DIV. MOS.	DIV. DAYS.
Bank of Montreal	112	112¼	4 ₩ cent.	June 1 & Dec. 1
Ontario Bank	100½	101	4 ₩ cent.	June 1 & Dec. 1
Bank of B. N. A.	99½	None.	3 ₩ cent.	July & January
City Bank	99¼	Par.	4 ₩ cent.	June 1 & Dec. 1
Commercial Bank	Books	closed.	3 ₩ cent.	July 1 & Jan'y 1
Bank of Up. Can.	31	31½	......	July 1 & Jan'y 1
Banque du Peuple	103	103½	4 ₩ cent.	Sept 1 & Mar 1
Molsons Bank	113½	115	4 ₩ cent.	Oct 1 & April 1
Bank of Toronto	None.	106	4 ₩ cent.	July 1 & Jan'y 1
Banque Jac. Car.	105	None.	4 ₩ cent.	June 1 & Dec. 1
Merchants' Bank	Books	closed.	4 ₩ cent.	January & July
Gore Bank	Books	closed.	4 ₩ cent.	July 1 & Jan'y 1
East. Town. Bank	91	None.	3½ ₩ cent.	July 1 & Jan'y 1
Quebec Bank	98	Par.	3½ ₩ cent.	Dec. 1 & June 1
Banque Nationale	105	106	4 ₩ cent.	Nov. 1 & May 1
Mon. Min. Comp'y.	$3.25	$4.00	......	......
Huron Cop. Bay	57½c	65 cts	20 ₩ cent.	......
Champ. & St. L.R.R.	9½	15	......	......
Ch. & St. L. R'd., pref 10 p. c.	Par.	None.	10 ₩ c ₩an	April 1 & Oct. 1
Do Stg. 6 p. c.	None.	82	......	......
Grand Trunk	None.	None.		
Mon. Tele. Co.	127	128	6 ₩ cent.	July 1 & Jan 1
Rich. Nav. Co.	140	None.	12½ ₩ c ₩an	Yearly in Feb'y
City Pass. RR.	65	None.	......	......

STOCKS.	BUYERS.	SELLERS.
City Gas Company	126	None.
Mer. Exchange	None.	90
Gov. Deb. 6 p.c. cy, due 1872	99¾	100¼
Gov. Deb. 5 p.c stg., due 1885	None.	85
Prov. Deb. 5 p.c. cy, due 1885	None.	84¼
Mont. Har 8 p.c.cy. Bonds, due ..1875	102¼	None.
Mont. Har. 7 per ct. Bonds, due 1874	None.	None.
Mont. Har. 6½ per ct Bonds, due 1874	None.	94
Mont. Har. 7½ per ct Bonds, due 1875	Par.	None.
Mont'l. Har. Bonds 6½ per cent due	None.	None.
Quebec Har. Bonds 8 per cent	None.	102
7 per cent ditto	None.	97
Mont. Corp. Bonds	89	90
M. W. W. Bonds	90	91

EXCHANGE.

Bank 60 days sight, or 75 days date	109¾@110 p.m
Agencies of Limited Banks do do	109½@109¾
Merchants' Bills, 60 days	108½ @ 109½
Bank on demand on New York	31@ 32 dis.
Merchants' Bills	81½@ 32 dis.
Bank Gold Drafts	Par.
Gold rate at noon in New York	146⅞.

J. HEMPSTED, Secretary.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

NEW YORK MARKETS.—Dec. 18.

Four—Receipts 15,000 brls; market dull and 5 to 10c lower; $7,00 to 7,45 for Superfine State; $8,05 to $8,15 for Extra State; $8,20 to $8,45 for choice do; $7,00 to 7,50 for Superfine Western; $8,00 $8,40 for common to medium extra western; $8,50 to $8,90 for common to good shipping brands extra R. H. O. Canadian flour 5 to 10c lower, at $8,10 to 8,35 for common, and $8,40 to $11 for good to choice extra. Wheat—Receipts 2,200 bush; market dull and 1c to 2c lower; sales 2,700 bushels; old Amber Milwaukee $1,83 to $1,85, and new white Genessie $1,75, and good Milwaukee Club at $1,80 to $1,82. Barley quiet. Corn—Receipts 600 bush; heavy and declining; sales 39,000 bush, at 89c to 94c for unsound, and 95½ to 96 for sound mixed western. 96c for new yellow Southern. Oats dull and drooping; 48c to 53c for unsound; 60c to 62c for sound. Pork lower; sales 8,800 brls, at $28 to $28,62 for Mess; closing at $28,12½ regular.

LATEST MARKETS.

Flour closed dull and 5 to 10c lower. Wheat closed 1c to 2c lower. Corn closed heavy and declining. Pork closed heavy and lower; Mess $28,12½ regular.

Stocks better. Money on call and more plenty at 6 per cent. Chi & R I 108½; C & C 1st pf'd 52; C & A pf'd 106½; A & T H pf'd 72½; Pitts F W & C 106½; D L & W 175; C B & Q 113; C C & C 125; C & T 114¾; Chi & N W 37½; do pfd 62¾; C & P 92¼; M S 76½, M C 115¾; Reading 107⅞; Huds 109½; Erie 93½; N Y C 96⅞; Mariposa 15¼; W N T 50. Gold opened at 146⅞ and closed at 146⅞.

Statement of Flour inspected for the week ending December 16, 1865:—

	Brls.
Superior Extra	—
Extra Superfine	—
Fancy Superfine	147
Superfine	2,071
Superfine No. 2	317
Fine	220
Middlings	208
Pollards	—
Sour	—
Rejected	92
Total	3,085

JOHN YOUNG, Inspector.

IMPORTS.

Grand Trunk West.—J B Helliwell 12 bxs; Sinclair,J&co 10 do; J Dougall&co 13 do; Aikin &K 5 do; Leeming&B 6 do; J McK&Bros 6 do; C A Stake 4 do; N P Bryan 6 do; Buchanan & co 5 do; T W Raphael 200 brls; Aikin&K 200 do; R Merritt 100 do; Agent G T R, Point St Charles, 100 do; J Oliver&co 150 do; Sinclair,J &co 100 do; W Parkyn 100 do; Seymour 15 rolls; McDonald Bros 19 hhds; Tourville,G&co 18 csks; Bacon, C&co 3 do; M P Ryan 109 kgs; L&Buchanan 22 do; Aikin&K 6 do; R Mitchell 2 do; J&D McBurney 10 do; H J Benallack 5 casks.

Per Grand Trunk East.—Stark & S 1 bx; J J Bolton 5 brls; S J Lyman&co 1 bx; J Aitken 1 piano; T S Brown 11 bxs; Mercier 5 brls; Jos Abercrombie 1 chest; A Ramsay&Son 110 cs; R C Jamieson & co 25 bags; Order 80 barrels; Frothingham & W 3 store trucks 1 sled; Smith & C 1 brl; A McClaren&co 1 do; R Gery 30 brls; F&Workman 81 bxs; S H & A S Ewing 25 brls; J J Cassidy 1 hhd; J Tiffin 1½ brls; L Laurie 2 bags; M Hart 2 do; R Learmonth 2 do 1 brl; E Chanteloup 10 cks 3 brls 7 bxs; H Melancon 1 brl; H Crawthorne 1 do; J Cooper 1 do; B Crawford 1 do; W Craven 1 do; Globe Hat Works 2 bags; P H Wood 15 do; M Murphy 1 brl; A McGibbon 2 brls; F Learmonth&co 3 do; M Kinnear&co 50 hhds.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES
FOR COUGHS AND COLDS

A Cough, Cold, or Sore Throat,
REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION AND SHOULD BE CHECKED. IF ALLOWED TO CONTINUE,
Irritation of the Lungs, a Permanent Throat Affection, or an Incurable Lung Disease
IS OFTEN THE RESULT.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES,
HAVING A DIRECT INFLUENCE TO THE PARTS, GIVE IMMEDIATE RELIEF.
For Bronchitis, Asthma, Catarrh, Consumptive and Throat Diseases,
TROCHES ARE USED WITH ALWAYS GOOD SUCCESS.

SINGERS AND PUBLIC SPEAKERS

will find *Troches* useful in clearing the voice when taken before Singing or Speaking, and relieving the throat after an unusual exertion of the vocal organs. The *Troches* are recommended and prescribed by Physicians, and have had testimonials from eminent men throughout the country. Being an article of true merit, and having *proved* their efficacy by a test of many years, each year finds them in new localities in various parts of the world, and the *Troches* are universally pronounced better than other articles.

The efficacy of BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES is demonstrated by testimonials from Physicians, Surgeons in the Army, and eminent men wherever they have been used.

They were first introduced in 1850. *It has been proved that they are the best article before the public for* COUGHS, COLDS, BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, CATARRH, the Hacking Cough in CONSUMPTION, and numerous affections of the THROAT, giving *immediate relief.*

Public Speakers and Singers

will find them effectual for clearing and strengthening the voice.

From Mr. T. DUCHARME, for many years Chorister of the French Parish Church, Montreal.

"It gives me great pleasure to certify to the efficacy of your Bronchial Troches, in an affection of the throat and voice, induced by public singing. They have suited my case exactly, relieving my Throat and clearing the voice, so that I could sing with ease."

From Rev. HENRY WILKES, D.D., Pastor o Zion Church, Montreal.

"When somewhat hoarse from cold or over exertion in public speaking, I have uniformly found Brown's Troches afford relief."

"I have been much afflicted with BRONCHIAL AFFECTION, producing Hoarseness and Cough. The Troches are the only effectual remedy, giving power and clearness to the voice."
REV. GEO. SLACK,
Minister, Church of England,
Milton Parsonage, Canada.

"Two or three times I have been attacked by BRONCHITIS so as to make me fear that I should be compelled to desist from ministerial labour, through disorder of the Throat. But from a moderate use of the Troches, I now find myself able to preach nightly, for weeks together, without the slightest inconvenience."
REV. E. B. RYCKMAN, A. B.,
Wesleyan Minister, Montreal.

"Your Troches are too well and favourably known to need commendation."
HON. CHAS. A. PHELPS,
Pres. Mass. Senate.

"My communication with the world has been very much enlarged by the Lozenge which I now carry always in my pocket; that trouble in my Throat (for which the Troches are a specific) having made me often a mere whisperer."
N. P. WILLIS.

"I have never changed my mind respecting them from the first, excepting to think yet better of that which I began thinking well of."
REV. HENRY WARD BEECHER.

"The Troches are a staff of life to me."
Prof. EDWARD NORTH,
Pres. Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y.

"A simple and elegant combination for Coughs, &c." Dr. G. F. BIGELOW, Boston.

"I recommend their use to Public Speakers."
REV. E. H. CHAPIN.

FOREIGN OPINION.

Extracts from English Testimonials, giving evidence of the efficacy of "BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES."

"*I have derived greater benefit from the 'Troches' than from anything I ever tried.*"
BROOKHOUSE BOWLER,
Prime Tenore of the British Operatic Association, London.

"*I never knew such a wonderful cure for Hoarseness.*" W RANDALL, Oxford Music Hall.

"*I have tried your 'Troches,' and can testify to their efficacy.*" CHARLES SLOMAN,
The English Improvisator.

"*The 'Troches' give great satisfaction.*"
T. W. R. LEE, Editor Loughborough Monitor.

"*Very beneficial in clearing the Throat, when compelled to sing, though suffering from cold.*"
AINSLEY COOK,
Of the "Royal Italian Opera," London.

Miss LOUISA PYNE, of the "Royal Italian Opera," speaks of "*The Troches*" in the highest terms, and uses them constantly to clear and strengthen the voice.

Obtain only "BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES," and do not take any of the *Worthless Imitations* that may be offered.

Sold everywhere in the United States, and in Foreign Countries.

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SIR JAMES CLARKE'S FEMALE PILLS.

This well known medicine is no imposition, but a sure and safe remedy for female difficulties and obstructions, from any cause whatever; and although a powerful remedy, it contains nothing hurtful to the constitution. To married ladies it is peculiarly suited.

In all cases of nervous and spinal affections, pain in the back and limbs, fatigue, or slight exertion, palpitation of the heart, hysterics, and whites, these pills will affect a cure when all other means have failed; and although a powerful remedy, do not contain iron, calomel, antimony, or anything hurtful to the constitution.

Full directions in the pamphlet around each package, which should be carefully preserved.

For full particulars, get a pamphlet, free, of the agent.

N.B.—$1 and 5 postage stamps enclosed to any authorized agent, will ensure a bottle containing over 50 pills, by return of mail.

JOB MOSES, N.Y., Sole Proprietor.

For sale by Northrop & Lyman, Newcastle, General Agents for Canada. Sold by all the Druggists in Montreal and medicine dealers everywhere.

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HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—FEVER AND AGUE.—The preparations of Quinine and Calomel prescribed by the faculty for this disease, are more destructive in their ravages on the human body than the complaint itself, verifying the old adage—"a remedy worse than the disease"—Holloway's Pills possess no mineral poison, and are speedy and efficacious in promoting a permanent cure.

December 11. r DSW 294

BRYAN'S WAFERS.—The great public remedy have now been in use over twenty years, hence it cannot be said that they are on trial. They have been thoroughly tried, and pronounced (on the authority of those whose lives and health they have preserved) to be a pure, harmless and eminently salutary preparation, and if taken in season will invariably cure colds, coughs, sore throat, and all Bronchial affections. One fair trial will convince the most skeptical. Sold by all medicine dealers, at 25cts. per box.

December 19. tTS 301

Mothers, during your Child's second Summer, you will find MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP an invaluable friend. It cures dysentry and diarrhœa, regulates the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. In almost every instance, where the infant is suffering from pain and exhaustion, relief will be found in fifteen or twenty minutes after the Soothing Syrup has been administered. Do not fail to procure it.

December 16. [4] r DSW 299

"A SLIGHT COLD," COUGHS.—Few are aware of the importance of checking a cough or "slight cold" in its first stage; that which in the beginning would yield to a mild remedy, if neglected, soon attacks the lungs. "BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES" give sure and almost immediate relief. "The Troches" have *proved* their efficacy by a test of many years, and have received testimonials from eminent men who have used them.

December 16. [4] r DSW 299

BIRTH.

On the 18th instant, at No. 1 Roxburgh Place, Mrs. William Rutherford, of a son.

DIED,

In this city, on the 18th inst., Mrs. Anne Connor, aged 78.

☞ Friends and and acquaintances are requested to attend her funeral, from her late residence, 33 Ottawa Street, to-day at Two P. M.

At Riviere du Loup (*En haut*), infant son of George and Phillis Richardson, aged three months and twelve days.

THE
ANNUAL FESTIVAL
OF THE
Montreal Young Men's Christian Association,
WILL BE HELD IN THE
MECHANICS' HALL,
ON
Tuesday Evening, Dec. 19, 1865,

PROGRAMME:

REV. J. B. BONAR, CHAIRMAN,

OPENING HYMN .... "Coronation."
PRAYER.
ADDRESS BY CHAIRMAN.... REV. J. B. BONAR.
ANTHEM.. "How Beautiful upon the Mountains."

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT.

ANTHEM .... "Worthy is the Lamb."
ADDRESS .... REV. MR. BRIGGS.
ADDRESS .... REV. J. P. COOK.

Intermission of Fifteen Minutes.

ANTHEM .... "Praise Waiting for Thee."
ADDRESS .... REV. DR. IRVINE.
ANTHEM .... "Thou wilt keep him in in perfect peace."
ADDRESS .... REV. MR. BALDWIN.
DOXOLOGY.

Chair to be taken at 7:30 o'clock.
Refreshments at 9:30 o'clock.

TICKETS.—Gentleman's ticket, 50 cts.; Lady's ticket, 25c. To be had at Mr. Grafton's Book-Store, Mr. Alexander's, at the Rooms of the Association, and from members of the Committee.

December 18. u 300

AT MECHANICS' HALL.

Positively for Four Nights only,
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Evenings,
DEC. 25th, 26h, 27th and 28th.

Green's Original and Mammoth Mocking Bird
MINSTRELS & BRASS BAND.

TWENTY STAR PERFORMERS,

Of known ability, who will appear in an entirely new, novel and attractive Programme not yet copied by our many unsuccessful imitors.

MR. J. E. GREEN, the world-renowned MOCKING BIRD IMITATOR, formerly a Partner and principal feature of DUPREZ & GREEN'S MINSTRELS, having organised a first-class Troupe of his own, who will open as above. Minstrelsy, as represented by them, has reached a high degree of prominence and distinction, true merit alone having now the plume, and not the borrowed mask.

See our monster new Programmes.

Tickets 25 cents. Reserved Seats 50 cents.
Doors open at a quarter to Seven; to commence at a quarter to Eight o'clock.

J. E. GREEN, and
CHAS. HILLSBOROUGH,
Managers and Proprietors.
C. E. RICHARDSON, and
FLEM ADAMS,
Agents.

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CONCORDIA SALUS

CORPORATION OF MONTREAL.

Special Loan for the Redemption of Debentures issued under the Act 12th Vic., cap. 176.

$84,000 of Corporation Bonds For Sale.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Corporation Bonds), will be received at the City Hall until NOON on WEDNESDAY, the THIRD DAY of JANUARY next, for

$84,000

in Bonds of £500 each, payable twenty years after the date of the issue thereof, with interest at Six per cent per annum. Coupons for the interest payable semi-annually will be attached to each Bond.

Tenders to state the amount required, with the rate of payment.

By Order.

L. W. TESSIER,
City Treasurer.

CITY HALL,
Montreal, 18th December, 1865. 301

CONCORDIA SALUS

CORPORATION OF MONTREAL

WATER WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that from and after this date all permits to draw water from any of the public hydrants, will cease and are hereby cancelled.

NOTICE is hereby further given that IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE UNUSUALLY LOW WATER IN THE ST. LAWRENCE THIS YEAR, the following Sections Nos. 6, 7 and 10 of the By-Law, Chapter V., "*to provide for the care and management of the Montreal Water Works,*" will be strictly enforced during the ensuing Winter, viz.:

SECTION 6.—All persons taking the water shall keep the distribution pipes within their premises in good repair, and protected from frost, at their own expense; and they shall be held liable for all damage which may result from their failure to do so.

SEC. 7.—Water Tenants shall prevent all unnecessary waste of water, and there shall be no concealment of the purposes for which it it is used, (allowing the water to run to prevent freezing is considered an unnecessary waste.)

SEC. 10.—No person, unless duly authorised by the Water Committee, shall open any hydrant in the said City, or lift or remove the cover of, or draw water from the same.

The penalties attached to the neglect, disregard, or violation of any of the preceding requirements, are a fine not exceeding Twenty Dollars, or an imprisonment not exceeding Thirty Days, for each and every offence.

(By order.)

LOUIS LESAGE,
Supt. of W. W.

CITY HALL,
Montreal, 19th Dec., 1865. n-tTS 301

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW MAGIC WHEELS AT WORTHINGTON'S, THEY GIVE ENDLESS AMUSEMENT.

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HOLIDAY SEASON.

CHRISTMAS
AND
NEW YEAR'S GIFTS!

J. PARKIN

Has much pleasure in announcing to the Ladies and Gentlemen of Montreal the arrival via Portland, of a

LARGE COLLECTION of SPECIALTIES

Adapted for the approaching Festive Season.

In order to secure an assortment worthy the patronage of his distinguished customers, no expense has been spared in obtaining every NOVELTY OF IMPORTANCE. They may therefore rely upon finding a varied and elegant assortment to select from, probably superior to that of any previous season,

SUITABLE FOR

Morning, Dinner, Ball and Evening Dress.

THE STOCK COMPRISES

BRUSSELS, HONITON, VALENCIENNES and POINT DE CLUNY LACES,

SETS COLLARS & SLEEVES.

BARBES, COIFFURES & CAPES.

Particular attention is requested to the very cheap and beautiful collection of

Dress Lace and Embroidered Handkerchiefs from 6s. 3d to 35s.

YAK LACE ROTONDES
OPERA CLOAKS in all the new materials
REAL & IMITATION LACE VEILS

—ALSO—

THE NEW EMPIRE AND VOILE D'AFRIQUE
MUSLIN AND LACE GARIBALDIS
LACE BERTHES AND CAPES
VELVET CAPES AND BODICES
DRESS CAPS
HEAD DRESSES
AND CORONETS

The New Point De Cluny Trim'd Velvet Collars and Cuffs

—ALSO,—

A SUPERB ASSORTMENT OF

TRIMMED LINEN SETS,

COLLARS AND SLEEVES,
NEW SILVER BUCKLES, BROOCHES AND COMBS,
CRYSTAL HAIR PINS,
GOLD AND SILVER CORONETS, &c

J. P. would respectfully intimate that the above Goods are of the most reliable fabrics and the Latest Fashion, marked at prices which it is hoped will secure a speedy sale; he therefore respectfully invites an early inspection, feeling satisfied that few houses on this Continent are in a position to show more moderate priced or carefully selected goods in his line.

GENTLEMEN!—The attention of Gentlemen is respectfully invited to the above, than which there are no more acceptable presents at this season.

J. PARKIN'S,
250 Notre Dame Street.
Established 1849.

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HAIR NETS, CACHE PEIGNES, ROLLS, &C., &C.

ELEGANT HAIR NETS & CACHE PEIGNES in all the new styles of Crystal, Pearl, Bead, Jet, Gold, Silver, Steel, Silk and Chenille, Hair Side Rolls and Back Pads, Waterfall Bows, &c. A large variety of the above just opened out, at

J. PARKIN'S,
250 Notre Dame Street.

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

PARTIES who intend to treat themselves or friends with a SUBSTANTIAL PRESENT should call at

300
NOTRE DAME STREET,
WHERE
H. GRANT'S
RECENT IMPORTATIONS OF
GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES,
GOLD & SILVER CHAINS,
GOLD SETS
OF
BROOCH & EAR-RINGS
PLATED WARES
AND
FANCY GOODS
MAY BE INSPECTED.

Perfect confidence may be placed on his experience to obtain the best article the market can afford.

Special attention given to repairs of all descriptions.

Parties having good Watches should get them well timed and regulated by his magnificent ASTRONOMICAL REGULATOR.

Estimates given for the Repairs of Church or Turret Clocks by the year.

☞NOTE ADDRESS,☜

Four doors East of French Cathedral.

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LOST,

BY a Lady, on SATURDAY, between NOTRE DAME and ST. CHARLES BARROMME STREETS, a Parcel containing two pairs of black gloves and some small parcels of silk.

The finder will confer a favour by leaving it at the "HERALD" Office,

December 19. 301

FROM the SECOND to the SIXTH JANUARY, inclusive, from 10 A. M. to 4 P.M., the Guaranteed Dividend of TWELVE PER CENT. per annum, payable quarterly, as stated in the Circular, will be paid on the amount paid up, to the Canadian Shareholders of the LEWELLYN PETROLEUM CO.

LEWELLYN & CO.

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Montreal Skating Club.

MEMBERS are notified that the RINK will be OPENED TO-MORROW.

Tickets can be procured from the Rink Keeper or from the undersigned. The Subscriptions are:—

For Family Ticket .... $12.
Single Ticket .... $7.

H. S. MACDOUGALL,
Sec'y-Treasurer,
19 ST. SACRAMENT STREET.

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CINCINNATI HAMS
CINCINNATI SMOKED TONGUES
CINCINNATI PICKLED TONGUES
CINCINNATI SMOKED BEEF
WILD TURKEYS
QUAILS
PRAIRIE CHICKENS
3000 Tins
Green Peas
Petite Pois
Mushrooms
Truffles.
FRESH OYSTERS, kegs and tins
FINNAN HADDIES

At the ITALIAN WAREHOUSE,
69 Great St. James Street.
ALEX. McGIBBON.

December 19. 301

A New Year (the third) of the
MERCHANTS' READING CLUB
(Conducted on the well-known Edinburgh plan) commences this week.

Intending Members may procure catalogues and prospectus from the Club's Booksellers, Messrs. DAWSON BROTHERS, Great St. James Street.

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SAVAGE & LYMAN

BEG TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED,
AND ARE
NOW OPENING
THEIR USUAL
EXTENSIVE and VARIED ASSORTMENT
OF
GOODS,
SUITABLE FOR THE
COMING FESTIVE SEASON.
CATHEDRAL BLOCK.

December 13. 296

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!

Gold Albert and Guard Chains,
GOLD SEALS AND KEYS.
A Great Variety of NOVEL CHARMS,
AT
SAVAGE & LYMAN'S,
CATHEDRAL BLOCK.

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NEW-YEAR GIFTS!
NEW-YEAR GIFTS!!

GOLD BRACELETS,
BROOCHES,
EAR-RINGS, AND
NECKLACES,
TOUT EN SUITE,
OF NEW AND BEAUTIFUL DESIGNS.
—ALSO,—
Lockets, Necklets and Solitaires,
IN EVERY VARIETY.
SAVAGE & LYMAN.

December 13. 296

Received by the Undersigned:
A LARGE AND CHOICE SELECTION OF
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Rings,
STUDS, SLEEVE BUTTONS.
Solitaires, Scarf Pins and Rings,
SUITABLE FOR
HOLIDAY GIFTS!
SAVAGE & LYMAN.

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MARBLE MANTEL CLOCKS,
A NICE ASSORTMENT
JUST OPENED,
A USEFUL PRESENT
FOR THE
HOLIDAYS!
—ALSO,—
A Choice Lot Bronze and Parian
FIGURES and GROUPES,
SAVAGE & LYMAN.

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HAVE YOU SEEN THAT TOY AT WORTHINGTON'S, THE MAN SWALLOWING GEESE.

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

R. SHARPLEY

IS NOW RECEIVING, by all the latest Steamers, considerable additions to his already extensive Stock of
JEWELLERY,
WATCHES,
SILVER AND PLATED WARE,
PAPIER MACHE and CABINET WARE,
GLASS and CHINA WARE,
&c., &c., &c.

As all the Goods have been recently purchased by me in England and France, the public may rely on seeing all the latest novelties, at prices which a personal selection of the Goods will only admit of.

R. SHARPLEY,
Crystal Block, Notre Dame Street.

December 18. 300

BAGATELLE BOARDS,
From the Celebrated Manufactory of
JACQUES & HAY, Toronto.

THESE BOARDS are guaranteed by the Manufacturers to stand the Canada climate.

PRICES:

8 feet x 26 inches, 1½ inch, Ivory Balls....$36.
8 do x 26 do, 1½ do, Wood do ....$28.
8 do x 24 do, 1½ do, Ivory do ....$32.
8 do x 24 do, 1½ do, Wood do ....$26.

All complete, with Rubber Cushions and Mississippi Board.

R. SHARPLEY,
Crystal Block, Notre Dame Street.

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WORTHINGTON

Has Just rceieved a large and choice Collection of

TOY BOOKS,
X'MAS GIFT BOOKS,
JUVENILE BOOKS,
X'MAS GAMES,
FANCY STATIONERY,
X'MAS X ALBUMS,
EXCELSIOR ALBUMS,
X'MAS X X ALBUMS,
ELEGANT EDITIONS OF
Standard Books,
Excelsior X X X Albums
To hold from 12 to 400 Pictures,
Magic Wheels, &c., &c,
CHEAP!

NEXT DOOR TO THE POST OFFICE
GREAT ST. JAMES STREET.

N.B.—Ladies and Gentlemen will please give an early call, as we shall be very busy at Christmas and New Year's.

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PROVINCE OF CANADA, }
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL. }
CIRCUIT COURT.

AMABLE PREVOST, Esquire, Merchant, of the City of Montreal, in the District of Montreal,
Plaintiff;
Vs.
DAME MARIE MATHILDE LEBLANC, Hotel-keeper, of the said City, spouse, separated as to goods from Alexander Pelland, Hotel-keeper, of the same place, and the said ALEXANDER PELLAND to the effect of authorising his said spouse to be in justice,
Defendants.

BY PUBLIC AUCTION, and in consequence of a seizure in execution, will be sold, at the domicile of the defendants in this cause, Jacques Cartier Square, in the City and District of Montreal, the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of DECEMBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at ELEVEN o'clock in the forenoon, all the moveables and effects of the said defendants in this cause, and as already seized in this said cause. The whole will be sold for ready money, in bankable funds, to the last and highest bidder.

ANTOINE VIGER,
B. S. C.

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