



September last, on "La Loi de Travail." "De Quebec a Mexico" is a very interesting paper, furnishing particulars about Maximilian and Mexico, which we have not seen elsewhere, along with various suppositions concerning the origin of the Canadian language, &c.

A REVIEW OF THE STATE AND PROGRESS OF THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SINCE THE UNION IN 1861. By A. F. Kemp, M.A.

This tract gives the statistics of the Free and United Presbyterian Churches of Canada for four years previous to their union in 1861, and of the Canada Presbyterian Church for four years after the union, with some suggestions for the future, all of which, besides being exceedingly interesting to the church in question, must be of interest to all other churches.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY for February has come to hand with its usual supply of reading matter. In this number, "Guardian Angel," by Oliver Wendell Holmes, and "Katherine Moore," are continued; and a new story is commenced by the author of "Life in the Iron Mines."

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.—This is intended to be a first-class juvenile magazine, and no expense has been spared to bring it up to its ideal. Most of the best popular writers in the States are contributors to its pages, and yet it does not seem to come up to expectation. It is difficult to assign any reason for this, except that writing for children acceptably is very hard work.

THE SABBATH AT HOME, an illustrated religious magazine for the family. The second number of this new periodical, published by the American Tract Society, Boston, has reached us. It is intended to fill a vacant place in American literature, that, namely, of a strictly religious magazine, which, at the same time, is sufficiently attractive to ensure popularity.

LE PETIT MESSAGE. Modes de Paris. February, 1867.

The changes presented by Paris fashion-plates from month to month, are not usually of sufficient importance to interest the general reader. This month there is little new to chronicle, except the fact that plain silks are almost totally abandoned, or at most used as an underskirt in half-toilet, while figured and satined poult-de-soie are again in vogue.

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Canada. May it not rather be that, in regard to the rights of the Roman Catholic people, as contradistinguished from that of the Romish hierarchy, the States are far ahead of Canada?

THE DRILL-SHED.—The Drill-shed Committee meet to-morrow, and there is to be a special meeting of the City Council on Friday night, when, it is understood, the drill-shed question will be decided.

THE WEST WARD REPRESENTATIVE.—It is understood that Councillor Stevenson declines to offer himself again for the representation of the West Ward in the City Council.

THE ELECTIONS.—To-morrow, at ten o'clock, the nominations for Mayor and City Councilors will take place, and it is to be hoped that these occasions, and the subsequent polling days, will witness an increased interest in municipal matters, by that class of rate-payers most deeply concerned.

BURNING OF THE MANOR HOUSE, METIS.—A correspondent writes us the following account of this unfortunate occurrence:—"A house under whose roof many of those who have visited Metis have very pleasantly spent a portion of their time, is now among the things of the past.

THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

The following circular gives delightful evidence that the watchmen on the walls of Zion there are not disposed to suffer the guilt of blood upon their skirts by continuing silent when they see a great danger threatening their people.

TO THE MINISTERS OF THE GOSPEL IN THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

BRETHREN.—After much and anxious thought upon the fearful excess in the use of intoxicating drinks prevalent in the community, and mature and prayerful deliberation as to the course which we, as guardians of public morality, ought to adopt respecting it, we have formed ourselves into an alliance, with a view to the combination of our influence and efforts in the most effectual manner, for the purpose of counteracting this most deplorable evil.

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CITY ITEMS.

THE UNITED BOARD OF OUT-DOOR RELIEF will meet at the House of Refuge to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, at 10 o'clock. Members will please be punctual to the hour.

THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS tried before the Recorder's Court for offences during the past week, was 170.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD that the corporation will receive Messrs. Plunkett and Brady's plan of the city; the copyright to remain with Mr. Shanly, but the field books and a specified number of lithographed plans to be furnished to the corporation.

FALLING OF A HOUSE.—On Saturday an old house near the Obolville Square Police Station fell down. It was in a miserably rotten condition, and the snow on the roof doubtless accelerated its fall.

HOUSES FOR THE WORKMEN at the WHEELHOUSE.—Tenders for the building of three brick houses, two of them being double, are invited to be sent by the Water Committee.

THE DRAIN IN POOL STREET has been completed, and so completes the connection from St. Catharine to Bonaventure streets.

MUSICAL AND LITERARY ENTERTAINMENT.—Mr. C. R. Morton, the talented elocutionist, is giving a grand entertainment at Nordheim's Music Hall to-morrow evening.

COMMERCIAL.

MONTEAL WITNESS OFFICE, Monday, Feb. 11, 1867.

News by Telegraph.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 9th, evening.—Cotton closes firmer at 14 1/2. Breadstuffs steady and without change in price.

OTTAWA, Feb. 9th.—Foggy and rainy during the day. Heavy snow-storm from the west this evening.

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NEW YORK HIDE MARKET.—The arrivals are large, comprising 78,989 hides. Sales of 12,321 hides at unchanged prices.

BOSTON BOOT AND SHOE MARKET.—There is with a portion of the boot and shoe trade a fair movement of goods, and some considerable movement is noticeable during the first three weeks of January.

BOOTS AND LEATHER IN ST. JOHN, N.B.—A Lower Province paper states that there are five tanneries, and four boot and shoe factories, in St. John, N.B., which were recently doing a very profitable business.

100 BOXES MESSINA ORANGES AND LEMONS, in the order of J. OYSTERS, in full half-gallon Kegs and O. K. CANS, received daily, at BANGOR'S CITY EXPRESS, 33 Great St. James street.

TO BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS, PLUMBERS, TONGERS AND SAWING, at low rates. Apply at 16 and 23 Nazareth street.

FUEL, all sorts, carried in.—COALS: Lehigh, 100 lbs, 6s; Welsh, 170 lbs, 5s; Grate, 200 lbs, 6s; Coke, 150 lbs, 6s; Charcoal, 200 lbs, 12 bushels, 18s; 5 bushels; Kindling Wood, 100 bundles, 6s; 100 bundles dipped in rosin, 8s; Firwood, 20 bundles, 5s. Orders by Post, Box 288.

WANTED, a self-contained house, with about ten rooms, and all modern conveniences; in the neighborhood of St. Catherine and Bleury streets; rent must not exceed £20. Address by letter J.A.F., this office.

HOUSE IN CATHCART STREET TO LET.—No. 78, containing eight apartments; rent £50 and taxes. Apply at No. 74, or to Mr. PATTERSON, at Messrs. H. Morgan & Co's.

TO DRUGGISTS' ASSISTANTS.—The subscriber requires a thoroughly qualified Assistant; none else need apply. Apply personally. Glasgow Drug Hall, Montreal.

COAL! COAL!! COAL!!! ALL KINDS. FIRE BRICK! FIRE BRICK!!! (Ramsey's best), and BEST AMERICAN FIRE CLAY. For sale by J. O. MILLAR, COPLAND CO., Montreal Coal Depot, Corner Queen and Wellington streets.

MAGIC LANTERN and 36 PICTURES for \$250, at H. SANDERS', Opitaco, 141 Great St. James street.

SAFE FOR SALE.—Herring's Salamander Safe (Wilder's Patent) with iron Cash-Box. Dimensions: 26 inches high and 17 inches wide; outside, 30 inches high and 27 wide. Apply to Box 207, P.O.

FOR SALE.—120 TONS THREE RIVERS PIG IRON. 385 RAILWAY WHEELS. 200 BARRELS COAL OIL, various brands. In Lots to SUIT PURCHASERS. Apply to BOBT MITCHELL, 33 St. James street.

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HAMS! HAMS! HAMS! 8,000 NEW CURIED HAMS, smoked and unsmoked, in lots to suit purchasers. Grocers may be supplied direct from Smoke-house. ALSO, TUBS PURE PRIME LEAF LARD. HENRY M. ALEXANDER, 385 & 387 Commissioners street, (Near St. Ann's Market.)

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COMMENCING ON MONDAY MORNING, THE 11th INSTANT, MORISON'S LIST OF BARGAINS FOR THIS WEEK. OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF

THE Subscriber offers at Private Sale, a comfortable two-story Brick House, situated between St. Lawrence street and St. Denis street, north of St. Catharine street, on easy terms of payment.—JOHN J. ARNTON, Auctioneer and Agent for the Sale of Real Estate.

PROPERTY WANTED.—Wanted to purchase, for cash, a small property within the city limits. Address Box 131, Post-office.

TO LET, a two-story Cut-stone Dwelling, No. 23 Montpelier street. Possession 1st May. Apply to WM. MUIR.

TO LET, a first-class three-story Cut-stone Dwelling, No. 248 St. Denis street, and now occupied by Messrs. modern conveniences,—deep lot. Extensive Shed and Stabling in rear, and small Garden in front; rent moderate. Apply to WM. MUIR.

TO LET, those extensive Stores, Nos. 19 and 20 Common street. Possession immediately. Also, No. 13 Common street, now occupied by Messrs. Freer, Boyd, & Co. Apply to WM. MUIR.

TO LET, No. 5 Clyde Terrace, City Councilors office. Apply to J. W. HOPKINS, Architect, 39 Great St. James street.

PAPER DISCOUNTED.—The subscriber is prepared to discount good Commercial Paper, or to make advances on Warehouse Receipts. E. LYMAN MILLS, 33 St. Francois Xavier street.

WANTED, twelve first-class Dry Goods Salesmen, speaking both languages. Apply from 6 to 7 o'clock p.m. HENRY MORGAN & CO. Colonial House.

WANTED, by a young lady, a situation to live in a private family, comforts of a home primary consideration. Address A. S. WITNESS OFFICE.

ORANGES AND LEMONS.—Just received, a car load of fresh MESSINA ORANGES and LEMONS for sale, cheap, by J. W. HOPKINS, Architect, 39 Great St. James street.

STEAM DYE WORKS.—THOMAS PARKER, British American Steam Dyeing and Scouring Establishment, 46 St. Joseph street (opposite St. George's Church), respectfully informs the public that his business has been transferred to the premises in his Dyeworks and is now prepared to do any amount of work, both in plain and fancy colors, at moderate prices, and with great attention paid to the scouring department. Observe the Address: 46 ST. JOSEPH STREET, Opposite St. George's Church, Montreal.

RELIEF in five minutes by employing KEARNEY & BROS., DOLLARD street, Plumbers, Gas, and Steam-fitters, Tin-smiths, &c.

STRAYED, on Friday from Cathedral Block, a Siskie Terrier dog, answered to name of "Vic." The finder will be rewarded by bringing it to 271 Notre Dame street.

415. J. T. H. 415. GREAT SALE OF FLANNEL SHIRTS.

COMMENCING MONDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 11, ON MONDAY NEXT, J. T. HENDERSON WILL OFFER HIS STOCK OF OVER 1,000 FLANNEL SHIRTS AT A HEAVY REDUCTION FROM THE USUAL PRICES.

FLANNEL SHIRTS, ALL PRICES. 415 NOTRE DAME STREET, CORNER St. Peter Street.

PELVIDERE MINING AND SMELTING COMPANY.—The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, in the City of Montreal, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th February, instant, the hour of One o'clock a.m. for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting. Montreal, Feb. 10, 1867.



Miscellany.

THE MINER. The eastern sky is blushing red; The distant hills are glowing; The river over its rocky bed In idle fancies flows; 'Tis time the pick-axe and the spade Against the rocks were ringing, And, with ourselves, the mountain stream A song of labor singing.

TO MY DEAR FRIEND: A STORY FOR MOTHERS.

It was one of those ineffable mornings, when a thrill of delight and expectancy fills the air: one felt that every appointment of and for the day must be unlike those of other days,—must be festive, must help on the "white day" for which all things looked ready. I remember how like the morning itself you looked as you stood in the doorway, in a fresh white muslin dress, with lavender ribbons. I said, "I know," you said, "but the day was so enchanting, I could not make up my mind to wear anything but that which I had before."

steds. Some time passed in sorting the colors, and deciding on the contrast, and I forgot all about the dolly. Not so little Blue Eyes, I remember afterward how patiently she stood still, waiting and waiting for a sign between our words, that she need not break the law against interrupting with her eager,— "Please, mamma, let me have my wax dolly to play with this morning! I'll sit right here on the floor, by you and auntie, and not hurt her one bit. Oh, please do, mamma!"

"Oh, Pussy, mamma is too busy to get it; she can't get up now. You can play with your blocks, and with your other dollies, just as well; that's a good little girl."

"Probably," if Blue Eyes had gone on imploring, you would have laid your wimples down and given her the dolly, for you love her dearly, and never mean to make her unhappy. But neither you nor I were prepared for what followed.

"You're a naughty, ugly, hateful mammal! You never let me do any thing, and I wish you were dead!" with such a burst of screaming and tears that we were both frightened. You looked, as you well might, heart-broken at such words from your only child. You took her away; and when you came back, you cried, and said you had whipped her severely, and you did not know what you should do with a child of such a frightful temper.

"Such an outburst as that, just because I told her, in the gentlest way possible, that she could not have a plaything! It is terrible!"

Then I said some words to you which you thought were unjust. I asked you in what condition your own nerves would have been by ten o'clock that morning if your husband (who had, in one view, a much better right to thwart your harmless desires than you had to thwart your child's, since you, in the full understanding of maturity, gave yourself into his hands) had, instead of admiring your pretty white dress, told you to be more prudent, and not put it on; had told you it would be nonsense to have breakfast out on the piazza; and that he could not wait for you to walk to the station with him. You said that the cases were not at all parallel; and I replied, hotly, that that was very true, for, whereas those matters would have been to you only the comparative trifles of one short day, and would have made you only a little cross and uncomfortable: to little Blue Eyes they were the all-absorbing desires of the hour, which, to a child in trouble, always looks as if it could never come to an end, and would never be followed by anything better.

Blue Eyes cried herself to sleep, and slept heavily till late in the afternoon. When her father came home, you said that she must not have the red balloon, because she had been such a naughty girl. I have wondered many times when you said that, and laid the balloon away. After eleven o'clock at night, I went to look at her, and found her sobbing in her sleep, and tossing about. I groaned as I thought, "This is only one day, and there are three hundred and sixty-five in a year!" But never recall the distorted face of that poor child, as, in her fearful passion, she told you she wished you were dead, with a sobbing remembrance that even the gentle Christ said of him who should offend one of these little ones, "It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were drowned in the depths of the sea!"—H. H., in N. Y. Independent.

AGRICULTURE IN CALIFORNIA.—There are now about 4,000,000 acres of land inclosed in California and about 1,750,000 acres under cultivation. There are far larger areas of uncultivated and improved land than were ever before in the history of the world. The amount of land under cultivation was only 1,197,983 acres. Most of the increase since was made last year. A considerable portion of it was in the larger mining counties, which are beginning to claim importance as fruit and wine growing districts. The area planted to wheat was about 500,000 acres, a gain of 200,000 acres in three years. The yield was 12,000,000 bushels, or 7,000,000 more than in 1863. The barley crop also shows a great increase. In 1863 it was about 4,000,000 bushels in twenty-four counties, including all but three or four of the strictly agricultural counties. This year it is returned at over 14,000,000 bushels in forty counties.

USEFULNESS OF TREES.

The following letter, published in the Waterloo (C. W.) Chronicle, we commend especially to the attention of our country readers:—

Allow me, to say a word of kindness on behalf of my stately and umbrageous friends,—the trees of the forest. It is, perhaps, owing to the peculiar circumstances in which they are placed, rather than to any lack, either of taste or good judgment, that the Canadian farmer seems to regard them as a sort of natural enemy, to be destroyed by fire and the edge of the axe, and whose useful qualities are to be extracted only in the moment of destruction. But the inexorable logic of facts bids fair to overturn the one-sided conclusion of the backwoodsman, and replace it by that of the man who "sees good in every thing," and who tries to make the most of it.

Some of the chief uses of trees are the following:—

1. They exert a powerful influence in moderating the violence of storms of all kinds, not only by breaking the force of the wind near the earth's surface, but by their many pointed tops acting as electrical rods which is often the true "spirit of the storm."

2. They tend to increase the humidity of the air, and to equalize extremes of temperature, both of which are valuable desiderata in our climate.

3. When planted in pretty close rows along fences and roads, they check the violence of the wind, prevent it from leaving the winter wheat field bare, where the snow is wanted, and blowing it into lanes and roads, where it is not wanted; thus often obstructing traffic on our principal roads for days at a time, and completely shutting the minor lanes and highways.

Indeed I believe the amount of extra inconvenience, loss, and labor caused by drifted roads and lanes in one season, would be amply sufficient to balance the expense of planting trees along all such exposed places, and as profit we would reckon shade for cattle, and pleasant roads.

Finally, if anybody avails himself of the suggestions herein contained, let him remember that good hardy fruit-bearing trees are just as easy to plant as any other, and that our municipal authorities would plant double rows of trees, such as evergreen, horse-chestnut, maple, locust, and fruit-trees alternately along our public highways, they would save many a poor fellow from upsetting his load of cordwood in a snow-drift in one season of the year, while in the other they would afford a pleasant shade to the foot-man, a grateful resting-place to the cattle, a luscious bit to the adventurous school-boy, and a cool and pleasant drive for themselves.

FATTENING FOWLS IN FRANCE.—The fattening of fowls is carried on to a great extent in France. In some localities it is the staple occupation of the females. In three weeks after being peaned up, the birds should be ready for market; but they must be in fair condition when cooped, and not more than six months old. Cockerels do not fatten so well as pullets, but if they have been kept apart, the young male birds of all the French breeds are very superior in flavor and delicacy to the Dorking, and must not be despised as table fowls. In France the food given is buckwheat ground into meal and mixed with milk. Barley and oatmeal, and also Indian-corn meal, are all good feeding stuffs. Great cleanliness is imperative, and to ensure this in the coop there should be no hot air, but merely rounded spars; the coop being open, and raised above the droppings, which must be moved daily, and sawdust sprinkled underneath. The chickens should be fed twice in

the 24 hours, early and late, the feeding troughs taken away after each meal, washed with sweet water, as fowls will not thrive if their food is sour and dirty. Milk, given as drink; it is supposed to whiten the flesh, and certainly it assists in the fattening. Rice boiled in milk forms a very delicate food, but it is not so fat forming as the meals before mentioned. Suet, molasses, &c., are often given to produce fat, but it is of too rank a nature to please those who are connoisseurs in poultry. Pure natural food must be best, and no other can be recommended. The feeding-house must be kept warm and quiet, the fowls themselves being quietly and carefully treated. In my own establishment fattening is never required; the fowls are fed up from the shell for exhibition, and therefore are always fat (after a fast of 12 hours) for the table, and the only risk being of their becoming too fat for having purposes and successful brooding.—Scottish Farmer.

NAMES SAVED.—The Rev. John Hartley, who has succeeded as missionary in Greece, records in his "Journal" the following interesting illustration: "I have had my attention directed last night to the words (John x. 3), 'The sheep hear his voice, and he calleth his own sheep by name,' &c., I asked my man if it was usual in Greece to give names to sheep. He informed me that it was, and that the sheep obeyed the shepherd when he called them by their names. This morning I had an opportunity of verifying the truth of this remark. Passing by a flock of sheep, I asked the shepherd the same question which I put to my servant, and he gave the same answer. I then bade him to call one of his sheep. He did so, and I instantly left it to the hand of the shepherd, and ran up to the sheep and with a prompt obedience which I had never before observed in any other animal. It is also true of the sheep in this country, that a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers." The shepherd told me that many of his sheep he still called by name, but that they had not yet learned their names;—that, by teaching, they would all learn them. The others, which knew their names, he called tame."

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SHEEP IN VERMONT.—Ask how the Vermont farmers succeed in selling their fine heavy wools? How many of them now have two and even three clips on hand. Some towns, not far from Cornwall, have nearly all their wool on hand for years. One man here has at least four clips. When wool was 90 and 95 cents per pound, he refused to sell, and now he can scarcely get 50 cents. The fact is, the manufacturers are fast learning that it is not profitable to buy grease and dirt. A buck's fleece weighing twenty-two pounds, when cleaned weighed only four and a half. This range for blooded sheep must have its day, as the "horus multitalis," and that day is not distant.

CANADA ECCLESIASTICAL NEWS.

EPISCOPALIAN.—A letter from the Bishop of Ontario to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, stated his intention to establish a Collegiate School in his diocese at Picton. A house and grounds have been purchased for \$23,000, and a list of subscribers is already promising to contribute \$5,000. The Society was unable to make any grant in aid of the undertaking. Two churches, under the charge of the Rev. H. B. Wray, each capable of holding three hundred persons, have been erected in the Muskoka Mission, C.W.—A purse containing \$537, with a complimentary address, has been presented to Rev. Edwin Hatch, Rector of the High School, and Professor of Moral College, Quebec, on his leaving permanently for England. The Ottawa Citizen says:—"The Rev. Mr. Babington is reported upon seemingly good authority, has been deprived of his clerical connection with the Church of England, at the suggestion of His Lordship the Metropolitan Bishop."

THE REV. W. BETTRIDGE, B. D., Rector of Woodstock, and the Rev. W. Wood, A. M., of Goderich, have been appointed, by the Lord Bishop of Huron, vicars of St. Paul's Cathedral, London.—Mr. James Shaw, Superintendent of St. Mark's Sunday-school, Pakinham, has been presented with a handsome copy of "Church Services" by the teachers and scholars, to show their affection and gratitude for the way he had presided over the school for four years.—A new church, 200 feet by 60, has been put up at Lunenburg, C. W.; Rev. Mr. Sanders incumbent.

WESLEYAN METHODIST.—Special services have been held at Wolferton and Green villages, Woodstock, Washington Circuit, resulting in the addition of twenty-five members to the church. The Sabbath-school anniversaries at Plattsburgh and Washington, on the same circuit, have been very successful; the collection at the former—which numbers 230 scholars—was \$60, and at the latter—which numbers 130 scholars—was \$102.—On the Inlet Circuit, by means of a special meeting, held at two points, sixty persons have been added to the church. On a recent Sabbath, sermons were preached in the church at Victoria, on behalf of the trust fund, by the Revs. Wm. Pollard and A. Langford. An interesting tea-meeting was held on the following day, the proceeds of which, together with the Sabbath collections, amounted to \$135.—At Owen Sound, the annual missionary meeting was held recently. The meeting was addressed by J. Frost, Esq., Dr. Christie, Rev. Mr. Anderson, of Durham, and Rev. Mr. Irwin of Invermay, whose remarks were well received by those present. The amount realized was upwards of \$87.—The annual missionary meetings of the Whity and Oshawa circuit branches, held during the past week, were very successful. The collections and subscriptions amounted to the sum of \$519.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Reverals are reported at Hallowtown, Franconia, Colborne, Ennisville, and Petrolia.

BAPTIST.—The Rev. Thos. L. Davidson, D.D., received lately from his congregation a donation in goods and cash to the amount of \$155. Mrs. Davidson was also presented by the younger members of the congregation with a purse containing \$30.—The proceeds of a tea-meeting—\$100—held lately at Walsingham, were presented to the Rev. Mr. McDermand, from Illinois, who was on a visit to the townships of Walsingham, Charlotteville, &c., where he had labored over forty years ago. The sum of \$14 was also presented to Mr. McDermand. Three clergymen were present on the occasion when Mr. McDermand claimed as his spiritual children.—The Rev. Mr. Montgomery, Scotland, was lately presented by his congregation with the sum of \$60.—A donation was given to the Rev. Mr. Anderson, of Stirling, on the 23rd Jan. The attendance was large, and con-

tributions liberal, amounting to \$150, a large proportion of which was cash.

A special meeting of the Hamilton Presbytery (Canada Presbyterian) was held in St. Catharines on the 30th ult., for the purpose of considering the call addressed to Dr. Burns, from Ontario; Rev. R. Wallace, Moderator. A series of resolutions were read, which had been adopted by the congregation of St. Catharines, pointing out the great benefits which the Church had experienced from the Rev. Dr. Burns' ministrations, the loss the church would sustain in his removal, and his anxiety to retain him as their pastor. Rev. Mr. Duncan, of Kingston, U. S., and Rev. Mr. Cochran, of Brantford, O. T., delegates from the Chicago congregation, addressed the Presbytery, strongly urging the claims of Chicago, and showing the extent of the field that would be open to Dr. Burns. Mr. Robert Lawrie, Hon. J. G. Currie, and Messrs. Denton, Henry, Grace, and Blair addressed the Presbytery in a very able and feeling manner, on behalf of the congregations of St. Catharines and Port Dalhousie. Dr. Burns was then called upon to give his opinion. After referring to some length to the claims of both places, he concluded by saying that, although his feelings and inclinations were in favor of St. Catharines, he thought that duty called him to Chicago, but he would place himself in the hands of the Presbytery, and be guided entirely by their decision. On motion of Mr. Inglis, seconded by Dr. Ormiston, it was resolved that Dr. Burns be released from his charge on the 1st of March, and transferred to the Presbytery of London.

The Ottawa News understands that the committee appointed to solicit subscriptions, for a second charge in connection with the Church of Scotland in that city, have already succeeded in getting \$300 subscribed.

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NOTICES. INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864. PROVINCE OF CANADA, District of Montreal. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.—In the matter of GEORGE A. GAGNON and W. L. DORREY, Insolvent. The said GEORGE A. GAGNON and WILLIAM L. DORREY, Insolvents, have filed a deed of composition and discharge, executed by their creditors, and on the seventeenth April next, at TEN o'clock in the forenoon, they will apply to the said Court for a confirmation thereof. DORREY & SUTHERLAND, Attorneys for the Insolvents, Montreal, 20th Jan., 1867.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864. IN THE MATTER OF JACOB HIRSH, alias HIRSH, of Richmond, Canada East, for himself and for the firm of LEVINE & HIRSH, composed of the said JACOB HIRSH, alias HIRSH, and the late MARCUS LEVINE, Insolvent. Notice is hereby given that the above-named Insolvent has deposited in my office a Deed of Composition and Discharge, purporting to be signed by a majority in number of the Creditors of the said Insolvent, representing three-fourths in value of his liabilities, subject to be completed in ascertaining such proportion; and if no opposition to said Deed of Composition and Discharge be made to me in writing by a Creditor or Creditors within six judicial days next after the last publication of this notice, which will be on Saturday, the TWENTY-THIRD day of February, instant, I, the Official Assignee, shall act upon said Deed of Composition and Discharge according to its terms. T. S. BROWN, Official Assignee, Montreal, 1st Feb., 1867.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864. In the matter of WM. HENDERSON & SON, of Beauharnois, Insolvents. A dividend sheet has been prepared, subject to objection until the Nineteenth Day of February instant. A. B. STEWART, Official Assignee, Montreal, 2nd Feb., 1867.

MONTREAL CITY AND DISTRICT SAVINGS BANK. On and after the Second Day of January next this Institution will allow interest at the rate of Five per Cent. per Annum on Deposits. (By order of the Board.) E. J. BARBEAU, Actuary, 31st December, 1866.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864. PROVINCE OF CANADA, District of Montreal. In the matter of PHILIP LYNCH, of Valleyfield, an Insolvent. Notice is hereby given that, on WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-THIRD day of FEBRUARY next, at TEN o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon as Counsel can be heard, the undersigned will apply to the said Court for the order of the said Court, as the case may be, by his discharge under the said Act. PHILIP LYNCH, Montreal, December 18th, 1866.

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