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METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS. DECEMBER 17, 1866. Table with columns for 3 P.M. and 7 A.M. and rows for Barometer, Thermometer, Wind, etc.

The Daily Witness

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1866.

Three more explosions have occurred in the Yorkshire pit of death, the Barnsley colliery. The engineers are flooding the mine.

The new German Parliament will consist of two chambers, but there will also be a Federal Commission composed of the different governments...

A London telegram speaks of much of the alarm in connection with Fenianism in Ireland as needless.

A MYSTERY.—The Canadian Executive appropriated—out of what fund we know not, or to whom paid we are not informed—a sum of money for the sufferers by the Quebec fire.

Now, if this sum, or even the smaller one, was granted, it would be interesting to learn the particulars; and, as there is now, thanks to Mr. Brown's erratic course...

BISHOP'S COLLEGE AT LENOXVILLE.—The students of this College propose editing with the new year a monthly which will contain articles upon subjects of popular interest...

The Christmas number of London Society is just out, beautifully illustrated, and will doubtless have a great run. The regular December numbers of the same magazine and of the Churchman's Family Magazine have also been received...

"THE SABBATH AT HOME."—The success of what may be called Sunday literature is a marked characteristic of the present day. The Sunday at Home of the Tract Society of England, Dr. McLeod's Good Words, and Dr. Guthrie's Sunday Magazine, have all been remarkably successful...

THE CHICAGO TUNNEL. Thirty years ago might be seen two small, sluggish, bush-fringed streams, west of the south end of Lake Michigan.

What ever put a city there? Only a few miles west of the lake, flows a river parallel with the shore till it passes the lake. It then still keeps on south. This was called by the early French explorers, La Riviere aux Fleuves...

THE CHALLENGE. (To the Editor of the Witness.) Sir,—With reference to the article in your issue of yesterday, signed "The People," purporting to have been a challenge from the inhabitants of Sweetsburg to the Fenians of New York...

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CORRESPONDENCE

DISPENSATIONS FOR MARRIAGE.

(To the Editor of the Witness.) DEAR SIR,—Certain clergymen in the Eastern Townships are in the habit of performing acts of marriage by what they style "dispensation," which amounts to a verbal permission, or grant, on their own authority, to dispense with licenses or publication of banns...

[Will some of our legal friends answer the above important questions? The parties who take the astonishing responsibility above alluded to, are, we understand, in some cases, wealthy men, engaged in secular pursuits, who preach occasionally, and who seem desirous of adding a few dollars to their wealth in this high-handed way.

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Sir,—With reference to the article in your issue of yesterday, signed "The People," purporting to have been a challenge from the inhabitants of Sweetsburg to the Fenians of New York, permit me to state as my opinion, that such a production on their part will be looked upon by all sensible men, to say the least, as very ill-advised.

[We have no idea that the despatch which was sent to the New York Herald, if indeed, it is not a pure invention of that paper, was anything more than a hoax or jest. There are no David and Goliath or Horatius and Curiatius fights now-days. What the above letter states (we know not on what authority), that the British Government will require the United States to prevent armed and organized invasion of Canada, is, no doubt, correct.

CITY ITEMS.

THE VICTORIA SKATING CLUB.—The rink will not be opened till to-morrow, Tuesday evening. SKATING.—A slight fall of snow took place during last night, and continues this morning, though not heavy. Sleights were on the stands at an early hour, and now divide the streets with the wheeled vehicles.

MILITARY SKATING RINK.—The Richelieu Company's shed, which has just been removed for the winter from the wharf, has been re-erected in the yard of the Molson's Barracks for the use of the 25th Regiment as a skating rink.

FIRE.—At six o'clock on Saturday evening a fire broke out in a carpenter's shop on the corner of St. Alexander and Juror streets, belonging to Mr. Johnson. Little damage was done beyond two chests of tools being somewhat injured.

RECORDS OF THE COURT.—The number of persons tried in the Recorder's Court for offences during the week ending Saturday was 176. COMPLAINTS.—Complaint is made by the police that the fences surrounding the wood-yard on Victoria square and Craig street are leaning outwards so much as to be dangerous.

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COMMERCIAL.

MONTEAL WITNESS OFFICE.

Snow commenced falling last night, and continues this morning; sleights has commenced. Thermometer at 7 A.M., 12° above zero.

The mails for Europe, per S.S. "Asia," via Boston, will be closed at the Montreal Post-office to-day, Monday, at 2:12 o'clock p.m.

The Customs Revenue for December up to 15th instant was \$87,336.42, showing a heavy falling off on corresponding period last year.

NEW WOOLLEN FACTORY.—The Globe says, a new woollen factory is about to be erected in Blair.

TRADE WITH CANADA.—Small as are our exports to Canada they are increasing rapidly. In 1867 they were \$4,949; 1868, \$6,654; 1869, \$88,000; 1860, \$44,943; 1861, \$54,292; 1862, \$48,000; 1863, \$30,112; 1864, \$66,944; and

1865, \$86,237. They are now twenty times as large as they were seven years ago.—New Brunswick Paper.

PROBES CURRENT OF LEATHERS. MONTREAL, December 17, 1866. Hemlock Spanish Sole No. 1 (b.b.) per lb. 24 1/2 to 25 1/2. Hemlock Spanish Sole No. 2 (b.b.) per lb. 21 1/2 to 22 1/2.

REMARKS. Since the date of last report an improved inquiry has been experienced in most descriptions of stock. Although the amount of business for several weeks previous has been much under the usual average, there has meanwhile been a steady accumulation, and when the busy season arrives, some kinds are likely to be in short supply.

Spanish Sole has been fairly called for, but outside figures cannot be realized for large parcels. Slaughter Sole is still in active request, but there is none of any account in market, and higher rates could be obtained for suitable stock.

Grained Upper.—The demand has ceased, and figures are again nominal. Waxed Upper.—Some sales have been effected, and, as the quantity on hand is limited, present prices are likely to be fully maintained.

Waxed Calfskins are in better request, especially the heavier weights, which are now scarce, and held for outside quotations. Buffed and Pebbled Cow.—Supplies are hardly sufficient to meet the present moderate demand, and prices are high.

Enamelled and Patent Cow have been in better request, and the quantity on hand of either kind is small. Splits continue in steady demand at former rates. Sheepskin Linings are in light supply with fair inquiry at former prices.

JOHN DOUGALL & CO. COMMISSION MERCHANTS. NEW YORK HIDE MARKET.—The receipts for three days have been very limited, and the sales amounting to 632 hides, the present stock is reduced to 92,000 hides.

BOSTON BOOT AND SHOE MARKET.—The wholesale boot and shoe trade are passing through the dull season, and the demand is limited to small parcels for actual sales, and but few orders are coming to hand.

TORONTO MARKETS.—Dec. 14th. On the Corn Exchange there is at present little or no business being transacted. The few transactions which take place are retail lots for local consumption.

NEW YORK MARKETS.—Dec. 15. FLOUR.—Receipts 19,250 bbls.; market 15c to 26c better, with a fair demand; sales 19,800 bbls.; \$7.85 to \$9.00 for Superfine State; \$10.25 to \$11.75 for Extra Super State; \$10.85 to \$11.75 for Superfine Western; \$7.95 to \$9.70 for medium Extra Western; \$7.25 to \$12.40 for choice do; \$10.50 to \$11.60 for common to choice shipping brands; Extra Round Hoop Ohio; Rye Flour rather more steady; sales 1,800 bbls at \$6.90 to \$7.20.

GRAIN.—Wheat—Receipts 21,758 bush; market 36c to 5c better; sales 44,000 bu.; \$2.23 to \$2.25 for good No. 2 Milwaukee; \$2.10 for inferior Mill; \$2.90 for Amber State. Rye—Receipts none; market firmer; sales of 20,000 bu.; Canada East, \$1.08; Western, \$1.19. Barley—Receipts 34,890 bush; market dull and heavy for common and inferior, and firmer for prime parcels; sales 19,000 bush at \$1.20 to Canada West, free; 90c for Canada West; 10c for Corn—Receipts 66,448 bu.; market 10c to 2c better; sales 52,000 bu.; \$1.15 to \$1.14 for Mixed Western, in store and afloat; \$1.14 for Old Yellow Southern; \$1.14 for Yellow Western. Oats—Receipts 99,267 bush; market a shade better; sales 28,000 bush, at 64c to 66c for Chicago and Milwaukee; 70c for State.

IMPORTANT CHRISTMAS SALES BY MR. SHAW. MONDAY EVENING, the whole of the Pictures will be cleared out. Sale at 7 o'clock.

TUESDAY EVENING, the sale of Immense and curious Books will commence. Sale at 7 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, the sale of Jewellery, watches, chains, brooches, etc. will commence. Sale at 7 o'clock.

THURSDAY EVENING (down stairs), the sale of the FINEST and BEST of the Library, in the afternoon, commencing at 7 o'clock.

FRIDAY, the same sales continued in the afternoon, and at the hours indicated in the BARNARD'S SALE, commencing at 7 o'clock.

SATURDAY EVENING, the Jewellery sale will be continued. Sale at 7 o'clock.

in relation to the claim, there was likely to be something more serious than mere diplomacy in the case of England, where the claims of the American Government amounted to over five hundred millions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Government Securities dull and unchanged. PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 15.—The new brick mill of Robinson Company was burnt last night. The old mill was also considerably damaged.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The bark "D. C. Murray," 17 days from Honolulu, arrived today. The influenza still raged, and was the only epidemic in the Sandwich Islands. There were 20 deaths in one day in Honolulu, and sad accounts are given of sickness and misery among the natives from all parts.

SWEETSBURG, Dec. 15.—To-day was a gala day in camp, the officers here having got up a series of games for the amusement of their men, in which some \$50 as prizes was distributed. The races, &c., came at this p.m., on the square in front of the Court-house. Although a good deal of rivalry exists between the members of the M.L.I. and the Phillipsburg Co., everything went off very agreeably, and the prizes were very evenly divided.

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—The Telegraph to-night, in an article upon the Bank of Upper Canada, broadly accuses Mr. Cassels, whilst acting as Manager of the Bank, of also acting as agent for Glynn, Mills, & Co., London, drawing from them \$300,000 commission for collecting the debt of \$229,300 due by the Bank to them.

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—George Thompson, Esq., is appointed School Inspector for the District of Huntingdon, in room of John Bruce, deceased. The following are the Militia appointments: Bedford troop: 1st Lieut. Sewell; 2d Lieut. W. Welch. 1st or Prince of Wales Regiment, Montreal: To be Captain, D. A. Hart, vice Brush; Lieut. J. Holton, Ensigns Smith, McVicker, and Bulmer. Sergt. Johnson to be Ensign and Quarter-Master. 5th Battery Light Infantry, Montreal: To be Captain, Lieut. H. McKnight, viceyman promoted, being permitted to retain his rank; Lieut. James Edsall, vice T. Kirby, resigned; to be Lieut. G. McDougall, and J. E. M. Whitney. Ensign Hamilton's resignation is accepted.

Messrs. Lee, Parent, Meredith, and Himsworth are gazetted respectively Deputy-Governors, for signing money-warrants; and Thomas Ross, Deputy-Governor, for signing marriage-licenses. To-day's Gazette contains the charges preferred against Lieut.-Col. Dennis at the Court of Inquiry at Fort Erie, with the opinion of the Court, the dissent of the President, Col. Davidson, and remarks by the Commander-in-Chief. It was the opinion of the Court that there is no evidence to sustain any of the charges against Col. Dennis.

With respect to the second charge, His Excellency is of opinion that Dennis committed error in his judgment in removing the small force under his command from the means of secure retreat afforded by the steamer before he had ascertained the probable force of the enemy; but the proceedings savored rather of rashness than of cowardice.

A Board of Officers will assemble at Montreal, Quebec, Kingston, Toronto, and London on Tuesday, the 15th January, for the examination of such officers of the Volunteer force as may desire to have their proficiency in drill and discipline tested and certified. Certificates for class first for such officers as shall prove their ability to handle a battalion at battalion drill; second, for such as can command a company at battalion drill. No charge for travelling expenses will be admitted.

General Order No. 3.—Staff-officers of districts are directed to cause to be returned to the militia-stone department at Montreal before the 31st instant all ammunition cases forwarded to field-batteries. Six candidates are gazetted as having received first-class certificates from the Military Schools, 27 second-class in Lower, and 11 first and 33 second class certificates in Upper Canada.

By an order in Council one cent toll per wagon of 13 feet, and a proportionate sum on pieces of greater length, and one dollar on each cubic foot of square timber, levied on all logs and timber passing over the sides of the river Trent from the beginning of the present season of navigation. Also, an order in Council exempting from duty four or meal made from grain sent from Canada to the United States; to be ground, if brought back, within one week from the time of export, and duly reported to the customs.

The shareholders of the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company, at a meeting held in London, have approved and accepted the Act to amalgamate the Grand Trunk Railway and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway companies.

New Advertisements This Forenoon

WANTED, a person who has had several years' experience in dress-making, a situation as Forewoman in a Dressing establishment, or would like to be engaged to hire only by the week in ladies' families. Good references will be given if required. Address P. M., the Witness office.

FOR GOOD FITTING

MORISON'S CHEAP SALE OF SILKS, FANCY DRESSES, AND SHAWLS. MONTREAL CITY PASSENGER RAILWAY. CONDUCTORS WANTED. Ten Conductors wanted; must be members of total abstinence societies. Apply to the Agent, Mr. G. H. HARRISON, 10 Victoria Square.

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BOYS' CLOTHING STORE.

Prime quality of Boys' heavy lined Overcoats, plain and fancy trimmed, to select from; also, Boys' strong Tweed Suits, suitable for winter wear, at 10 Victoria Square (late with Arthur).

NURSE WANTED IMMEDIATELY.

Prime quality, tinnetts or kops, for sale in lots to suit purchasers, at S. G. HASKETT & CO'S, Corner St. Peter and Commissioners streets.

FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET.

Let in Beaver Hall, in a most desirable locality, will be let to a quiet party who knows how to take care of a house and furniture. Address Drawer 335, P. O. Montreal.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.

For a lady and gentleman, two rooms, furnished or unfurnished, without Board preferred. Address J. C. M., Witness office.

TAILORING DEPARTMENT!

A first-class Cutter wanted at MORISON'S! DAIRY BUTTER. Prime quality, tinnetts or kops, for sale in lots to suit purchasers, at S. G. HASKETT & CO'S, Corner St. Peter and Commissioners streets.

LOST, last night, a heavy Gold

Chain and Charms, in either Craig or St. Denis streets. Whoever will take the same to the Chief of Police, will receive Ten Dollars reward.

CLOUDS AND NUBIAS.

Just received, a large stock of Boston make, Zephyr woolen-ens, tinnetts or kops, for sale in lots to suit purchasers, at S. G. HASKETT & CO'S, Corner St. Peter and Commissioners streets.

SEALLETTE!! SEALLETTE!!

Several pieces of this beautiful and fashionable MAN TLE MATERIAL. FOR SALE CHEAP, AT W. B. BOWIE & CO'S

THE MART.—We notice an im-

portant sale at this Establishment, which is to be continued for three or four days; during which time considerable inducements are offered, and the public are invited to purchase. The goods are of the best quality, and the prices are very low. The sale will be held at the Mart, 100 St. Denis Street, Montreal, on Monday, 18th Dec. 1866.

WANTED, in a Produce Com-

mission Office, an active Lad; must write a good hand, and have a knowledge of accounts. Address Box 154, Post-office, with references.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

SUPERIOR COURT OF MONTREAL. T. JAMES CLAXTON, PLAINTIFF, versus PETER HAINING, DEFENDANT. Will be sold, by public Auction, on THURSDAY, 20th DECEMBER, INST., at the Store, No. 429 Notre Dame street, the GOODS and CHATELAINS of the defendant (removed for convenience of Sale), consisting of HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, with an extra quantity of BED and TABLE LINEN, &c., &c., a large quantity of DRESS GOODS, CLOTHS, SILKS, BLANKETS, COATS, HOSIERY, GLOVES, UNDER-CLOTHING, &c., &c. Terms Cash. Sale at TEN O'CLOCK. MONTREAL, 16th Dec. 1866.

CHOICE FRUIT SYRUPS.

POSSESSING THE TRUE FLAVOR OF THE FRUIT. Prepared especially for Family Use. The following Syrups are particularly recommended for their fine flavor, as forming, with VANILLA, a pleasant and refreshing beverage: RASPBERRY, STRAWBERRY, PINE-APPLE, ORANGE, LEMON, LIME, CHERRY, &c., &c. Prepared by EVANS, MERRICK & CO. (late Lamplugh & Campbell), Apothecaries' Hall, 200 St. Denis Street, Montreal. A liberal discount to the trade.

BEST DISSOLVING VIEWS.

Movable Astronomical and Natural History Slides, exhibited to Schools, &c., during the holidays. For terms, &c., apply to the Witness office.

WANTED, a situation as Asses-

sant, or Travelling English Tutor, or Assistant Book-keeper in a Wholesale Grocery. Address "Canada," Witness office.

A GROCERY TRAVELLER.

Desires a similar situation. Salary low, but good references. Address M. R., this office.

AN experienced Auctioneer is

desires to be engaged as a Auctioneer, and to assist in Office work. Address H. R., office of this paper.

WANTED, a young Lad for or-

toine street.

FOR SALE.

At least Three Rivers, FIG IRON. Apply to ROBERT MITCHELL, No. 38 St. Simeon street.

COALS.—Best House, Steam, and

Marine Coals, always in Stock and for sale by ROYAL ASSURANCE BUILDINGS.

Meetings, &c.

POSTPONEMENT
Consequence of the Wesleyan Anniversary Meeting...

THE LADIES' FRENCH MISSION ASSOCIATION
In connection with the annual sale of work...

UNITED PROTESTANT WORKINGMEN'S BENEFIT SOCIETY
An annual meeting will be held on Tuesday evening...

MONTREAL YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
Bible House, corner Craig and Alexander streets...

A REGULAR MEETING of the Musical Association
Will be held at the Club House on Monday 17th Dec...

BAZAAR AT THE AMERICAN CLUB
Corner of Dorchester and Drummond streets...

VICTORIA SKATING CLUB
The rink will be opened for the season on Tuesday...

LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION
The annual meeting of this lodge for the election of officers...

CRYSTAL PALACE CONCERTS
The second of this series of concerts will be given at Nordheimers Hall...

WESLEYAN METHODIST MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY SERVICES
To be held in the six Wesleyan Methodist Churches...

GRAND ATTRACTION AT MONTREAL'S MUSEUM
The weight of the enormous weight of 516 pounds...

NORDEIMERS HALL
TUESDAY 18th DECEMBER, 1886.
LECTURE AND GYMNASIUM ENTERTAINMENT.

LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
In aid of the funds of the High School of McGill College...

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90th ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL OF THE CANADIAN LITERARY AND MUSICAL SOCIETY
Ending with a lunch on Monday...

Meetings, &c.

MECHANICS INSTITUTE of MONTREAL
A meeting of the members of the Mechanics' Institute...

NO. 6 (OF HIGHLAND COMPANY) ROYALS
A full muster is particularly requested to-morrow...

CLOSING THE GATES OF HERRY
The members of the LOYAL ORANGE LODGES No. 1 and 2...

BAZAAR IN AID OF THE BUILDING FUND OF TRINITY CHURCH
The Ladies of Trinity Church purpose holding a Bazaar...

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11 A. M. EDITION.

New York, Dec. 17, 10 a.m.—Gold, 137; Exchange 91.
(BY ATLANTIC CABLE)
St. Petersburg, Dec. 15.—An imperial commission has been resolved upon...

London, Dec. 16.—A man has been arrested in Norfolk, supposed to be James Stephens, the chief organizer of the Irish Republic...

Italy, Dec. 15.—The new Envoy of the Italian Government to Rome, Signor Torelli, has been received at Rome by the Pope...

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—This morning the iron-plated frigate "New Ironsides" lying at League Island, was discovered to be in flames...

Chicago, Dec. 16.—The trial of Molly Trussell, for the murder of George Trussell, ended last night in a verdict of "guilty of manslaughter"...

Hunter.—In this city, on the 18th inst., Catherine Burnett, widow of the late James Hunter, and sister of William Burnett, Esq...

Sibbery.—In this city, on the 18th inst., Mr. Robert Sibbery, collector, a native of the County Leitrim, Ireland, aged 45 years...

Henderson.—In this city, on the 12th inst., after a short illness, Alexander Henderson, a native of Argyleshire, Scotland, aged 77 years...

Greenbacks are bought at 27 1/2 to 28 dis, and sold at 27 discount. Silver is bought at 113 dis, and sold at 113 1/2...

OTAWA, Dec. 17.—Cloudy and cold yesterday, with a sharp wind. Snowed during the night...

Mr. Patrick, American Consular Agent here, has resigned, and will be succeeded by a Mr. Meahan, of Albany...

The Times this morning says the Hon. Messrs. Cartier, McDonald, and Howland had a most satisfactory interview with Lord Carnarvon...

The Times says also, in regard to vacancies recently occurred in Parliament, it is understood that the writ for new elections will be issued...

New York, Dec. 17.—Private advices received in Washington state that Maximilian will not accept the proposition to retain power in Mexico...

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COMMISSARIAT CANADA
MONTREAL, 17th Dec, 1886.
Tenders marked on the envelope "Tender for Bills" will be received by the Senior Commissariat Officer...

PATENT RADIATOR AND DAMPER
SAVE ONE-THIRD THE FUEL!
The DAMPER AND RADIATOR is so constructed as to produce this result...

WANTED, a Boy about 16 years old, as Shop Boy; must have references. Apply to E. MUIR, Druggist, Place d'Armes.

WANTED, first-class Operators on Singer and Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines. For Clothing, at RINGLAND, EWART, & CO'S., 42 St. Paul street.

WIDENING OF SHERBROOKE STREET.
SPECIAL NOTICE.
There will be a MEETING of the parties interested in this matter at the Mechanics' Institute on WEDNESDAY afternoon, 20th Dec., at 2 o'clock...

WANTED, by a young man, a situation as Clerk or Assistant in a Wholesale Grocery or other business. References. Address X. X., WITNESS OFFICE.

STRAYED, from 243 William street, on the 12th inst., two white BOW Dogs. The person giving information there will be rewarded.

LOST, on Friday afternoon, a large Newfoundland Dog, with a white spot on its breast, and a collar with the name of S. A. C. The under will be rewarded by leaving him at 178 Bonaventure street.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS!
MORISON'S CHEAP SALE
OF
SILKS, FANCY DRESSES, AND SHAWLS.

2:30 O'CLOCK EDITION.
NEW YORK, December 17, Noon.—Gold, 137; Exchange, 91.

Auction Sales.
BY H. J. SHAW,
PRINCIPAL AUCTIONEER FOR THE SALE OF HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, WORKS OF ART, ETC., 42 St. Paul street.

THE GREAT LIBRARY SALE.
ON MONDAY, the 10th inst., at TEN O'CLOCK in the Morning, MR. SHAW will commence the sale of the valuable LIBRARY...

IMPORTANT CHRISTMAS SALE OF about 500 VALUABLE ENGRAVINGS, WATER COLOURS, DRAWINGS AND CHROMOS, all elegantly framed in the latest New York style...

THIS AFTERNOON.
SALE OF a CHOICE COLLECTION OF ENGLISH GOLD JEWELLERY, comprising Watches, Ladies' and Gents' Gold Chains, Lockets, Fine Cameo and Ruby Sets of Jewellery, Gold Fossil-necked Lockets, and Bracelets, Rings, Gold Bazar Pins, Tooth-picks, Chains, Keys, also a variety of highly valued goods and silversmith wares...

TO-MORROW.
A CHOICE COLLECTION OF BOOKS—ON TUESDAY EVENING and the three following days, I will sell by Catalogue, the annual catalogue of LUMLEY'S LITERARY AND MUSICAL LIBRARY, which is one of the most valuable and complete of any of the kind...

SALE OF A VALUABLE LAW AND LITERARY LIBRARY.—ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, the 19th inst., and on THURSDAY, the 20th inst., at TWO O'CLOCK, I will sell by Catalogue, the valuable Law and Literary Library of the late Hon. Sir James W. G. Balfour, Bart., which is one of the most valuable and complete of any of the kind...

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Corn Exchange Daily Reports.

WHOLESALE PRODUCE PRICES.
MONTREAL CORN EXCHANGE, Dec. 17, 1886.
FLOUR, per brl. of 196 lbs.—Superior Extra nominal, \$8.00; Extra, nominal, \$7.50 to \$7.65; Family, \$7.25 to \$7.35; Superior, from Canada...

WHEAT, per bush. of 60 lbs.—Range for U. C. Spring according to samples, \$1.47 to \$1.50. Peas, per 60 lbs.—Market dull; the quotation per 60 lbs. is about 80c to 82c.

BARLEY, per 48 lbs.—Market dull, at 56c to 58c. RYE, per 56 lbs.—Nominal at 62c to 65c. CORN, per 56 lbs.—82c. asked for Mixed, duty-free, but no transactions.

FINANCIAL.—Shipments of Gold from New York to Great Britain are heavy—the export on Saturday last amounting to \$1,017,000, indicating that Gold is a better remittance than Sterling Exchange at present rates.

ARRIVALS OF PRODUCE BY G. T. RAILWAY.—Dec. 17.—Wheat, 350 bu.; Flour, 2500 brls; Lard, 42 brls; Butter, 95 kegs; Eggs, 1200; Leather 30 coils; Peas, 700 bu; Pork 63 brls; Oats 1,200 bu; Cheese 449 boxes; Petroleum 119 brls; Highwines 42 casks.

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