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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1870.

RED RIVER AFFAIRS.

Though we have no misgivings whatever as to the final result of the present attempt at rebellion, we are not without apprehension that affairs at Red River may eventuate in more serious trouble than we anticipated. The tone of the Quebec press is not what we looked for, or what might be naturally expected. It would be in the last degree disastrous were national prejudices in this case allowed to warp a proper sense of justice and to palliate the magnitude of the crime of Riel and his followers. A good opportunity is now presented to the loyal leaders of opinion in Quebec to mould the national sympathy and bring it into harmony with perfect justice and national tranquillity. Cartier, who is all powerful with the French Canadians, could now make his immense popularity tell on the side of right and establish a claim to the gratitude of a future generation. That he will thus act we have no doubt, and that the measure adopted for the suppression of this incipient rebellion, will be of such a nature as to preclude all possibility of failure, or even serious difficulty. We fear, however, that the satisfaction which we all desire, the hanging of Riel, will never become a fact. He will be coward enough to make himself scarce long before our troops and volunteers come within sight of Fort Garry. The senseless course suggested by the Toronto *Globe* of condemning the government at every Indignation Meeting has not, we are glad to see been adopted. The leading spirits as a general rule, taking a sensible view of matters, and withholding their expression of disapproval until circumstances plainly warrant such a proceeding.

A Good Move.

At the meeting of the Town Council, on Monday evening last, a petition from a number of leading ratepayers was presented, praying that a main sewer be made along Kent street. This, we consider, is a work which should have received the attention of the ratepayers years ago. There is not a town in Canada, the main street of which is in such a deplorable condition as that of Lindsay. Strangers have oft been heard to say that the smallest back woods village can boast of better streets. The ratepayers on Kent Street pay a large proportion of the tax, and if this very necessary work is carried out it will be no more than justice to them and the town generally. We want our main street, not only to look respectable, but to be so constructed that the sanitary condition of the town will be greatly improved. We trust this good move will be carried out successfully. More anon.

Emigration.

THE *European Mail* says that at a meeting of the British and Colonial Emigration Society, "Mr. Haly read a letter addressed to the Lord Mayor by the Rev. J. Vicars, a clergyman living at Lindsay, Ontario, undertaking to provide situations in that town and county for 50 young women as domestic servants, to be forwarded 12 at a time. He would have no difficulty, he added, in providing situations for a much larger number, many of the principal people there being without servants, and it was one of the most rapidly increasing towns in Canada."

Vestry Meeting.

The annual vestry meeting of St. Paul's Church was held on Monday morning, 18th inst. There was an average attendance. The accounts were submitted by the Church Wardens, and the financial condition of the congregation was found to be prosperous. Judge Smith and Messrs. Dobson and W. J. Thirkell were elected delegates to the Synod. Messrs. P. S. Martin and H. Woodman were elected Church Wardens for the ensuing year. After some discussion upon the subject of further improvements, the meeting adjourned to Monday evening, April 25th, at which time the seats will be rented for the current year.

St. Andrews Church.

The Revd Edward Bayne Rodgers will (D. V.) preach in the above place on Sabbath first, the 24th April, at 11 o'clock a. m. and 6.30 p. m. The Revd. gentleman has recently come to Canada from Scotland and is well spoken of as an excellent preacher.

The Bible class inaugurated last sabbath by the Rev. Mr. Muir of Galt, will meet at 8 o'clock p. m. on the same day.

The managers and session of the above church, with the anticipated assistance of the Presbytery of Victoria, are determined to have as regular and as good a supply for their Pulpit as possible untill a call is set on to a minister.

Gen. Lindsay's Mission.

The object of the Imperial Government in sending Major-General Lindsay to Canada, may be gathered from the following taken from the *European Mail*:—At the Wigan railway station, a large number of the inhabitants, headed by the Major, assembled to wish him a prosperous journey; and, in reply to a few remarks made by Mr. Eckersly, the General said if he succeeded in obeying the wishes of the Government, and arranged affairs so that the great colony could set for itself, while at the same time it kept up an affiliated feeling for the mother country, he thought he should have done that which would keep the British Empire united to the end of time. At any rate they would have done their best to establish in that colony affectionate relations with the mother country, and so enable the empire to be consolidated. The gallant gentleman was heartily cheered, and numbers of his friends accompanied him to Liverpool.

SHORTS.

MARKETS.—No change in the prices this week.

PLASTER.—Mr. C. L. Baker has received 500 barrels of plaster.

McKENZIE meriteriously muzzled the *Post*. Irwin is in ecstasies.

MR. G. A. KNOX, formerly of Port Hope, was a passenger on the *City of Boston*.

LACROSSE meeting to-night (Wednesday) at 8 o'clock, at Burt's saloon. Persons wishing to join will please attend.

Daniel Morrison, Esq., chief editor of the Toronto *Telegraph*, died on Monday, 11th, of epilepsy, aged 44.

The time allotted for duck shooting ended on the 15th inst. Persons infringing the law will be vigorously persecuted.

THE Fenians didn't come to Canada last Friday. It was a genuine expletively Good Friday for them.

DAM DESTROYED.—We learn that Mr. Cottingham's mill dam, Omemee, gave way last week to the pressure of the immense flood in that river.

The Pall Mall Gazette urges the instant despatch of a frigate to the Canadian fisheries to watch the American war steamer there.

MISS PEARE.—Organist of St. Paul's Church, Lindsay, intimates in another column that she is prepared to take pupils for instruction on the piano-forte, organ or melodeon.

An association has been formed in Port Hope for the purpose of planting shade trees by the roadsides. Port Hope progresses. Lindsay lags.

An advertisement in the Orillia *Northern Light* reads as follows:—"George Tite, house and sign painter, paper-hanger, &c. Front street, opposite the Old Pine Stump in the swamp."

We learn that three horses belonging to Robert Strickland, Esq., were drowned in Pigeon Lake last week, on account of the ice, which they were attempting to cross, not being strong enough to support them.

FRESH GROCERIES.—Read Mr. W. M. Robson's Advertisement. He keeps on hand a select stock of Groceries, fruit, &c., which will be found worthy of a trial. Next door to Lovell's Saddlery, Wm. Street.

MR. Lawrence Raile, of Loborough, Co. Frontenac, recently died there at the age of 121 years. He was born in Clogheen, Tipperary, Ireland; and was forced to fly the country in consequence of participating in the rising of 1798.

TO ARMS.—Lieut.-Col. Poole, of Peterboro', has received orders to have in readiness one hundred and six men, to proceed to Red River. We believe a like number is to be taken from other batallions, to make up 10,000 men.

LINDSAY BAND.—On Thursday evening the Lindsay dramatic amateurs will give an entertainment for the benefit of the Lindsay Band. We hope our citizens will liberally support the Band on this occasion, and give them a good start for the coming season.

Dr. McTaggart, Principal of the Hamton Infirmary, will be at Jewett's Hotel on Monday, Tuesday, Wdensday April 25th 26th 27th 1870. The Dr's. excellent reputation is sufficient guarantee to those who require his services, that they may place implicit confidence in his skill and integrity.

THE PORT HOPE TIMES. — This is the title of a paper now published by Mr. Trayes of Port Hope, instead of the *British Canadian* heretofore published by him. It is a large well printed and ably conducted journal, and deserves the support of the inhabitants of the "City of Bricks." Friend Trayes has our best wishes.

FROM Feb. 26th up to March 26th, 551 applicants, representing 1,484 statute adults, applied to the British and Colonial Emigration Society for passages to Quebec. Of this number 80 were refused! the remaining 1,404 will be sent out to Canada as follows: 337 by the *Medway*, 282 by the *Granger*, 757 by the *Tweed*, and 58 single men by a following vessel. 2,000 emigrants were to have sailed from Thames for Quebec on the 14th inst.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—We regret to learn that Mr. Henry Cowan, of Emily, while returning home from the village of Omemee, in a canoe, on Friday evening last, got upset about a mile down the river, and after being some considerable time in the water managed to get on a stump, when his cries for help attracted the attention of Mr. John Henderson who lives in that neighborhood. Mr. Henderson, having no boat, proceeded with all possible haste to the village, when a boat was immediately sent down to rescue Cowan. The unfortunate man was found in such a perished state, that every effort failed to restore him, and he died that night at Mr. Henderson's residence.

Town Council.

Council met on Monday evening last. Present, the Mayor, Reeve, Dy-Reeve and Councillors Bell, Thirkell, Dundas, Watson Crandall, Keeve and Spratt.

Mr. Dundas presented the report of the Finance Committee, which was Adopted.

The Clerk read a petition from a large number of ratepayers, praying the Council to take immediate steps to have a main sewer made on Kent Street.

Mr. Dundas called attention to the large amount expended on charity, and expressed a desire that the expenditure be curtailed in the future.

Moved by Mr. Thirkell, seconded by Mr. Dundas, that the Petition of C. L. Baker and others with reference to a main sewer on Kent Street be received and that the following gentlemen be a committee to employ an engineer to make an estimate as to the probable cost of the same, viz: Messrs. Bell, Dundas, Crandall, Watson, the Reeve and Dy.-Reeve, and report to this council at the next meeting.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Crandall, That a memorial be drafted to the Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, praying for an appropriation for building a swing bridge and pier on Wellington Street.—Carried.

Mr. Thomas Riley was heard with reference to a sidewalk.

On motion of Mr. Thirkell the Auditors' Report was received and read.

On motion of Mr. Thirkell, seconded by Mr. Keeve, the Auditor's Report was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Crandall, seconded by Mr. Thirkell, that the thanks of this Council be given to the Auditors for the pains-taking manner in which they have prepared their report, and that they be allowed twenty dollars each for the same. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Keeve seconded by Mr. Bell, that the following gentlemen be appointed a committee to ascertain from the assessment roll for 1870 the amount of assessment, and to apportion an amount of money to each Ward in proportion to the amount of taxes to be collected from each Ward, the said money to be under the control of the Councillors of each Ward, the committee to report at next meeting, viz., the Reeve, Deputy Reeve, and Councillors Crandell, Dundas, Watson and Thirkell.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Leary, seconded by Mr. Watson, that his Worship the Mayor, J. R. Dundas, and the W. J. Thirkell be a select committee to examine the carter's By-law, and make such amendments as they may think necessary and submit the same to this council at its next meeting.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. W. J. Thirkell, seconded Mr. Crandell, that the Auditors' Report be printed in detail in the WARDER newspaper.—Carried.

Mr. D. McNaughton, Capt. of the Fire Brigade, was heard by the Council, when he gave some important information with regard to the requirements of the company.

Moved by Mr. Keeve, seconded by Mr. W. J. Thirkell, That the sum of five dollars, which was passed by last year's council for each fireman, say to the number of seventy-five men, be paid to the Captain on the 1st of Sept., 1870. Carried.

The council adjourned.

Last Year's Improvements in North and South Wards.

Editor of the Warder:

It will be in the recollection of almost every man in Lindsay that the Council of last year thought proper to suspend for the time being a portion of the duties of the Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges, and vest the superintendence of public works, in at least two wards, in the Chief Constable. Notwithstanding the uncharitable and severe censure at the time on the propriety of the Council delegating its powers to an official, the wisdom of that change is now conspicuously apparent; and the good results flowing from the experiment recommends itself to every unprejudiced mind from whatever point of view it is considered.

Heretofore this important committee seldom exercised its functions satisfactorily to the public, but whether from want of unanimity in their management, or carelessness in their supervision, it is not now necessary to enquire. Some alteration in the procedure had become indispensable, and the work performed last year in the sections alluded to, have only to be examined to be appreciated, and the judicious action of the Council fully sustained.

Had those improvements been gone into without any corresponding return being calculated on, there might have been some solid ground for the objections, and the criticism would have had some reasonable force; but no such argument was ever used, nothing but the old and obsolete cry of "what is the use of making improvements where there are no houses?" Now, what is the result? Nine dwellings are in contemplation of being erected, and before the year expires possibly as many more will be put up, giving an ample return for the money expended, to say nothing of the sanitary benefit the town will derive.

When these sanitary measures were first mooted at the Council Board by Messrs. Keeve and Foley, efforts as usual were made to thwart and upset the scheme, but these men were not to be diverted from their object, nor cajoled into forgetfulness of the question at issue by any subterfuge that could be devised. They had witnessed with anxiety the injustice and suffering their constituents had been subjected to, and were determined to use every means in their power to secure those rights which had been so long denied. They can now look back with satisfaction on the accomplishment of even half a measure, and resolve to persevere in the good cause until their efforts are crowned with success.

Sanitary improvements are engrossing the minds of almost every municipal body in the civilized world; but in Lindsay not only the cold shoulder has been given, but up to last year the greatest opposition has been manifested without one redeeming feature. No matter what argument was brought to bear at the Council Board, they were insensible to every appeal, and no reasoning could remove their prejudices. It is now sincerely to be hoped that the gentlemen who initiated last year the new base of operations, will continue to act with the same disinterested spirit, advocating justice to all, and special favors to none, by continuing to maintain this straightforward course. Besides the approbation of their own bosoms, the present and future inhabitants of Lindsay will honor and revere their names.

Yours, &c.,

ONE OF THE SUFFERERS.

Horace Cook, of Leavenworth, ate 3 pounds of raisins on a bet. The money was paid to his heirs.

Sad Accident.

We regret to have to state that a fatal accident occurred yesterday afternoon by which one of the Queen's Own Volunteer's and a respectable citizen came to a sudden and untimely end. It appears that two companies of the Queen's Own—Nos. 2 and 7—were assembled for target practice on the Garrison Commons early in the afternoon—both firing at the same range. One of the men belonging to No. 2 company named Arthur Gascoigne had fired five rounds, and shortly afterwards re loaded his rifle—an ordinary Snider-Enfield—in order to be in readiness for the sixth round. About ten minutes afterwards a little boy, some seven or eight years old, with whom Gascoigne was acquainted, came to where the latter was standing and asked him if the rifle which he held was his own. Gascoigne partilly raised the rifle, which was cocked, and forgetting for the moment that it was loaded, pulled the trigger, when the gun instantly went off, the ball passing through the head of another volunteer belonging to the same company named George Nussey, who was walking across the field some twenty feet in front of Gascoigne. The unfortunate man dropped heavily to the ground. Colour-sergeant McCormick and others rushed up to him to render assistance, but he was unable to speak, and after moaning faintly for a few moments expired. An examination showed that the bullet entered at the back of deceased's head and came out at the nose, carrying away a large portion of the skull and brains. Much excitement ensued, and the young man who fired the shot was completely overcome when he saw the fatal effect of his carelessness. He was at once placed under arrest and taken to the City Hall police station to await the result of the investigation at the inquest. He is a young man about 21 years of age, and has only been in this country for nine or ten months. He is very respectably connected in England, and was lately employed in the office of Messrs. Pellatt & Osler, brokers, of this city. He naturally feels very keenly the unfortunate position in which he is placed. Mr. Nussey had been married fourteen months, and leaves behind him a widow and one child to mourn their loss. He was a machinist by trade, and had been in the employ of Messrs. Dickey & Neill for over two years. He was a very sober, industrious man, and his employers speak in high terms of his abilities as a workman and his general conduct. The inquest will be held this morning at eleven o'clock, at the "Maple Leaf" hotel, corner of Queen and Beverley streets, by Dr. Buchanan, coroner. Deceased will be buried with military honors to-morrow afternoon—the members of the Queen's Own to accompany the remains of their late comrade to their last resting place.—*Leader.*

A Speck of War.

The following is from the New York *Journal of Commerce*:—

While we have now on hand Indian wars of more or less consequence and costs all the way from Montana to Arizona, and while the House of Representatives, under the guidance of its committee on territories, has set us well on our way towards a crusade against the painims of Utah, the committee on foreign affairs, not to be outdone, has arranged for us a war with Venezuela. Venezuela owes us some $13,000,000 in compensation for wrongs suffered by American citizens within her jurisdiction; and when at the close of last year our representative at Caracas—without awaiting, it seems, for instructions from Washington — joined with the ministers of other nations to which Venezuela is similarly indebted, in refusing a forebearance of three or four months asked for by President Monagas, the refusers are informed that the Venezuelan government would be obliged to take the indulgence without their consent. Mr Patridge, our Minister, subsequently reported to Washington that "Venezuela is in the same condition of anarchy and bankruptcy in which Mexico was in 1861." Mr. Partridge may have intended this justification of Monagas For it means—to put the least possible emphasis upon the words—that all the money and all the soldiers that the Venezuelan government can raise are barely sufficient to enable it to maintain itself against its enemies. How the resources of Venezuela would be increased by our knocking her cities into stone heaps, devastating her fields and slaughtering her people, we are at a loss to see; and yet that method seems to have been in the mind of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs when they composed their resolution authorizing the President to make demand for the money due, and in case payment is not made, to employ the army and navy to make collection. The experience of the French in Mexico should warn us that in a pecuniary point of view, it would be far cheaper to pay the $13,000,000 to the claimants out of our resources, and save ourselves the cost of prosecuting the bankrupt and destracted debtor.

Rev. Charles B. Smith, of the Eleventh street United Presbyterian Church, New York, who puffs the *Herald* regularly from his pulpit, and whom the *Herald* regularly puffs in return, is a very gay preacher if the *Sun* is to be believed. Last Sunday he preached a rattling sermon against free lovers and other wicked people, and then, the *Sun* says, adjourned to a neighboring saloon, where he, likewise free newspaper reporters, did partake together of gin and milk. After the beverage had been absorbed he placed his hat rakishly upon his head and, turning to the bar-keeper, told him— these are his very words—"Hang this up." The bar-keeper remarked "All right," and the reverend gentleman departed. Unfortunately, we don't know what "Hang this up" means; but it evidently didn't refer to the execution of anybody, and the *Sun* says it is indicated that Mr. Smith had been in that saloon before. Can such things be? Does Charles, too, take it for the sake of his brains? These are but two of very many painful questions that will readily suggest themselves to the intelligent reader.

At the Church of England soiree in Oro last Friday, the Rev. Mr. Harris mentioned the fact that he was without a horse, a few minutes after, Rev. Dr. Mark stepped forward and said he thought he saw enough Wesleyans present to purchase the tail, if the other penominations would manage the body, and he at once started by placing a V on the table. In less time than it takes to relate, the doctor announced that he had raised sufficient for the tail, when the chairman, Mr. W. D. Ardagh, commenced with an X for the body, which was quickly followed by Messrs. Ball and others. The result was a Methodist minister, on behalf of the audience, presented an Episcopalian clergyman with $100 to purchase an Episcopalian horse with a Wesleyan tail.—*Northern Light.*

The Fenian Raid.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

Ottawa, April 17.—The 60th Rifles are under orders for the Front. The servants are obliged to sleep in the barracks and a special train is in readiness to take them to Prescott as soon as their presence is required. The Garrison Artillery and volunteer companies are in a most effective state and ready to move at a moment's notice. Captains of companies have been ordered to fill up all vacancies.

Montreal, April 17.—A despatch from the frontier says a United States Marshall has arrived at St. Albons and is at work among the Fenian Brotherhood, who are not a little chagrined at the interference. The Marshall has caused the seizure of the stores of arms and ammunition and also sundry despatches at the post office.

Two hundred and fifty men, including the St. Hyacinthe companies from Lieut.-Col. and Brigade-Major Ballefuille's district, left by train for St. Johns to do duty until further orders. Cavalry and intantry are drilling on the Champ de Mars. On Tuesday Lieut.General Lindsay will inspect the Volunteer Militia now doing duty on the Champ de Mars.

Huntingdon, April 17.—Everything is quiet—little news of the Fenians.—General O'Neill was in Malone yesterday. The roads are getting better, and, if there is no rain will soon be in splendid order. The troops, cavalry and infantry, still patrol the road.

CHATEAUGUAY, 10 p.m., April 16.—Everything is quiet at present. The volunteers are in readiness; patrols are placed upon all the main roads and a sharp lookout is kept. Several suspicious characters are in the neighborhood. The excitement was very intense yesterday, when it was reported from Huntingdon that the Fenians had actually crossed the frontier.

THREE RIVERS,—10 p.m., April 16.—Everything is quiet at present. Our gallant volunteers are in readiness and in a high state of discipline. They are anxious to "go for" the miscreants. Patrols and videttes are posted on all the thoroughfares and roads, and every precaution has been taken to prevent a surprise.

QUEBEC, April 17. — The volunteers assembled at the drill shed at one o'clock p.m., to day. The two companies of the country volunteers are billeted in Scott street. The garrison artillery who are ordered out for active service are unable to parade for want of uniforms. The men of the 9th battalion are in a similar condition. The 8th battalion though but four companies strong musters and full compliments of men in each.

NEW YORK, April 16. — A Boston despatch says a man connected with Vermont Central Railroad states as his belief that the alarm in Canada at an invasion from the Fenians on this side of the border is not without some reason. For several days there has been an unusual number of strangers carried over the road in the direction of the border towns, and they are now scattered in small squads around Burlington and St. Albans. The parties he alludes to are all Irish and they have been very reticent in their conversation with strangers. He also confirms the story of some weeks since of the arrival of boxes of small arms addressed to the well-known Fenian sympathizers in different sections of Vermont. But what disposition was made of them is unknown. There is no doubt but the Fenians mean to give the Canadians considerable uneasiness, even if they do not make an actual attack. The Fenians in Boston and vicinity are quiet, almost unknown as an organization and disclaim all knowledge of any projected attack upon Canada, although they admit such a movement might be on foot unknown to them, inasmuch as they have always been known as unfavorable to any oppressive movement upon the Dominion at this time. They admit, however, that there is reason for the Canadians to be on the alert at all times.

The Poetic Scoundrel of Quebec.

The attention of the Local Government ought to be drawn to the scandalous the blasphemous string of wretched, doggerel verses upon the murderer Riel which has appeared in *Le Canadien*. A more insane exhibition of low national prejudice and impotent malice never appeared in any journal with the slightest pretension to repectability. The doggerel is a gross, unprovoked insult to the British people of Canada who are strong enough and proud enough to despise the venomous slime of the poor worm who is its author. It is no less an insult to our French Canadian fellow-subjects to suppose them in sympathy with the contemptible bigotry of this public empoyee; for they hate cowardice and cruelty, such as Riel's, as much as other men. *La Minerve* and some other French journals, following the lead of Sir. Geo. Cartier who has both brains and liberality, unite with the whole British public in condemnation of Scott's murder, and in the determination to speedily right speedily the rebellion of the cowardly braggart Riel. There is not a city of Ontario that could not, at an hour's notice, turn out enough of men to extinguish this humbug revolt in twenty-four hours. But "to whom it may concern" we will just say this much, that if common decency is to be respected, if peace and order are to be maintained in this province and Dominion, it will be necessary to bridle such mad fanatics as the creature who has written this rhyming rubbish and who now draws his living from the revenue of the country.—*Quebec Chronicle.*

SERIOUS ACCIDENT. — Our readers will be sorry to hear that a rather serious accident happened on Tuesday evening last, to Mr. Joseph Graham, Crown Land Agent, at Robcaygeon. While riding in company with another person, about seven miles from Minden Village, his horse broke through the ice on a small spring creek which crossed the road, and fell—horse and rider both coming down with great violence on their heads. The animal, in its efforts to rise, rolled over on Mr. Graham, who was lying senseless on the road, and who it is a great mercy was not killed. His companion, however, bathed his head with water which he dipped up in his cap, and after a while he recovered sufficiently to remount and ride in to the village, where he placed himself under the care of Dr. Curry. His right arm and shoulder is considerably bruised and the hand almost useless; but his left arm, upon which the horse set his foot as shown by the rent in his coat, was not hurt. We trust he will be all right again in a few days.—*Independent.*

In St. John, N.B., the alteration in the tariff gives general satisfaction especially in relation to the duty on flour and coal.

THE SCOTT MURDER!

MIDNIGHT, April 17.—The argument in the case of Richot and Scott, re-arrested for complicity in the Scott murder on a *habeas corpus* writ, is deferred until Tuesday to allow the Hon. J. H. Cameron who is defending the prisoners, time to arrive.

THE EXPEDITION.

OTTAWA (Midnight), April 17.—The First Division of the Red River expedition consisting of 1,500 men is to assemble at Collingwood on May 2nd.

Bargains.

S. & O. Bigelow are selling Black Lustres for 15 cts.; Good Prints (not rubbish) fast colours 12½ cts.; Ladies Hosiery 10 cts to 85 cts.; Girls' Hose all sorts and prices; Buff Window Hollands 30 to 40 inches; Glove Fitting French Corsets $1.25, the best style in the trade; Girls Corsets all sizes; Parasols for 37½ cts. Trimmed Hats for 75 cts; Trimmed Bonnets $2.00; New Silk Jackets for $3.50; Black Velveteen Jackets for $2.00 Good Black Velveteen 80 cts.; Black Broad Cloth 2.50.

The Whitby and Scugog gravel road is for sale.

THE MISSISSIPPI DEBT.—The following letter which appeared in the *Times*, March 26, relates to the debt of Mississippi:—In the last news from the United States I read that Governor Alcorn, of Mississippi, was inaugurated at Jackson, on the 10th inst., in the presence of an immense multitude, when, among the fustian, he said that it was with profound emotion he received from the hand of a conqueror the crown of civil law, and with a mingled feeling of pain and pleasure that he bound it on the queenly brow of Mississippi. As an unfortunate holder of many thousands of dollars of Mississippi State Bonds, bearing date March 1, 1833, with interest due from 1840, and most of the principal post due, may I enter in your columns my protest against this shameful grandiloquence?

Cornelius O'Dowd tells a good story of the elder Matthews, whose great affliction in life was that he never was able to lose anything. Walking one day with a well-dressed man of fashion, Matthews suddenly found out that his gloves were in the shabbiest possible condition. They were torn, soiled, and worse still, they had been mended. Eager to divest himself of such obnoxious properties, he rolled them up furtively together, and as they were passing over Westminister bridge at the time, he seized a favorable moment to jerk them into the Thames. Like a man who had relieved his bosom, he now strode along, head erect and conscience easy; but scarcely had he reached the Southwark side when a waterman accosted him with the fatal gloves in hand, saying, "I saw your honor when you dropped them, and had a sharp bit of a row to catch them with the falling tide."

NARROW ESCAPE.—On Sunday afternoon, a somewhat singular accident occurred in this town. Mr. W. Douglas, accompanied by a lady friend, were out driving—the horse being the celebrated racer, "Clarion." Having driven out of town westward, they were returning; and at the east end of the stone bridge overtook a carriage and team likewise coming eastward.—Clarion being a fast walker drew up along side of the team of colts, when one of them commenced to act rather fractiously, and the team started off at a more rapid pace. Mr. Douglas then drew a tight rein on Clarion, when he commenced to rear up, and did not seem inclined to proceed. While rearing the horse was struck with a whip by Mr. D., when it immediately wheeled across the road, and with a single bound, lifting the carriage from the ground, jumped from the road over a large railing pole about a foot from the ground, and down an embankment about five feet high, clearing over twenty feet of ground the first jump and sixteen at the second—then running in rear of the storehouse was safely held up.—Strange to say, both occupants of the carriage retained their seats during this fearful adventure, and no damage whatever was done—other than the shaking of nerves.—*Bowmanville Statesman.*

The Emperor of the French is now in his sixty-second year, twenty-two of which have been spent amid the cares and responsibilities of the most trying position in the world. He has survived ORSINI bombs, lumbago and the Œcumenical Council with the constitution of a salamander Yet, as his family has not been noted for longevity, it may be expected that his end is drawing near. It is very difficult, however, to make out when he is really sick. The bulletins which are so often issued about his health have such a close and intimate connection with the Bourse that there is no end to the bulls and bears. When he is in good health and spirits the bulls are happy; when he is stretched out for dead the bears rejoice and are exceeding glad. Then again the dynasty and of the empire, in its present disturbed condition, require that people should believe that his life is good for forty years to come. Little reliance, therefore, can be placed upon the official reports which from time to time appears in the *Moniteur Officiel* concerning his mind and body. There is little doubt that he will die on the throne, the only French sovereign who has done so during the past century, with the exception LOUIS XV and LOUIS XVIII; and he latter was fully entitled to the privilege, having endured twenty-two years' exile.

GENERAL GRANT.—In the course of an article upon certain of General Grant's proposal's, the *Spectator* says:—"That General Grant is not a political economist we are not surprised to find. That he is without that practical sagacity which knows where to seek good advice even on technical subject, we are somewhat surprised and extreemly sorry to find. He has sent a message to Congress supporting deliberately the idiotic proposal to spend the funds of Government on the foundation of a shipping trade. He considers it a "national humiliation" that America should pay for the use of foreign shipping,—why not equally that she should pay for the use of foreign tea?—and regards it as 'casting money into the sea as far as America is concerned,'—but that is precisely what General Grant proposes to do, rather than what America now does. 'The building of ships and navigating them utilises a vast capital at home,' says General Grant. No doubt it does, but paying a vast capital for the utilisation of another vast capital is not thrift. In fact, what the President proposes to do is to buy back the lost shipping trade. No doubt his is possible. Any tradesman may buy an enormous trade by offering to give money *with* his goods instead of taking money *for* them, and this is exactly what General Grant means, though he does not know it. And really that is *not* profitable work, and even the United States cannot afford to do it long."

A Paris grocer of Imperialist views ornaments his shop windows with a bust of Rochefort, done in lard, with prunes for eyes.

Under pretence of peddling essences, a thief administered chloroform to a Chicago lady in her house the other day, and robbed it.

At the latest fashionable Hotel de Ville ball, in Paris, it is estimated that the ladies present wore $1,300 worth of false hair.

The Belleville merchants have decided that after the 15th they will take American silver at the government rate of discount of 20 per cent.

A new fashion is being introduced. Ladies are now having fans made in the shape of pistols and daggers. It is rather a curious sight to see the blushing, timid Miss Fawn drawing her ivory "revolver," or Miss Stern, a strong minded young lady, toying ferociously with her dagger, which she suddenly turns into a fan.

PERSONAL.—Mr. J Kennedy, of the firm J. Costello & Co., has returned from Montreal after having made spring purchases. The stock now being opened out by this old established house is very large, and comprises all the novelties of the season. Gentlemen wishing to have a spring suit fashionably made, will have their case attended to by Mr. Beswick, who still superintends the tailoring department. *Special inducements offered in cotton goods.*

SPOTS ON THE SUN.—Astronomers are just now turning their glasses in the direction of the sun, that luminary having lately broken out in a perfect rash of spots, some of them of enormous size.—No less than eight groups of spots are visible, and the largest single spot covers a superficial area of not less than one thousand four hundred and fifty-eight millions of square miles, or seven times the superficies of the terraqueous globe.

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BIRTH.

In Omemee, on Thursday the 7th instant, the wife of Dr. Norris, of a son.

MARRIED.

On the 13th inst., in Christ Church, Omemee, by the Rev. W. H. Jones, M. A., Incumbent, Charles Stewart Jewett, Esq., of Lindsay, to Miss Maggie Davidson, of Omemee. No Cards.

By the Rev. W. R. Barker, on the 5th of April, Mr. Samuel Johnson, Fenelon, to Miss Mary Ann Windram, of Verulam.

Died.

On Monday, the 18th inst, the wife of Mr. J. L. Winters, aged 42 years.

The Funeral will take place this (Wednesday) afternoon at 4 o'clock, and proceed to the Protestant cemetery.

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