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The Fenelon Falls Gazette
Saturday, Feb'y 25th, 1882.
The Manitoba Craze.

The Manitoba craze has struck Fenelon Falls as hard as it has any other place in the Dominion, and this village is likely to contribute more than its fair proportion of the immigrants expected to flock into the prairie province within the next few weeks. Exactly how many are going we do not know, but about twenty persons are freely mentioned as entertaining migratory intentions, though possibly rumour may be mistaken as to some of them. Mr. Thos. Lockhart, who left here on the 3rd of January and is now in Brandon, sends such glowing accounts of the place and the country around it that all who read his letters wish they were there also; and Mr. J. W. Kennedy, who paid a flying visit to Winnipeg, was so well satisfied with what he saw that he returned for good as soon as he could wind up his business here, and his family, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Newman, are soon to follow him. On Monday morning next, if nothing occur in the meantime to prevent it, Mr. Noble Ingram and Mr. John Brandon will leave in company for a few weeks' trip through the North-West, and if on their return they give an encouraging report, no doubt several others who are now in a state of dabbety will make the modern "grand tour" also. Of course all who go hope, and the great majority of them confidently expect to make money; and when we hear of the fabulous profits that have been made on small investments by lucky speculators, it is no wonder that an impression is abroad that whoever gets possession of a corner lot in one of the cities of the future or a few acres in its immediate vicinity is on the high road to fortune. We hardly know what to think about it. There can be no doubt at all that a very large number of persons have bought property for a few hundreds of dollars and sold it again for as many thousands; but how the giver of the thousands prospered we have yet to learn. Probably, when the excitement of the craze is over the list of killed and wounded will be found appallingly large; but for all that we are inclined to think that for those who are not liable to go crazy, but can speculate coolly and calmly—who are willing to wait and do not expect too much—Manitoba and the North-West afford numerous and safe chances for investment. The territory is enormously large, and as it is bound to be settled in the course of time, and villages, towns and cities by the hundred must necessarily be built, it follows as a matter of course that property is sure to rise, and that those who buy it while it is cheap can hardly fail to reap, sooner or later, a satisfactory profit on their investments. But by all means let intending purchasers "look before they leap"—let them be certain, either from personal inspection or from reliable testimony, that they are not sinking their money in a swamp or pond hole; for there are hawks abroad ready to pluck luckless pigeons who may fall into their clutches, and one of the ways in which they accomplish their end is explained in an article to be found in another column.

Village Council Proceedings.
Fenelon Falls, Feb. 14, 1882.
A special meeting of the council was held in the council chamber. Present, councillors Fitzgerald, Smith and Thomson, and the reeve in the chair.
That whereas a deficiency has been found in the moneys of the municipality of Fenelon Falls, held in keeping by James Cameron, late treasurer of the municipality and whereas the said Jas. Cameron cannot pay over the amount in default, it is
Moved by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Smith, That the reeve be instructed to personally notify Messrs.

William Jordan and George Martin, securities for said treasurer, that this council will hold them jointly and severally liable for the amount of the default, and to request the payment of the said money in default at once.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Thomson, That R. C. Smith's due bill and Greene & Ellis' cheque for taxes for the year 1881 be collected forthwith in cash.—Carried.

The council then adjourned.

Fenelon Falls, Feb. 20, 1882.
The council met pursuant to adjournment. The reeve in the chair. Members present, Messrs. Fitzgerald, Thomson and Sandford. Minutes of last two meetings read and approved. Mr. Smith entered and took his seat.
Moved by Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Sandford, That we lay over the matter of the late treasurer's default until next Monday evening, the 27th inst.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Thomson, That the auditors' report of the school board be laid over for one week.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sandford, seconded by Mr. Smith, That the auditors be instructed to make a provisional audit of the school accounts up to date.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Smith, That By-law No. — be now introduced and read a first time.—Carried.

By-law read a second time in committee of the whole. Mr. Fitzgerald in the chair, and without amendment. By-law read a third time and passed in the usual way.

Moved by Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Sandford, That M. H. Cochrane be paid the sum of four dollars for serving personal notice on George Martin and Wm. Jordan, securities for the late treasurer, also that the sum of seventy-five cents be paid the reeve for search in registry office, and that the reeve give his orders for the same.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Sandford, That the council do now adjourn, to meet at the call of the reeve.—Carried.

Bury's Green.
(Correspondence of the Gazette.)
LYNX.—An abominable lynx keeps up a hideous din through the woods here at night. Several threats have been made, but as yet the killing has not been accomplished.

EARLY LAMBS.—On going to attend to his horses one night last week Mr. Wm. Dobson was joyfully surprised to find in the sheep pen a fine young lamb. This is the second lamb this season in this place.

ENTREPRISE.—These prairie horses owned by Messrs. Dobson & Newhouse, and which were the pride of the settlement, were sold to Mr. Samuel Grandy, of Bethany, for the handsome sum of \$400. Farming does pay after all.

RECOVERY.—The numerous friends of Mr. John Dobson will be pleased to learn that under the skillful treatment of Dr. Wilson he is again able to be about. Dr. Wilson is also attending several patients here, from which favourable reports are heard. We wish them good health again.

PLEASANT HOURS.—Miss Mattie Moore, who, although young, has for a number of years been gathering pieces for a quilt, which was brought to its proper size last week. To celebrate this event Miss Mattie's friends were requested to come and aid in the quilting, which was done on Saturday afternoon. A very pleasant party was then organized for the evening hours, during which a number of innocent games and plays were performed. The members of the party dispersed for their several homes about 10 o'clock, all exceedingly well pleased.

NOTES.—Snow all gone.—Sickness on the increase.—S. S. No. 7 closed during the week—caused by sickness.—A pocket book containing \$92 in Toronto Bank bills lost.—Mr. James Thompson has been visiting his father, who is ill.—Miss Ellie and Libbie Dunseath seriously ill.—Three robbers were seen on Tuesday last.—Indications of a snow storm.

Powles' Corners.
Correspondence of the Gazette.
SHIPPING.—Several of the Grangers are shipping their grain from Hall's Crossing to Port Hope.

RECOVERING.—We are glad to see Mr. R. C. Webster recovering so as to be able to move about the house. It will be some time before Mr. Webster will be able to work.

DEMAND FOR HORSES.—Not a week passes but there is one or more persons looking for horses to buy. One farmer near here has fourteen head. He is aware of the future demand.

FARMING PAYS.—Mr. S. McGee made eleven hundred dollars off his farm last year. His farm contains 100 acres and is divided into 15 acre fields by stone fences. Mr. McGee has over a mile and a quarter of stone fence on his farm. Large quantities of ties, posts and telegraph poles have been delivered at Hall's Crossing.

CORRECTION.—In our account last week of the concert in Bethel Church it was stated that the receipts were \$50 55. It should have been \$55 50.

ICE.—The ice harvest is in full blast, and sleighs laden with large blocks, about twenty inches thick pass our office almost hourly on their way from Cameron lake to the various ice houses in the village.

BUSINESS CHANGE.—Mr. Samuel Newman, of this village, has sold out his grocery business to Mr. Samuel Johnson, of Verulam, who will no doubt figure in our advertising columns as soon as he has made the contemplated addition to his stock of goods.

NEW TIME TABLE.—There is, we understand, to be a new time table on the Victoria Railway, to come into force on the 1st of March. All that we have heard so far is that a train will leave Haliburton in the morning and run right through to Whitley, and that by

the new arrangement people from Fenelon Falls will have more time to spend in Lindsay than they have at present.

A SHOWER OF SAWDUST.—Last Sunday morning about daybreak a shower of what appeared to be sawdust, mixed with basswood bark ground up fine and the hulls of oats and other grain, fell in some parts of this village and the surrounding country. Where it came from, no one knows, and everybody is trying to conjecture. It appears that there was a whirlwind passed over Buffalo on Saturday, and some think the stuff may have been brought from there, but this is a rather "far fetched" supposition.

SOCIAL.—On the evening of Friday, the 17th inst., a social was given by Mrs. A. Knox, of the Bethel Church congregation, and at the hour appointed her house was well filled, although the roads were in such a condition as to be fit for neither sleighs nor waggon. Everything passed off very pleasantly, and the total receipts were \$16 45, of which \$3 25 was contributed by friends who were unable to attend. This is considered pretty good for the first social in that neighbourhood. The next is to be held at Mr. Wm. Martin's on Friday, March 3rd. Admission, 15 cents.

A SECOND WINTER.—This time last week the weather was as spring-like as it generally is two months later, but early on Sunday morning there was a heavy fall of sleet, and as there has been more or less snow every day since, the sleighing is quite good again. The old saying that a bright and clear Candlemas Day indicates a second winter in the same year appears to hold good in this instance. Occasionally, however, the air is so mild and the sun shines out with such power that a thaw may set in at any moment, though it is much to be desired that the snow may last for at least a couple of weeks.

STILL ANOTHER.—Mr. H. W. Greene, ex-reeve of Fenelon Falls, has followed the example of Mr. Wm. Jordan, school trustee, and discontinued his subscription to the Gazette. Incidents of this kind are truly encouraging, showing that our little paper, instead of being a miserable nonentity, like so many village publications, is capable of making an impression on the highest intellects and the toughest sensibilities. Ordinary individuals may subscribe for the Gazette or discontinue it without touching our emotions; but when we have convincing proof that august personages think enough of it to get "mad" at it we feel grateful indeed. It will be published every Friday, as usual, just the same as if the names of Messrs. Jordan and Greene were still on the subscription list.

A GOOD APPOINTMENT.—Mr. Wm. Fielding, of this village, has been appointed Crown Lands Agent at Minden, in place of Mr. J. W. Fitzgerald, resigned. We hear that there were no less than sixteen applicants for the office, and, without knowing who were more than five or six of them were, we venture the assertion that no one of them is better qualified to give satisfaction to the Government and to the public than Mr. Fielding is, as he possesses all the qualifications necessary to enable him to perform to perfection the duties that will devolve upon him. It will perhaps be satisfactory to the disappointed candidates to learn that no disparagement of their claims or merits is to be inferred from the appointment of Mr. Fielding, as he was long ago virtually promised the office in the event of its becoming vacant.

District News.
SWEET.—Yesterday we were favored by the sight of an old-fashioned bridal procession, consisting of five couples, headed by the groom and bride, gorgeously arrayed in bridal attire, parading the streets. They looked sweet.—Orilia Times.

IMMIGRATION.—At an informal meeting held in Messrs. Poussette & Roger's office, on Thursday morning, called at the invitation of the Rev. Wm. Bennett, to consider the question of assisting emigrants to the settlement of improved farms in this country, it was considered advisable to call a more general meeting, with the view of forming some organization for this purpose, and Mr. Bennett was requested to take the necessary steps to have such meeting called.—Port Hope Review.

NEW BANK.—Mr. Stanley Paterson has organized a local banking institution with a capital of \$100,000, and has accepted the position of President. We have often wondered how it was that such an institution had not been established here before, as nearly every town of an equal size has one successfully working. They supply a want sometimes very severely felt, as they can make advances on securities that a bank issuing paper by its charter is not allowed to do. Mr. Paterson's well pronounced ability is a guarantee of its success.—Port Hope Guide.

CAR PAINTING.—All the coaches of Midland and Grand Junction lines of railway are to be taken to the Midland shops in Port Hope to be re-painted. Two have already been turned out, and are vastly improved in appearance; and three more, a Grand Junction and two Midland coaches, are at present undergoing renovation, and will be out in a few days. The work is under the superintendence of Mr. R. Fogarty, who has twelve painters engaged, and has instructions to push the work as rapidly as possible. It will take a month or more with the present force to complete the job. The colour of the cars is a bright yellow, relieved by the usual ornamental scrollwork.—Port Hope Times.

PUSHING AHEAD.—Mr. George Wheeler, M. P., contractor for the Wick and Manilla section of the Toronto and Ottawa railway, is pushing the work ahead rapidly. A large number of men are getting out ties and fencing material, and about twenty men are chopping out the five miles of bush on the line. Forty men are at work grading on the heavy cuts near Manilla and at the Wick end. In all over 100 men are engaged. All ties, culvert, cattle-guard and bridge timber will be got out this winter, and the heavy earthwork will be completed by spring, when additional men and teams will be added, so as to

complete the line ready for traffic early in the coming summer.—Woodville Advertiser.

IMPORTED CLYDES.—On Thursday last four splendid Clydesdale mares were landed at Whitley by Messrs. Jeffrey brothers. They are part of the purchase made last fall by Mr. H. Jeffrey during his last visit to Scotland, and all arrived in first rate condition. Such splendid specimens of the true Clyde, and arriving in such fair condition at this season of the year, have been rarely imported. They are just the kind of mares now in request, and in fact much needed in this section, where extensive purchases of our neighbours across the lines have depleted the country of the best animals. We are pleased to be in a condition to chronicle this further instance of the enterprise of the Messrs. Jeffrey, who cannot fail to find themselves recompensed for their outlay in securing such splendid specimens of just what was wanted. The ages of the mares are three and four years—two of each.—Chronicle.

Indian Depredations.
TRADERS MURDERED & CATTLE KILLED.
BATTLEFORD, Feb. 21.—The southern mail arrived on the 17th and reports as follows:—There is a large camp of Blackfeet at the forks of the Red Deer and South Branch. They have killed fourteen cattle, supposed to belong to the Cochrane cattle ranch, and five belonging to Pierre Laville and his brother. The latter are settlers of that place. It further reports that Bloods have killed over a hundred head of the same ranch. In Bow River County an American whisky trader was shot while trading with the Blackfeet. Maxime Patris and his brother were found dead with two Americans close beside their waggon, supposed to have been killed by Indians. At Crow Creek Reserve the Sioux stole two hundred head of horses. They were followed across the line, and the horses taken back. The American authorities interfered, making prisoners of the owners of the animals. They have been sent free, but their horses still remain on the American side. The reports say that the Blackfeet took Inspector Dickens a prisoner, and after a few days he was released by Superintendent Crosier and his party.

Fatal Fire at Ameliasburg.
THREE CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.
Last Monday morning the dwelling-house of Joseph Moody, farm labourer, was destroyed by fire, and his three little children, all girls, aged respectively four years, two years, and nine months, perished, sad to relate, in the flames. Mrs. Moody, having occasion to go to the house of a neighbour named Cunningham, distant about twenty rods, went on a coat she had been making for one of the family, left her children by themselves, thinking nothing could happen to them during her brief absence, as the eldest was remarkably bright and intelligent and neither of the others was able to walk. About ten o'clock Mr. Cunningham, who was working outside, saw smoke arising near Moody's house and set off in that direction, followed almost immediately by Mrs. Moody, who ran with such speed that she passed him and reached the house first. She opened the door, but as she did so a volume of smoke and flame burst forth and drove her back. The whole interior of the little house was filled with flames. Mr. Cunningham then arrived, and the agonized mother, with white face and wild eyes, turned to him with the cry, "Oh, for God's sake save my children, my three little ones!" He got down on his hands and knees and attempted to crawl into the house, but he might as well have tried to enter a furnace when in full glow. His belief is that the children were all dead before he arrived, as he heard no noise. During the conflagration Mrs. Moody was utterly beside herself, and it was only by sheer force that she was prevented from rushing into the midst of the fire. As the body of the eldest child was found where the bed stood, the supposition is that her clothes caught fire, and that in her fright and bewilderment she got into the bed.

Terrible Explosion.
SOME FIFTEEN LIVES LOST.
CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 17.—An explosion occurred at the pyrotechnic works of Prof. Jackson (formerly the Admiral Porter homestead) here this morning. The firemen were exhausted by last night's labours at the Military Academy fire, but gathered quickly to the alarm. A large crowd gathered near the scene. The coloured people and their effects were removed from the old mansions, and the firemen after it, it is asserted, being assured there was no powder in the place, began to flood the house. After about half an hour a terrific explosion suddenly occurred, and the bodies of men were thrown several feet high. The air was filled with rubbish, and the ground covered with victims. The shock was keenly felt throughout the city. The scene was one of intense excitement and distress. Dead bodies lay coiled on the ground. Others laboured in the agonies of death; a number were writhing in blood, and moaned and groaned piteously for help; many were insensible, and others, scratched and bruised, with their eyes filled with dust and smoke, groped their way from the scene. The calamity was the greatest that ever befel Chester.

The scene beggars description. The loud report brought hundreds of citizens to the place. People prayed in the open streets, and the shrieks of the dying were appalling. The fire was abandoned, and everybody in a position to do so turned their attention to alleviating the distress. All the physicians in the city were sent for, and the houses in the vicinity converted into hospitals. Fifteen persons were killed on the spot and about seventy-five wounded, of whom some have since died. The coroner is holding an inquest.

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 19.—It is stated that the Porter Mansion was used dur-

ing the war as a manufactory for Greek fire. The manufacturer died suddenly, and it is thought some of this compound may have been stored in the annex attic. Not a stone of this building is left. Even the foundations are displaced. Jackson himself seems ignorant of the cause of the explosion.

Speculation Run Mad.
The Toronto World's disclosure of the modus operandi of some of the agents and speculators is quite interesting. Among other particularly bold statements are the following: To the land superiors, Manitoba furnishes the "suckers," and they are caught in this way: Four or five shanks go to work and get a tract of land of 500 acres. Smith, Brown, Jones, Robinson and Dickson are the proprietors, and they have it all in one name, say Smith. Along comes Brown, and he offers Smith \$5 an acre for the 500 acres. The sale is made and duly registered. Jones now steps up to Brown and offers him \$14 an acre. They finally close at \$16. It is now Robinson's turn to go to Jones and offer him \$5,000 for 100 acres. Dickson buys another 100 acres for \$6,000. All these transactions, but not a dollar passes hands. Now the time has arrived to look out for Ontario suckers. Accordingly Robinson and Dickson hire themselves off to Ontario to exhibit their scheme. By this time it is knocked out of Ontario is shown the plans. He is told of how that land bought for \$2 has changed hands repeatedly at \$5, \$10, \$20, \$30 and \$50. He is shown the registered transfers—and the boom has now commenced. The Ontario dupe believes what he is told, buys the land, and then the big five go home and divide. People cannot be too careful as to the titles of the land they are buying. Once a man has the land fever he'll tell you anything or give you any assurance in order to make a sale.

Canadian Competition.
The London Farmer and Chamber of Agricultural Journal in an article on "Canadian competition" says:—
"Only a very small portion of the vast and rich wheat land has yet been brought under cultivation, but it will be developed with increasing rapidity during the next four years. The grain carrying trade which Montreal has been competing for with other Atlantic ports will, therefore, in all probability be vastly greater and more profitable in the future than it is at present, and as the wheat centre moves north the greater is the Canadian advantage in the race.
Nor has Montreal alone to be reckoned with. There appears, with the recent development of Manitoba, to be some serious chance of Hudson's Bay being opened up and a regular port established at the S. W. corner of that vast ocean inlet. The sea voyage straight to England would be very cheap—far cheaper than any existing tariff—and it is asserted that the whole course of the vessel would be safe and unimpeded by ice eight months out of the twelve. The present season is merely a fall; there is no real abatement of competition, but, on the contrary, a largely developed trade from the American North-West must be faced as one of the leading contingencies of the immediate future.

A Horrible Story.
The following horrible story, from the township of Carrick is given by the Walkerton Herald:—About two miles from Midland in the township of Carrick on Thursday, 26th ult., a man by the name of Whitlover flogged his wife, and she fled somewhere for safety. A short while after he sent his little daughter to a neighbouring house, where he thought his wife was, but she was not there. The child being afraid to return, he flew into a fit of rage. He then placed straw around the stove-pipe upstairs, pouring coal oil on the straw, also on a pile of combustibles in the cellar below, then he set fire to the materials, locked the door, leaving two children inside, one two years of age and an infant in the cradle; then went to the stable and chopped the backs of two cows asunder with an axe, and then took the morning train southwards. The house did not burn owing to the green lumber the fire was kindled on. In the morning the neighbours became alarmed, went and broke into the house, and found the eldest child standing by the cradle crying, with his feet and legs frozen to the knees, hands frozen and arms partly, and the infant numb and cold, but not frozen. The mother up to this date has not turned up.

A Fraud.
About the beginning of the year a very polite and fascinating agent visited Port Hope canvassing for the Lady's Bazaar, a paper published at 104 Chambers street, New York, not the Frank Leslie Publishing Co. The subscription price is \$2 per annum; a large chromo for an extra 50 cents was given, and a December number of the magazine. No January number appearing, one of the young ladies wrote to the publisher. The following is a copy of the letter in reply:
New York, Jan. 23, 1882.
We regret to say that you have been defrauded. We have no agents, and this fact we advertised conspicuously on the face of our papers. Yours is now the fourth case from Port Hope where money has been fraudulently procured.
Respectfully yours,
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Female Prisoners Revolt.
On Friday evening 11 females in the Montreal gaol broke into open revolt against the authorities, and the Sisters of Charity being unable to quell them with their three keepers were obliged to send for reinforcements to the gaol guard. The latter sent over a posse of men, and these found that the women had armed themselves for the fray. After a short sharp fight, in which one of the male guardians was knocked down with a chain in the hands of a virago, the women were each imprisoned separately.

A Lieutenant-Governor's Fortune.
OTTAWA, Feb. 22.—Yesterday Hon. Mr. Cauchon, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, who is at present in the city, received a telegram from his agent at Winnipeg to the effect that he had sold 470 acres of his land at St. Boniface, opposite Point Douglas, for the handsome sum of \$233,000. This is but one of a number of good speculations made by Mr. Cauchon, and he is still the holder of many other parcels of land which are daily increasing in value. It is said he has cleared a million dollars so far out of his North-West speculations.

A Farmer's Will.
An old farmer living about twelve miles west of Guelph died recently, says the Mercury, leaving a will, of which the substance is as follows:—The son works the farm until his stepmother's death, at the end of which time he has to commence paying instalments on \$3,000 of the rest of the family at a yearly rate of \$30 a year, and when he gets all paid off he will then get the farm into his own possession. It will be seen that after the stepmother's death it will be 60 years before the son gets the farm, and as the woman is yet in the prime of life and healthy, it is calculated she may live another 40 years. The son is now 30 years of age, and when he can claim the farm, by this reckoning, he will be 130 years old. The old man must either have thought life is much longer than it is, or else he was afraid his boy might turn a spendthrift if allowed to get the property sooner.

An Incident in Church.
There was an amusing incident at a Catholic Church fair in New York last week. When the fair opened a jolly butcher named Jack Shea stood up and said:—"I've an idea. I hold in my hand a common leather medal shield, which says on its face 'To be given to the most unpopulous man in the twenty-second ward.' By paying ten cents you can vote for any man when you consider a terrier or cleat him to the medal if he gets enough votes." The idea took at once, but in a manner that amazed Mr. Shea, for somebody immediately plumped one hundred and three votes for him. He and his friends at once began a desperate struggle to avert the medal, but for a long time he led the poll in spite of the best efforts. Finally they concentrated on a rival butcher named Mike Scanlan, and made him the favorite of the crowd. He won it in the end by a vote of 32,436. A little figuring will show that Mr. Shea's advice cost himself and his friends precisely \$3,243.60.

A Shower of Glass.
BUFFALO, Feb. 21.—A serious accident occurred at the Central Depot this morning, that for a moment promised to be a repetition of the calamity of a year ago. At precisely 10:45 a whirlwind struck the eastern end of the depot and passed through the train shed, scattering ruin everywhere. The vulnerable point was the glass skylighting that runs a long ridge of the roof. The building is 800 feet long and crowned with sixteen rows of thick glass in squares of 28 by 58 inches surface. A large number of these panes, which are stated to weigh twenty-five pounds each, were loosened in an instant and came crashing down in every direction, some flying over the main depot and across Exchange-street against the buildings there. The panes broken will reach thousands, but no estimate can be had at this writing. Two trains were due at this time, but fortunately neither had arrived. The employees and others about the depot were badly frightened, and with good reason, for the glass crashed through windows into the offices above and below and cut great gashes through the iron roofing. No one was injured so far as ascertained.

There has been serious damage by flood in the Mississippi valley.
Rev. Egerton Ryerson, formerly Superintendent of Education, died in Toronto on Sunday morning.
Two coloured convicts escaped from the Central Prison at Toronto last Saturday, but were captured by a guard who boarded a Great Western train, got ahead of the runaway, and levelled a gun at them when they crept through a fence at Parkdale.
During the services in a church in a small Spanish town near Madrid, on last Christmas eve, the congregation was startled by the sudden entrance of a pack of famished wolves. Before they were driven out the wolves had killed three persons outright and seriously wounded five others. It is said that a quick-witted acrobat, who ascended the pulpit while every one else was dumb with terror, and began to imitate the noise of a loud-barking dog, had much to do with the flight of the wild beasts.
The State of California has purchased a tribe of Alaska Indians as a relic of rare beauty, weighing 100 lbs. The meteor was seen to fall by one of the oldest Indians in Chilean, over a century ago, and has been in possession of his descendants until its purchase by an agent of the State. It is described as being exceedingly irregular in shape, the projecting points being as bright as if they had been burnished. It has been christened the Chilean meteor, in honor of the locality from which it was procured.