

OTTAWA CORRESPONDENCE.

(From our own Correspondent.)
The splendid sleighing in this section, together with the approach of the holidays, has given an increased impetus to trade, and the merchants are gathering in the wherewithal to relieve them from the embarrassing positions in which some of them were placed by the late financial crisis. Although the matter was kept quiet, still it is generally known that some half-a-dozen of the leading business-men of the city—dry goods and grocers—were compelled to succumb to the force of circumstances, and place their stocks in the hands of their creditors. But now the

TIGHTNESS IN THE MONEY MARKET has been relieved, and the prospect of more failures dissipated. The market here is generally very large, there being often as many as three hundred teams, laden with hay, wood, and farmer's produce, on the stand and adjoining streets at one time. Articles of domestic economy have generally been on the high side, but as everything is coming in plentiful now, the prices are more reasonable, and poor people have an opportunity of enjoying some of the fatness of the land. Sometimes the hucksters

PRODUCE A CORNER when the market is not very large, by purchasing up all of some article that is in demand, before the proper hour, and then retailing at exorbitant figures. This game is generally played by buying up turkeys, geese and chickens; but it has been put a stop to by the prompt action of the police, and several of the "bulls" have been brought before the Police Magistrate and fined. Hay has been bringing from \$20 to \$23 per ton, but has gone down as low as \$17. Oats are scarce, and worth 42 cents per bushel. Wood brings \$5 per cord, but coal is principally used in the city.

BUILDING OPERATIONS have about closed for the season, although preparations for their resumption in the spring are exceedingly lively. During the year that is just closing there has, or are now in course of construction, something over 200 buildings, the amount expended being in round figures, \$1,025,000! In the two wards in the western or new portion of the city, which is growing rapidly, the amount expended for buildings totaled up to \$750,000. Among the structures erected in this part are four elegant stone churches, two educational institutions, three banks, and one orphan's asylum, all of which are elegant buildings. Ottawa seems to have entered upon an era of prosperity which will soon place her in the front rank, commercially as well as politically, of the cities of the Dominion. During the past week

HIS EXCELLENCY, LORD DUFFERIN, has visited the Ottawa Ladies' College and the Christian Brother's School, and has shown considerable interest in learning the systems of education adopted in this new country. While at the College, he was particularly in ascertaining whether the art of cooking was taught or not, its necessity having undoubtedly been awakened by the perceptible scarcity of domestic help, in various parts of the country.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS closed for the usual Christmas holidays on Friday, and this (Monday) evening a grand concert was held in the Rink Music Hall. Singing is taught regularly in the schools by Prof. Workman, formerly of Cobourg, and the vocal music given by the children reflected the highest credit on that gentleman's ability and untiring energy. Over \$200 worth of book prizes were distributed to the pupils, besides which there were two valuable gold medals and eight silver ones, given to the pupils who stood highest in each of the public schools, and those in each division, by Mr. William Young. This gentleman is noted for his liberality and enterprise, and has recently been appointed as

CHIEF OF THE OTTAWA FIRE BRIGADE for which respectable position he is fully competent. The various other schools in the city are also rendered vacant by the absence of the pupils. The assizes have just been held, and the docket presented this term was the largest probably that this county has ever furnished, although there were not over half-a-dozen criminal cases, the most being civil cases, Judge Armstrong, in his address, attributed the

INCREASE OF VICE AND CRIME to the use of intoxicating liquors, in which the Jury, in bringing in their presentment, fully concurred. The Judge appeared to have been in a merciful mood during the sitting of the Court, as the sentences which he passed on those found guilty, were extremely light. In the

NEWSPAPER LINE, there has been quite a change lately. A one-cent daily, called the *Evening Star*, appeared on the horizon, but its brilliancy is not such as would indicate that it will not soon sink to rise no more. The *Free Press*, the popular paper, has recently put on a new dress and makes a good appearance. The Holland brothers—George and Andrew—have purchased a half-interest in the *Citizen*. They are both deserving young men, being energetic and enterprising, and should succeed in business. G.H.F. December 23rd, 1872.

TORONTO CORRESPONDENCE.

(From our own Correspondent.)
On the South side of King st., opposite Toronto st., and facing the new Post Office, which rears its tall and elegant proportions at the north end of the street—stands a dingy looking building with at least the dust of twenty years unswept from its grimy walls. Over its oft-trodden and uninviting door-way waves a depraved Union Jack, which certainly looks as if it had "braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze." It is in keeping with the rest of the building, and the stranger might or might not distinguish a faint flutter to indicate its presence. This is Coate's Auction Rooms. It may or it may not be the dearest place in the city to buy anything in, but as the auctioneer and the public are at variance on that subject, we will not discuss it. To this building four correspondents have resorted every evening of the past week to witness Shaw's Great Book Sale, and to feel the pulse of the book market. The auctioneer, who is a Toronto man himself, complains bitterly that we are not a book-buying people, and draws disparaging contrasts between his Toronto sales, and those he has made in Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis, and New Orleans. I would be inclined to view this as only a trick of trade, as I could not distinguish any difference between his prices and the retail market, were it not that I heard a prominent clergyman of this city giving utterance to the same sentiments on the platform of the Sunday School Institute now being held in this city. Shaw, he of the lending library on King street, is a broad-shouldered, deep-chested, red-haired Irishman of the middle height who has all the volubility and volume of voice of the successful auctioneer. He shows an extensive knowledge not only of the book trade, but of books, and has frequently provoked applause from his motley audience by his eloquent recitation from memory of extracts from the works under the hammer. The poets are still in the ascendant, Byron, Burns, Moore, Scott, and the older poets commanding a ready sale. Burns still enjoys the undisputed pre-eminence of being the people's poet. His works were eagerly bought at auctioneer prices, being nearly six to one of the other poets. Longfellow and Tennyson were looked upon with distrust, I suppose as being incomplete. The Dore Gallery, an immense book, crammed with the favourite pictorial works of that great artist, went for the extremely low price of \$30. The Dore Bible, two superb volumes, was knocked down at \$19 per volume. I think Boan's reproduction of the famous steel engravings of Hogarth went for \$30. The last works were sold very low, considerably lower than the London retail price. There was a large and varied assortment of books.

An Artist's Sale took place on Saturday afternoon, with very indifferent results. Two oil paintings, by Verner, of great merit, severally entitled "Portage, Muskoka River," and "Encampment, Muskoka River," went for the ridiculous sum of \$14 apiece. "Eagle Rocks, Labrador," by the same artist, fetched \$45. Paintings in water colours seemed to be more in favour. "Eugenia Falls, Beaver River, Ontario," by C. S. Millard, in water colours, was knocked down at \$25. "A Canadian Dessert," a representation of Canadian fruits and wine, by Matthews, was bought for \$60. A very fine picture, "Black River, Muskoka," went for \$9. In short, it seemed as if the crowd, unable to judge of art, were bidding for the frames. There were over one hundred paintings sold all by Canadian artists, and if sold in any other country, would have been certain to command good prices.

ON Sunday, says the *Edinburgh Daily Review*, a certain well-known rev. doctor, after reading from the pulpit several announcements referring to Christian work in connection with his own church, said that he had received a great many other notices with requests that he would intimate them to his congregation, but as he was not a Sunday editor of the *North British Advertiser*, he declined to do so.

ONE of the most shocking vices of the present day is profanity. Go where you will, there comes from the lanes and the streets, and especially from street-corners, expressions of the most vulgar blasphemy. And some people's genius seems to find agreeable exercise in discovering some new combination of phrases whose horrid impiety will surpass all the multifarious forms of oaths hitherto recognized. Do these persons ever reflect how vulgar such conduct appears in the eyes of every honorable man? One could almost excuse people for speaking emphatically in the heat of passion; but to sit down quietly and breathe out plasmphy in ordinary conversation must be strongly characteristic of some place where none of us care to go. In the streets of this moral place called Collingwood we have heard little boys who could not count as high as their own age swearing, as if profanity had been the only language they ever learnt. But boys only do as they learn from their elders. No gentleman ever swears, and therefore he who swears does not deserve the name of gentleman. —*Collingwood Bulletin.*

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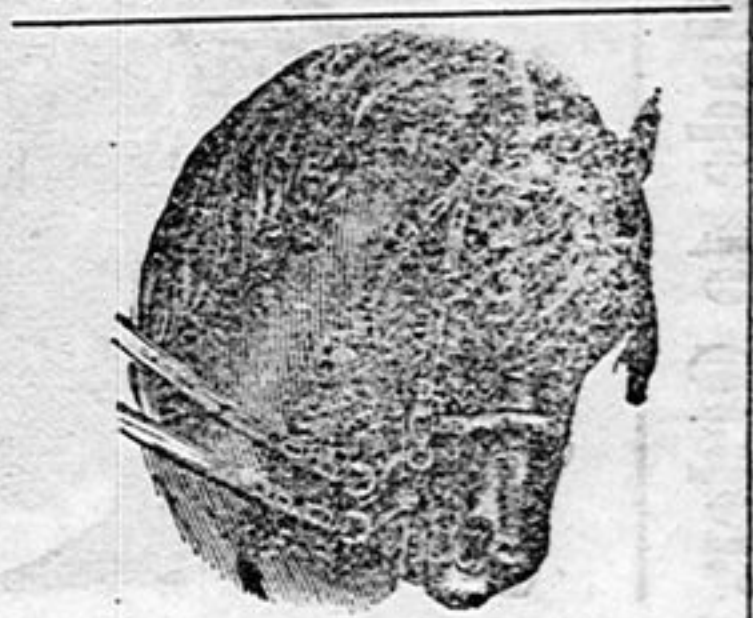
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