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## The Ottawa Cimes

OTTAWA, JANUARY 17, 1866.

FOR INTERESTING READING

larly from the carrier boys, are requested to leave word at the office that we may have the evil remedied.

cause of Mr. Brown's resignation was his op- tion is to be found, with, at this time, the ad- sympathize with criminals should not be in a Eagleson, Traversy and Heney had, also, their It is confidently stated here that the Feposition to an augmentation of the tariff to ditional advantage of the protection of the position to shield them from the punishment property insured, Mrs. Reynolds being unfor- nians will celebrate St. Patrick's Day in lett's office, but as his shutters did not reach equalize with that of our neighbors. To day fortifications now building. Just above the of the laws they violate. The Police Magistrate tunately uninsured, and losing, in consequence, the laws they violate. The Police Magistrate tunately uninsured, and losing, in consequence, shown itself. From whatever quarter or cause dissented from a fiscal policy hostile to the forms a bridge or jam, and the floating ice United States. Our radical friends are pulling from above rarely passes the extreme at both ends of the rope. Which way would western end of the island. The ice you prefer to have it, gentlemen? Mr. J. Sand- jams at this point from two field Macdonald's organ, the Peterborough the chief of which is the formation of the bat

There are various rumours affoat as to the ern shore to the point of the island. But in particular grounds of disagreement which have addition to that the Royal Engineers have led to Mr. Brown's retirement, Among other theories propounded was one to the effect that caused a pier to be erected to be used as a the remaining members of the Cabinet were | wharf, which will aid in the stoppage of the desirous of inaugurating a policy which might descending ice and in the early formation of be regarded as one of rivalry or hostility to the tions were concerned, and that Mr. Brown also, perhaps, be founds available; but the discretion the better part of valor, posted off were insured \$800. Loss double that amount. would not give in his adhesion to such a policy. distance from Quebec would render a railway at full speed to the house of a friend, fortu-Whatever may have been the point of diverg- almost an indispensible accompaniment. nately, not distant, for refuge. The latter, no adherents in the Cabinet. Mr. Howland, These remarks are, of course, nothing more who is a huntsman of no mean repute, heard the Postmaster-General, an old Reformer, and than suggestions which we throw out rather the story of the breathless and excited fugia former follower of Mr. Brown, after consultato provoke discussion upon this very essential tive with surprise, but soon bethought him of a tion with his friends in the west, not only continued in the Cabinet, but has succeeded in subject than to dogmatize upon a matter hunt for bruin's skin and carcass. Robert's the finding a suitable and influential member | about which we must be supposed to have gun was soon down, and prepared for service, of his party to fill the post vacated by Mr. very little practical knowledge. We shall, and the owner accompanied by his informant, Brown. This is the Hon. Ferguson Blair, a however, be highly gratified if our observa- sallied out to start the bear. After a long Brock Division ; and the selection seems likely | tions, in connexion with our contemporaries, ramble, and many fruitless efforts to raise the to meet with very general approbation. Mr. should induce those who are far more com-Blair was a member of the 'Macdonald-Dorion' adminstration, and on its fall in 1864 was sent for by the Governor-General to form a new public the benefit of their knowledge and ex-Cabinet, in which however he failed to suc- perience. It will not be irrelevant to notice

True, when put into English, for he didn't "succeed" when he "failed." Isn't that as the former Sheriff of Montreal, to whom what you mean friend Peterborough?

mercial relations with other countries are threatened with revision the practica- the Lachine Railway was the deceased genbility of the highway to the sea-board which nature has given to Canada becomes a matter of paramount importance. The winter navigation of the Lower St. Lawrence is one of those problems which time has yet to solve. Such discussions as have already taken place upon the subject have been fitful and discursive, resulting in no confirmation of its feasibility and leading to no practical experiment. Some of our con- It might be desirable that some investigation temporaries have lately reviewed the subject, should be made before the meeting of the and have placed the desirability of an earnest legislature. This duty appears to us to fall investigation before mercantile communities jointly upon the Boards of Trade at the ports of Montreal and Quebec. A Montreal journal remarks:-

tion of the Trinity House. "But there is another question in this connection, which we wish to ask; is the Lower St. Lawrence navigable in winter? If it were found to be so, the fact would in all probability impart a new aspect to the whole future of the Province and perhaps of all British North America. The history of winter navigation in Lower Canada is somewhat curious. So far as we are aware, the first successful effort of the sort, we owe to Mr. W. H. Coffin, formerly glad to learn that the above Company has sheriff of Montreal. Mr. Coffin was President just finished the laying of their wires to Ot of the Lachine Railway some fifteen or twenty years ago, and by his perseverance and tact he tawa, which is now connected with all the ded in placing a steam ferry boat on the St. Lawrence to ply between Lachiffe and The Company's Agent is now in town, and Caughnawaga. A rival company threw every is intended to open an office here, for the impediment in the way; the project was transaction of business, in a few days. abused, and ridiculed in pamphlets and newspapers, Mr. Coffin receiving a large share of the abuse and ridicule. He was told that the Monday evening, at the Skating Rink, a clu very idea of keeping a steamboat affoat on the St. Lawrence in winter, with the thermometer | was formed, styled the "Ottawa Curling Club at 40 below zero, and snow storms the rule and the following gentlemen appointed officers and not the exception, was too absurd to be for the ensuing season :- President, J. M. Curthought of by any one fit to live out of a lunatic asylum. The result, nevertheless, has been rier, M. P. P.; Vice President, Robert Lyon that the boat has been running ever Esq.; Sec'y, Treas., C. H. Carriere; Skips since, summer and winter, with scarcely a Messrs. Thos. McKay, Wm. Hutchinson, John day's stoppage. We next come to the story of the bridge at Montreal. We balieve that we owe the selection of the present site to the Hon. John Young, who was at first cold snap, we have had another hard undertaking, long before the Grand Trunk took spell, which commencing on Saturday night great trouble and expense in advocating the it in hand. For many years few would listen lasted till Tuesday morning. The mercury on to the scheme; no bridge, it was insisted, could | Sunday fell to about 20 o below zero, and on withstand the boulders of ice rushing down Monday stood at 140 below. The weather the Lachine rapids. 'Many similar objections were urged, but the bridge is there, and to all Last night the temperature was mild with an appearance will contiffue there when the objectors have gone the way of all foolometers, appearance of thaw. We have now excellent But we suspect that there is not a man living to whom winter navigation in Lower Canada is more indebted than to Mr. James Thbitts of Quebec, Mr. Tibbitts has succeeded in erected at Arnprior during the past summer. keeping a Meamer plying in winter between Those worthy of notice are Mr. Brown and that city and Point Leyi, a feat which could Wilson's general store. Mr. Thomas Stewart scarcely have been believed possible, considering the violence of the stream there, and the has erected a splendid brick building, 54 by able state of affairs under foot. A constant missisner of Public Works, in 1848 or 1849, prove beneficial to this section of the province.

ceived the suggestion with shouts of disap-IRISH PROTESTANT BENEVOLENT SOCIETY .- The proval which silenced Mr. Merritt, if they did report of the meeting of the above society in not convince him. The question has since McCarthy's Hall, last evening is crowded out been frequently mooted in Quebec journals. Many of the most experienced pilots and masuntil another issue. ters of Canadian vessels maintain the affirma-

tive; others the negative. It will be recol-

lected that in the fall of 1861, when the Guards

came to Canada in consequence of the affair of

the Trent, the steamer Persia was deferred

from landing a quantity of baggage and muni-

tions of war, at Riviere du Loup, owing to

the threatening appearance of the river. Nine

teen old pilots then signed a document, which

was published in the newspapers, declaring

the months of January, February, and March

We offer these remarks facrely as suggestions,

because we do not consider ourselves qualified

to speak with anthority in the matter. We

rely mostly on the opinions of men who have

as well as creating a shipping port that

would be useful for commercial, purposes, we

are willing to admit. But money science, and

With respect to the effects of cold on the

wheels and machinery of a steamer, that has

that the floating ice in the river below Bid or

Green Island could injure iron propellers;

good engineers and plenty of money would

of the vast benefits that a sea-port within our

own territory would confer on the country

we cannot but be of opinion that the matter

be despatched into the Gulf next February for

men who brave the icebergs of the Arctic seas,

would find no terrors in the dangers of the St.

ture in shoal water extending from the north-

temporaries have named Mr. W. H. Coffin

recently been recorded. The President of

tleman's cousin, Lieut, Col. W. F. Coffin, the

present able and indetatigable Ordinance

Land Agent. The practicability of the winter

navigation of the St. Lawrence is of the first

importance to the commercial interests of th

Province under any circumstances, but in the

peculiar position of our foreign mercantile re-

lations it is preeminently so, and we trust that

it will meet with prompt and earnest attention.

LOCAL NEWS.

POLICE COURT .- There was no business tran-

PROVINCIAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY,-We as

Curling.-At a meeting of Curlers, held

THE WEATHER,-Close on the heels of

moderated with a snow storm which set

There are also several new brick stores

sacted in this Court yesterday.

Langford, Henry Inglis,

Montreal. But these worthy fossils re- but in the spring time of its prosperity.

UNPRECEDENTÉD SUCCESS.-On Friday mornng will be issued the fifth number of the Weekly Times-the Ottawa Valley Farmers' paper-which, although only five weeks have elapsed since its first publication, has obtained a circulation of over one thousand two hundred and fifty copies! This number will contain thirty columns of well printed and carethat the Lower St. Lawrence, up to above the fully selected reading matter, consisting of editorial articles, local matters, Canadian American and miscellaneous news, European items, latest telegrams and markets, forming an interesting fund of reading, not to be ob tained in any other paper published in Central These Trains connect at Proscott Junction with and, judgment we have much reliance. Canada, To be had at all the News Dealers. in navigating the gulf and river in winter,

A CAPITAL OFFENCE .- There is a decidedly hard case " in Ottawa-a fellow whose naturresolution can overcome obstacles which often | crilege. We have heard of all sorts of thefts, in our time, but never before of a fellow stealing a head-stone or tombstone. This was the been fully tested at Caughnawaga, and the crime committed here between Saturday night temperature of shit water is known to be high- and Monday morning, the sufferer being a carer than that of fresh water. | Nordo we believe penter, named John Graham. The memorial in question was of sandstone, and of handsome 5.30 p.m. 8.00 p.m. and generally the water there is open and design, the dimensions being five feet long, clear as far as the sight can reach. As for the two broad, and six inches thick. Detective battures and formation of ice along the shore, O'Neil was put on the track of the thief who, think little of them, and would find or probably, happening to hear of the step, conmake a way to get rid of them or to wield sidered it best to restore the missing property them to their purpose, In view therefore to the place whence it was taken. The fellow curiosity, and if he could be only caught and ought to be put to the test. One of the iron | sent off to Barnum, he would attract as large propellers at the disposal of the British Ad- crowds as the "what is it," or "Ned, the miral on the North American Station might Learned Seal." Pass him round, or he'll take

to stealing coffins next. would not refuse to do so; and the officers and where a few miles below Quebec. From which | witnesses, and the Police Magistrate, who had | was plentifully thrown on both Mr. Wills of Orleans. Either of these points would offer allows aldermen to interfere with the course justifying fears for their safety. a convenient spot for a winter port. Opposite of justice, and defeat the objects of the police The wooden buildings were the property of to the western end of the latter, in the neigh- authorities is a pernicious one; and the inter- Mrs. Inglis, of Montreal, and, we believe, insu-It was only vesterday we were told that the borhood of Indian Cove, an admirable local ests of society require that gentlemen liable to red. The occupants, Messrs. Lawrence, bording laws.

A BEAR HUNT .- The other evening a nervous | perty scattered about the scene of the fire. game, the parties determined on returning home. Robert, however, decided to fire off petent to form a correct judgment, to give the his gun, to try the effect of the noise and scarcely had the report echoed through the woods, when a large bla ! hog rushed frightened upon the scene, seemingly as terrified as the party whose path he had first Lachine and Caughnawaga owe their laugh against his companion, who, with his furnished by the Victoria Foundry, owned by winter ferry. This is an error. Mr. W. H. imaginary bear, had been a veritable bore to Mr. Blasdell, of Ottawa. The frame of the Coffin was the Prothonotary whose death has

AMUSEMENTS .- One of the best Ethiopian Minstrel Troupes in America, is about to visit our city, and give entertainments, as will be seen by an advertisement in another column. This kind of amusement is popular everywhere, the class who like fun-who are not afraid of a good, hearty laugh-and who possess an car for excellent music, being somewhat numerous in all countries. Our citizens will soon have the pleasure of judging for themselves of a company of clever and accomplished performers, of which a Utica (N. Y.) contemporary thus speaks :- " If they desire an opportunity o see and hear the minstrel troupe which now stands at the head of the profession in this of Quebec and Montreal and of the Corporacountry, we would advise them to attend these concerts. Messrs. Cool Burgess, T. B. Pendergrast, Archie Hughes and J. B. Donniker have all established reputations for themselves long ago as being unsurpassed in their profession: and the gentlemen they have associated with them are all experienced an not unknown to fame in this line. We see b our exchanges that wherever the troupe have been they have given entire satisfaction, and had crowded houses night after night; an they have visited in their tour nearly all the principal cities of the United States, where their audiences have had ample opportunity to compare their merits with those of other bands of Ethiopian artists. We feel safe in recommending them, because they are highly spoken of by such papers as, the Cincinnati Enquirer, Louisville Journal, Buffalo Courier. te, which are not in the habit of bestowing

> unmerited praise. NARROW ESCAPE .- A Mr. Fortin, from Ste aux Recollets, broke through ; he lost his horse, but saved himself. The existence of rapids in the vicinity is considered the cause why the their parents, became promising lads, and

cott is by no means strong, and every night arge pieces break away, and float down the

tience than piety. But the wise in these mat-Trinity Houses of Quebec and Amprior is a thriving place, and we hope it is ing before the winter closes. It is it all events

GREAT CONFLAGRATION.

About a quarter to three o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the rear of Mr. Heney's spree, walked to the end of the long wharf occupied by Mrs. Reynolds as a book and pay for the suit of clothes in which he drownfancy goods store. The progress of the de- ed himself. Often and often with tears to his her seven children, the latter of whom slept beverage drinking, and in feelings of anguish in the garret, escaped with their lives. A. Mr. McLaughlin and seven or eight of dear young wife, whom he hurried to her family living in the upper part of Mr. Traveralso barely escaped the flames. The next store was Mr. Eagleson's, clothier, and it a short time was also on fire, the whole And thy sleep is dreamless now; row of the four wooden dwellings present- But the seal of an undying grief Is ourthy mourner's brow ; ing the appearance of a mass of flames, During the short time that intervened between the breaking out of the fire and its extension to the other houses, a considerable amount of | With the cold and silent dead." Mrs. Reynold's property and that of the other occupants was saved, but the most valuable goods were unfortunately destroyed there not. being sufficient time to reseue them.

the Central Hook and Ladder Company being | sion to cut short his remarks. the first and Ottawa Engine Company second; cured, the first two houses in which the flames | temperance at heart to come forward and sign | arriving. nanifested themselves-Heney's and Rey- the pledge, to which response a number of nold's were enveloped in the fire and be- ladies and gentlemen acceded, vond rescue. The fire raged with great intensity, illuminating the streets to mid-day bright- remarks to the influence of the ladies in ness and rendering a near approach to cause of temperance. who stole the tombstone must be a natural the burning pile impossible. During

fire several explosions took meeting was dismissed. place, supposed to result from the ignition of shake the massive stone building in which the Times and Union are printed. About half an THE PRIVILEGE OF BAIL -This privilege hour after the breaking out of the fire the rewhich should only be granted on certain occa- mains of the row fell in, the greater portion of sious, is liable to serious abuse through the the buildings with most of their contents be-There can be no question of the advantage power presumed by city fathers, of liberating ing consumed. The firemen who had then ason bail certain prisoners for whom their sembled in force exerted themselves, and with bowels of compassion chance to be open. The success, to the prevention of the extension of GRAND VOLUNTEER BALL & CONCERT. girl Mary Fitzgerald is perhaps a case in point. the fire to the adjoining buildings, including and was to have been tried at the Police Court which is occupied by Mr. McDonald, aucyesterday for the offence. On the morning on tioneer. There was also imminent danger of by old pilots that there is very little floating Constable Davis and Detective O'Neil proceed- the Union Block, owned by Mr. Friel, and oce in the Lower St. Lawrence until the ponts | ing to the jail, they learned, however, that the cupied by the Union and Times, taking fire; and battures of the upper water break up in bird was flown, the prisoner having been bailed fortunately the printing staff of the latter were the early spring, and that these would not out by two aldermen. The consequence was on hand and able to render the firemen mate form an obstacle to the winter navigation any- that Mr. Rowan, the private prosecutor, the rial aid in protecting the building. Water it is to be inferred that vessels could ascend attended for the trial, had to leave with the and Mr. Friel's properties, and in spite the St. Lawrence in winter as high as the business undone, losing by the postponement of which the walls were scorched with Subscribers not receiving the Times regu- Saguenay, of possibly as far up as the Island a good deal of time. The system which the intense heat, appearances, to some extent

vicinity of Spark's Mills, and when he had and a proper water supply were strikingly character. reverie by the sudden appearance of a large the people of Montreal, the fire could have threatening form of a bear, and visions of The ruins are still burning as we go to press.

PROGRESS OF ARNPRIOR.

A correspondent sends us the following information : Mr. D. McLaughlin, an ex-member of Parliament is at present erecting a building intended to be one of the largest and best saw-mills in the country. The mill is rapidly approaching completion. Its dimensions are: length 104 feet, breadth 60 feet. height, 75 feet. There will be three flats all in one frame, and a gang of one hundred saws, for work. The wheels to be used are on the reaction and centre discharge principle, which enables them to work as well under as above water, providing the head is raised in proportion. The mill was planned and built by Mr. crossed. The huntsman, of course, had the | O. F. O'Connor, of Ottawa, the iron work being best rafts of pine timber. Both from the quality and amount of material used in construction of the mill, and the design adouted, it will be one of the best-if not the best-

establishment of its kind in this country. OTHER IMPROVEMENTS. Mr. McLaughlin is demolishing an old bridge that spans the Madawaska, and leads from the mill through the main street of Arnprior, and replacing it by a splendid new one, at his own expense. He is also laying down a with the Brockville and Ottawa line, direct from his mill through the main street of Arn-

TEMPERANCE LECTURE.

The second lecture of the course was deliv-Mechanics' Institute, by John Morphy, Esq., frequency of these bellegerent occurrences. of the Crown Lands Department. The lecture was largely attended. Prayer was offered up Esq., was called to the chair. The chairman in a few appropriate remarks introduced Mr. Morphy, who came forward and delivered a very interesting address, taking for his text-"Don't let him in on you." He spoke at length | it is understood that it calls for prompt miliin regard to the influence of the accursed bowl and the decoys set forth in order to induce people to rally round the dens of vice and intemperance. He referred to instances which came to his notice where men and women had fallen a prey to the fell destroyer, intemperance, and related the following incident, among many others, to show the serious effects of crew, has been required to give an aggregate tippling: I have in my mind's eye at present over a score of young men who lived in the city of Toronto. They were once the joy of ice was not strong, even after the intense cold doubtless would have attained to highly respectable positions, as many of their confreres The ice on the St. Lawrence opposite Pres- did, but by letting the enemy in on them step by step at social evening jollifications-by channel. The consequence is, the road across | discarding their teetotal friends-by glorving is every day increasing in length, and ice above in their liquor, songs, cigars and revelry, while not being so good as that which was used at borrowing strength from futurity-robbing able to justify his conduct during the rebelfirst, opposite the upper part of the town, the themselves of "tired nature's sweet restorer," lion. some more severe weather. Four teams went; and the succeeding period of life of its happithrough the ice on Friday, but were all got ness, by indulging in sinful gratifications. The result has been that every one of them came to the ice was in excellent condition, and the The London Free Press says: The usual disgrace, ruin, and dishonored graves. One of distance was 4 miles and return. The Menne-January that has now set in in this neighborlicod, the consequence being a very disagreeable state of affairs under foot. A constant

able state of affairs immense fields and masses of ice which sweep and self along its course. Such are a few of another from New Hamburgh. The former of Great Britain increased from 17,421,000 to for regular. the incidents which have marked the endea-vors of those persons amongst us who have labored at this work. As respects the Lower St. Lawrence, we happen to know that the gress of his undertaking, which is as creditable to signify, at which farmers and traders are leaving him two children, who became charges steersman making a narrow escape from drown- Union Teleg at h Company to issue one million late Honorable W. H. Merritt, when Com- to his enterprise and foresight, is likely to apt to express themselves with more impa- able on her parents. I afterwards met him in ing. and I procured him employment with

there he occasionally gave way to the liquor, Mr. Howard called up his resolution for the but few emigrants to other countries, while and tried hard to reform, but failed. While trial of Jeff. Davis and Clemont C. Clay, which the British population has been heavily deon a visit to a friend in Cobourg be got on a was ordered to be printed. saddler's store. The flames quickly spread to there, and put an end to his existence by a.m., in Long Island Sound. She leaked so and the United States, that of the 16,433,400

it was with difficulty that Mrs. Reynolds and first glass of liquor, cursed the custom of social peal of all the existing neutrality faws. and remorse he reverted to the memory of his grave. To him the following lines, from the tions small, except in seven-thirty's, for which born; more than 88 per cent, of the entire

to sell. Foreign exchange is dull. Thou art slumbering in the peaceful grave A fire occurred last night at Bergen, N. Y., that one-half of the French population is em-

And my heart is chill as thine Mary For the joys of life have fled; And I long to lay my aching breast He spoke for upwards of an hour, and

listened to with marked attention. Hon, M. Cameron also spoke for some time in regard to the evils of intemperance, but required to leave the place. The agent of the about 15 per cent, in ministering to food ; The Fire Brigade soon arrived on the spot, want of space compels us on the present occa- National Express Co. was also sent away for about 21 per cent. in building pursuits; and (on the authority of those whose lives and After Mr. Cameron had taken his sent but before their coming, or water could be pro- chair requested all parties having the cause of are on duty constantly, to examine all vessels

> lay at Claremount, on the James River. Mr. Esmonde referred in a few well chosen The usual benediction being pronounced the laid on the table

FORMATION OF A MANUFACTURERS

THE ASSEMBLY ADDRESSED BY THE HON, JOHN ROSE. MONTREAL, Jan 16th, 1866. married in the Parish Church, this morning,

BY SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

ASSOCIATION.

MARRIAGE OF AN M. P. P.

Joseph Perrault, M. P. P., for Richelieu, was sive as the rental looked for on a main street, Couillard, a partner of the Hon, Charjes Wilson. She is said to have a fortune of \$49,000 spread of fiames from end to end and from A manufacturers' association is about to

injure protectionist interests, Advices from New York state that Federal Government is about to strike another All the occupants left their places of blow at the Canadian trade, by repealing the business at the usual hours, from four to five

we have assigned as a cause that Mr. Brown point we indicate the ice very commonly should certainly have here, as in other cities, very heavily. Detective O'Neil prevented a man is fyled for the 15th of February, when number of roughs present from stealing pro- a great many ladies of the American Presbyterian congregation will be summoned to give rangle, and the flames bursting from all its and imaginative citizen was strolling in the The need of an efficient Fire Brigade system evidence. Beard brings action for \$20,000 lofty stories on every side, soon rose high in

got about half way between that point and the manifested on this occasion. With the facili- The "Royals" give a grand ball and concert Street instantly, and easily communicating at fully decorated with trophies, flags, guns, &c., opposite side. These were owned by Alexand crowded with from 1500 to 2000 volun- ander Robertson, Esq., and Mr. Gingras, hardblack animal which rapidly crossed his path a been extinguished in fifteen minutes and much teers and their wives. The Hon. John Rose, ware merchant, and occupied respectively little in advance. In a moment the creature valuable property saved. Several wooden a major in the corps, made a stirring patriotic the latter as Mr. Gingras hardware store, assumed, in the mind of our wanderer, the out-buildings in the rear were also consumed. speech, in which he congratulated them on and the former by Mr. Richard Richardson beating the 60th Rifles, a regiment which leather dealer, and proprietor of the Beauport stands highest in the British army list as ursine hugs and expiring struggles rose dis- The third store of the above row was Laws marskmen. He also spoke at length on the ing no outlet except on St. Peter Street, were United States, in so far as our commercial reladone so much for our defence in such a short time as Canadians. Dancing was kept up till firemen getting a position in their fronts. All

BY TELEGRAPH.

INCENDIARY FIRES. UNION THEN IN THE SOUTH

PERSONAL VENGEANCE.

FENIANS ON THE RAMPAGE. CAPTAIN SEMMES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16th .- The Tribune's Wash- stand, carpenters had been working at a new ngton telegram says :- The Government is in office and lights were observed in that portion ceipt of information which tends to the be- as late as 10 o'clock last night. About eight

cendiaries to cover the theft of Government over the basement windows, gave way with a are bought on reasonable prices—the chief cotton stowed in the Arsenal. stevens, stating that the condition and persecutions of Union men in Georgia are at this Grath is reported injured by stones falling thick oils, and sell for \$11 50 Canada cur-

of California, received by Express on Saturday son on the north, and Mr. Hunt's sail-loft on produce oil in paying quantities. 5th. The a small box with a printed address which came the south were all on fire at different times, cost of labor, materials and machinery is one from San Francisco by the last steamer. Not and were only saved by the greatest exertions half the amount paid in the United State. knowing the purport, he proceeded to open it of the police and firemen, and friends of these with the ordinary caution that curiosity in- parties. The Mayor Mr. Cauchon was

The box was opened in the presence of City Council, and Chief and Deputy Chief of Judge Lake. Upon unscrewing and raising Police. The grand defect was too much YESTERDAY'S MONTREAL MARKETS the lid about half an inch, Judge Lake caught | wooden work, tardy supply of water and tocsight of several little wires, and instantly sug- narrow streets and lanes. The safes of all the railroad track, half a mile in length, to connect gested that it was an infernal machine. Further operations were suspended, and the | m. It was in this work that a part of the back box placed in a tub of water until yesterday, wall fell on and injured several persons, inwhen it was taken to the War Department, cluding Mr. McGrath. The losses of the variprior, so that the cars can carry lumber from where it was opened, and twelve large metalic ous insurance companies are as near as could a 3 00. the mill, without any tran-shipment, to the St. | cartridges with heavy balls nicely adjusted, | be calculated, as follows:-Quebec, \$30,000, with fulminous powder, so as to explode upon Royal, \$14,600; North British, \$12,000; Lanthe raising of the lid, were found. There was | cashire, \$12,000; Liverpool and London, \$10,a single line written upon the inside of the lid, 600; Queen \$4000; London and Lancashire. as follows: "Last October you decided the \$10,900; Phonix, \$8000; Provincial, \$10,000; public case." The affair has greatly increased | British American, \$6000; Western of England, the excitement that is already felt in certain circles here in consequence of the growing The World's Washington telegram says : | 000; F. X. Gingras, \$6000; A. Robertson, Application for the New York Collectorship \$5000; Heirs Torrance, \$8000. Total, \$30,still prevails. Judge E. P. Cowles, delegate by Mr. J. Pinnock, after which George Hay, to the Fremont's Covention at Cleveland in McCall, Sheyn & Co., \$60,000; Hazlette, \$4,-000; F. N. Gingras, \$16,000; R. Richardson, 1864, has submitted his claims for the place. NEW YORK, 16th.—Gen. Everett Sweency \$16,000; estate of Myrand, \$16,000. Total resterday issued an important order to the \$152,000. Fenian Brotherhood to be sent to different

circles by mail. It is not made public, but tary organization, and promises active work Gen. Sweeney was called to Washington yesterday by a despatch from the Secretary of War, and it is asserted he will be restored to

his position in the army. The Robert's Senate will hold a special ses-Capt. Peabody, of the ship Neptune, recently charged with cruelty to his passengers and

of \$25,000 bail to answer the complaint which persons have brought against him. Six inches of snow fell here last night. The North-and East Rivers are filled with floating ice, stopping navigation to a great extent. WASHINGTON, 16th .- Raphael Semmes the famous captain of the Alabama is held in close the action of the government Col. Commandant Jacob Zerlin, U. S. Marshall and is intrusted with his safe keeping. Semmes is in good health and spirits, and seems confident of being

PAUGHEREPIE, 16th The Entire yawl boat belonging to this city engaged in a grand scrub race on the Hudson River yesterday.

Governor Stone, of Iowa, was inaugurated the more remarkable that the French populafor the second time, on Tucsday, ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 16 .- Senator E. Cor- pared with that of Great Britain, considering free. my brothers in the legal profession. While nell introduced a bill authorizing the Western that the French population has contributed Ashes dull.

pleted by emigration to America and Austra-New York, 16th.—The steamer Plymouth, lia, It is also necessary to remember, in Rock of Shanington Line, struck a rock this comparing the rates of increase between France the next house, a similar wooden building, throwing himself into the lake, leaving me to bad, it became necessary to run her aground. increase above alluded to, 4,573,863 is due to All the passengers escaped uninjured. immigration. Apart from the accessions from In the Senate, Mr. Chandler gave notice that | this source, the increase in this country for 25 he would, at an early day, read the British | years is 85 per cent. vouring element was astonishingly rapid, and eyes he bitterly lamented having taken the Foreign Enlistment Act, and move for the refacts, showing the disinclination of the French

New York, 16th .- The Post says : The loan | population to emigrate. Out of the 36,864 .market is stagnant. Money plenty. The 678 souls composing the purely French popustock market is dull, but there are some symp- lation of the Empire, but 3,883,579 were domi- been a race between the New York showmen toms of recovery. Goods firm, but transac- ciled out of the departments where they were sy's general-store, the adjoining wooden house, "Church of England Temperance Magazine," a brisk investment demand is reported. Rail- population were living in their native departroad shares are steady, without any disposition | ments. This fact strikingly illustrates how | Barnum has succeeded in getting him for three and a half of guaranteed bonds, to retire French character; at the same time, it does bonds issued for the purchase of the California | not argue strongly in favour of the enterprise | equally as great to have a medicine that can of the Frenchman. Considering, however,

which destroyed fourteen houses. No particu- ployed in agriculture, this adhesion to "local

habitation" is not remarkable.

LONDON.

"A most singular addition has just been

noted by the London Herald :-

FORTRESS MONROE, Jan. 15 .- Orders were re- Seven-eights of the whole population is ceived yesterday from the War Department, Roman Catholic. The Protestants number to discharge all employees in the various de- 802,339; the Jews 79,964; and other sects partments in this district, who had been in 12,095. caused by the rumor that an organization was portation forming to rescue Jeff. Davis. Armed pickets

The steam tug Norfolk was burned, yester-WASHINGTON, 16th .- Senater Chandler called up his resolution, offered yesterday, declaring non-intercourse between this country and Great Britain, and withdrawing the Minister at the Court of St. James. The resolution was

GREAT FIRE IN QUEBEC. From the Montreal Telegraph's Despatche.

About half-past six o'clock this morning the people residing in the vicinity of Mountain ill were astonished at the breaking out of tlames in the heart of that vast pile of new cut stone stores owned by the ladies of the Handel orchestra, and round this was run a Northrop & Lyman, Newcastle, C. W., proprie-Ursuline Convent, and known as the Nun's spiral column, connected with the ground be- tors for the Canadas. Sold by all Med buildings, on the east side of St. Peter street, about thirty degrees. This spur and the wind-She was arrested for larceny a few days ago, and was to have been tried at the P. F. C. Will's fine three story house, a portion of the fire to the adjoining buildings, including and was to have been tried at the P. F. C. Will's fine three story house, a portion of the fire to the adjoining buildings, including and occupied by Mr. G. Mountain as an office and wholesale wine, spirit and general grocery and wholesale wine, spirit and general grocery and was to have been tried at the P. F. C. Will's fine three story house, a portion of the fire to the adjoining buildings, including and occupied by Mr. G. Mountain as an office and wholesale wine, spirit and general grocery and the windwarehouse; McCall, Shehyn & Co., office and than twelve inches broad, and fastened in its son & Co., insurance agents, and L. Haslett upper portion to the central mast or pole by & Co., grocers. The building was originally intended for occupation as one vast store, but finding no tenants requiring a space so extenit was from time to time divided and subdivided by wooden partitions only, so that no means in the world could possibly prevent the cellar to roof if a fire once originated in the basement, especially at an hour when the premises formed here, for the purpose of watching and were unoccupied and no pressure of water opposing charges in tariff, which is likely to in the mains. None of the many persons we consulted could inform us in what part of the pile the flames first developed themselves.

in flames, that part of its roadway was soon

on the ground, and many members of the

\$6000. Total, \$124,000. The total amounts

ings :- Dames Religieuses des Ursulines, \$10,-

000. On Stock-M. G. Mountain, \$4000;

THE FRENCH CENSUS.

The census of France for 1861 has just been

published in a bulky volume. The French

number their population once in five years

twice as often as the United States or Great

Britain. Considering the almost stationary

condition of the French population, this fre-

quency would seem to be almost unnecessary:

but in a country where the Government under-

takes to do so much in the way of regulating

public affairs, there may be reason for a nation-

al "stock-taking," which do not exist in nations

where matters are left more to self-regulation.

The French population increases very slowly

compared with some other countries; a fact

which those who are familiar with the social

life of France will find no difficulty in ex-

plaining. Where the marriage relation is to

a large extent discarded, it is to be expected

The following statistics show the population

of France at each census, from 1836 to 1861

Census of Population, Increase, Percent,

to 31,433,000, or nearly 110 per cent. It is all

1846.... 35 400,476 1,170,398

689,269

0.68

1836.... 33,540,910

1841.... 34,230,178

1851.... 35,783,170

1856. ... 36, 139, 364

1861.... 36,917,254

that population should make slow progress.

cleared of people, notwithstanding the im-

QUEBEC, Jan. 13th.

of the Sprite in a pantomine, and, stepping ed to attend. on this ball, walked or danced upon it the whole of the way up the column, and descended again the entire space in the same extraordinary fashion. It was a most Strange and bewildering exploit. It is true that he was able on two or three occasions to obtain a momentary rest by leaning on the girders which bind together the slender erection, but he never employed this resource for the purpose of propulsion. In his ascent he had to depend for a motive power solely on the strength and' or six last evening. The most generally reagitility of his feet, which were, of course, at ceived notion is that it occurred in Mr. Hastaining his shifting balance. In the descent downwards, and it was only by the most wonproceeding, it is certain that the fire spread rapidly throughout every nook of the quadagainst Benjamin Lyman for defamation of the air through the skylights, and leaped furiwas restricted. The singularity of the scene was here, increased by the circumstance that ously across the narrow avenue of St. Peter the performer had to make his way backwards, Richmond Road, he was startled from his ties for the suppression of fires possessed by in the City Hall to-night. The room is beautipossible in the direction opposed to that which his unsteady support was tending. We believe that many people have already run about, and even passed along, slight elevations under the ver attempted te wind his way upon so perious a locomotive up and down a marrow and nost remarkable one, and seems to entitle him destruction, owing to the impossibility of the in his own line, to almost as exceptional a these properties facing on Peter Street once place as that of Blondin himself in the acrobatic

> mense crowd that had been brought together. The Tallahasse Floridian, in describing The premises of Messrs. Anderson & Co. and the late inauguration of Gov. Walker, of Flo-Hazlett, were the vaults and first flat to the north. These gentlemen left at four and band of the Seventh Regulars struck up rida, says at the close of the inaugural the half-past four. The premises in the centre of the building, and the two stories over that as "Dixie," which electrified tife audience and well as over Mr. Haslett's were occupied called forth repeated cheers. All felt its in by Messrs. McCall, Shehyn & Co. This spiring strains. Many among those who had The Nimble Sixpence preferred to the Slove firm were taking stock and with their clerks periled their lives in defence of a cause now did not leave till seven. They had several gone forever, wept as they remembered the stores in the different floors. The premises | toils, the suffering they had endured in vain, AMERICAN HOSTILITY TO ENGLAND, leased by Mr. M. G. Mountain were on the and their hopes forever blasted, which once and Red Fox, next to Johnston's Flour Store. south from vault to roof. There we under- animated them.

The Chicago Journal says: The Canadian oil field is particularly inviting, from several Ottawa, Jan. 17, 1866. that the recent destructive fire of the o'clock the entire front of the nun's building, considerations: 1st. It embraces a large term Arsenal at Columbus, Miss., was caused by in- being stone wall, supported on wooden beams tory, and cannot be monopolized, Lands tremendous crash. Fortunately, owing to the expense being for labor and machinery. 2nd. A letter has been received from Alex. H. | clearance effected by the intense heat, no one | The oil lands are accessible by common roads was in the way, but a young man named Mc and railroads. 3rd. The oils are uniformly time vastly worse than during the rebellion. from the rear wall. At a later hour the premises rency. 4th. Three-fourths of all the wells The Tribune's telegram says :- Judge Field, of the Gazette office on the west, Mr. Patter- in the oil districts are successful-that is,

COMMERCIAL.

Montreal, Jan. 16, 1866. Flour-Super Extra, \$7 00 a 7 30; Extra, \$6 25 a 6 75: Fancy, \$6 00 a 6 25: Welland Canal Superfine \$5 40 a 5 50; Bag Flour, \$2 90 The Great Confederation of distinguished Wheat-Super No. 1 Canada, \$5 50 a 5 85;

No. 1 Western, 5 40 a 5 50 ; No. 2, \$4 90 a 5 00; Canada Wheat, \$1 16 a 1 20; Western, Burgess, \$1 16 a 1 20. Oats-Per 32 lbs-30 a 32c. Barley-Per 48 lbs-60 a 65c.

Butter-Dairy, 13 a 19c; store-packed, 16 a Ashes-Pots, \$5 85 a 5 90; pearls, \$6 75 a There are few transactions in flour,

Dressed Hogs-Large retail prices are les

NEW YORK MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 16, 1866. Gold opened at 1391, rose to 1391, and clos-

Cotton doll at 51 a 52c for middling. Flour receipts 3,650 barrels. Market opened shade ffrmer, but not active, at \$6 95 a 7 35c for superfine State; \$7, 75c a 8 00 for extra; \$8 05 a 8 25 for choice; \$6,95 a 7,35c for superfine Westtern: \$7 80 a 8 30c for extra: and \$8 45 a 8 60c for common to good shipping brands round hoop Ohio, Canadian flour steady at \$8 00 a \$8 35c for common, and \$8 40 a 11 25c for good to choice extra. Rye flour quiet

Wheat receipts 14000 bush. Market opened full, but prices are without decided change, No. 1 Milwaukie, \$1 86 a 1 87c; 80% a 1 84c for old Amber Milwaukie; \$2 55e for choice Amber State; \$2 30 a 2 55c for White Western. Rye quiet; 98c for Western; \$1 20c for Canada.

Corn receipts, 25,000 bush. Market dull and lower, at 83 a 85c for unsound, and 86 delivered 89 a 90c for vellow southern, and 95

Oats dull and lower, at 60 a Glc for State : 51 a 55c for Jersey and Pennsylvania; and 44 a 50c for unsound; and 59c for Canada; 60 A Synoptical Index of th Statutes of Canada,

Lard easier at 15 a 18;c.

Butter quiet at 30 a 32. Cheese, 13 a 18c. Whisky dull at \$2 26 a 2 28c. Petroleum quiet; 35! a 40c for crude; 56 tion should have increased so little, as com- for refined in bond; and 75 a 80c for refined

LATEST MADEETS. Flour closed quiet and unchanged, Wheat dull and heavy. Corn le lower.

Oats dult, and 1c lower. Pork firm; new mess, \$20 87c regular; old mess, \$30 00 regular, Lard closes very firm at 151 a 1818

SPECIAL NOTICES

Hogs firm ; Western, 121 a 121c.

Ton Thum Ecursen .- We read there has to obtain possession of one George Washington Nutt, who is said to be several inches shorter than General Tom Thumb, and that P T strongly local attachments predominate in the years, for \$30,000, board and expenses. Is it not a great thing to be a small man! and is a fism, burns, bruises, summer complaints, choslie, etc.; if so get at once a supply of the " Canadian Pain Destroyer," at the negrest medicine dealers for 25 tents. Ottawa, Jan. 15, 1866.

BRYAN'S WAFERS .- This great public remedy any way connected with the rebel service; About 26; per cent, of the manufacturing has now been in use over twenty years, hence twenty-five were immediately dismissed, and population is employed in providing clothing; it cannot be said that they are on trial. They have been thoroughly tried, and pronounced the same reason. This order was undoubtedly about 11 per cent. in connection with trans- health they have preserved) to be a pure, harmless, and eminently-salutary preparation, and if taken in season will invariably cure dolds. coughs, sore throat, and all bronchial affect tions. One fair trial will convince the most skeptical. Sold by all medicine dealers at 25. cents per box. .The performance of a new acrobat are thus Ottawa, Jan. 15, 1866.

THE HORSE.

Of the great number of animals under the made to the already long list of popular enter- control of man, the horse is unquestionably tainments at the Crystal Palace. Shortly after | the most serviceable ; but is it not strange that tour o'clock yesterday Signor Ethando as- so many who own horses, and who are depentonished the visitors of the building by a dent on their labor for a living, should neglect. gymnastic or acrobatic feat which he is said to to give them that care and attention which have performed some time since with great their own interest, no less than the safety and success at Florence, before King Victor Eman- comfort of the horse demands. The best meduel, and which must excite the surprise of icine for horses is "Darley's Arabian Heave every person by whom it may be witnessed. Remedy and Condition Medicine; of this there Some preparation was required for the exhibi- can be no doubt-it is safe and easily given. tion. A strong pole, some forty or fifty feet Remember the name, and see that the signahigh, was erected in the front portion of the ture of Hurd & Co., is on each package.

slight iron girders. At one side of the plat- Franklin, aged 2 years and 3 months, youngform was lying a round slight colored globe, est son of Mr. W. J. Loucks.

about two and a half feet or three feet in di- The funeral will take place at 2 p'clock this ameter. Signor Ethardo made his appearance | p.m., at the Free Presbyterian Church, Os. at the appointed hour in the spangled costume, goode, Friends and acquaintances are request-

JAMES THOMPSON tants of Ottawa and surrounding country. for the liberal patronage received since his the ball was of necessity only too apt to rush call their attention to his FALL STOCK, con-

checked and its direction was guided along the DRY GOODS. GROCERIES, CROCKERY, Ready-Made Ciothing, &c.,

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WM. FOOTE, JR., Agent. Ottawa, Jan. 17, 1866. NEW BOOKS.

TOW I kept my House on £200 a year, by

How I Managed my Children from Infancy to Marfiage, by MRS. WARREN. Longfellow's Complete Works, for 45 cents-Faul Ferroll-A Tale Lena, by the Author of "Beymenstre

a 89¢ for sound mixed Western in store, and Skirmishing, by the Author of "Cousin Good Words, Sunday at Home, Sunday, Magazine, for 1865 .- Bound.

and Upper Canada, by J. W. Hancock.

MUSIC. TUST RECEIVED.

"The Royal Mountain Waltzes, By the Band Master of the 25th, For sale by JOHN DURIE & SON,

10, Sparks Street. Ottawa, Jan. 17, 1866