

LOCAL NEWS.

MONY TO LEND—apply to R. A. Brad-
ley, Solicitor, &c., corner of Sparks
and Elgin Streets, Ottawa.

POLICE COURT—Friday.—Two cases of
crankiness & the only business at
the court this morning.

LAWRENCE—The Hon. Mr. Chapple de-
livered a lecture last evening in the Cana-
dian Institute on Canadian Patriotism.

DR. FOWMY, clairvoyant—Physician is
now in town and stopping at the Albion
Hotel, where he can be consulted.

THE MARKET—There was a slight im-
provement in the attendance on the mar-
ket yesterday. Compared with what it
should be, however, it was rather poor.
Prices unchanged since last quotations.

THE READINGS AT GOWAN'S HALL—The
readings at Gowans Hall last night were
well attended. The chair was occupied
by the Rev. Malcolm Cameron. The
readings by Messrs. Brice, Rice, Urqu-
hart and Whitcher were well received. Mrs. S.
Wyn and Mrs. Burritt sang with great
spirit and excellent effect.

It is currently reported that one of our
City Assessors, who is now going from
house to house on his official duties, has at
the present time a son prostrated with a
contagious disease. As an assessor usually
enters each house he visits, remaining
while the questions he puts are answered,
we need not wonder at the spread of
disease among us. Will some one in
authority look into this matter?

REEDER—Detective O'Neill,
Chief County Constable gives notice that
any person henceforth spreading false
rumours respecting small pox in this city,
among farmers, will be severely punished.
It appears unscrupulous speculators have
been in the habit of stopping farmers on
their way to market, and representing to
them that small pox was dreadfully
prevalent in Ottawa, by this means ob-
taining their produce cheaply. A reward will
be immediately offered for the conviction of
such scoundrels.

UNIVERSITY EXHIBITION.—We have ob-
served on several occasions lately numer-
ous articles, such as kid gloves, mitts,
handkerchiefs &c., hanging from the grand
chandelier in a certain national hall, where
popular weekly readings take
place, in this city. The array of han-
kerchiefs is always numerous, and together
with the variety of other articles, consti-
tute anything but an ornamental exhibi-
tion, particularly when contrasted with
the pendant chains of evergreens, which by
the way is a misnomer, as the wreaths have
long lost their verdure. A less conspic-
uous place might be selected for exhib-
iting such lost goods.

ROYAL CANADIAN FIELD ARTILLERY.—The meeting of the
Royal Canadian Field Artillery was very
largely attended last evening by both
military and civil members, at which the
annual election of officers took place, re-
sulting as follows:

Gen. Sir George Gordon, W. K. in C.
Gen. Sir W. D. K. in C.
S. Ratton, Major.
Ed. Col. Jr. Treasurer.
Gen. Sir P. F. Farley.
J. H. I. Ennay. { Recreations.
Ed. Macmillan. { Censors.
J. Clinton.
J. Compton.
J. Chas. { Standard Bearers.
Arthur Bowes, Pursuivant.
Francis Lewis, F. C.
Geo. Fane, Clerk.

REMARKABLE LONGEVITY.—Lately serv'd
of our American exchanges seem to have
a mind for discovering and publishing
cases of longevity. We do not wish our
readers to think that we have caught the
contagion, but we may be permitted to
give one instance as evidence that the
claims and laws of Canada are in favor-
able to long life as those of the Republic.
Near the head of the Deep Cut Rideau
canal, lives Mrs. Alderson. On the mem-
orable morning of the 17th of June 1775,
she saw her father march off to the battle
of Bunker's Hill, as she says herself "with
white socks on his feet, which on his re-
turn home were saturated with blood".
She was then 11 years of age and remem-
bers the events of that time clearly. She
is therefore 108 years of age and is still
alive and hearty.

PIANOS, CABINET ORGANS, MUSIC, &c.—We
leave with pleasure that the Branch
Establishment opened lately by the Messrs
Nordheimer, of Toronto, is meeting with
that share of the public trade which
the enterprize and fame of the proprietors
deserve. Having met with liberal en-
couragement from the Ottawa public,
Mr. Peterson, manager, has determined
to make his Sparks street
Piano Forte and Music warerooms
equal to any in Canada, excepting Messrs
Nordheimer's head establishment in
Toronto. Pianos of every make, and of
various prices, are on hand. Cabinet organs of
the most popular make
may be seen in variety, while of music on
book and sheet there is an inexhaustible
supply. Pianos are also on hand on liberal
terms.

BALL AT PEABROKE.

A Grand Ball took place at Peabrooke
on the evening of the 31st of January.
Peabrooke though prosperous a da-
mited his, as yet, no public hall. The
Convent now far advanced towards com-
pletion affording excellent accommodation
was therefore chosen as the best place for
the event. The elegant manner in which
the hall was decorated, under the super-
intendence of Mr. J. E. Wright, showed
that neither expense nor labour was
spared. Dancing commenced at ten
o'clock, and was kept up with great spirit
until 4 o'clock the next morning. Gowans
conducted Quadrille Bands supplied the
music, and it will therefore be no mat-
ter for won't, had the company danced
six hours longer. Three rousing encores
were given the band on leaving. Re-
freshments were supplied by Mr. Sayer
in first class style. The ball was a suc-
cess.

HIGH SCHOOL BOARD.

The Board of High School Trustees met
yesterday at 4 o'clock. Present, Messrs.
Featherston, Clemon and Hay.

Moved by Mr. Clemon, seconded by Mr.
Hay, that the Secretary be authorized to
collect the outstanding debts due this
Board immediately, after due notice to
the parties indebted, and that he be
instructed to institute legal proceed-
ings for the recovery of the same.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Clemon, seconded by Mr.
Hay, that the Secretary be required here-
after to collect the fees from each pupil
immediately at the time of admission
of each pupil, and that no pupil should
be allowed to commence a second term
until preceding dues are discharged.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Clemon, seconded by Mr.
Hay, that the Secretary be instructed to
prepare a statement showing the amount
of arrears on 1st Jan., 1871; the amount
of fees paid in 1871; the amount
for '81; and the amount of the same
uncollected, with a table of the names of
all pupils owing dues for these years, and
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discharge the indebtedness of the board
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larly the end of each month. The chair-
man to be notified if there be no funds
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Moved by Mr. Clemon, seconded by Mr.
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make a scholarship be awarded to the
son of the late Richard Shaw, and one to
the son of A. Pratt, as soon as they have
passed the necessary examinations.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hay, seconded by Mr.
Clemon, that the chairman be authorized
to take such steps as may be necessary to
obtain for the High School the status of a
Collegiate Institute.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hay, seconded by Mr.
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The Last Tenants
—OF—
Hangman's House

CONCLUDED.

The moonlight shone on the barrel of a
pistol; there was a click, a flash & report,
and the bullet had grazed the Spaniard's
cheek; but before the man could fire a
second time Manuel had leaped upon him,
brought him to the earth, and buried his
fists in the man's side.

"And you thought you were deceiving
me?" he hissed, as he knelt on the dying
man. "You thought you were making a
tool of me? getting my neck in a noose
while your own was to go free? Misera-
ble dog! it is I—the black-hatted
ruffian who used you; I who will have
meted that judgment, who will have your
last moments when you die, up to this
last moment when you die, and when I
have laid you down that pit where I will throw you,
you played with me, and foiled you!"

"Mercy, mercy! I sought the dying man.
My good Manuel, merciful, dear friend—
pitiful!"

The same mercy that you have had on
her," said the Spaniard, between his
teeth.

He raised himself from the bleeding
body, met the glary eyes as they were
fixed on him with the yearning look of
death and despair; then laughing harshly,
he kicked him over where he lay, and
flung him with his foot on the chest.
The heard the heavy fall of the body as it
struck the ground; then he turned and
walked away, leaving the dead man.

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SWELL AS AN Indian he ran back to the
house just as Luis appeared at the left
window in her white gown, her hair bare
streaming over her shoulders; looking
in the moonlight more like an angel than
the woman the sight of whom, but to the
Spaniard, was abomination.

"What? What? I have not seen you
since you left the village. Old By and
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