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RICHMOND HILL FEB. 2, 1865.

That Petition.

We hope the present Session of the Counties' Council will not be allowed to pass without an effort being made to obtain some favorable action on the ' Separation Question.' It is useless to wait for better opportunities. The opinions of the gentlemen composing the Council are doubtless already formed, and their course of action determined upon, in the event of a vote or discussion; and we have good reason for believing that their decision will be favorable, and their support be given to our just demand for a removal of the County seat.

At all events, whatever opposition exists, is not from ignorance of the issues involved, and further agitation is useless and unnecessary. We can see no reason -be the petition praying for a separation from the city, which has been circulated. and largely signed, should not be simmediately presented, and backed by every the promise of an open hearted, generous bill system are the means of lessening the legitimate indusace in the power of the and high minded m.m, and we rejoice to tendency to the commission of crime, just committee, and of all other friends of the movement. By all means let the present of the movement. By all means let the present of the movement of the movemen movement. By all means let the present Major D. B. B. ilgford, of Richmond Virer criminal jurisprudence diminish. comptain of are daily growing worse, and the cause now, more than ever, requires activity and perseverance.

Of how severely we are victimized, the late Assizes afford an example, which we refer to merely for the purpose of show ing what abundant reason we have for bestirring ours lives to obtain a separation from the City. By fir the greater portion of the time was occapied with eases which, (originating in other counties,) reilly do not belong to our Courts, and would never appoir there were it not for City connection. As an instance, take the Halliday trial, which occapied more time than the whole business of many other Counties. Such cases are entered in our Courts because of their being held in our Courts because of the court of t in the legal Metropolis, where eminent On Saturday last at the instance and havcounsel are easily obtained, and perfect tution of Many David B. Budgford, of this we have to deal with human nature as it communications exists with all parts of been spin margin Rich novel for a few days, this the Free School System has a decidthe province But they bring no profit visited City P in a and P ite sharg returning ed advantage over the other, and goes a bill of jury and other expenses.

is a splendid arrangement for the city, the party: Hol A. T. Gult, Cound as Mic. this flow of important cases to her courts, ister of Erranee: How W. P. Howard, Ca the benefits directly by the thousands Leading Postmister General; Holl, W. A. Heary, Attorney General of Nova Sectia; and hotel keepers. With us the case is different; though texal and increased a Back. Ricambid. formerly of Toronto, enced on account of this general use of a different general use of our Courts, not a dollar flows to us from the military "situation," derived in the discharge of his daty as Provost Mushal of the

Ministers and their Tolls.

doing but an act of simple justice, if they have very and the company were met and national object it is also an individual inwould exempt ministers of the gaspel from welcomel at the depat by Hon. Charles F. terest; therefore it is the duty of all to routes form but a small part of their travels. Con seil of Peteodors. Carriages were also tion in order that it may be like the air Very frequently they are called or volattar-ily 39, 04 missions of mercy to the poor, the sick and the dying, and in the discharge of made & Whiteheld, the proprietors. During the afternoon, the visitors accorded the tender of the casings of the National Express Company, and others, and drove out over the of the case, have made exception in their fit to adopt the same polliev.

THE HEADFORD COMPANY.

Having paid a visit to the Headford Oil Well we found operations progressing in a very encouraging and satisfactory manner. They are pushing things on as rapidly as circumstances will admit, and with every prospect of obtaining oil in "Church and Catacombs of Rome," this paying quantities. There well is now (Friday) evening. Besides the attractions Bink to the depth of about 200 feet and of the Subject and Speaker, there is yet an-Oil in small quantities already makes its appearance mixed with the water and soapstone which they are now boring out. The present prospects so far, are certain- hope the Rev. Gentlemen's appearance in so and the support of the other have by ly very encouriging to the shareholders, popular a cause, will be greeted with a teem and we trust they will meet with that ing house. success which their exertions so richly deserve.

THE BUTTONVILLE COMPANIES. The two newly formed con anies at

Battonville have already commenced operations, one of whom have got their Derrick completed, the other will have theirs finished in the course of a few days, and intend going on with the work as speedily "Ratepayer," not only shows his penas possible. One company, called the chant for intellectual gladiatorship, but Markham Petroleum Oil Company, of his ability in weilding the pen. Being whom the following responsible gentle- somewhat of a "Rustic," I wish he had men are the Officers elected for the pre- fallen into the hands of a more able adsent :- President :- Wm Fierheller; vocate of the free school system, and TREASURER: - John Fierheller; SEC- found in him a foeman worthy of his RETARY :- Wm Stiver ;- DIRECTORS ; steel. G. A. Barnard, J. Henderson, T. Thomson, J. L. ve Taggart, M. Heise, A Ni- ence by endeavoring to split a hair; argue cholls, have creeted their Derrick over a it as he may, it amounts to the same

An Old Acquaintance.

It is refreshing to hear or real of the who has, by his own energy and persevel to beneat outlets who has, by his own energy and persevel needly, we are in a far more enviable poneedly, we are in a far more enviable poneedly, we are in a far more enviable poneedly. tion of distinction. Tull is particularly too far. We also know that were we to lage about sixteen years ago, and settled of a half-dozen children to be educated in Richmond. Ben, like his father, had by taxation. rmy, for it Stonewill Lickson's funeral can be credited with a sign of improve-M jor D. Bridgford was elected to re- m=nt." present the army. We rejoice to think | The first part of the pragraph is that he has eane out safely through the answered above; and to the second I terrible four yours or loid, and that it falls would say, that it is a decided improveto his lot to igue is he appears to have ment on the old system, to his lot to igue is he appears to have can be done under the rate bill system done, on the occasion of the visit of our and a great deal more, by reaching desti-Province d representatives. May his tuto families who will not avail themshalow never zroa less.

ity. the Carel arean missioners, who have to us, not even in the employment of local talent, while we have to foot a heavy bill of jury and other expenses.

The first city on Saturday or survey employment of local talent, while we have to foot a heavy bill of jury and other expenses.

The first firs conveyed to Ric etts who f in an ambal their business. What wonder then, it Army of Northern Virginia, made the in from tion which he was embled to impart the more just than that we should obtain it?

The arrival of the M. Mortin at City Point this is really the only strong argument this tain had left for Petersburg, but the the train had left for Petersburg, but the Company's agents, learning the character against us, hence he makes good use of and mission of the visitors, promptly famished a special train, which carried the distin ties receive commensurate value; but I We think our County Council would be guished outly in a twinkling up to the 'Cook- go farther, I maintain that it is no in-

to Richmond, over the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad, Mr. E. H. Gill, Superintendent and Engineer of the road, furnishing them with complimentary tickets on the oc-

Mechanics' Institute.

The attention of our readers is respectfully called to the Rev. J. Dick's lecture, on the other motive, which we hope will influence many to be present; --viz: a desire to support the Institute in its laudable efforts for public entertainment and improvement. We

Correspondence.

Free Schools vs. Rate Bill.

To the Editor of the York Herald.

DEAR SIR:-In your last issue, your correspondent

'R ite-payer opens up his correspondwell recently dag by Mr. Stiver, 36 feet thing,—the taxation of those who have deep, the water of which is nearly as black property for the benefit of those who as luk, and of a very peculiar smell with have not. But in his anxiety to help me an oily substance floating on its surface; out of an error into which I had not faland as a few more shares are yet to be len, he fell into one of a much graver nataken up, parties having money to invest, ture. He says that 'Mechanics are able cannot do better than invest in this com- to educate their own children'; so they pmy, whose indications of oil are of the are, and will educate whatever it costs, time they have no better advocates than most promising kind. The next meet but if he means to convey the insinuation | men of the largest property and greatest ing of this Company takes place at Bat- that they advocate the free school system, tonville, on Friday evening, Feb., 9, at merely for pecuniary consideration, his perceptive faculties have led him sadly astray. Many among them are without children, and possess taxable property to he enters not by suffrance, pauper disa considerable amount; they vote for it from p inciple, and because they know that there are those amongst us, who are neither farmers nor mechanics, who success of any old acquaintance. In pre- would be benefitted by their submission senting to our read us the following ex- to a tax; and in our endeavors to reach tract, from a Richmon I paper, many of the poor in a way in which their self-rethem will recognise a Richmond Hill boy

spect should not be wounded, we happen
to bene it others who may not be quite as runes, and in a foreign land, made his sition shan those who will not give at all mark, and we may say arrived at a posi- for fear their benevolence might extend gratifying to those who knew lajor that is is money well invested; for if our Bridgford when a boy, and found in him omnion Schools, under the present rate ginia, is the your gest son of our old friend costs us more to detect, try and punish Colonel D. Brilsford. He left this vil- an uneducated criminal, than the sending

Rate-naver says " as to the inderect a taste for military life, and became identified with the army before the breaking get from the spread of education by the out of the rebellion. He appears to have Free School system, it has yet to be igured pontnertly in the Southern shown that it has a single advantage in this respect over the rate bill, or that it

> ment on the old system, -it does all that selves of the present so called priviledge. Rate paver" may call it "mistaken

Every additional c ild snatched from

to beautify and fertilize the earth.' My opponent again harps on the cry it. I have already shown that both par-

favor, and we hope our councillors may see monuments of the great conflicts wazed by the two armies that lately encompassed them. to the greater part of our public institutions. Every assessment made for school The gentlemen expressed themselves deeply or other purposes, is an acknowledgement interested and impressed with what they saw, of the principle. Almost every act pass-The population of Boston, according to a accommunical as the scenes were by the graph led by the Legislative or Municipal Counrecent consus taken by the civic authoritie, ick personal descriptions of Major Brid ford, cil touches the pockets of some who have in 192,324, of whom 65,020 are foreign by who is himself a native of Toronto, and held

In the evening the excursionists returned | I see that I am notified that for the future my dog is to be taxed for the benefit of some farmer, (perhaps a wealthy one) in the back part of the Township, whose sheep, his neighbors dogs in their anxiety. for mutton chops, have unfortunately worried. Would it avail me anything to tell the authorities that my dog was but wee cur,' that he could not kill a sheep if he tried, or with all Rate-payer's eloquence plead 'injustice,' tell them I had no sheep to be worried, consequently it was levying a tax for which I was never likely to receive 'commensurate benefit!' Just as long as we dwell together in communities, so long will the public be taxed ed to continue the collection of unpasd taxes for the public good. Crime and poverty are too often the result of ignorance. The detection and punishment of the one,

> 'Rate-payer's reply to the fact that out no harm: of 4222 common Schools in Upper Canada, that 3459 are free, and that they are fast becoming unniversal; 'that the same argument might be used in support of any fallacy however gross it may be, is moved that Michael C.awford, collector for nothing but a switch to avoid meeting an un inswerable argument, endorsed by the intelligence of the greater part of the educitionists of Canada.

common consent, from time immemorial

been effected by the imposition of taxes.

My letter, Mr. Editor is geting rather lengthy, but allow me Sir, to say a word or two more in favor of free schools Their introduction is no new thing, the ipse of two centuries has afforded abundint opportunities to test their merits. When the Pilgrim Fathers in 1635 conceived the idea that Education was a national object,—that the property of all should be taxed by the majority for the education of all, and in 1645 carried out that view, they laid the foundation of the present proud position of the New Eng- to consideration the best means of preventland States, as the Metropolis of Ameri can manufactures and Mechanical arts, counties. the seat of the best Colleges and Schools on the continent, and placed within the an extension of time to be granted for the breasts of her sons that spirit of independence and self-reliance, which characterizes every New Englander who sets his foot on Canadian soil. They have tried them for over two hundred years, and so of Markham. fur from abandoning them at the present intelligence,—the profoundest scholars ber of indigent persons at present support and the ablest statesmen. Under the ed by the several township municipalities. Free School system no boy anxious for education is met at the threshold of the Parnham, adjourned till 10 o'clock this school room with a demand for money,tinctions are never known, no embargo is laid on education; he claims it as a right -a right provided for him by the state, to which he has as much legal title, as he has to protection, his father having paid for the same, in proportion to his

taxable property. FREE SCHOOL. Richmond Hill, Feb. 1st., 1866

Counties' Council. THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS OF THE

COUNTIES' COUNCIL.

From the City Dalies. The Warden took his seat yesterday at a

quarter to eleven o'clock. The roll was called, and all answered to their names, except Messrs. Button, Chester, and Stork. The minutes of the previous day's pro-

ceedings were read and adopted. COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from Mr. J. S. Howard, Treasurer, submitting the accounts for the past year and the estimates for the present year. The balance at the credit of the Counties on the 31st December last was \$7,620. The receipts in connection with the York Roads amounted to \$18,435 42, and the disbursements \$12,889 23, leaving a balance on hand in account of the roads of \$5,547 19. The disbursements include, besides ordinary expenditure, an item of \$2,175 paid the Receiver-General for the half-year's interest to the 5th October last. on the debentures issued to Government as collateral security for the payment of the roads. Some of the gate-keepers are behind with their payments. The k-eper of No. 1, Yonge street (Edward Crown), owed on the 21st December a balance of \$132 12, and evil exists, the child is uneducated, a d tal of \$1,045 52. Foley, the keeper of No. 1. Krigston Road, owes \$333 09. John Wilson owes \$244 99. Grand total, \$1, 623 60. Owing to the small interest derived from the Bank of Montreal (3 per cent.). the Treasurer advises the keeping of the deposits there as small as possible, and the ment of the great object of our common reducing of the dependaces as speedily as practicable.

From the Register of the county of Peel. Mr. D. F. Camobell, asking payment for a In this way we are imposed upon by ance, derived by four soleaded grees, furnish moral ruin, adds to the moral stature of month's work, required by section 26 of the almost every County in the province. It ed by Colonel Da is, of General Turner's our country; and if he, by his industry Registry Act of 1865. He said the Act did and intellectual power, aid in the develop- unit require the certificate of the Inspector of ment of the resources of the country, he Registries for such work. Mr. Campbell adds to the glory of her institutions, in- also sent in an account for \$23 69, alleged creases the value of her property, and re- to have been spent by him in procuring expended among her lawyers, merchants Hm. A. J. Smith. Attorney General of New funds with compound interest, the cost of allitional furniture for his office; to accom modate the additional clerks required.

The Warden stated that he had declined o pay the accounts. He believed, as to the first account, the certificate of the Inspector ing for the usual annual grant of \$100. of Registries was necessary; and, as to the second, the Registrar was well paid for all he did, and should himself bear the expense

of additional furnitute.) From the lady managers of the Boys' Home, setting forth that the institution has been in operation upwards of six years, dur ing which period 284 boys had been cared for, many of whom have been placed in service where they have found comfortable mittees for the year. homes and are giving satisfaction; that there are at present 49 children in Home," and the managers are often compelled to reject applications for want of funds; that "the Home" is open to desti tute boys irrespective of colour, creed, origin, or locality; and funds being greatly needed to meet current expenses, the lady managers earnestly appeal to the Council for a gram to enable them to further the objects of the charity.

From Robert Moore, of York township, praving the Council to confirm a by-law passed by the township of York, respecting Warden presiding. certain road allowance in front of lot No. I in the 2nd concession.

From Markham Grammar School, pray-

From G. D. James, praying that the Counin 192,324, of whom 65,020 are foreign by . who is himself a native of Toronto, and held no more to do with it than the inhabition of the spins and the females a pe sonal acquaintance with some of the tants of Greenland. In to days "Herald gates leased by him from the Council.

Pursuant to notice. Mr. Parnham moved, Messrs. Wallis, Boultbee, Berryman, and the mover, be a select & ommittee to whom shall be referred all communications and matters connected with the York Roads .-

Dr. Berryman moved, seconded by Mr. Boultbee, that William H. Archer, collector of taxes for Yorkville, be authorized to contime the collection of unpaid taxes in said

village .- Carried Mr. Crown moved, seconded by Mr. Riddell, that Daniel Ferguson collector of taxes for the township of Scarboro', be authoriz-

in said township.—Carried. Mr. Hartley doubted whether the Council had any anthority to direct the levying of tixes when none were due from the local

municipality concerned. The Warden took somewhat the same view, but thought the resolution would do

Dr. Berryman said the Council give such directions, or no taxes could be collected at all during the year.

Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Price, the township of Toronto, be empowered to continue the collection of unpaid taxes for 1865 in said township .- Carried Mr. Webb, seconded by Mr. Thompson

moved that John Leigh, collector for the township of King, be authorized to continue the collection of unpaid taxes in said town ship.—Carried. Mr. Bull moved, seconded by Mr. Play-ter, that William Brown and Nicholas

Shepherd, collectors of taxes for the township of York, be authorized to continue the collection of unpaid taxes in said township. -Carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION,

Mr. Graham (Vaughan) gave notice that he would, "on to morrow," Select Committee be appointed, to take in-

Dr. Barnhart-That he would move for collection of arrears of taxes for 1865 in Streetsville.

Mr. Robinson-That he would move for an extension of time for the collection of the arrears of taxes for 1865 in the township

Mr. Graham (Vaughan)-That he would move for a Select Committee to prepare some measure applicable to the large num-The Council then, on motion of Mr.

The Council met at the usual hour yesterlay morning, the Wardea in the chair.

Mr. Grahame, Vaughan, gave notice of a motion of a select committee to take into consideration the best means of preventing the crime of horse-stealing in the counties.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Grahame also gave notice of a motion for the extention of time to the collectors of Vaughan.

Mr. Graham, Gore, gave notice of a motion to enquire into the amounts paid for the Matron, Mrs. Page. The administration of justice in the counties. MOTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Robinson, Messrs. David Eakins and Mr. Wm. Ferris were ordered to continue the collection of arrears of taxes for 1865, in the Township of Mark-

On motion of Dr. Barnhart, Mr. S. J Barnhart was ordered to continue collection of arrears of taxes in Streetsville.

The Council then adjourned at eleven o'clock, to enable the standing committees to prepare their various reports.

The Council assembled yesterday-the Warden in the chair.

BLACK RIVER BRIDGE The Warden informed the Council that a deputation was present from the County Council of Oatario, to meet a committee of of the Black River Bridge, which unites ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

On motion of Mr. Graham, of the Gore, a select committee was appointed to consider whether the United Counties did not pay too much for the administration of justice in Upper Canada. SELECT COMMITTEE.

On motion of Dr. Berryman, a select com mittee was appointed to confer with the de patation from Ontario with regard to the construction of the Black River Bridge.

AID TO AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES. On motion of Mr. Playter, seconded by

Mr Ball, the Finance Committee was in structed to introduce a Bill having for its object the granting of aid to several regions-COLLECTION OF TAXES. On motion of Mr. Wallis, Mesers. Chas-

Giles, W. Muther, R. Coulter, and W. Ellerby, were authorised to continue to levy and collect the unpaid taxes for the town-PETITIONS

Dr. Berryman presented a petition from the managers of the Magdalen Asylum, pray-PROVISIONAL COUNCIL.

The Provisional Council of the County of Peel met upon the adjournment of the Counttes' Council-the Warden, Dr. Barnhart, in the chair. SELECT COMMITTEES

On motion of Mr. Stork, a select committee was rppointed to strike the standing com-

INSURANCE. On motion of Mr. Graham, of the Core, the Warden was instructed to insure the

county builditgs at Brampton, under a carpenter's risk, for three months-the buildngs being in course of erection. The Council then edjourned.

The Council for the United Counties of

York and Peel met again, yesterday, the

ARREARS OF TAXES. Ma. Wallis, seconded by Mr. Button, moved that the Warden be instructed to get the opinion of the Counties' Solicitor as to cil may make some allowance for the dis-cunt paid by him on silver collected at the cipalities, which may have taxes in arrears,

ter the claims of the Counties are satisfied by such municipalities; and also, as to seconded by Mr. Doan, that the Warden and | whether the Councils of the several murici-

GRANT TO TORONTO GENERAL HOSPITAL. Dr. Berryman, seconded by Mr. Parker, moved that a grant of money be made by these United Counties to the Toronto General Hospital, and that the Finance Commit tee be intrusted to report thereon. - Carri-

A communication was received from the at Liverpool on the 13th ult. County Treasurer, asking an increase of salary. The duties of the office were onerous, and so poorly paid. that, though it was well known an able assistant was indispensable in the Treasurer's office, no provision had even been made for the salary of such an official, and the Treasurer had to pay the extra expense out of his own poc-

THE MAGDALEN ASYLUM.

A communication was received from C-S. Ewart, Secretary of the Magdalen Asylum, thanking members of the Council for their grants in aid of the institution in former rears, and asking a renewal of the same. the 1st July, 1864, was 23; since then, and prices of provisions and clothing, and also a new Cabinet. owing to the new addition to the building,

which had cost \$1,000. A communication from the Registrar, with sundry accounts, were also laid on the

THE GIRLS' HOME.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Girls' Home, Mr. J. Roaf, setting forth the claims of the institution to ing the crime of horse-stealing in these a grant from Council for the present year. At the commencement of the year the number of children in the Home was 36, and at its close there was 42 inmates; admitted during the year 47-making in all 83 who shared its advantages last year. Of these, Il had gone to service; adonted, 10; received at the Boys' Home. 2; died, 1; ran away, 1; removed by their parents, 16; remaining, 42. The establishment is composed of two departments. In the Home, girls under fourteen, or about that age, are fed, clothed and taught towork, being fitted for being put to service, and enabled to be come respectable and useful members of the community, instead of infesting the streets, and growing up pests to society. In the Nursery care is taken of infants and up to seven years, by which provision children, whose parents occupation prevents them from bestowing proper care on them, are generally benefitted. In most of the latter class, a small monthly payment is made by parents towards meeting expenses. Since this time last year, the old. uncommodious, and somewhat unhealthy house on Queen street has been exchanged for a larger one on Carlton street, with a piece of garden

THE BLACK RIVER BRIDGE. The Select committee appointed to confer with the committee from the county of Onnaggad a hullaw Jana C fore the Standing Committee on Roads and ed tonics for all the sick children and the Bridges, and that they be instructed to ex- best port wine and plenty of beef tea and amine the same. to gether with the statute chicken broth, which they are getting relating to the duties of Councils respecting. this Council with regard to the construction | such roads; and if, in their opinion, the law required that Council to provide funds for when our wants are made known we shall both counties in the township of Georgina. this purpose, that they be requested to re- have plenty to meet our expenses." Neither port a draft of a by-law, providing for rais have I; past experience tells me that the ing the necessary funds.

AID TO AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES. A by law was reported and passed, for

granting pecuriary aid to the several Agri-

cultural Rocieties of the United Counties. It grants the sum of \$600 to the several Sounty and Electoral Division Agricultural Societies in the Unitee Counties, as follows: the institution, the house should be cleaned -To the County of Peel Agricultural Society, \$210; to the West Riding of York Electoral Division Agricultural Society, he made to these statements not only in this \$130; to the East Riding of York Electoral city but throughout the country. Christian Division Agricultu al Society, \$130; and to friends desiring to make a remittance, can the North Riding of York Electoral Division Agricultural Society, \$130. The By-Law enacts, secondly, that the said money British North America, Toronto." shall be devided between such societies and the several township societies coneected therewith in the same manner as the Govrenment grant to County and Electoral Division Agricultural Societies. And thirdly, it is enacted that the treasurer shall pay the said money to the respective treasurers of the said County and Electoral Division Agricultural Societies, out of county funds

in his hands. The council then adjourned.

Arrival of the New York

Sanny Hook, January 31st, 2:35 p. m.-The steamer New York, from Bremen, via | da West, obtained an interview with the hon. Southampton, has passed this point on her way to New York. The Steamer City. of Washington, from New York, arrived at sion. Crook haven, January 18th.

The ship Christiana, which sailed on December 1st, from Loidon, for New York, became a wreck about December 20th about midway between Loadon and New York. The officers, crew and passengers were all saved by the Varina, from Calcutta. ENGLAND.

The Parlimentary session commences on 1st of February. The new Reform Bill was only laid before the Cabinet on the 10th instant, and then only in the shape of a project. Earl Russell and Mr. Gladstone are the authors of it. It will not be introduced

Prince Christian and Princess Helena will not be married until July. The cattle plague continues its ravages.

No new arrests or seizures of Fenians

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 17 .- Cotton irregular and very dull at unchanged prices; sales on Wednesday were 7,000 bales, including 2, palities have power to authorize the levying and collecting of arrears of taxes after the 14th of December in each year.—Carrificmer except lard, which is dull. Produce The market is quiet and steady. The sales of cotton on Monday and Tuesday were 11,-000 bales, including 3,000 to speculators and exporters. The market was then easier and the tendency downwards. Quotations were barely maintained in some cases, while in others they 4d. lower. The Manchester market was very dull.

> The steamships Etna, Virginia, Bosphor us and Trevatore, from New York, arrived

The steamship London, for Melbourne, and foundered at sea. 250 lives were lost; 16 of the crew and three passengers were

FRANCE.

The London Star says that the Emperor Napoleon has positively intimated to the Washington Cabinet his willingness to withdraw his troops from Mexico at any moment on the condition that the United States Government recognizes Maximilian as Emperor of Mexico.

The Moniteur says that no further doubts: are entertained in Madrid that General Prime The number of inmates in this asylum on will be compelled to surrender or enter Portugal within three days. He is in the Guadup to January 1st, 1866, 91 had been ad- aloupe montains. He is stated to have demmitted Doring that period 34 were sent ceived his soldiers by representing that Eto service, all of whom had been in the in- partero directed the revolt. Marshall O'stitution for twelve months before. During Donnell ordered the pursuit but not Prim's the eighteen months, the emenses had capture. Madrid was quiet. The Moderate been very heavy in consequence of the high party hoped that General Concha would form

It is officially, announced that the Spanish insurgents, under Gen. Prim, are retreating precipitately towards Portugal.

The Italian Ministry intends reducing the expenditure budget by a hundred millions.

The Marquis D'Azeglio is dead.

PRUSSIA. The Prussian Chambers were opened by Herr Bismark, on the 15th inst. The finances and foreign relations were declared to e in a satisfactory condition. The definite decision in regard to the future of Schleswig-Holstein has been reserved by the Gastein convention for future negotiations."

Protestant Orphans Home.

Correspondence of the Leadhr.

Sin,-I happened to be in Toronto during '

the early part of the months and visited the

'Orphans' Home'' where I found both meas-

es and he oping cough very prevalent, forty-

wo children at that time being in bed under treatment for one or other of these complaints. Knowing how much the expenses of the Home would be increased by this visitation, I was at first minded to make an appeal to the community similar to that ground attached. A large portion of the which I do at present, but as all the cases prosperity, says the Secretary, with which then seemed progressing favorably, I hesita-God has blessed this charity, is, under Him. owing to the care and attention bestowed ted to do so. Now, however, I feel that I by the medical attendant, Dr. Ross, and his must overcome my reluctance, and lay beassistant, and to the faithful and able managefore the public a plain unvarnished, but sad tale. By this day's post I have received a letter from one of the lady namagers whe although having a numerous young family herself spends a portion of each day at the tario, relative to the construction of a bridge Home. My friend writes me: - "You will over the east branch of Black River, brought remember that a large number of of our up their report. The Committee stated that children were ill from Hooping-cough and they found that the County Council of On- measles, and you will grieve to hear that on the Manday after you were hore we ing the sum of \$1,200 for the erection of two of the children, on Sunday last two more this bridge, on condition that the Council of and to-day (Tuesday) two more, and I fear York and Peel would pass a bylaw to provide the sum of \$300, to be expended for three more. Four died from inflammation the same purpose. In the present state of the law, the committee felt that there was one from water on the brain. We have exgood reason to doubt if the provisions of trastoves put up all through the house, so of the by-law could be enforced so far as re that every room may be comfortable day and lated to outer boundary lines. In order to night. Our excellent Doctor Orden became settle this long-standing question, the Com- so disheartened on Sunday that he begged mittee recommended that all papers relating of us all to call on Dr. Holder who accordthereto now before the Council, be laid be lingly met Dr. Ogden yesterday. He order-

> be very heavy, but I have no doubt that cause of the Protestant Orphan will ever meet sympathy among our community. The expenses of maintaining this establishment in which there is an average of ninty children is at all times great; but at a crisica like the present, their expenses must be more than doubled, and when it pleases the Almighty to remove this pestilence from throughout and every other sanitary precaution taken. I trust a liberal response will do so by sending a P. O. order in favor of the Treasurer, "Mrs. Taylor, Bank of

> > STEPHEN LETT.

Collingwood, Jan. 18, 1866.

Mr. Wm. Gibbons, an employee of the Grand Trunk at Goderich, was seriously injured by accident on Thursday. He was coupling two cars when one of them struck him and cut him badly in the thigh.

The Quebec street railway company are losing about \$30 per day in running the winter cars. The Wesleyan Methodist clergyman who went to Ottawa a few days since for the pur-

pose of urging the claims of the Indians now settled on the Indian reserve lands in Cana-Commissioner of Crown Lands, and were well satisfied with the success of their mis

We notice a statement in the Journal de Quebec to the effect that last Sunday weekthe parish priest of Quebec, at the morning service, after thanking his parishioners, for their donations towards the poor, took occasion to say that the liberality of a great many Protestants who had rewarded his personal application with most generous gifts, was above all praise.

> TORONTO MARKETS. Toronto, Feb. 1.

.....\$5 00 @ \$7 00 Four #F orf. \$3 00 @ \$7 00
Fall Wheat #B bushel ... 1 30 @ 1 40
Spring Wheat do ... 1 06 @ 1 09,
Barley do ... 0 55 @ 0 60
Pease do ... 0 62 @ 0 64
Oats do ... 0 30 @ 9 31
Potatoes do ... 0 25 @ 9 30 the opinion of the Counties' Solicitor as to whether it is necessary for the Council to authorize the collectors in the several municipalities, which may have taxes in arrears, to continue to levy and collect the same af-