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THE REVIEW.

Durham, July 25, 1878.

The House of Assembly at Quebec has closed its labors, and we are happy to be able to inform the readers of the Review that Mr. Joly's ministry is more securely settled in their seats than they were at the beginning of the Session.

The semi-annual report of R. G. Dun & Coy's Mercantile Agency for the half year just closed shows that while in the United States the mercantile failures have increased 1076 over those of the corresponding period of 1877, with an increase of over 31 million dollars of liabilities, the failures in Canada have decreased in number 296, with a decrease of about one million and a half of liabilities for the same period.

There will be an eclipse of the sun on the 29th inst, visible in North America. The eclipse will be total in Texas and Mexico, but only partially in Canada. At Durham it will begin at twenty-two minutes past four in the afternoon and continue for about two hours.

Disraeli's coup de main which startled all Europe a few days ago is being opposed vigorously by the Liberal party in the House of Commons. Mr. Gladstone characterized it as an insane covenant, which no great English statesman of the last forty years would have signed, and the Hon. Mr. Forster takes the same ground against the policy of Earl Beaconsfield.

The Hon. E. B. Chandler has been appointed Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, in room of Hon. Mr. Tilly, who has resigned and purposes contesting one of the seats in St. John for the House of Commons. Mr. Chandler was born at Amherst N. J., in 1800, was called to the bar of New Brunswick in 1823, and became a member of the Executive Council of that Province in 1844.

In an able article which appeared in a recent number of the Montreal Witness on the backward state of agriculture in Canada the writer suggests the following means for remedying the evil which is felt by every intelligent person who gives any thought to the subject.

THE HEATED TERM.

The average temperature during the past week has been higher and more continually so than for many years on this continent, and as a natural consequence the cases of sunstroke have enormously increased. In St. Louis there were 150 cases in one day, and 50 deaths. It is said there were 160 deaths in that city alone from sunstroke last week.

pelled to indulge. In the cities people can keep in the shade for the most part; when they have occasion to move long distances they have recourse to the street cars, and they can obtain cooling drinks if required. Yet, with all these apparent advantages, men and women in St. Louis were stricken down even in their homes, and at their places of business. The heated air which sweeps over 1,000 miles of prairie without any chance to become tempered by passing near a large body of water is one of the great objections to life in the West.

WHO IS THE STATESMAN?

The bag and baggage policy of Mr. Gladstone has been oft-times quoted, but only to be ridiculed, especially by the Tories. It is, however, curious to observe, how this notable utterance of the great Commoner is being realized—not, perhaps, in the way he intended, or even wished, but in a sort of round-about method peculiar to his opponents, and especially peculiar to Beaconsfield, the chief of the great Tory party.

VOTE FOR THE BY-LAW.

On the 29th of this month the ratepayers of Glenelg will have the opportunity of recording their votes in favour of granting a bonus of \$20,000 in aid of the Wellington and Georgian Bay Railway, which is proposed to be built from the town of Palmerston, on the Great Western R. R., through Mount Forest and Durham to some point on the Georgian Bay.

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The Intelligencer, a Tory protectionist journal, says:—There are now in Belleville three foundries, which do an extensive trade; one axe factory, the best in Canada and one of the most extensive; five saw factories; two grist-mills, and another in course of erection; two furniture manufactories; four saw-mills; two cigar factories; four carriage manufactories; eight blacksmiths; three woolen mills; two breweries; four marble factories; one sewing machine factory, whilst without the borders of the city are two large brick manufactories and also six saw-mills. To this the Galt Reformer adds:—Belleville has been made a city under the Reform regime, as has also Brantford and St. Catharines, and there are certain other towns in Ontario which intend to be gazetted as cities under Mr. Mackenzie's administration. A very good way of going to the dogs, this isn't it?

Between one and two o'clock on Saturday morning a Grand Trunk train going west, when a short distance east of Acton station, struck a woman named McAlpin, completely severing her head and shoulders from the rest of the body. She had been drinking the night before, and a bottle containing liquor was found near the body.

Literary.

The current number of the New Dominion Monthly opens with an article on Canadian Bards and Ballads. It seems that the enterprising publishers of this magazine offered in January last a prize for the best Canadian ballad received before the first of March following.

Local and Other Items.

The wife of the Rev. R. J. Forman, who left Mount Forest a few weeks ago for Kincardine, died on Monday last.

The contract for the erection of the High School building in Mount Forest has been let for \$6,200. The house will be sufficiently large to accommodate 200 pupils.

Sudden Death.—An aged gentleman, Mr. Moffat, near, living on the 2nd con. Glenelg, was found dead in the stable adjoining the dwelling house, on Saturday last. The deceased had been engaged in taking in hay during the afternoon, and it is supposed that he died from the effects of heat and exhaustion.

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In the Past.

Editor Grey Review. Sir,—Having come across an issue of your magazine, the Chronicle, the other day, and not having lost the interest in my good old friend for the many blessings he conferred on me some ten years ago, my thoughts were that he had predicted against me, it was but natural to suppose his thoughts were that he had banished the poor old-hopper from the modern Athens—the seat and domain of the great philosopher whose kindly power I dared to resist.

There is also a very interesting article on the spectroscopy, a comparatively new invention for purposes of chemical analysis, and which has been of the greatest importance in determining the nature of the sun's atmosphere and the course of the most distant stars.

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Galt Laymen vs. Old Paths.

To the Editor of the Grey Review. Sir,—In my former reply to Old Paths I showed that he was misrepresenting the Galt Laymen when he asserted that they taught that faith and assurance were the same thing. I likewise showed the similarity of their teachings with that of the Saviour. I also asserted that Old Paths must be the mental lunatic he insinuates the Galt laymen to be.

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Faith.

Faith is the disposition which we hold for certain. As this is the case, faith may be viewed as a mental faculty, and as such it is not a virtue, but a power of the mind. It is the mental faculty which enables us to believe in things which are not immediately before our eyes, and which are not supported by any visible evidence.

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The Late Dr. Hodge.

The Rev. Charles Hodge, late Professor of Theology at Princeton, who died recently, was born in Philadelphia in 1797. He was an early and distinguished member of the Presbyterian ministry, and was appointed Assistant Professor of Biblical Literature in Princeton College, and about the same time became Editor of the Princeton Review, a periodical which has been chiefly indebted to Dr. Hodge for its great influence which it has exercised in the higher departments of ecclesiastical literature.

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