Crace Greenwood.

GENTLEMEN :- There was once upon a time a bird-concert. The brown-thrush was to take and inopportune hoarseness, contracted by practising too late the night before, when she imdowny and bright with its first plumage, and it must be after the fashion of our people." whose breast yet was punting with its first

It is recorded that the debutante songster so stale the hearts of the audience from the thrush, that when that poor bird was at last cured of her cold, possibly by being rolled in the "wet showers (the true system of high-drop-athy,) she found that a change had come over the spirit of the dream of amateurs, and the market for thrush-music grown dull.

I have been reminded of this fable by solving to send you, this week, in lieu of anything from my own pen, the following, lately addressed to me, by a young friend.

Yours, GRACE GREENWOOD.

LETTER TO GRACE GREENWOOD.

You tell me, Grace dearest, you are always interested in those I love; and I have a mind to tell you somewhat of a sweet Quakeress friend of mine-one who nestles in the innermost-fold of my frest :- Dame Norwood and her bus sand, despising the worldliness of pet names, call her "daughter Lydia"-this fairy bird, making music in their home-but to us she is always Lilla, sweet, darling, joyous Lilwhich no Quakerism in the father's heart ever deemed superfluous-eyes that the mother never dreamed could have looked on her just as lovingly and tenderly, had they been less like the morning violets. And then the sweetest rose-bud mouth with lips ever fresh, as though the dew had slept upon them all night long. Ah! she was a darling, laughing, only child, with such a sunlight beaming from her face, as warmed the lovebuds in your heart to life, and drew their richest fragrunce out taward her winning ways, that had snared and led captive many a heart, beside her fond old father's ; and beneath all this spatkling mirthfulness, a world of teaderness and intense feeling which only the few, the very few, had over guested. The father blessed the light step, that fell like a fairy foot-fail, in the homestead, and as the glad young voice sounded its melody the mother's eye moistened, and she prayed Heaven it might be long, ere its tones were mellowed by the touch of sorrow.

And Lilla was the pet, the pride of our loving little circle. Beautiful indeed, to us she allovely -- and then those clustering ringlets, to as wicked elves as herself.

It was in the carly sunner-time that Ben

and beauty, and withal just your idea of a man malgre the glitter of a well filled purse-so generous in every impulse, and imbued with that fearless spirit of independence, which dared to do, and to maintain when done, all that the innate nobleness of his brave, warm heart suggested. Yes, he was a cousin to be proud of, and of all the world, I foully thought the lover for our Lilla.

So, straightway, in this little head of mine came schemes of match-making, most sagely hinting to the lady that the gentleman is "dead and !" To ber, what a volume of loveful in love," insinuating to the gentleman that a meaning was compressed in those two words certain lady's heart is touched for the first time. -- one, one with him always, seemed sounding No, I preserved a calm unsuspecting silence, in her ear, and scarcely she heeded, on the were always together, and I felt assured, as soon might the summer moonlight retuse to flust to which their names had just been affixed. lovingly with the blue wave, as those two glomosphere, and not become one.

Norwood cottage was separated from ours, only by a darling little lake, where from child- and Lilla entered the home of her youth, only hood, we had loved, standing opposite on its to take a long, last adieu-to cling once more, banks, to fling peobles into the clear tide, and to the old familiar things, that must be to her, watch the edly in rirele, meet and mingle into henceforth, but as memoirs-to hover once again one. Our girlens sloped down to the margin tound every cherished place, where her footon either side, and here would some half dozen of merry ones, frolic away the shining hours of departure from the roof-tree which has shelter-his reputation for veracity would have been lost had dangerous place for the heart of cousin Ben. deter from infancy—bitter is it, to feel a not one of his listeners, who had hitherto remained angerous place for the heart of cousing little. There were overlanging trees, loving little and a mother's anguished kiss, and long, long, close "Yes, fellers, he must be right. His father tear is the notion of the nature of things to suppose on either side, and here would some half dozen steps might freely tove no longer. upon a youth straight from the heat and dusty decrees and affection should be the heart, which he could have put so much carring on Sam's face, on account of the indians, why live heretofore been to make the terror of these people. Amount is a back-woodsturned of a big city, had there been no lighthas chosen for its home. ning eyes to dazzle, and no music laugh to has chosen for its home. echo ever in his eats.

Oh, they were wonderfully effective, those ever to d, was sure to lose the mad, or in some way " de the unlacky Ben, thereby oft detrings m beyond the appointed hour.

Hilliam, the orgin awake to every glance and tone! your devoted of charm it is. How I blessed the dear felicafor falling in love so quickly! I verily believe my swelling heart would have dirulged its secref, but that it had no time to feel suspense. before one half its dear dream was realized, captain, lately arrived in Paris, went to consult one Ben Howard had at first been captivated by of the most eminent physicians. He was shown to falls's winning gentleness, and chald-like the alegantly formaled drawing-room of the laxosomewhat of the womanly trudecorss, and depth.

Oh, how my very soul went out toward her, I as I waw that the glad waters of her existence! Partsian correspondent of the Franco-Amerihad caught a hue from the glowing heaven of cain, one of the French newspapers published

methought there was a magic in the broad

all potent, to work a spell of good. No, I will believe it was the fond affection prudently washed and trilled through dew fal- for his gentle daughter, that moved the old pieces of the most delicate art, were lavished before, she puts them asteep. Well, as the bast in a measure, forsaken the faith of thy francs! And these articles of furniture were 'tain young robin -one whose wing was yet Lydia's happiness and thine, ye may wed, but bidding." The writer quotes a reply made by

in a Quaker Church? If so you can have some Lilla, was to pass. The spacinus "meeting house" was filled to overflowing, with a motley assemblage whom the great occasion had brought together, and clustered in one nook, where we might almost see the heart-flutterings of the sweet bride, we loving ones waited, in eager breathlessness, the arrival of the heart special property of the sweet bride, we loving ones waited, in eager breathlessness, the arrival of the heart special property of the sweet bride.

"Pethaps, madain," she said, "you would like the opposition. If is, that the Roman censorship is to have these luxuries at the price they cost purely Austrian in its feeling. It is still complete they cost meeting the hands of the creature of the such a picture of life.

Prus IX. has therefore begand severe trials to undergo before he are complete.

EFFECTS OF FRIGHT.

We have often remarked on the impropriety of will not suffer himself to be histouraged by difficulties. idea of the ordeal through which our precious pet sheet" of a dew-driping oak-lesf-or by having assemblage whom the great occasion had such a picture of life. in eager breathlessness, the arrival of the happy party. On the long rows of seats sat, is prim dignity, the elders-the females in sober drab shawls, and black bonnets, with faces lengthened in solemn fixedness-the good fathers, with chins resting on their canes, and broad-brims shadowing their grave browshere was set spart a place for the bride and bri fegroom.

How heautiful she looked, dear Lilla! no orange blossoms clustered in loving purity round that fair head, no bridal weil floated in light folds, to shield the timid face, but she stool robed in the quiet simplicity of her sect, with no ornaments save the grace of her young loveliness. Folds of plain, but rich satin, fitted closely to her slender figure, and from beneath her light gauze bonnet, fell in heavy luxuriance, those precious curls, growing still darker, la, with a bewildering wealth of raven curis, as they lay upon her pale cheek. How fondly we watched her; and as time wore on, the long drooped lashes would quiver, and ever and anon the cheek flush, as though a fluttering rose-leaf had shadowed it in passing.

Oh, the utter stillnes of a "silent meeting" in a Quaker church! More than an hour had its mother with eyes fixed, in an idiotic stare upon passed, and yet the "spirit" had not "moved." cough of some elder, or the rustle of some stiff to! it was a lifeless corps. The fright occasioned silk, which, though its whole life had known innocent. In the column of the little only Sundays, had not whole life had known Not a sound was heard, save the occasional dry only Sundays, had not yet learned decorum. ceased to heat-the vital spark had fled, and the Cousin Ben had summoused all the dignity and resolution of a lifetime, into that one hour, and credulity which induce her to trust to such a sersat bolt upright, while Lilla-but I've a tale to want, and the perfody of the unprincipled nurse, in tell of her. She had never once lifted those whom she had confided. To add more is needless; "blue veined eyelids," and seemed tremblingly conscious of all around ber, but as time passed, and she became somewhat accustomed to her strange position, thoughts began to be busy in that mirthful little brain, that she, laughing of their innocent and helpless of spring. [English Lilla, who had never thought of keeping still, paper. or being sober for five minutes in her life. should be demurely seated in these "high places," to which from childhood she had looked ways seemed, a spirit of taste hovered around with so much awe, side by side, with the veriher simple touet, and gave to her, pure, plain table mothers in Israel-that a whole bevy of dress, such a bewitching grace, we fondly upturned eyes were gazing upon her, among beyond her home; but there she silently spread

were gathered up in such an irresistible way.

With sometimes a snowy bud and green leaflet point, the was startled by a low, comfortable deliberate snore, from an aged dome, who had threshold of her eighteenth birth-day. Per- land. It was too much—at least for Lilia. I truly a spirit of good, diffusing a tranquillating in- A decision, very much in the style of a consideration of the surface of a consideration of the surface of the surfa

yow, sacred until death ! dew dimmed her soft eyes, as her voice, quiv- kept near him the likeness of his departed friend, and cring in its low melody, uttered the solemn spoke to me more than once of the solace which he pro nise, to be his, his only, "in sun-light and had found in it. He heard her voice from another in shade,"

profound. D'm't, I beg of you, imagine mu Oh! how tremulous were the snowy fingers, strong following the backneyed fashion of extolling to as they traced beneath Ben's bold signature, pingeach the manifold graces of the other-slyly for the first time, her new name, "Lilla How-"covenant record" with its law-like repetition

This was the last form, and now Grace, it riously gifted souls, wander in the same at- was all over. Friends were pressing forward - warm greetings, and fervent blessings were mingled with choking sighs, and sad farewells,

plasting waterfall :- enough to fing the spell embrace. On! how richly fraught with ten-

Well, my Gracie, what more can I tell you's Only that cousin Ben is the proudest young moonlight hours, in that sweet garden !- and husband, and Lilla the dearest, happiest little life, is to bonish from the mind all sordid and miser- Santa Fe. The mineral nealth of this country has then, there were tides on horseback, when beauty, that promenades Chestaut-street of a able cores for the future, and be contented for the been but partially developed; he mines are badly early checking of the bridle told a tale- and sunny spring morning. Ah; you must know with officials the little minfortunes of this worked, for want of means and enterprise. Gold is

findish raymes, and that too without let- mithout suspicion till you have found out that he is a rate motive in making these e stements, for I exletting me chaose for myself one of those fairy, rogue: fancy everybody is good natured because peet to leave it by next summer, and hope to spend fir titious names, so fashionable. But n'importe you are so yourself. Est well, drink well, and the remainder of my days in Missouri but I express

AMERICAN DIGESTION. A French newspaper says, that an American sea-

morthing as acquaintance revealed to him residence of the successful practitioner, and there wanting an hour for his turn, was at last beckmed to delicate for the windows which will give meals during and delicate for the former given private audi- to have restaurants which will give meals during ad delicate for the former givening the one in the former and to make the city so brillian notate, and he beent. Not that light young covered with one of the rich carpers of Aubussian, and here, on the first then the brandy which while the physician stond marting to hear for mint between any time of night ard any time of day. The artises of a little for a little are arounded. "arising to bear for mint between any time of night ard any time of day. The artises of a little for a little are arounded. "arising to bear for mint one of the rate of any time of night ard any time of day. The artises are arounded. "arising to bear for mint one of the rate carpet on the state of the state county were stage, to a rose staudul sa painty and of his mouth repeatedly upon the Goor. The polich-The points would be much more health, the state of the most of the most of the most of the constraint of the most of the constraint of the

A DEATH, AND A FASHIONAGLE RACE. -A We have readers, of course, who love best a valuable, just-sixteen-ish, unsaddened, out-and-out live story—one that is not laden down at the end, with a grave body's embittered, budy older than exceen is expected to read the story which follows. It is for the young and happy. Grace Greenawood, who sends it to use a jayous and halliant being, whose pen we follow always as we would a band of music, with our heart keeping quicker time than its inspire, to some, dangerous reflections. Houses a part therein, but was prevented by a sudden lands and heavy purse of the future son-in-law, of respectable hixury are far enough behind the plendors of this. Gold, silk, lace, velvet, all the wonders of costliness, and all the masterone of this class who was obliged to make a sim

any thing so traly horrible as the following. The subject being too delicate to allow of the mentioning of names, we shall avoid such exposure, but at the same time we pladge ourselves for the correctness of end will either discourage or conquer them. the narration. Some time ago, a lady in a certain considerable town in Yorkshire, went to a neighbor's bouse to take tea, along with her husband, and left her little family to the core of her servants. In the course of the evening she felt uneasy, and being impressed with the idea that all was not right at home she left her triend's house early. On arriving at her home, she found that her servants, in the exercise of high life below stairs, had collected a social party. This she passed over without observation and proceeding up stairs to the nursery, she was sur-prised by a terrific figure at the bottom of the bed of the youngest child which was but three years of age! The fact was that the nurse maid, finding the child not very ready to get to rest, and being loth to be disturbed in her evening's enjoyment by its cry-ing, had dressed up and placed the figure alluded to at the bottom of the infant's bed, with a view of

frightening it to sleep. The contrary off et, however, had been produced the child had been borror-struck and appeared to the image. Astonished and distressed, she rung the bell, and then proceeded to take up her infant, but innocent. In the extreme of fear the pulse had mother was left to moun in unutterable anguish the and to describe the subsequent sorrow of the parent is impossible. It is a melapcholy story; but it is not more strange than true; and we give it with no other siew than to place purents on their guard with

DEATH OF A TRUE WIFE.

Her reserve and shrinking delicacy threw a veil over her beautiful character. She was little known deemed no change could have been half so which were a dozen reguish pairs, belonging which is never fully understood till it is quenched. The was no light smiles now—the cheek was serrow, the feeling of a mighty roid, the last burden the villainty shell be deprived of their commissions, and the lips tremulous with feeling—the heaven of love was about her, and its bright life from this moment sensibly declined. In seasons of peculiar sensibility he wished to be gove. He of peculiar sensibility he wished to be gove. He world, and his anticipations of that world, always Oh! how fremulous were the snowy fingers, strong, became more vivid and touching .- [Chan-

SAM JONES' STORIES.

Sam Jones, as he was familiarly called, had suffered severely from the small puz, which, though it had had no compassion upon his body, had pilled but - we three, as jayous a trio, as ever met, elder, in monotonous tones, read aloud the long his face. Born and educated in the "land of steady habits," he had never gratified his restless, roving Kearney arrived, were good, at I think it a better disposition until the age of twenty-three, when he removed to a thriving little village of the West. He porsessed much native shrewdness, and among his other acquirements, he was an inviterate ho ster .- that deficiency. As a proof of the fertility of the Seated by a fire, with a duzen could be styled his what, in common parlance, would be styled his a large as saucers, and many other much larger, whappers," he was in his element. Often "Sam and every gardener knows that snices will not grow had gut planted unco right" in the bar-room of the Village inn so indulge this propensity, and one even-ing he had been " astonishing" his companions with accounts of his father's immense wealth. This story was so improbable, that even his most credulous hearers could not believe it ; and not withstand- from the melting of the anow in the Spring, and oc ing Sam's most emphatic declarations of its truth, casional showers, which feed housands of sheep, his reputation for veracity would have been lost had and which an enterprising population will, at some

HOW TO LEAD A HAPPY LIFE. mind your own business; never try to make it up into it. between man and wife; never recommend anybody.

—[Library of Secreta and Wrinkles.

CITY OF THE SLEEPLESS.

There is no end to the ingenuity of luxury at Pa will commence at midnight and close at dayligh;instead arms hours—and to make the city so bralliant in the city so bra to have restaurants which will give meals during

THE POPE UNDER CENSORSHIP.

The Semaphers of Marselline of the 18th of Feb-

with our heart keeping quicker time than its sire. There was too much the sir of a Chesnut larly, showed the greatest eagerness to be first has recently occurred a constant with the seronon wont. Kead, ye who are young and happy! street fashionable in his coat, and a Beebe-and—there, as if they were curious to know exactly proached by Pius IX at then Address de la Valle, is costarish narrowness of brim, dreadfully shock—what is lost by the practice of virtue. And the ing in a good friend's eyes. Nevertheless, surroundings of Mademoiselle de Plessir, might trative purification. Is & not surprising that an event of this importance, which so profoundly moved the whole population of Rome, and has filled all Christendem alike with respect and admiration, was the people, until six days after the services! The VINCIAL PENITENTIARY. productly washed and trilled through dew fal- for his gentle daughter, that moved the old pieces of the most delicate art, were lavished Pope preached on the 12a of January, and the ling-time—the hour, when, mother-like, Na- man's heart, when he said, "Verily Benjamin, here in incredible confusion. The furniture of journals of Rome did not sprak of this ceremony ture washes the faces of her baby-flowers, thou hart wandered out of the old paths, and hersteeping chamber alone cost forty thousand until the 19th. This will appear incredible. It was the censorable, which, on als own private authrush could not appear on that occasion, she fathers; nevertheless, I believe, in the world hought by countereses and ladies of fashion, at therity arrested the publication of the Holy Father's seven years, was liberated by a pardon from headed leave to present as her substitute, a certhon art without reproach, and if it be for prices raised absuidly high by competition in part to be published. The publication, in extense of this pitce of eloquence, at once so simple and so grand, diled it with terror; it has not probable been Did you ever, Gracie love, attend a widding indignent remark by one of the virtuous bidders a Quaker Church? If so you can have some upon the exorbitant price of every thing.

"Perhaps, madam," she said, "you would like the opposition. If is, that the Roman censorship is the page.

exciting the fears of children for the purpose of more ties. His courage, the legand confidence of his easily managing them, but never have we heard of subjects, are sure guarantial success for his cause which is that of the oppressed of all humanity. Let the spirit of feeti-n conspices the dark or appear in broad daylight it will be equally vain; he in the

WESTFIELD STATE NORMAN SCHOOL

We were prevented, much o our regret, from atlending the examination at the close of the recent term, on Twerday last ; but # benr it spoken of in high terms, as reflecting much credit upon the teachers, Mr. Rowe and Mus Petuell. Although they have bren enabled to work with a wonder in the District School, which serves the model, yet the improvement of their pupi's h equally gratifying. From a friend who attended the examination, we have received the following acount. - Exeter News

The School has consisted, during the past term, of 34 pupils, coming from seven Afferent C unties in the State. A large preported, have been females, the renes. the young gentlemen being at this season of the tear engaged in teaching. At the pupils appeared interested and intelligent, and seemed to manufest, by their conduct, that they bed endeavoured to avail themselves of the advantages aborded to them.

Two of the visitors were prepare, Hon. Wm. G. Bates and Professor Sears, of he Newton Theological Conductions.

cal Seminary. There was also an audience, through the day, of about an aundred blies and gentlemen

from this town and vicinity.

It is difficult to speak particularly of their exercises, as too much time would be required to detail the performances of a day; by it was very obvious that thoroughness had been theobject aimed at, and, in a great manner attained by the pupils. No one served the facilty with which different problems in mathematics were solved upon the black board, and the correctness and beaut, of the geograpical delineations, could fail to be stisfied with the favorable result which follows is institution of the lourishing Seminary.

The recitation in reading we exceedingly gratifi ing. The pupils were required to give an analysis of the elementary sounds; and they succeeded in convincing the audience, that (sey had begun at the bottom, in the effort to become good readers.

A short address from the visions, and a parting hymn, by the pupils who had teen altending to music under the charge of Mr. Grossett, closed this highly interesting examination, and strengthened the

MANUEL WISHINGTH RUSSIA.

A decision, very much in the tyle of a caliph of threshold of her eighteenth hirth-day. Perhaps a painter would have said the penciltouches of love was wanting, to give her teau.

ty perfection—softening the light in those eyes
and mellowing the smile that played about the
mouth—if so, the hour of her pride was not far
distant.

The soft was middly to be thought of, and the result of more sure. The soft which took her from him
left a wound which time could not heat. Had his
strength been made by the Emperor Nichmore sure. The soft which took her from him
left a wound which time could not heat. Had his
strength been continued, so that he could have gone
thandkerchief! Oh, shade of William Penn!
was ever before the like known—a Quaker
bride, in a Quaker church, to laugh! But that
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bride, in a Quaker church, to laugh! But that haps a painter would have said the pencil- saw the smile overspread her face-those omin. fluence too mildly to be thought of, and there for Bagdad, has lately been made by the Emperor Nichsunbeam smile must have shone directly into walk in the street now sent him wearied home. There church, and the ceremony was performed. She went Howard came to Irving-Place. Dear, good the face of the lazy "spirit," for he most sud- the loving eye which had so long brightened at his to one of his estates, where he con wearied of his Howard came to Irving-Place. Dear, good cousin Ben! we had been fast friends ever since out to be followed—there was an instantaneous model of the presiding elder gave the signal and to the two stood up; and as Ben Howard's drep, there joyous welcome, we hailed the first visit since his hoyish days.

Ah! you should have seen him, Gracie mine, so noMe-looking, in the flush of youthful pride so noMe-looking to the flush daily inquired into him the daily inquired into the conscience had whis labors, and like another out of dours—first deviction in the conscience was to shed its mild beam and the out of dours—first deviction in going out to be made one with his, was to be spared no southing offices; but these, though felt exist. But considering that the general has infaits life forever -- that the inner temple of her and spoken of as most precious, could not take the mously deceived a young and artuous person, we soul, was now to be the spotless shrine for a place of what had been removed. This great lass order that his entire property shall be confiscated to produced no burst of grief. It was a still, deep her use, and that the two military accomplicas i

THE RESERVE OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO IS NOT THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO IS NAME SANTA FE. From the St. Louis Boublican. Sauta Fe, N. M. Jan. 13, 1847.

being a barren waste, as has ben represented, the soil is decidedly rich and nordarily water to make it highly productive. The crop of wheat in this neighbourhood, which were sending when Gen. wheat country than Missouri. It will not yield as much corn to the sere as can be existed in Missouri, but its greater value more then counterbalances in a barren soil.

It is unquestiousbly one of the best sheep-raising countries on earth; and the dry oplands which to a Missourian appear worthless, produce a rich pasture, future day increase to millions.

There are immense tracis of and on the streams

es. feilers, he must be right. His father was which issue from the mountains, of a superior quality, which the Mexicans have were dated to settle. their characters, they will soon find where those beautiful valleys are. Even at his time there is an The first and most essential point to lead a happy indication of a more toward these choice spots, from then, there were fides on horsenack, when early checking of the bridle told a lale—and there were delicious drives, in a precious little what say you to my meeting you there were delicious drives, in a precious little what say you to my meeting you there next season?

You see I have forgiven you, and taken you two, drawn by the most accommodating pony, which the soil of our village was all he had which the soil of our village was all he had Ah! nonet demarely unconctions was Miss. If you will love me just as well, though only ameter of course. Dun't owe a man a farthing wall be a radiable addition to the United States. you can't pay; be under obligation to subody; when American capital and in-fustry are brought

From the British Colonist Yategraph Report. Later from Verg Cruz. IMPORTANT BY THE CUFFER EWING.

NEW YORe, April 5, 1847.

At New Orleans on the 26th ultimo, four days

endeavolving to collect his forces. An officer arrived at Brazes from Matamores, justics the boat left with information, that General Taylor had arrived at Seralvo with 1000 cavalry, in pursuit of Urres, who fied in the direction of Victoria, as soon as he heard of Taylor in the direction of Victoria, as soon as he heard of Taylor's approach. The communication between Camargo and Montery was catablished.

Chronicle & Bagette.

SATURUDAY, APRIL 10, 1847.

VINCIAL PENITENTIARY.

On Monday last a prisoner of the name of Johnson, who was committed for a period of His Excellency Loan Elgin, entirely on the above Buth. ground of uniform good conduct since his imprisonment. The scene was as interesting as it was impressive to the other prisoners, all of whom were called upon to hear the pardon read by the Warden.

mined to punish those who were refractory, and refused to comply with the regulations of tound a prisoner who had nuiformly conducted himself well; and on examination it was found that this man Johnson had never had a punishment but one, which was a very slight onebread and water meal-almost immediately after his committal four years ago. The inspectors recommended him to the consideration of His Excellency, and the pardon was grantthose who disobeyed the regulations and laws tage to themselves.

of the establishment. The poor fellow Johnson received the inteligence with strong feelings expressive of gratitude, and in a conversation afterwards with one of the Inspectors, stated that he was an Englishman, that he happened to be at Buffale-was out of money and fell into the company of a dissipated set of villains, who together agreed to go over to Canada and do the beat they could for themselves-in stealing horses or in any other way—he was taken and convicted and he admits that his punishment was well deserved; he, however, says he has long since repented of the crime of which he shall never again be guilty, and to which be has now no inducement, as he has become a first rate blacksmith, and doubtless can get a good living by honest industry. He has been strongly recommended by the Warden for his

industry and good weeksmanking We hail with great satisfaction this proof of a Steamer may work her way to Fartis Point, the merciful consideration of the Inspectors if not to Hatters Bay, within two miles of and Brevet Lieut.-Colonel Hort to the majoriwhich appears to us to be perfectly compatible Kingston. with the great object of punishment, viz., the amendment of the character of the delinquest, and that object effected we cannot but think that punishment should cease. The crime of this man was certainly a heinous ope, and the satisfactory evidence of amendment, the punishment ought to be relexed; and if this be so with great crimes how much more ought it to be the case with minor offences. The shortest period for which a prisoner can be sentenced to the Penitentiary is three years, is it not obvious that such prisoners could be made to feel that if their conduct was irreproachable for two Mesers. JOHN A. KYTE, years their case would be recommended for consideration to the clemency of the Governor, that it would operate as a constant stimulus to Some of the letter writers are living untrue state-ments of the value of this courty. So far from habits of good behaviour, to the suppression of evil intentions and wrong doing,-and what person is to be found who under the influence of such a controlling feeling for two years would not be improved by it; whereas, if no such hope exists, & instead of it a morbid determination to bear the punishment till the period of deliverance comes round, without one single idea of reformation, is it to be wondered at that such a prisoner again falls into the same evil courses and again returns a prisoner in the Pepitentiary.

The April Sessions.

The Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace as well as the District Court in and for the Midland District closed their sittings on Thursday afternoon.

The following sentences were pronounced by the learned Chairman, Stafford F. Kirkpatrick, Esq., viz.: John Williams-Larceny-Sentenced to the

Provincial Penitentiary for the space of three years at hard labor. Williams has been out of the Penitentiary

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y a few months.

Mary Monaghan—Larceny—three years in
do. do. Mary goes for the second time

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dead letter, but that it will be better sustained than only a few months. Mary Monaghan -- Larceny -- three years in

Henry Lippiant -- stealing a gold watch from

years in do. Lippiant was sent there before for a similar offence by the sentence of a Court Martial. Edwin Brinley-Larceny-one week in the

James Brown--Larceny-one month in do. Several important cases are laid over to the

Assizes -- not but that the Court of Quarter

The Spring Assizes.

opened here as already mentioned by us on Mr. Justice Hagerman was to have presided but is prevented from coming by ill health. His Honor Mr. Justice Jones wrote sometime since to Mr. Sheriff Corbett, that he -but within the last few days it has been Justice will preside at the approaching Assizes. It is expected that a Steamer will come down with his Lordship as far as the ice will permit, which from the present appearances will be to the upper gap, thus enabling the passengers to land a few miles

Lambton House Hotel.

We have pleasure in informing the public that the Lambian House Hotel is again opened, The facts as we have them, stated were as and that too by its former Landlord, Mr. Hasfollows:-The Commissioners wishing to show tings. A large and respectable early attembled to the prisoners that they were as desirous of to particle of a supper, ordered on the occasion. rewarding good conduct, as they were deter- on Wednesday avening lest,-Henry Smith. Esq., M.P.P. in the Chair, Dr. McLean and F. M.Hill, Esq., Vice-Presidents. The Band of the the prison, asked the Warden if there could be 46th Regt., by the kind permission of Col. Garratt, attended-and enlivened the company

We were prevented from attending, by disposition alone, or we should certainly have been much gratified, in testifying by our presence, our participation in the feeling of respect eviaced not only by this meeting, but in various other ways, for the character and honest ined immediately. In communicating the fact tentions of Mr. Hastings. We have often freto the prisoner, which was wholly unexpected quented his boose, and it is no more than comby him, the Warden took occasion to inform mon justice to him, to say we have never seen the other convicts of the prison that although a better table, or a more cleanly and comfortathis was a case of rare occurrence, yet it ble public establishment. The existence of two would not be a solitary one, provided others respectable Hotels is indispensible in this city. conducted themselves equally as well as the and we feel certain, there must be ample room man now pardoned had done, but that it was for both--doubtless each will have its friendsthe determination of the Inspectors, whilst they and we hope, and confidently believe, both will were desirons of serving the well-behaved be able to support their respective establishamongst them, to punish the refractory and ments, with credit to the city and advantan-

The Weather.

Spring weather has arrived at length, the snow has disappeared, our streets are for the most part cleared of ice, and a highly necessa. ry and useful scraping and carrying away of the accumulated mud, is in active operation.

The water of the lake is extensively gaining upon the ice in the harbor, and the ice itself is rapidly becoming spongy and rotten. Eight or ten days at most, will, if the present weather continue, which is warm and genial through the day, and with showers during the usual accompaniment of almost innumerable nant with evil and do real good to none. Steamboats, Schooners, Barges, &c. and other crafts ploughing their way through its surface.

Since writing the above, we leave that the

We have not received any American papers for the last three or four days, our previous account of Mexican affairs were up to the 24th, we have inserted two letters, dated one day

St. George's Society.

The ANNUAL MEETING of the ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY, held at Bamford's Hotel, on Tuesday evening last, the following Gentlemen were elected Office bearers for the year :

JOHN B. MARKS, Esq., JOHN COUNTER, E.q., 1st Vier de FRANCIS M. HILL, E.q., 2nd do. do. NOBLE PALMER, E.q., Teoreurer. SAMUEL ROWLANDS, E.q., Secretary. 1st Vier do. 2nd do. do. Treasurer. STEWARDS.

JAS. LINTON. JAS. GOODEVE, WM. P. WILSON. GEO. WEBSTER, THOS. PERKINS. CHARITABLE COMMITTEE. Mesers. EDWD. H. HARDY, THOS. ASKEW. JAB-W. BRENT, RICHARD SCOBELL, WM. MCMILLAN THOS. PENNEY, Rev. WILLIAM'M. HENCHMEN, A. M., Choplain-

Dr. RICHARD WILLIAMS, Physicians. Dr. A. C. ROBINSON, The Society resolved to attend St. George's Church in procession on the anniversary, and to dine together in the evening, according to one of the articles of the Constitution. -[Argus.

For the Chronicle & Gasette. Mr. EDITOR -- I was a listener, to a conversation which actually took place in this City a few days ago, of which the following is the substance; and as you have advocated the repeal, or at least a modification of the Usury Laws, I take the liberty to request you to give insertion to it in the Chronicle Gazette.

I am, Sir, yours, A MAN OF BUSINESS.

a man of business, Mr. B., on the Usuay Laws.

Lawyer .-- Well, Mr. B., the question of the repeal of the Usury Laws is stready become a dead ness states thatletter, I believe.

it has ever been before. Lawyer .-- I can tell you that it has no chance i

ogainst it; the most you can hope to get is, a modification as to bille of exchange.

them remain as they are. Messions possessed sufficient jurisdiction to try
them. At the Assigns there is always a Property of interest would be ruinder; I have £1,000 in The want of a Crown Officer at the Sessions could not pay me, I should sue them, get execution, and the debtors would be perhaps ruined, unless by

borrowing the money to pay me, at an extraragent

Mr. B .- As it appears to me, Gentlemen, be excriteed to enable them to pay him. Nam, I ask my friend, the Langer, what induces him to Tuesday next, the 13th instant. His Honor hold a great many small notes of hand, amounting to £1,000, for which he receives 6 per cent. unly, when Bank Stock would pay him 8 per cent I and some other securities much more, he would receive at least £80 per sonum instead of £50-a last of £20 per annum; if the motive is to show beauvolence to his debtore, he is "rara avis in terris" -he is one of the most benevolent Lawyers in Canada; but if he would supply the place of Mr. Haggerman has any personal object, either that it creates law business for himself, or gives him parliamentary, or any other lofuence, the arrangement fails of its purcurrently reported that His Honor the Chief pose, and proves either nothing at all, or a great deal too much, and reduces itself loto a different question, viz., whether these debtors would not be better off if they were free from the obligation to give their law business to whomsoever they pleased, or to have none to do, which would be most likely the case, and whether it would not be far better for the country, that there people should be free agents, relying on their own resources and paying the real value of the money they have occasion to borrow. Now as to the argument that the people of Canada cannot afford to pay more than 6 per cent., and that the extent of the business they do will not permit them to pay more. This argument is even more beside the question than the former one; in the first place, it is bad because it is not true; there is not a man is Canada who borrows money, who does not pay more than eix per cent. If he is a farmer and bogrows on the mortgage of his farm, say the sum of £100; what does he pay the Lawyer who draws the mortgage deed I £3 would be a small sum, and if he keeps the money two years, and no other expenses are incurred he pays 85 per cent, and if be pays the interest in advance, which is usually done, it comes to near 10 per cent., if he borrow money of the Banks it costs him nearer 8 per cent, than anything pay more than 6 per cent, because he does pay more, and therefore the argument is good for nothing. Then as regards the argument that Canadians esanot afford to pay more than 6 per cent., because they do not an extent of business sufficient to enable them to do so; why is it that Canadians do less business then the Inhabitants of the different states of America es-simply for the want of expiral. A farmer is obliged to be content with a paltry farm of 23 or 30 seres of cultivated land, from which he can bardly make both ends meet, because he cannot save money enough to add to his clearing a few acres each year.

Let him borrow £100 at 7, 8, or 10 per cent. and with it clear and cultivate an additional 20 acres of land, and ask any man whether he would be in that case a richer or a poorer man than he is upon his pattry little farm, most probably in debt to his Store-Keeper and with a note due to and in the hands of his lawyer which he has little chance of paying. So of the Country Store Keeper he now gets discou the bank to enable him to purchase the produce of his neighbors, for a small portion of which he pays in eash, and the remainder in store pay" his discount besides all the other disadvantages of loss of time is going into the City, asking favors of endorsers, risk in returning those farmers, loss of interest in scraping the money together in small sums, anxiety of mind as to being able to get it all; and after all, fear that the Banks will not be discounting. Whether is it better that such a man should borrow a sum for which he could gain ample security at 7 or 8 per cent by which he would be enabled to extend his business transactions, to increase his profits, to seed all the anxiety, risk, and difficulty connected with discount ing, doing a steady business with a fixed and stead capital—whether is it better both for himself and the Province, than doing business in the little, con-tracted, and diminutive way, which be is now doing it, and when he is Indirectly paying far above the legal interest, or to be allowed legally to borrow mount paying for it 7 per cent or even a larger sum. It is the existing usury laws which keep. Co-nada poor; they indirectly render its inhabitants as dependant in mind as they do low in pocket; they fall heavily on the poor man, and are a been to the of a certain class only, who take advantage of them; they destroy our natural enterprize, contract our esnight, together soon give us again the ertions, and keep us behind all the world beside ; they clear blue waters of the river, covered with its p revert Capitalists from investing their spare capital here, which they otherwise would do, they are preg-

In consequence of the demise of Colonel Sit Charles Chichester, the following promotions and sales place in the Regiment, this:

Major and Brevet Lientenant-Colonel Wil locks to the command of the Regiment. Capt. ty. Lieutenant Boughey to a Captainty; and Ensign Chichester to a Lieutenaory .-- Col-

FIRE IN TORONTO.

We are exceedingly sorry to record the 1-ss. by fire, of the house occupied by Mr. Barber, proprietor of the Toronto Herald, with the entire furniture, later, which is all the news we have from that &c., &c., on Sunday morning. The following account is from the Herald of yesterday:

About a quarter past five yesterday (Sunday) morning, the lamplighter, on his may towards St. George's Church, discovered that the back premises attached to the residence in John-Street of Mr. G. A. Harber, were on fire ; the alarm having been given, the family were on bie; the alarm naving occu given, the family were providentially enabled to make their escape under; but so rapidly did the flames communicate with, and force their way into the house, that Mrs. and Mr.. Barber, and the children, had barely time to get out of doors in almost literally nothing more than their night dresses. Owing the gine could render no help in staying the progress of the Sames, which in an incredibly short space, reduced the building and its contents to sakes. By this e lamity, Mr. B. has lost almost all he had in the bouse—furniture, library of books, mearing apprel, chins, glass, boure and family linen, and many other necessaries of domestic use, &c.; for, with the exception of a few articles rescued from the parlour, everything else was consumed. The fire a cow were burnt to death before help could reach them, together with a dog-cart, sleigh, barness, &c. Unfortunately, but a comparatively small proportion of the heavy loss was insured. The bouse which was owned by the Hon. Mr. Cayley, was we believe fully insured. The adjoining premises, occupied by J. L. Robison, Esq., also suffered considerable damage, but the flames did not penetrate further than a portion of the upper story. It is not known how the fire originated, as the greatest care had been observed in going round the premises over night, to see that all was right .- Colonist

We regret to find that in our account of the capters of the highwaymen, in Monday's Gazette, we unistentionally omitted to do sufficient justice to the de-termined and gallant conduct of D. Davidson, Esq., Manager of the Bank of British North America, and - Young, son of Col. Plomer Young, who so opportunely came up, (the first named gentleman being on his way to his residence, near Cote des Neiges.) and rendered most efficient assistance in securing the robbers. We sincerely regret the o mbtion, but the very short time which elapsed between Between a Lawyer, M. P. P., the Hon. Mr. S., and a man of business, Mr. B., on the Usuay Laws.

the occurrence of the events in question, and the bour of our Mouday's issue going to press, and exist a man of business, Mr. B., on the Usuay Laws. apology. We have since learned that the real names of the prisoners are Norolan and Crow. The Wit-

"The plasterers mentioned were Mr. Moir and two of his men, and the fourth individual was a carpenter, in the employment of Mr. Maxwell. The atter, we understand, fought manfully with the highwarman, notwithstanding having received a stun-ning blow on the face with the end of the pistol, and but for his determination and during in securing the an officer of the 81st Regiment-three the House; the great majority of members are tubber, much time would have been lost, and more

injury done by the merciless miscreant." "entire repeal" of the Usury Laws altogether. I did once vote that the legal rate of interest abould be 8 per cent; but I believe I went too far; I would consent to the making it 7 per cent, thereby would be a fit state to be removed. consent to the making it 7 per cent., though I am We regret that we cannot acquaint our readers not at all certain that it would not be better to lot with the result of the examination, as we were de-

nied admission. RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

The Magnetic Telegraph Wire at the Western Railroad deput in Charlton, was blown down -Friday night, where it eroses the track, and the wire caught on the engine of the down freight train, pulling over one of the posts and sweeping from the train three brake nen. One was killed, one had his rg broken, but the other was not injured. No domage was done to the train.

We s nderstand that gesterday the well was issued The report of the re-capture of the street o for the election of a new member for the County of that the profits of business in Canada are not suffi- D'Islet, vacated by the acceptance of the office of Montreal Course April 7.