The Daily News.

THURSDAY EVENING, NOV. 3

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The news regarding the fate of Metz has [illegible] since the last mail, and it had become very [illegible] the city could hold out for a much longer period, but such is not the case.

The news regarding the fall of Metz has been received in Paris, and the excitement was intense. Count Bismarck's circular has called attention to the danger of the siege, being aggravated by the impossibility of feeding the people if they surrender or when their food supplies are exhausted. In the scenes at Metz give point to the picture which by anticipation he has sketched. Count Bismarck affects to throw the responsibility of such a calamity on the French authorities in Paris, but the French will no doubt charge him with the crime of forcing the process of starvation. It is for the benevolent public to take some means whereby the rigors of the place may be assuaged. The charitable committees will no doubt store up a supply of food as near to Paris as the Prussians will allow. An appeal to this end could not fail to be responded to, and a fresh bond of amity would thereby be forged between two peoples.

THE FEMALE MINSTRELS.—The troupe of female minstrels, which have become very attractive everywhere, appear this (Thursday) evening for the first time. From the reputation which they have received, and the novelty of the entertainment, their performances here are likely to draw crowded houses.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—Another inquest was held this morning in the Police Station by Coroner Shaw, on the body of Bernard Intin, who was drowned about seven o'clock last night off the barge Resolution, lying at Messrs Jones & Moore's wharf. It appears, from the Captain's statement, that two of the crew, a man named Louis Tolaux, and the deceased, both French Canadians, were engaged at the time in securing the hatches of the boat against the rising storm, and the former having slipped overboard, the latter went to the stern to procure a line to pull him out, and while so doing, stumbled and also fell in, and sank before he could be rescued in the darkness. Verdict, "accidental drowning." The friends of the deceased live at Montreal, where the remains will be taken for burial.

SUPPOSED TO BE DROWNED.—Four young men, named respectively Daniel Ryan, Michael Burke, Thomas Patrick and Andrew Stapleton, all residents of the village of Barrefield, Pittsburg, are said to be numbered among those drowned from the schooner Jessie, of Port Stanley, which ran ashore during Sunday night, on the south side of Salmon Point, and went to pieces, they having all shipped together on that vessel at Kingston. The leather-covered trunk, marked "R. J." with brass nails, floated ashore at Picton on Monday, belonged to the first named person. The news of the melancholy disaster has reached the parents and friends of the deceased, who are almost distracted; this case, if true, as there seems to be no doubt, being the third of the kind, that has occurred in the Patrick family in the course of a few years. The Belleville *Intelligencer* gives a few additional particulars of the loss of the Jessie, and says there is no doubt that all hands are lost. Among those belonging to the crew from Belleville were John Shevlin, Captain, and Harry Dupont, mate. It is feared that others of the crew were also from Belleville but their names have not transpired. Efforts were made Tuesday and Wednesday to recover the bodies by dragging, but without avail. No bodies have been washed ashore yet. Some of the relatives of those lost went away today for the purpose of assisting in recovering the bodies. The vessel is completely broken up, and the shore for two miles is strewn with the wreck.

THE ASSIZES.

The Court of Assize for the County of Frontenac was opened this (Thursday) afternoon at the Court House, before his Lordship Chief Justice Hagarty.

Owing to the lateness of the hour at which the Judge arrived per Express from Toronto, the proceedings were late, and a full report of the opening of the court is unavoidably postponed till our next issue.

BOARD OF WORKS.

A meeting of the Board of the Board of Works was held at the City Clerk's Office on Wednesday evening at five past seven o'clock. Present: Messrs Samuel T. Drennan, Isaac Simpson, Edwin Chown, James Shannon, Charles Livingston, Wm. C. Phillips and Dr. Yeo. Mr. James Shannon was appointed Chairman.

Minutes of the Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved of.

Accounts to the amount of $[illegible] were made to Messrs [illegible] during the month, which were ordered to be paid.

Mr. Wagner, Inspector of Pipes, said [illegible] Chairman, Mr. Yeo and himself had visited the Pipe Factory and had examined the pipes. Mr. Yeo had expressed himself as satisfied with the pipes, and Mr. Chairman had expressed himself as satisfied with the pipes, but had not given an opinion as to their acceptance. After the pipes had been examined they had visited the Pipe Factory, and had seen the pipes in process of manufacture. Mr. Yeo had expressed himself as satisfied with the pipes, and he (Mr. Wagner) had also expressed himself as satisfied with the pipes