TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Anonymous communications can receive no attention. Everything forwarded for insertion must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of authenticity. It is also requested that all correspondents will write on one side of the sheet of paper.

We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

The Daily News.

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 11.

"Kosmos" is a writer who at present contributes letters, addressed to eminent persons in Britain, to the London World. The aim of the writer is evidently to be considered a second Junius, but that mistake will not probably be made. The task of viewing the weaknesses of a public character through a distorting medium and presenting the result as a true estimate of the man is easy, but the practice is little to be admired. It is scarcely possible that anyone will be injured by the productions of a writer who addressed Lord Sherbrooke thus:—"Your impudence and insolence have obtained a certain currency as wit and humour. You have been the chartered libertine of country society and trading upon the long acquaintance have supinely suffered themselves to be intimidated into admiring those sallies of yours which have violated every law of taste and propriety and have jarred every fibre of a finely strung nature."

The excess of revenue in the United States treasury has been for three years past as follows :—In 1881, $100,000,000; 1882, $130,000,000; 1883, $100,000,000. The public debt has been reduced by $179,500,000, leaving a net surplus of $155,500,000. Under these circumstances it would seem to be a matter of course that the taxation should be reduced, and the tariff, both customs and excise, lowered; but there is a section of the Republican party greatly opposed to anything that will tend to a reduction of the prohibitory character of the tariff, and they are determined to increase the expenditure to correspond with the abundant revenues. The programme of this class of politicians is that the navy shall be put on a war footing, the Mississippi improved at the rate of $10,000,000 a year, every trout stream furnished with its "rath and mansion," navigation, book builders subsidised, and public buildings erected regardless of expense.

A deputation recently waited upon Mr Lowell, United States Minister in London, to urge upon him the necessity of remonstrating with the British Government and urging the release of Irish American subjects now imprisoned under the operation of the Peace Preservation Act. The Minister replied that this was the law of the land, and that subjects of the United States who deliberately chose to break the law and make themselves liable to arrest, had only themselves to blame for the consequences. He gave it as his opinion, however, that the Act was not entirely in keeping with the genius of British institutions. That may be true, but a sharp disease requires a sharp remedy, and the circumstances under which the Act in question was adopted were extraordinary. The Government had either to put down lawlessness or to abrogate its functions. However, this is the business of the British Government; it is absurd to suppose that Americans can go to the British Islands and defy the law.

Mr Blaine who was not forthcoming when the sound of the trumpet called forth patriotic Americans to the battlefield, was nevertheless a bold and aggressive politician during the few months of his term of office as a minister. He seems to have taken the Monroe doctrine for his rule of action, and in accordance with its spirit decided upon a scheme for the establishment of United States ascendancy on this continent. A congress of states was called together for the ostensible purpose of forming a protective alliance, based upon the principle "American for the Americas," but Mexico declined the proposal, Canada of course, was not invited, and the people of the United States repudiated the ancient and clumsy diplomacy which was meant to constitute an American jingoism. But, who are the Americans? is the question asked by those who oppose Blaine's views. And in answer one journal says. Surely the populous and wealthy republic of the United Northern borders, which speaks our language, which has with us a common literature, common customs, and common interests, is not "American," and we might properly have been invited to a congress which proposed to lay downa policy for the American continent, of which it is a considerable part. Mexico is distinctly one and an American policy which would declare that the United States has a common interest with the inhabitants of Patagonia, but can have no relations with the people who live more remote from the great lakes. The people of the United States would hardly approve of a policy which involved the cultivation of the friendship of Peru at the expense of the friendship with Canada, or which would make necessary the surrender of our commercial relations with the Dominion in order to secure the commerce of Peru." The friendship of the Dominion will be best cultivated with any great assiduity nor has the friendship of that great empire of which we form a part, if it be worth while to take such pains and run such risks in order to make friends of the unimportant states of South America, surely it would be remunerative to inquire more intimately relations, commercial and otherwise, with the most powerful and wealthy nation in the world.

THE LATE MRS MOSTOMERY.

In another column we announce the death, after a lingering illness, of Mrs J. W. Montgomery, wife of Dr. Montgomery, assistant superintendent of the Asylum for the insane. The deceased lady, though but a short time resident in Kingston, had endeared herself to a large circle of friends and acquaintances who will miss her kindly voice and Christian aid and sympathy. She was the daughter of Thomas Harkness, of Hawick, Roxburghire, Scotland, and was born on the 7th December, 1828. She emigrated to Canada in 1845 and resided with her sister, Mrs Litster, in Toronto. From her sterling qualities and eminent qualifications for the position she was selected by Mr A. G. P. Dodge to assume the position of matron of Beechcroft Manor, a children's home at Rosa's Perch, North York, and while in that position she was beloved and esteemed by all the employees of that gentleman's large estate for her gentle nature and charitable work. She was a teacher in the Sabbath School in the Manor as well as in the village church. She subsequently became the second wife of Dr Montgomery, and became a second mother to his children, filling the difficult position of step mother in such a manner as to win the love and affection of her step children. To the poor she was ever a friend in need, and many of the poor of North Gwillimbury and the surrounding country will sigh with regret when they hear of her decease. Nor was she unmindful of the poor afflicted ones with whom she has lately been connected—the inmates of the Asylum—who gave rent to their feelings of sympathy and would sorrowfully enquire as to her fading health from day to day, and there were few of the attendants who did not equally revere her for her many acts of kindness. She was married first to Mr James Anderson, of Hawick, by whom she had one son, Mr James K. Anderson, of Erie, Pa. By her second marriage with Dr. Montgomery she had no issue. The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon at 1.15 p.m.

A MEMENTO.

The Winnipeg Times of March 4th says:—Shortly before noon to day a gentleman, a stranger in the city, accompanied by Frank Rigney, entered the office of A. W. Ross. After waiting around for a minute or two they unobservedly left a small parcel and a letter on one of the clerk's desks. Then they left the office. Shortly after Mr Ross's attention was directed to the parcel, and opening it he discovered a valuable gold watch, on the cover of which was his monogram, and on the interior a beautiful engraving, bearing the inscription "Presented to A. W. Ross, M.P.P., of Winnipeg, by his Kingston friends, J. Bell Carruthers and Wm. Harty." Attached to the watch was a massive gold chain. The accompanying letter, signed by Mr Harty, explained that he and Mr Carruthers, who felt that they had been placed under obligations to Mr Ross, intended presenting him with some memento on his visit east, but they had been disappointed at his not coming, and consequently sent the souvenir by a friend.

THE LATE DR. YATES.

A Short Biography of His Life—A Good Man. Much Regretted.

The public will learn with deep regret of the demise this afternoon of Dr. H. Yates, one of our most eminent and respected physicians. The disease was congestion of the lungs. Deceased, when in good health, was a hard and vigorous worker, especially in his efforts to advance the profession of which he was a member. His lectures at the Medical College will long be remembered by many of Kingston's physicians. Although he was not an orator he was a very forcible lecturer, having a wonderful faculty for making himself understood by relating anecdotes and reminiscences. His lectures were of the conversational character. His very pleasing manner, coupled with his ability, got for him an enormous practice, which would have netted ten times the amount it did, had he charged as he should have done and collected his bills. He was a staunch friend of young practitioners, and was always willing to render them assistance when needed. He was very hospitable and generous hearted, and during his lifetime did as little evil as possible. In fact he was too generous for his own good, as he, on more than one occasion, had heavily by endorsations. Shortly after he was married he was threatened with disease of the lungs, and he took a trip to England, where he remained for about a year. He went there the second time on the same account, and returned again with renewed strength.

In the fall of 1873 he was appointed Surgeon in A Battery, which position he occupied until recently, when he resigned and came to Kingston to resume the practice of his profession. He also accepted the position in the first place was with a view to recuperating in health and securing a cessation from his arduous duties. His last residence here has been very short. He took sick on Wednesday last and never recovered. He was conscious to the last and told his relatives to-day that he would not live to see the night. His family have our sympathy in their bereavement.

Although Dr. Yates resigned his position in the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, as Professor of the Practice of Medicine, last fall, yet out of respect to his memory the Faculty have decided to deliver no further lectures until after his funeral.

The following particulars are taken from the Queen's College Journal of 27th March, 1880:

Doctor Horatio Yates, son of Doctor Wm. Yates, of Sapperton, Derbyshire, Eng., was born in 1821, in Otsego Co., N.Y., and came to an uncle in Kingston at 12 years of age. Five years later he was articled to the late Dr. Sampson as a medical student, attended the courses at the University in Philadelphia and took his degrees there in medicine in 1842. Thence he went to London and spent a year at St. George's Hospital. Since then he has been employed here in an active and successful practice of his profession to the present time. He is now about retiring from general practice. He has been much devoted not only to science, but to works of charity, and the poor always received medical attendance and assistance at his hands without stint. The excellent telescope in the observatory at Queen's College was purchased by him, for which he advanced his own money, and subsequently indemnified himself nearly by subscriptions. In 1854 he undertook a reform of the Kingston Hospital, which had become absolutely demoralized. He found, on his return to Kingston after a long absence from sickness, the building in a state of complete dilapidation, the fences gone and the little remaining furniture utterly worthless. The wards contained less than a dozen patients and the medical services performed by an inexperienced young man at a petty salary. The Hospital was being managed by a committee of the City Council, good men in their way, but who knew no thing and cared less for hospital work. In order to achieve his purpose, he became a city Alderman, got placed on the Hospital Committee and soon assumed full charge, medical and financial, assisted by Doctors Dickson and Strange, who cordially cooperated in the work. His first act was to advance from his own pocket many hundred dollars to pay off executions against the Hospital and to purchase necessary supplies; next he sought and obtained a new charter, which he himself had drawn up, placing the charter in the hands of life governors and a few ex officio governors. The new board relieved him of personal supervision, and has in this day managed the Hospital with great success. He has been for many years Chairman of the Board, and is still one of the visiting doctors.

In the establishment of the medical faculty of Queen's University in 1854 he took an active part and chose for himself the chair of science and practice of medicine, which he still fills in the Royal College he had for some time been Dean of the Faculty.

A PLEASING INCIDENT.

A very pleasing incident took place at the Gas House this afternoon, on the occasion of the retirement of Mr James Cranner from the employment of the Company. He has been employed for over 20 years by the Company, the last five years acting as night watchman. Col. Kerr, on behalf of the employees, presented Mr Cranner with a fine hunting case silver watch, upon which was inscribed

Presented to
Mr James Cranner
by his
Fellow workmen of the Kingston Gas Co.,
March 11th, 1884.

He also handed him a purse containing $40, on behalf of the stockholders. Col. Kerr states that he never knew a more faithful or industrious servant than the recipient of the presents named. Mr Cranner intends going to live on a farm with his sons. The watch was purchased from Mr F. W. Spaugenberg.

MANITOBA

Rev. James Robertson, superintendent of Presbyterian Missions in Manitoba and the Northwest, is in the city. He will preach in Chalmer's Church to-morrow morning, and in the Brock Street Presbyterian in the evening. On Monday evening at 7:30 Mr Robertson will address a public meeting on the subject: "Manitoba; its Present and Future."

PARLIAMENTARY NOTES.

Hudson's Bay Co.—New Railroad—Corporation Bill.

Ottawa, March 11.—The Hon. William MacDougall intends on Monday next to ask the Government whether they have recognized the rights of the Hudson's Bay Company, under its charter as modified by the 9th article of agreement for transfer, dated March 22nd, 1869, to trade in the public lands of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories; also whether the Government have recognized the right of the Hudson's Bay Company, to claim, under the 17th, 18th, and 19th sections of the Public Lands Act of 1882, or any other, and what authority, lands of great value in the Red River settlement belt in lieu of lots assigned to the Company in the adjacent town ships and bona fide settled on under the authority of any Order in Council or of the said act. The Railway Committee this morning had under consideration the Portage Waskatchan and North Western Bill. Boulbee said the company had agreed to abandon that portion of the road from the Saskatchewan to the Peace River district, constructing a line only from Portage la Prairie to Prince Albert Settlement. He asked leave to introduce new clauses with reference to the issuing bonds.

In reply to Jones, Sir Charles Tupper said the bill was not a speculative one as some thirty-five miles had already been constructed. Further consideration of the bill was postponed until the new clauses shall have been printed. The Saskatchewan and Peace River Bill was then taken up clause by clause and passed with some amendments. In the private bills committee the Commercial Travellers' bill and the Ontario Electric Light Co.s bill were under discussion and some progress made.

The standing Orders Committee passed the bill to extend the powers of the Montreal Telegraph Company.

DESPATCHES IN BRIEF.

The Montreal Stock Market was firm to-day.

There was a $50,000 fire at Canton Park, N.Y., yesterday.

The Prince Edward Island Legislature was opened on Wednesday.

Yesterday produced a storm on the Atlantic coast on the 10th and 19th.

9 houses were burned in Dewion, Tazes yesterday causing a loss of $160,000.

An office was made yesterday to carry corn from Chicago to New York for seven and a-half cents a bushel.

It is thought that Edmonds may accept the American Judgeship of the U. S. Supreme Court after all.

The steam packet Sidney burst her steampipe near Saxonwood, Va., this morning, killing 3 and wounding 15.

A secret society, the Order of the Iron Hand, is pushing for the removal of the Andre monument at Tappan.

The Fullman Palace Car Company have been sued for $42,000 taxes on capital stock represended in Pennsylvania.

There was a heavy snow storm along the line of the Texas Pacific on Wednesday. The snow was nine inches deep.

There was a regular blizzard throughout the north west yesterday afternoon and evening. The snow drifted badly.

Thomas Murray, aged 55, was struck on the head with a brick by John Taylor at Port Ewen, New York, and died yesterday.

It is stated that negotiations for a copyright convention between Great Britain and the United States have been arranged.

The white wife of Sam George, a Chinaman, was found in the cellar of her home in Cleveland yesterday with her throat cut.

Judge Fuller gave a verdict in favor of members of the Ways and Means Committee recommending a prompt revision of the sugar duties.

Lelia Mills and her brother Dan beat Jane Jackson to death in North Carolina yesterday because Delia's sweetheart paid Jane some attentions.

Robbing Veteran Soldiers

New York, March 11.—It has been reported to Chief Inspector Byrnes that in investigating the management of the Soldiers' Home, near Washington, that the choicest fruits and vegetables raised on the farm connected with the Home have been regularly delivered in their season at the residences of the commissioners in charge of the Home, and that the products of the dairy have been delivered regularly to the steward. It is further reported that the green-house was maintained at considerable cost and constantly been drawn on for the families of some of the Commissioners and their friends. Two Commissioners, the Surgeon in charge and Commissary General, will, it is believed, be asked to resign at once.

The Czar Censures Skobeloff.

Berlin, March 11.—The Czar rebuking Skobeloff, said: "Even Turkey's ambitor head and refuses to sign a convention for the payment of her war expenses. War may soon break out between Turkey and Germany and Austria. You have decided to be useful to the Slavs, but having irritated Germany you have destroyed even that neutrality which alone was possible under present circumstances. Germany, as a neutral power in the Slav question, if not in the eastern question, was thinking of proposing to act as mediator. She now formally refuses to aid the Slavs of the peninsula, thanks to you Russia feels herself to be denied, bodied, at, and completely isolated.

Attempt to Cremate a Family.

Petersburg, Va., March, 9.—Unknown parties the other night in Prince George county chloroformed George Mattus and family while asleep, and then set fire to their house. It was with difficulty that the occupants got out before they were burned to death. Mattus's store was next pillaged by those who set fire to his residence.

OUR FISHING GROUNDS.

A number of sporting gentlemen in this city are moving in the matter of procuring a lease for more fully protect the fishing interests in this vicinity. A meeting of those interestered in the matter will be called at an early date, of which due notice will be given. We are glad of any step that something is to be done in the matter of protecting our home fishing grounds, as this has been and would still be, one of the best sporting localities in Canada. Our waters are protected from the ravages of the American fishermen, and would, no doubt attract numerous visitors and tourists to this locality.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.—In the Presbyterian Record for March 1st Principal Grant acknowledges the receipt to the 1st January of $33,203 85 for the Building Fund; $5,200 for Land and Equipment Fund, $5,200 Endowment Fund, $73,179 25. Miss Machar, treasurer of the Juvenile Indian Mission, acknowledges the receipt of various sums for the mission amounting to $195 65.

The Presbytery of Kingston is announced to meet in this city on the 31st instant, at one o'clock p.m.

THE MART BY J. E. HUTCHESON.

SALE OF
CLEARWATER!
THE BRANDON OF SOUTH-WEST MANITOBA.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE OWNERS TO SELL BY AUCTION AT THE MART ON
FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 17th and 18th of MARCH,
Single Lots and Blocks of Lots in Clearwater

CLEARWATER IS THE CENTRE OF PERHAPS THE FINEST AGRICULTURAL LANDS IN THE NORTH WEST, AND NOT ONLY SO, BUT IT IS THE

COUNTY TOWN ELECT OF ROCK LAKE COUNTY,

For an Order in Council was recently passed that on the completion of one of the two projected railways the Registry Office should be removed to Clearwater. The Registry Office is already in course of erection, and Clearwater will soon be the Capital of the District. Lots in it, therefore, must in the near future have a higher intrinsic value than in most places outside of Winnipeg. It is as clear, therefore, as the surface of Clearwater itself, that those who buy on the ground floor, or at the present auction, must of necessity double or even quadruple their purchase money. Over and above these utilitarian considerations, it is

WITHIN THREE MILES OF THE BEAUTIFUL ROCK LAKE,

Which, teeming with fish and covered with water fowl, offers an inducement and a charm to the sportsman and the tourist which the most favoured spot on the North West cannot surpass. Already the advantages of the situation have impressed a discerning public, and the nucleus of an important city has been formed there; for not only are two stores, a hotel, a shipping place, a grist mill with two run of stones, an implement warehouse, a grain warehouse, a blacksmith's shop and a school house,

IN ACTUAL EXISTENCE AND IN ACTUAL USE,

But there are in course of erection, and will soon be ready for occupation, the Registry Office for Rock Lake County, a real estate office, a store, a shoe shop, and a livery stable, to say nothing of a large number of private residences.

So far as these statements from being fancies of the romancer, that their literal truth is hereby vouched for, and the closest investigation of their accuracy is invited. The public may, therefore, feel perfect confidence when they invest their money in Clearwater lots, and entertain a well founded hope of so making an early and material addition to their fortunes.

Plans of the property can be had on application to the undersigned on and after the 14th instant.

TERMS VERY LIBERAL. SALE EACH DAY AT 2:30 AND 7:30 O'CLOCK

J. E. HUTCHESON,
AUCTIONEER.

Kingston, March 11.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Chicago, March 11, noon.
Wheat—1,34½ for May; 1,34½ for July; 1,31½ for June.
Corn—50 to 50c for May; 54c for June.
Pork—18,00 for April; 18,00 for May.
Lard—10,47½ for April; 10,47½ for May; 10,70 to 10,75 for June.

OSWEGO MARKET

Oswego, March 11, 1:30 p.m.
Wheat—Scarce; white sold at 1,38; red sold at 1,30.
Corn—Unchanged; western mixed, 78c.
Oats—Scarce; No. 1 State, 47c.
Barley—Unchanged; No. 2 Canada, 1,01; No. 1 Canada, 1,08 to 1,09; No. 2 bright Canada, 1,04.
Rye—Quiet.
Barley shipped, 8,800 bush.
Stock in store—About 480,000 bush, including about 35,000 bush recently sold, but not yet shipped.
Sales of barley in Albany yesterday—5,000 bush. Day of quietude on produce generally.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

New York, March 11, 1 p.m.
Stocks—Irregular.
Cotton—Not quoted.
Flour—Dull; receipts, 15,000 bbls; sales, 10,000 bbls at 3,10 to 3,80 for superfine; 3,90 to 4,25 for extra; 4,40 to 5,00 for common to choice extra state; 4,40 to 5,00 for common to choice extra western; 4,40 to 5,00 for common to choice extra Ohio; 4,40 to 5,00 for common to choice extra St. Louis.
Wheat—Receipts, 15,000 bush; sales, 190,000 bush at 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for April; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for April; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for April; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for May; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for May; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for May; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for June; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for June; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for June; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for July; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for July; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for July; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for August; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for August; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for August; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for September; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for September; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for September; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for October; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for October; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for October; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for November; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for November; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for November; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for December; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for December; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for December; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for January; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for January; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for January; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for February; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for February; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for February; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 3 red for March; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 2 red for March; 1,34½ to 1,35 for No. 1 red for March;