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REMINDERS.

SALES, MEETINGS, AMUSEMENTS, &c.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF AUDIT meets this morning at ten o'clock, at the Court House.

COMMON SCHOOL BOARD.—Regular meeting this evening at 7:30.

CATARAQUI CHAPTER.—Emergent Convocation this evening at 7:30.

OPENING of the King Street Skating Rink this afternoon at three o'clock (weather permitting).

TOMORROW (Wednesday) new tenders are invited for a portion of the Kingston Penitentiary contracts for 1869. The time for receiving the tenders for House of Industry Supplies has been extended from the 23rd until the 30th inst.

Whalen to be Hanged.

The judgment of the Court of Queen's Bench, delivered yesterday at Toronto, is adverse to Whalen's claim for a New Trial, and his Conviction is confirmed. Therefore, most surely, Whalen will be hanged.

The Vacant Government Situations.

The death of Judge Draper and Dr. Litchfield throws open two important situations, both in the gift of the Dominion Government. The Judgeship of the County of Frontenac is at present filled by Deputy Judge Parke, than whom a better man or better lawyer could not be found at the Kingston Bar. It is therefore to be hoped that Sir John A. Macdonald will allow him to retain the situation, for which he is so peculiarly qualified. This would be grateful to the Bar. The Superintendency of the Rockwood Asylum is a situation requiring peculiar powers of mind, which very few Medical Men possess. The late incumbent was a man whose equal it will be hard to find. Doubtless, Sir John A. Macdonald will look carefully about him, and select the best man to fill the vacancy. This should not be a mere matter of patronage.

THE DINNER TO MR. BRYDGES.—The banquet to-day at Montreal will be a most important affair. It is expected that the leading questions of the day will be discussed by Sir N. Belleau, Sir John A. Macdonald, Messrs. Galt, Rose, Dunkin, Bellingham, John Sandfield Macdonald and others. A great many friends of Mr. Brydges in Quebec, Ottawa and Toronto have subscribed, and are expected to be present.

At Ottawa on Saturday there was a long meeting of the Railway Commission. Mr. C. S. Ross, of this city, late manager of the Commercial Bank, was appointed secretary. Tenders for eighty miles of the road will be advertised for early next month, two sections of 20 miles each in the Province of Quebec, one section in New Brunswick, and one in Nova Scotia. In a few days the Commissioners will visit the Maritime Provinces to examine the line. The project is now fairly under way.

The British Government has ordered the fortress of Gibraltar to be placed on a war footing.

Mr. Howe distinctly denies the truth of a report lately circulated by the Anti-Unionists to the effect that he was going to England.

The Nominations Yesterday.

THE CITY.

Very little stir was made yesterday over the nominations in the city for Aldermen.

In St Lawrence Ward alone does there appear to be any show of a strong contest. The gentlemen nominated yesterday for the Ward were Messrs. George Brown and S. T. Drennan, the former being the retiring Alderman. Dr. McLean and Mr Robert Carson were nominated, but retired. The friends of the other parties are at work vigorously.

In Ontario Ward, Messrs. Wm. Ford, Jr., Thomas Baker and James Shaw were nominated to succeed Ald. Nelligan, who has retired. Mr. James Swift, who would make a very good representative, was urged to come forward, but he modestly declined the honor, though he would have received abundant support. In this Ward probably there will be heavy polling, for Mr. T. Baker retires in favor of Mr. Ford.

Victoria Ward—The Mayor and Retiring Alderman, Mr. John Breden, was nominated, Mr. Robert Tompkins being proposed in opposition by his friends.

Ald. Gibson, the retiring representative of Rideau Ward, received a renewal of the confidence of the electors for the further term of three years.

In Sydenham Ward Mr. Gildersleeve, who retires this year, was re-elected, no proposal being received in opposition during the hour allotted for nominations.

In Frontenac Ward there is a slight hitch. Mr. Wilmot is the retiring three years' Alderman, and does not offer again, and at the last meeting of the City Council Mr. Ald. Davidson, who had one year, more to serve (all 1869), resigned with the intention of offering again yesterday, to have the election sanction his holding seat under present circumstances. It was supposed that a writ to supply this vacancy, as well as that of the three years' Alderman, would have been received, but as such was not the case, Mr. Davidson was nominated for the three years' term, and Mr. Chas. Livingston, an ex-member of the Council, was proposed in opposition, against his prior wish, he says, as he desired to offer for one of the seats as soon as Mr Davidson had offered for the other. He did not desire to oppose Mr. Davidson.

Mr. Ald. Allen, who retires in Cataraqui Ward, was re-nominated, Mr. Frances Tracy being proposed in opposition. The candidates will go to the polls.

The County.

VILLAGE OF PORTSMOUTH.—The following Candidates for Reeve and Councillors were severally proposed and seconded:—

Reeve—William Mudie, Esq., re-elected.

Councillors—Messrs. Thomas Carter, Thomas Johnston, James Fitzsimmons, James Fisher, Thomas McCamon, Thos. McCarthy and John Wishart.

Adjournment of the Legislature.

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario was adjourned on Saturday till the 6th of January next, when it will re-assemble for the despatch of business.

The House met at 11 a.m. After the reading of the petitions, the following Bills were read a second time:—

Mr. Lyon—Bill to amend the charter of the Ottawa and Gloucester Road Company.

Mr. Cumberland—To incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto.

Mr. Lauder—Bill relating to the estate of the Hon. John Hamilton.

Mr. Scott (Grey)—Bill to legalize the holding by the Township of St. Vincent of certain lands.

Mr. Eyre—To incorporate the Presqu'Isle and Belmont Railway Company.

Mr. Cockburn—To incorporate the Simcoe and Muskoka Railway Company.

Mr. Wilson—To incorporate the Norfolk Railway Company.

Mr. Gow—To vest the estate of the late Alexander Wright in trustees.

Mr. Clarke—To incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Hamilton.

Mr. Scott (Ottawa)—Bill to incorporate the Caledonia Peat Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Blake—Bill to amend 25 Vic. Cap. 72, confirming conveyances made by the Trust and Loan Company.

Mr. McGill—Respecting the Ontario Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company.

Mr. Lount—To incorporate the Ontario Trust and Investment Company.

Mr. Carling—To amend the Act to incorporate Huron College.

Mr. Carling—To incorporate the Hellmuth Ladies' College.

The bill to amend the act respecting the granting of charters of incorporation to manufacturing, mining and other companies was read a third time and passed.

The Lieutenant-Governor came down to the House at two o'clock and assented to the bills that had been passed during the session. He was escorted by a troop of Hussars, and a guard of honor, composed of a company of the 29th Regt., received His Honor at the Parliament buildings. The regimental band was also in attendance, and played the national anthem upon the arrival and departure of the Lieutenant-Governor. His Honor was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to assent to the following bills:—

1 An Act for continuing the Legislature in case of demise of the Crown.

2 An Act to provide for oaths to witnesses being administered in certain cases for the purpose of the Legislative Assembly.

3 An Act to alter the dower, and to regulate proceeding in actions for the recovery of dower.

4 The Law Reform Act of 1868.

5 An Act to explain the thirty sixth section of the Hamilton Debentures Act of 1864, and to legalize (if necessary) the application of the rates levied by the city of Hamilton, under the by-law referred to in that section.

6 An Act to divide the township of Garafraxa into two municipalities.

7 An Act to amend the law as to wills.

8 An Act to authorize and empower the corporation of the city of Kingston to sell and convey certain lands.

9 An Act to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of assistant papers.

10. An Act to secure the independence of the Legislative Assembly.

11. An Act to make better provision for the dealing by executors and administrators with mortgages.

12. An Act for the better protection of game in the province of Ontario.

13. An Act to legalize and confirm the survey made by Alexander Campbell, Provincial Land Surveyor, of that part of the township of Seymour lying north-east of the River Trent, and north-west of Crow River.

14. An Act to amend the registry act, and to further provide as to the certificate of married women, touching their consent as to the execution of deeds of conveyances.

15. An Act for the incorporating the Ontario Mutual Life Insurance Company.

16. An Act to amend chapter one hundred and nineteen of the consolidated statutes of Upper Canada, so far as it relates to fees to Sheriffs.

Upon the withdrawal of the Lieutenant-Governor,

Mr. Macdonald moved the adjournment of the House.

The motion was assented to, and the House adjourned.

Recorder's Court.

The December Sessions of the Recorder's Court opened at ten o'clock on Monday morning at the Court House before the Recorder, Mr. Jas. O'Reilly, Q. C. Mr. John Creighton, Police Magistrate, occupied a seat on the bench.

—The naturalization papers of Peter Farmer, of the city of Kingston, were read in Court.

The following are the names of those of the Grand Jury who answered to their names:—John Branigan, James Brown, James Davis, Robt. M. Ford, Geo. S. Fenwick, Wm. Haywood, Dennis Kane, James A. McDowall, Robt. M. Moore, Wm. Martin, Edw. Rose, and Daniel Rigney.

His Honor very briefly addressed the Grand Jury, and in conclusion informed them that this present sitting was the last session of the Recorder's Court, it being abolished by an Act of the Legislature. His Honor referred to the death of the late County Judge, to whose character he paid high tribute.

KINSLEY, Appellant, vs. MCPHERSON, Respondent.—An appeal from the conviction of the Police Magistrate for an assault, the particulars of which were fully reported at the time. Kinsley did not appear, and the conviction was confirmed with costs. At the last Court of Quarter Sessions Edward Kinsley was struck off the roll of constables. Messrs. Britton and Price for the Respondent; Mr. Thibodo for the Appellant.

JAMES MCGUIRE, Appellant, vs. T. J. MAYBERY, Respondent.—An appeal from the decision of the Police Magistrate for an assault committed by the Appellant in the Market Square in October last. Mr. John McIntyre for the Respondent; Mr. James Mudie for the Appellant. Verdict for Appellant, and the conviction quashed with costs.

The Grand Jury brought in true bills against Charles Le Page, larceny, and Charles Rappe, a common assault.

Charles Rappe being arraigned for assaulting William Robbs, pleaded guilty to a common assault, and upon the appearance of the complainant, who stated that Mr. Rappe had satisfied him for personal injuries sustained, the Court imposed the nominal penalty of one shilling and costs.

THE QUEEN VS. LE PAGE.—Charles Le Page was placed in the dock, and arraigned for stealing a sum of money amounting to $38, from the sisters of the Hotel Dieu, on the 9th of November last, and pleaded not guilty. Mr. J. McIntyre defended the prisoner.

The Jury after twenty minutes' absence brought in a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy. The prisoner was sentenced to two years imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

The Court rose at half past five o'clock.

The following is the report of the Grand Jury:—The Grand Jury of the Recorder's Court beg leave to report:—

They beg to congratulate the court on the small number of cases that have come before them for consideration.

They have visited the gaol, inspected the wards and cells thoroughly, and found every thing in a remarkably clean and healthy condition.

The prisoners had no complaints to make of the treatment received by them.

The grand jury beg to express their unfeigned regret at the loss the county has sustained in the demise of the late Judge Draper.

JAMES DAVIS,
Foreman.

☞ The Cable informs us that Earl Spencer has been appointed Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. John Poyntz Spencer, Earl Spencer, K.G., was born in 1835, and is therefore only in his thirty-fourth year.

☞ Last Monday week the Emperor and Empress of Austria arrived at the Castle of Bude, near Pesth, in Hungary. The Empress, who is a woman of great beauty and very graceful manners, does the honors of the Castle. She enjoys a great popularity among the Hungarians and the Poles, to whom she shows particular attention. Next to Queen Victoria and Empress Charlotte, she is the most popular sovereign in Europe.

DOMESTIC.

Twenty boys have been arrested in Montreal for sleigh riding on the side walk.

To promote volunteering, the Montreal ladies are giving a bazaar to buy first-class rifles.

A letter from Red River describes the distress throughout the Red River Settlement as greater than anticipated.

A discharged soldiers' mutual aid society has been organized in Toronto.

The celebrated American Prima Donna, Louisa Kellogg, and several other well known artists, will make a professional tour through Canada next month.

The Montreal News understands that the Ontario Government have granted $16,000 for the purpose of aiding the scheme of emigration inaugurated by Mr. Lynn, of the Clerkenwell Emigration Society.

A servant girl lately disappeared from Toronto, and for some days great outcry was made for her. She has written to say, however, that she is staying with a friend, and her absence is entirely by reason of a gumboil. Horrid!

The Montreal Witness says that on Friday night, High Constable Bissonette arrested a man named Henry P. Nash, at the Bonaventure station, on a charge of embezzlement. He had been in the employment of B. & S. H. Thompson, Lemoine street, as collector; and, in that capacity, a few weeks ago, he absconded with the sum of $4,015 belonging to the firm. He went first to St. Louis, but the officers of justice in Montreal were acquainted with his movements,—and on his return last night, was arrested as above stated, and has been committed for examination. He is about forty years of age, and has a wife and children, who left yesterday for England before his arrival in this city.

A Sad Case—Heartless Desertion.

WRONG, CRIME, AND SUFFERING.

The Montreal Witness of Saturday says:

A mysterious Providence sometimes allows cases of extremest suffering and destitution to come under our notice, which serve at least one good purpose, in keeping alive our feeling of compassion by unsealing the fountains of tears in eyes unused to weep, and melting hearts that might otherwise become callous. A case of this nature came up in the Recorder's Court this morning. A young mother named Eliza Pridham, apparently not more than 25 or 24 years old, with three children, aged respectively four years, two and a half years, and six months, together with a vile woman named Anna Ryan, were brought up; the two women being charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct. A complaint to this effect was made on Thursday afternoon by one of their neighbors, who said that Ryan had become drunk, and so furious that she had broke in a neighbor's door with an axe. Sergeant Neilson, of the Central police station, proceeded to their house on the corner of Fortier and St. Dominique streets, where one of the most harrowing sights met his gaze which had probably ever been seen in Montreal. He found the mother and children in a wretched room, with the windows broken, through which the snow had drifted, with no furniture,—not even a bed,—with no wood, but a broken stove without pipes was in the room. The mother was lying on the floor beastly intoxicated, but partially clothed, and clasping to her arms the infant which was as naked as at the moment of its birth she was rolling about the floor like swine in the mire and it was by the merest chance that the infant was not suffocated or crushed to death. Cowering in an opposite corner were the other children, two little girls; and Sergeant Neilson assures us, incredibile as it may appear, that the eldest had only on a calico dress,—without shirt, shoes, or stockings,—while the younger was entirely naked and very nearly frozen to death. Indeed the poor little thing could not possibly have survived half an hour, as she was already insensible and her limbs were stiff and well-nigh rigid. They were locked in each others' arms; and, as Sergeant Neilson took the little thing up and rubbed her with his mittens to start the circulation of the blood, the elder, only four years of age said to him, 'Poor little sister, I'm glad you have come!' Wrapping his overcoat about them, the kind-hearted sergeant brought them to the station; and after the little one had laid beside the stove a few minutes, she recovered her warmth, and both seemed greatly pleased in their new quarters. Sergeant Neilson then returned for the mother and Ryan, finding the latter in another room upstairs. When they were brought before the Recorder this morning, the eldest girl had on only an old dirty and ragged calico dress, and a pair of shoes, while the younger had only a dress. Yet, being children they both seemed as blithesome and as gay as if they were clothed in silks and lived in a palace; and they showed great affection for each other. They are both uncommonly beautiful children, and are apparently quite healthy. Now, who is the mother, and how came she here? There is nothing coarse or vicious in her appearance but the contrary; and she was sinned against before sinning herself. Her real name is Eliza Reed, for she admits that she is not married to the father of her children. She came from one of the New England States and first met a man whom she calls James Pridham, in Upper Canada, on board a boat, of which he is now a purser. The story of her life since then, need not be told; but it seems she has remained faithful to the heartless villain who so deeply disgraces humanity, in leaving his children and their mother in this condition, while he lives in luxurious pleasure at our hotels whenever his vessel is in port. His honor directed Sergeant Neilson to seek him out if possible, as he was said to be at present in the city. In the meantime, the mother and children were sent back to the cell until Pridham can be found.

New School Bill.

The new School Bill introduced by the Hon. Mr Cameron, and which has had its first reading, embodies the principal suggestions made by the Chief Superintendent of Education before the Parliamentary Committee. The changes contemplated are very important, and in order that the public may understand the character of these changes, we make a synopsis of the Bill.

The office of Local Superintendent of Schools in townships, cities, towns and villages, is to be abolished. In each County or Union of Counties, there shall be a Superintendent, and in case of such Counties having more than one hundred Common Schools, a second Superintendent may be appointed. Each City shall be a County. The Superintendent is to be nominated by the City and County Councils, and the Lieutenant Governor in Council is to make the appointment. The salary of the Superintendent is not to be less than $800 nor more than $1,200—three hundred dollars of the salary is to be taken from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and the remainder is to be provided by the City and County Councils. The County Superintendent shall have authority to decide upon the adequacy and suitableness of school accommodations, and if Schools do not provide such accommodation within twelve months after being notified by the Superintendent, such Schools will not be entitled to share in the Legislative School grant.

County and City Councils are to appoint two persons, who, with the Superintendent, shall form a Board of Examiners. Their qualifications are to be prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction.

After this law comes into effect, Trustees will be obliged to pay male teachers a salary of not less than $400, and female teachers not less than $200; and no teacher who has been employed in one school for six months, can be dismissed without the written concurrence of the County Superintendent.

Municipal Councils of Townships may establish Boards of Trustees at the request of the majority of the School Sections of the Townships.

The proposal to permit trustees to provide residences for school teachers is an adaptation to our system of a very common feature of European school laws. So long as the proposal is permissive no harm can come of it, and much good may result in some parts of the province, by adopting such a means as this to secure the permanency of good teachers.

All Common Schools shall be free.—The compulsory system has been established by this Act, and this is an important feature in the new Bill.

Nova Scotia.

NEWSPAPER OPINION.

The Halifax Chronicle ridicules the reported "good terms" to Nova Scotia. It says Canada could not, if she would, and would not, if she could, grant such terms as would satisfy the people of Nova Scotia. The Citizen (E. M. Macdonald's paper) has an article on the prospects of repeal. It takes up the record of each member of the new British Cabinet, and argues that all, except Mr. Bright, have opposed the Nova Scotia petitions in the past. If Mr. Bright was in the Colonial office, he might be able to do something; but as President of the Board of Trade, he will not have the power to influence the Cabinet in favor of Nova Scotia. The writer thinks there are little hopes of success, but agrees with the Chronicle, to which he is replying, that the resolutions of the Assembly should be submitted to the new Cabinet.

LATER.

THE REPEAL MOVEMENT.

Halifax, Dec. 19.

A meeting was held at the Chronicle office last evening at which all the prominent anti-Confederates of the city were present. A constitution for the Repeal League was submitted and adopted, and arrangements were made for the organization of branch leagues throughout the Province.

The Inman steamer from England is several days over due.

Liberty of Speech.

England is the only country in the world where liberty of speech is fully enjoyed. Below is a cut from the London Times giving an account of a Fenian Speech delivered in Hyde Park on the 30th November last to a large crowd of Fenians and Rowdies:—

There was, it should be remarked, the most marked difference between the behaviour of the crowd yesterday, and that of the assemblage on the previous Sunday. The gathering on the 22nd was of so wild a character that the most treasonable expositions were loudly cheered, and it was only by speaking the most violent language that the orators could obtain a hearing. The people, too, were most disorderly among themselves, and fought and jostled for the front places without regard to any rights which waiting in the rain appeared to give. Yesterday violent expressions were partially cheered and partially ridiculed, and the crowd, which was certainly in the main composed of English, was orderly throughout. The cheers to the violent portions of the speech came from those composing the inner circle of the crowd, while the laughter and jeering came from the outer people. The chairman announced "James Finlen," and that person at once proceeded to address the meeting. He said he was there that day simply because several gentlemen who were cooperating with him on the previous Sunday had agreed to hold the meeting. For himself he did not see the necessity of holding another meeting in connexion with the martyrdom of Allen, Larkin, and O'Brien, as what had been done on the previous Sunday had, to his mind, served the purpose of preserving the memory of those men. But he was ever faithful to the vote, he would ever be loyal to his vote, and he recognized the vote which was passed last Sunday as binding to him to meet there again, even though it was carried against him. As to his use of the word "loyal" he explained that he did not use term in the "flunkeyfied" way it was generally used, as giving adherence to particular persons or things; for he would say now—in the presence, as he well knew, of the host of detectives who were mingled in that thing—that he was a Revolutionist. (Cheers and laughter.) He warned those who he addressed that among them were many detectives; and though, he said, he had not been kicked and assaulted that day by the police for advocating the people's cause, as he had been on the previous Sunday, he might before the day was over; but, as it was, he had been dogged about all day since had got of his bed, by those ruffians in authority to put on uniform, and whose only courage consisted in sneaking about in disguise. (Cheers.) He had now to announce that being out that morning with two brave young Irishmen who were bearing a banner, his two companions were taken into custody for nothing else than bearing that banner. ("Shame.") That banner probably was the herald of the people's advent to power, and it had inscribed on it "God save Ireland!" the names of Allen, Larkin, and O'Brien, and 'Remember Barrett.' Now he stood there as the representative of that banner, and he called upon God to preserve Ireland, he pronounced the names of Allen Larkin and O'Brien, and he urged them to 'Remember Barrett.' (Cheers.) The banner, and its bearers were now locked up in a central station of London, and the police orders were to lay hands on the first possible chance on himself. He went on to say that the police could not tolerate that a workingman should denounce the 'brutal and bloody' actions of those in power. When they took him he hoped it would be after acting; for being connected with barricades, and for being connected with that power which no nation had been subdued—physical power (Cheers and a Voice.) Physical force made England what she is, physical force swept Royalty from France, gave America her glorious Republicanism, and had to-day awakened Spanish power. He declared he was no street plotter, but he pronounced himself associated with a Democratic league, the Rifling Incendiaries James Finlen, who would work on to free Ireland that Nation of nations, from the rule of the odious, sinister, and trivial English aristocracy. (Cheers.) He then proceeded to speak of the reports in the various London newspapers of the previous Sunday's gathering, and referring to the Times report as to his use of peculiar expletives, he said he used them, explained he because his enemies disliked them. He prefaced the representatives of a penny paper to be "sneaky-mouthed rascals," and the reporter he regarded as called Mr. Bright, he described as perfectly atrocious. He asked, however, for respect to be paid to the representatives of the Press, and he then proceeded to declare that he would sooner have to do with the Tories than with the Whigs or Radicals, giving as the reason that he had been denounced on behalf of the Reform League by one Osborne, who he said, though now a high councillor of the Reform League, was once a coin-monger about the streets. He went on to denounce the proceedings of the Reform League, three of the members of which he declared had received a large sum of money, no one knew from whom, for electioneering purposes, and he declared that neither the secretary nor president cared about giving an explanation. He denounced the action of the Reform League with respect to the Fenians, and said the action of the League was taken because it feared his influence with the countrymen of his father and mother, who, he said, were of Irish birth. The laughter at this portion of his address attracted his attention, and he declared the outer circle of listeners to be composed of the myrmidons of Adelphi-terrace, meaning the Reform League, and said that as he had been one of the powers in the making of the Reform League he could do much to unmake it. As to those who laughed at him, he could tell them alive, and he called upon the people around to take no notice of them. In conclusion, he urged the people around him to be orderly, to be true to themselves, and never to cease to love their country—that country for whose speedy redemption he would work, and he would work that her flag with a crowless harp should float over her own Parliament on College-green.

THE LATE DR. LITCHFIELD.—The Montreal Gazette remarks on the lamented death of Dr. Litchfield:—

We regret to learn the death of Dr. Litchfield, Medical Superintendent of the Rockwood Lunatic Asylum, after a long and painful illness, during which, and only a few days ago, he wrote the lines that appeared in our impression of Wednesday last, entitled "The Dying Year—the Dying Man." Dr. Litchfield had made the study of mental insanity a specialty, and his success and his influence over the poor wretches committed to his care were very great. It was impossible to visit Kingston and go through the Asylum without perceiving this. He was a man of the most patient and kindly disposition, and this gave bent to his theories. His death is a public loss, which, we do not think, can be easily made up. When he first came to this country he was connected with the Pilot, formerly published in this city; he was appointed to the post which he held with so much credit to himself, advantage to the public interests, and the interests of the unfortunates confided to his care, up to the time of his death. He received his appointment because of the special study it was known he had given to the treatment of mental disease. Many personal friends will mourn his loss.

HER MAJESTY'S HEAD COOK ON THE CHOSING OF MEAT AND POULTRY.—The "Book of Cookery," by Mr. Gouffe, head cook to her Majesty, has the following hints on choosing butcher's meat and poultry: Beef should be chosen of a bright red color, with light yellow fat, approaching the hue of fresh butter. If the beef should be hard and firm to the touch, with flaccid and little fat of a brown and dull color, these are sure indications of inferior quality. Veal should be chosen of a light color, with very white and transparent fat. Avoid lean veal of a reddish tint, and the kidney of which is surrounded by red-looking fat. Prime mutton is known by the same signs as good beef—viz., a bright red color, freedom from gristle, and very white and transparent fat. Inferior mutton is of a dull red color, with yellow and opaque fat. A tender chicken is known by the size of its feet and neck; a young fowl has always large feet and knee joints. These characteristics disappear with age. A though fowl has a thin neck and feet, and the flesh of the thighs has slight violet tinge. After examining these external signs, the flesh of the pinion and breast should be tried; if tender in both these places, the fowl can be used with confidence. A good turkey will be recognized by the whiteness of the flesh and fat. Beware of those with long hair, and whose flesh on the legs and back is of a violet tinge. To select a goose, try the flesh of the pinion, and break off the lower part of the beak, which should break easily. The fat should be light colored and transparent. Ducks are chosen in the same way. Pigeons should have fillets of a light red colour when old these darken to a blackish violet, and the legs get thin.

PARENTS—And especially mothers, who have the more immediate care of children permit me to say with candid earnestness! never lay down to rest at night with the health and happiness of your children at heart without having the Perry Davis' Pain Killer at hand. It is a never failing cure for colds, coughs, headache, side and toothache, acid of stomach, canker in the mouth and thousand ailments that children are troubled with.

NOTICE TO THE LADIES.

An Astonishing Bargain in Black Silks at the Montreal House. The Widest and Best Procurable—Auction Bought—Heavy Loss to the Importers—5,000 Yards to select from. Call soon.

JAMES DAVIS.

COMMERCE AND MARINE.

Kingston Money Market.

Dec. 21, 1868.

The Brokers of Ontario St. report—
Silver buying at 4 discount.
" selling at 3½ discount.
Greenbacks, } Bills 73c.
Silver 70c.
Gold in New York at 2 o'clock, 135¼.
Sterling exchange at New York 9½.

Current Prices of Grain.

Dec. 21, 1868.

The Grain Buyers of Ontario Street report—

Fall Wheat,	1 15 to 0	per Bushel.
Spring do.,	1 00 to 1 02	" "
Rye,	0 68 to 0 69	" "
Barley,	1 14 to 1 15	" "
Peas,	0 85 to 0 90	" "
Oats,	0 48 to 0 53	" "
Buckwheat,	0 50 to 0 55	" "

Customs Imports—In Bond.

Dec. 21.

G.T.R. Road, Cotticosk—1 pkg, Mrs S Allen; 1 box, Dr Litchfield; 1 pkg, Hendry & B.

Str Waterloo, Cape Vincent—1 box Planchette, J Henderson; 6 boxes Oysters, R. Town; 1 chest, Alex Smith.

Montreal Markets—Yesterday.

Flour—Super Extra, 0,00 to 0,00; Extra, 5 40 to 5,50; Fancy, 5,10 to 5,15; Welland Canal Super, 5,05 to 5,10 Super No. 1 Canada wheat, 5,00 to 5,20; Super No. 1 Western wheat, 5,05 to 5,10; Super No. 2 Western wheat, 4,80 to 4,90; bag flour 2 45 to 2,55. Wheat—Canada Fall 1,14 to 1,15. Spring, 1,15 to 1,16; Western, 1,10 to 1,11. Oats—per 32 lbs, 47 to 48. Barley—per 48 lbs, 1,20 to 1,30 Butter—Dairy 19 to 20c; store-packed 19 to 23c. Ashes—pots, 5,60 to 5 75. Pearls, 5,60 to 5,65. Gold in New York at 12 o'clock, 135¼. Pork, Mess, 21 50 to 24 50; Prime mess, 17,00 to 00,00. Prime, 16,00 to 0,00. Breast lugs, 7,00 to 7 50 Peas, per 66 lbs 92 to 94. Rye Flour 3,75 to 3,80.

Flour receipts 3,400. Rates quotably unchanged, but market dull and buyers hold off for lower. Grain—no reported sales; rates generally unchanged. Provisions steady with limited operations. Ashes in fair request at quotations.

DIED.

At Westmeath, on the 15th Dec. Mr. Dobson Jackson, aged 72 years.

At London, on the 19th instant, John Maxwell son of the late James Maxwell Strang, Esq., aged 22.

At Toronto, on the 15th instant, Mr. James O'Brien.

JUST RECEIVED
By the Subscribers, at 110, 111 and 112 Brock Street,
For Christmas & New Years,
1000 lbs. Fresh Raisins,
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Please don't forget the Old Stand.
J. CRIDFORD,
King Street.
Kingston, Dec. 18, 1868. 300

THIS AFTERNOON.
KING STREET SKATING RINK.
GRAND OPENING.
THE RINK will be opened for the Season on TUESDAY NEXT, the 22nd instant, at 3 o'clock P.M. (ice permitting). By the kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel Hibbert and the Officers of the Royal Canadian Rifles, the splendid Band of that Regiment will be in attendance.
The Rink will be open to the public, the ice being reserved for Subscribers.
R. W. BARROW,
Sec. & Treas.
Kingston, Dec. 19, 1868. 301

SHERIFFS' SALE.

County of Frontenac, TO WIT: } ON FRIDAY, the 18th day of DECEMBER, 1868, will be sold at Morton's Brewery and Distillery, King Street, the undermentioned property belonging to the Estate of the late Jas. Morton, seized under and by virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Queen's Bench, and to me directed, at the suit of Alfred Brown, viz.:—One Fanning Mill, One Pair Scales, Seven Horses and Sette Harness, Two Drays, Three Carts and Three Trucks.

Sale to commence at 12 o'clock, Noon.

WILLIAM FERGUSON,
Sheriff County of Frontenac.
Sheriff's Office, City of Kingston, 7th day of December, 1868. } 95

POSTPONEMENT.

THE ABOVE SALE is postponed until

Saturday Next, the 26th Inst.,

at one o'clock, when the Horses will be offered in the Market Square, and the balance of the property immediately afterwards at the Distillery.

WILLIAM FERGUSON,
Sheriff County of Frontenac.
Sheriff's Office, City of Kingston, 21st day of December, 1868. } 302

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT,
Ottawa, Dec. 18th, 1868.

AUTHORIZED discount on AMERICAN INVOICES until further notice: is 26 per cent.

R. S. M. BOUCHETTE,
Commissioner of Customs.
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PENITENTIARY CONTRACTS.

IN consequence of the failure of certain Tenderers to fulfil the terms of their Tenders, the undersigned hereby calls for further Tenders, to be received by him till

Wednesday, the 23rd Inst.,

for supplying him with

Fresh Beef, Fresh Mutton and Salt Pork,

from the morning of the 1st January to the evening of the 31st December, 1869.

D. E. MACDONELL,
Warden.
Kingston Penitentiary Office, Dec. 19th, 1868. } 301

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Family Season Tickets for three or more—To Non-Shareholders, $10. To Shareholders, $8.
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Applications for Tickets to be made to the Secretary, at the office of C. F. Gildersleeve, Esq.
All Tickets payable STRICTLY IN ADVANCE.
R. W. BARROW,
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Kingston, Dec. 18, 1868. 301

A SPAN OF BLACK HORSES.
WILL be sold Cheap, a Handsome Span of BLACK HORSES, with fashionable Double Sleigh, Harness and Robes complete, the property of a gentleman no longer wanting them. For Cards of Address apply at the British Whig Office.
Kingston, Dec. 16, 1868. 298

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
Happy Good New Year.
PROVIDE YOUR TABLE
WITH
THE BEST.
If you want the best Raisins in all varieties,
If you want the best Currants,
If you want the best Almonds,
If you want the best Filberts,
If you want the best Walnuts,
If you want the best Brazil Nuts,
If you want the best Lemons,
If you want the best Figs,
If you want the best Citron Peel,
If you want the best Lemon Peel,
If you want the best Orange Peel,
If you want the best Tomatoes in Tins,
If you want the best Sweet Corn,
If you want the best String Beans,
If you want the best Jellies in Pots,
If you want the best Jams,
If you want the best Marmalade,
If you want the best of all kinds of Condiments,
GO TO
W. R. McRAE & CO'S.
SUPPLY YOUR TABLE
With the best Sherry Wine,
With the best Port Wine,
With the best Champagne Wine,
With the best Madeira Wine,
With the best Claret Wine,
With the best Burgundy Wine,
With the best Marsala Wine,
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With the best Old Irish Whiskey,
With the best Old Scotch Whiskey,
With the best Old Canadian Whiskey,
With the best Old Jamaica Rum,
With the best Old Brandy,
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All our own importation direct.
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TEMPERANCE DRINKS.
Ginger Wine,
Strawberry Syrup,
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MALAGA GRAPES
In Kegs and Half Kegs.
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TEAS! TEAS! TEAS!
Wonderful Bargains in Green, Black, and Japan Teas.
We respectfully invite those that never bought Teas from us before to give us one trial—as we will convince them of a saving of Ten Per Cent.
W. R. McRAE & CO.
English Cheese, English Cheese.
QUEEN'S ARMS, Very Old.
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BROCK & PRINCESS STREETS.
Kingston, Dec. 15, 1868. 297

Volumes for 1868
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LEISURE HOUR, Sunday at Home, British Workman, British Workwoman, Band of Hope Review, S. S. Messenger, Quiver, Sunday Magazine, British Juvenile, Children's Friend, Infants' Magazine, and Children's Prize.
Kingston, Dec. 19, 1868. 301

Oysters, Oysters,
AT
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No. 1 FRUIT & OYSTER DEPOT,
Corner of Ontario & Clarence Sts.
XXX, L. C. S. and R. W. OYSTERS
ARRIVING DAILY in Gallon, Half Gallon, and Quart Kegs, for family use.
Cans of Baltimore and Fairhaven, very fine.
On hand—Oranges, French Lemons, Cranberries, Winter Apples and Yarmouth Bloaters.
Kingston, Dec. 17th, 1868. 298

NOTICE.

Board of Common School Trustees.

ALL who have claims against the Board of Common School Trustees for 1868 are requested to send in their accounts to the undersigned, on or before the 31st December, instant.

By order,
WM. ARMSTRONG,
Secretary B. C. S. T.
Board Room C. S. T., Kingston, Dec. 16, 1868. 298

NOTICE
IS hereby given that a General Meeting of the Shareholders of the
Meridian Gold M