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REMINDERS.

MONDAY.

CITY COUNCIL.—Regular Meeting at 8 p.m.
MINDEN LODGE.—Emergency at 8 p.m.
PIC NIC Committee of St. George's Society at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY.

SALE of Grove House, Molland's, at noon.
EXAMINATION in the Christian Brothers' School at 7 p.m.
SYNOD Service in St. Paul's Church at 7:30 o'clock.

The issue is taken in South Ontario, and Sir A. T. Galt has nothing to do with its either. The Reformers have chosen Mr. J. D. Edgar as their candidate and the Conservatives put their faith in Mr. J. N. Gibbs. The contest will be a close one, but we confidently expect a victory on the right side—the Reform side. Mr. Edgar, though an outsider, is popular with the party and decidedly able. He will prove more than a match of Mr. Gibbs on the stump or elsewhere.

Mr. Guthrie, the Ministerial candidate in South Wellington, has expressed himself adversely to the extreme protective theories of the Opposition, and the *Mail* calls him a fool or something worse. He would like to see reciprocal free trade with the United States negotiated if possible, and this the *Mail* sneers at as the essence of stupidity and deception. When Mr. Levi was stumping North Middlesex in the Tory interest he found the electors unfavorable to protection, so he very conveniently dropped the subject and took up free trade in a modified form. The *Mail* was quiescent, and called Mr. Levi pet names *ad nauseam*. But anything to beat the Grits. The organ can jump Jim Crow so gracefully, and with such cheek, too. It's amazing.

That Canada, or the western part of the Province of Ontario, is becoming noted for live stock transactions, has been shown on several occasions during a few years past. The latest business of this kind was done last week at the Crystal Palace Grounds, Toronto. The first day's proceedings were confined to the magnificent herd of Short-horns belonging to Messrs. Cochrane, Beatty and Hope, the total sales footing up to $92,270. The highest bids were made by Mr. Crane, of Kansas, who paid $21,000 and $23,000 for two Duchesses. These are large sums to pay for cows, but no doubt the purchaser thinks he has the worth of his money. The second day was given to sales from the herd of Hon. G. Brown, from Bow Park. The result was a total of $11,433 for 26 cows and 9 bulls. Of course the great difference in the above totals is accounted for by the absence of any famous Duchesses in Mr. Brown's herd. Buyers were present from all parts of Canada and the United States, and the bidding throughout was spirited.

THE FIRE FIEND.

Yesterday while we were enjoying with thankful hearts the bounteous down-pour of rain, so much needed by the parched earth, a terrible conflagration was devastating the city of St. John's, Quebec. Our sympathies and interest in this calamity are more deeply felt owing to recent experience of a similar nature. For fifteen hours the fire raged, destroying nearly three-forths of the city and property estimated at the value of $1,500,000! It is not difficult for our readers to imagine the scenes that accompanied this scourge—they have only to think of what transpired in our streets last Monday night and Tuesday morning. The amount of insurance is stated to be $400,000, a sum, added to what has already been paid for losses at Quebec, Cayuga, Kingston and elsewhere, which must be severely felt by some of the insurance companies. The season thus far has been most calamitous with respect to losses by fire, and if the record is maintained much longer a small margin of profits will be shown at the close of the year's transactions. The City of Hudson, N.Y., also suffered severely by the fire fiend yesterday. The loss there is estimated at nearly half a million dollars.

We do not intend to offer any more suggestions than already have been penned, for the consideration of municipal corporations. It is very easy always to give advice about how the stable should be locked after the horse has been stolen. Those who legislate for our local interests have been admonished and blamed severely this week and if they are not now capable of estimating the importance of having every precaution possible taken to guard against the destruction of property by fire, they will never be. More, we must regard those who have seats in the City Council, and who are, therefore, entrusted with the control of our civic government, as being directly interested in the greatest welfare of the city and able to judge intelligently of what is most needed to protect their own interests—we look hopefully to them. That there are too many wooden buildings in the very heart of the city, sometimes in close proximity to the best edifices, is a serious contemplation. Yet these buildings were put there before the present generation had anything to do with the affairs of life. They cannot easily be removed, neither can they be protected from fire more securely than at present. But this can be done. No additional buildings of an inflammable nature should be permitted inside the city limits, or the more crowded parts, no matter for or by whom. Let the by-law of the city which will afford the amplest protection, be rigidly enforced and at the same time let us equip and maintain an efficient fire brigade, with all the necessary appliances, as an absolute necessity. No reasonable expense should be allowed to stand in the way of this latter being done.

THE CINCINNATI SURPRISE.

It is the unexpected that always happens. Neither Mr. Blaine, nor Mr. Conkling, nor Mr. Bristow, the favorites for the race, has won the *Grand Prix*, but a man with rather a local reputation, Governor Hayes, of Ohio. Notwithstanding Gen. Hayes' selection is a surprise, it is characteristic of American conventions after all. A fierce jealousy always rages around men who have won commanding positions, and there is little doubt that to jealousy is chiefly due the rejection of Mr. Blaine and Mr. Conkling, whose enemies would rather combine on an unknown competent than that either of them should be allowed to grasp the glittering object of his ambition. Either Mr. Blaine or Mr. Conkling would make an excellent President. Mr. Blaine stands head and shoulders over the rest of the House, being a powerful debater, a man of great grasp and splendid courage, and a consummate party leader, though with a considerable admixture of the demagogue, as his friends' pet name of "Jim Blaine" cannot fail to convey. Mr. Conkling, the leader of the Senate, was too high-toned for the managers who "run" a Yankee Convention; too courteous, too accomplished, too much of the dignified statesman and too little of the "bully boy" to suit the bulk of his Party. So both have been set aside and Gen. Hayes is preferred. The latter is a plain sort of individual, gifted, his friends say, with marked common sense, but with no qualifications which hitherto had marked him out as fit to rule over a great nation. He has been three times Governor of Ohio, beating such distinguished opponents as Pendleton, Thurman and Allan, and when that is said his biography seems to be pretty much at an end.

The proceedings which led up to the nomination of Gov. Hayes have been watched with great eagerness, especially as of late years most Presidential elections have been walk-overs. It is nearly 20 years ago since Mr. Buchanan was nominated by the Democratic Convention at Cincinnati, he subsequently defeating John C. Fremont. Four years after Mr. Lincoln defeated Stephen A. Douglas by a great majority on the Know-nothing ticket, and at the close of his term was re-elected as a matter of course over Gen. McClellan, put up to catch the army vote. When President Johnson retired, Gen. Grant won the fight over Horatio Seymour as a foregone conclusion, and four years later beat Horace Greeley out of sight. For 15 years the Republican star has been in the decided ascendant, but it has waned considerably of late, and the Democrats hold the reins in the lower House of Congress, after a lengthy struggle. The coming contest will be a fierce one, for the Democrats will gather themselves up for a mighty struggle for victory. Whether they will succeed or no, it is idle to assume to predict with any confidence. The Democrats, flushed with their recent State gains, have certainly an excellent chance, which they may or may not improve or weaken by following or disregarding the example of the enemy. If they choose a personally weak candidate, they are certain to be beaten; if they unite on their best man, Tilden, it is quite on the cards that they should win. It is not unlikely that Tilden will be their choice. He is an Eastern Hard-money man and will make a gallant fight to save New York from being taken over by Wheeler, to the Republicans. It shall be a battle royal.

FIRE PLAGUES.

First Quebec, then Kingston, now St. John's, within three weeks. The fire plague is spreading, and all tongues are condemning the laxity of regulations which permits the erection of wooden tinder boxes in every city. Every eye, in places which have not suffered like Kingston and her sisters in misfortune have, is looking for some protection against wholesale destruction. In St. John's a lumber yard, carelessly permitted near a business centre, brought St. John's its temporary ruin; here and in Quebec the spread of the fire was due to the presence of thickly crowded wooden erections, the losses through which in the sufferers' eyes at present appear to have been the price which whole communities generally pay to landlords to become rich on very little. In Kingston it is especially outrageous that these inflammable, worthless buildings were linked to fine, substantial blocks of stone and brick, like Heath & Gunn's, Morrison's and Ferguson's Blocks. And the danger is common to the business parts of the whole city. The fire left nests of the rubbish below it near both corners of Princess and Bagot streets. Though the front buildings which they are a constant menace to are not so valuable as were those now in ashes, they are worthy of earnest attention, since the late calamity has increased their value in the interests of business. These blocks are not in greater need of care than a dozen others in the city, and yet the average Kingstonian for over 30 years flattered himself he was secure against big fires. Now that his eyes are opened and he sees his danger by the aid of that best teacher, experience, it behooves him to look about him and see what he can do to prevent further calamity. He will conclude that he can readily take steps—begin up Princess street this very week—by preventing the further erection of wooden or veneered buildings in crowded places by a strict and thorough application of the Fire By-law, and a proper inspection and survey by municipal authority of all buildings in course of construction, especially those which seem to afford facilities for increasing the danger of fire. By this means not only would the safety of the city be better assured, and a large saving affected in avoiding fires and the cost of suppressing them, but the symmetry of the city would be better preserved. Quebec is taking steps in public meeting to these ends.

If insane fanaticism and a contempt for law and reason can put an end to Europe in Turkey, that end is not far off. Following closely upon the deposition and suicide of the late Sultan we have the details of a shocking tragedy enacted in the city of Constantinople last Thursday evening. On the assembling of the Council at the residence of the President, Midhat Pasha, an officer recently dismissed from the service managed to obtain admission, and shot and instantly killed Hussein Avni Pasha, Minister of War, and Raschid Pasha, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and seriously wounded Waiserli Pasha, Minister of Marine. Some of the servants were also killed, while attempting to prevent the assassin carrying out his bloody act. If this is the way political and social affairs are to be conducted in Turkey the sooner an end is put to the disgrace on civilization the better.

As we anticipated the other day, the conduct of the British Government in releasing Winslow is considered by the United States as an overt act, violating absolutely that section of the Ashburton Treaty under which extradition between the two countries is governed. What action will follow on the part of the United States is not yet stated. The views of the Cabinet will first be transmitted to Earl Derby, and further counsel had on the subject. It is unfortunate that the issue of this case has been fatal to a treaty which has been mutually recognized for nearly thirty years. There is, however, too much at stake, and, we certainly believe, too much solid common sense governing the foreign policy of both Governments to permit so serious a breach in their international laws to remain long unmended.

COUNTY COURT.

HARTY VS. MASSIE.—An action on the sale of goods. The defence was that the goods were sold conditionally—that they were sold at four months—but that the sale was not binding unless defendant, a druggist at Smith's Falls, found he could dispose of them. He did not consider the sale binding, and within the four months he shipped all he had not sold to Kingston, and offered payment for a small lot sold, which plaintiff did not accept. Verdict for defendant. Messrs. Britton & Price for plaintiff; Messrs. McIntyre and Mudie for defendant.

TEEPLES VS. DALY.—Action on a promissory note. The defence was on a very general grounds, no less than eight pleas having been pleaded.

The principal questions, however, depended on the stamping and double stamping of the note, and as to the liability of an endorser who swore that he placed his name on the note to identify it, after having refused $5 for to endorse it.

The case is still going on. Mr. Smyth for plaintiff; Messrs. Britton and Price for defendant.

MONTREAL STREET.

We trust that our Council will not now neglect the opportunity of adding to the beauty, the convenience and the income of the city by securing the opening of Montreal street from Princess to Brock streets. The Kingston Council has been always reputed to be very slow on the move, but we think that the neglect to seize upon the present opportunity of benefitting the city by opening the street referred to, would not only be slowness, but criminality; and more especially so, when Mr. Martin offers his interest in the land which the street will occupy, free of charges. Let the matter be settled at once in spite of jealousy or fogyism!

TO SALOON KEEPERS, GROCERS AND OTHERS.

The attention of the above named parties is drawn to the sale of Mr. Molland's Grove House property, which takes place to morrow, (See advertisement.) at noon.

The property is in excellent condition, and its location well suited for either a saloon or grocery and provision store, the former Mr. Molland having carried on for many years successfully.

Only that he is bound for Californisha would not part with it.

Don't forget to be at the sale.

THE MURDERER WARD.—This convict, who arrived here on Friday, his sentence being commuted from hanging to imprisonment for life, appears to have acted in a very vicious manner when about to be removed from Caledon to Kingston. A telegram says he was very violent and refused to let the officers into his cell, and by placing his sheet through the bars of the door, seizing the ends with his hands and bracing his feet, he kept them out for a time. When an entrance was effected, he savagely attacked one of the officers with a bucket, but was at last secured and taken to the train. Ward is a heavy built man, and to all appearances one possessing a wicked temper when his ivy is aroused.

POLICE COURT.—Pat O'Neil, disorderly, was admonished and dismissed. James Loughlin, same offence, was fined $2 or 15 days. James Draper, drunk, came under the same category. Samuel R. Blakely, who said he was a U.E. Loyalist and a generally jolly old covy, admitted he was "high," but didn't believe he was so high as the peelers represented; dismissed. Four persons, William Robinson, John McKelvey, Henry Skinner and Chas. Powell, were allowed until the 6th of July to remove wooden buildings which they were erecting contrary to by-law.

BATHING.—The police yesterday made the arrest of a number of young lads who would persist in swimming in the most public places. The police should keep a sharp watch on the lads for a while, and when they find punishment following the repeated committal of offences they will act more carefully and more considerately than at present. The lads who went in yesterday, in all the rain, were indeed very hard up for a bath.

THE SUNDAY MEETING.—The usual Sunday Afternoon Temperance meeting was spoiled yesterday by the rain. There were so few present that an adjournment was deemed advisable.

COUNTY COURT.—This Court will sit probably all this week. There were only six out of a docket of eight cases disposed of on Saturday evening.

AROUND HOME.

—Rev. Mr. Crothers was presented with $21.00 on leaving Clark's Mills.

—Mr. B. A. Booth, Odessa, has a contract from the penitentiary to make a lot of cloth for them this year.

—The Dunkin Bill is working quite unsatisfactorily in Prince Edward County.

—The steamer Faxton commenced running between Alexandria Bay and the Cape, (stopping at Clayton,) on the 12th.

—The Grand Jury at Brockville found "no bill" in the case of J. A. Connery, who was charged by the Insurance Company with attempting to obtain money by fraud.

—Cheese factories are very plentiful near Irish Creek, but few of them are running to the same extent as last year, owing to the business not paying as well as had been expected.

—On Friday last two cows belonging to Mr. James Smith, of Clarendon, were struck by lightning and killed. Telegraph poles were shivered almost into matchwood in several places.

—Last Sunday week the barn of Mr. E. Wiggins, Richmond, was burned to the ground, together with several farming implements. Total loss, about $2,000; insurance $1,300.

—The Oswego *Pall.* facitiously remarks: Belleville is exporting eggs to Boston in great quantities. Unless the importation is stopped there will not be enough bad ones to throw at the Kingston yachtsmen when they beat Belleville.

—The regular bi-monthly fair of the Lennox & Addington Dairymen's Association was held in Napanee on Tuesday afternoon last. About 835 boxes May cheese were offered, but buyers declined. No cheese of June make was put up for sale.

—The Gananoque Company has got possession of the Spring Works, and will carry on the business under the name of "The Gananoque Spring Manufacturing Company." The business is under the management of Mr. S. McCammon and Mr. Geo. Penn.

—In the little village of Irish Creek there are two hotels, neither of which, however, has a license. The reason of this is that, the concession line passes through the place and throws the only house which could come up to the requirements of the new law into the township of Wolford where the Dunkin Act is in force.

—The Napanee *Beaver* says:—"Mr. William Scrimshaw, of Richmond, a sixty years' resident of this country, tells us that an ewe belonging to him dropped a lamb on the last day of April, and on the 17th of the next May she gave birth to another lamb. Both of these approximate twins are healthy, full size, and lively. That's a ewefsul sheep to have, ewe bet."

—While Mr. Wm. Myer's child, a boy two years old, was playing at Portland, Leeds he got hold of a bottle of "Sulphuric Acid," which was laid there thoughtlessly, and spilled it over his clothing which was soon saturated to the flesh, the child's clothing being in an instant eaten by the powerful drug to shreds. However, it is hoped the child will recover.

—The Almonte *Gazette* says: The crops in this section of country are looking beautiful since the recent showers, and are promising all that any man could reasonably wish for. The hay crop looks well, meadows both old and new, give every appearance of a bountiful yield. Fall wheat is likely to be a fair crop and altogether our farmers are very well satisfied.

The Kingston Fire and Belleville Brigade.

MAYOR'S CHAMBERS,
City Hall, Kingston, June 13, 1876.

JOHN TAYLOR, Esq.,
Chief Engineer Fire Brigade,
Belleville.

DEAR SIR,—On behalf of the citizens I have to thank you and the men of your Brigade, most heartily, for the prompt response to our call for help last night.

Will you kindly convey this expression to your officers and men, and if any expense was incurred by you, will you be good enough to let me know, that I may report the matter to our Council at its regular meeting on Monday next.

Yours truly,
B. M. BRITTON,
Mayor.

Belleville, June 16th, 1876.

B. M. BRITTON, Esq.,
Mayor, Kingston:

DEAR SIR,—Yours of the 13th inst, received, and on behalf of the Fire Brigade of this Town I beg to assure you, that the response for help to assist in staying the devouring element in your city, was a duty which is always promptly honored by our Brigade; and while also ready to aid in extinguishing fire, it was a source of great pleasure to us when we learned that you had succeeded in controlling the fire, and that our assistance was not required. I shall take the earliest opportunity of conveying the kind expression of thanks from the citizens of Kingston to the Brigade. As for expense, on behalf of the Brigade I take this opportunity of saying, that no expense was incurred which they would think of charging to the citizens of Kingston.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obed't serv't,
JOHN TAYLOR,
Chief Engineer B. F. B.

MARINE.

Collins' Bay—arrivals none. Departures—schrs Annie Craig and S. Neelon.

Arrived—Prop City of Toledo, City of New York, schrs Clara Youell, Liman City, Magdala, Smith Post and British Lion.

McPhie's—Arrivals: Schr Persia, from Toronto, 12,000 bus wheat; Dauntless, from Toronto, 7,656 bus do; Surprise, from Chicago, 13,889 bus wheat; barge Lyon, 384 bars of steel rails; and 86 bundles sheet iron for Muckleston. Departures—Barge Tuscorora, 18,000 bus wheat; B., 17,016 bus of oats; Albert, 11,000 bus wheat and 2,000 bus corn; Tiger, 14,500 bus oats.

Swift's—Str Corsican passed down from Hamilton; the Kincardine touched from Oswego; the Algerian, from Montreal; the Spartan, from Hamilton; the Passport, from Montreal; the Persia, from Montreal; the Shickluna, from Toronto; the Oswego Belle, from Oswego. The Lake Ontario left for Duluth yesterday.

M. T. Co.—Arrived: E.B. Williams, from Toledo, 26,068 bus oats; Hattie Wells, from Chicago, 19,000 bus corn; Hartford, from Chicago, 19,231 bus corn. Left: Tug Elfin, Montreal, 20,083 bus corn; Wheat Bin, 18,000 bus wheat; St. Lawrence, 9,987 bus corn; Relief, 11,677 bus corn.

PORT COLBORNE.

Port Colborne, June 17.

Schrs Reindeer, Moskegon, Ogdensburg, lumber; Norway, Two Heart River, Garden Island, timber; Wm Elgin, Kincardine, Kingston, wheat; W J Suffel, Dresden, Quebec, deck plank; F J King, Cheboygan, Garden Island, timber; Cavalier, Cheboygan, Collins' Bay, timber.

☞ R. M. HORSEY'S Customers will find him at Parkhill's old Stand, Princess Street.

TELEGRAPHIC.

ST. JOHN IN ASHES.

LOSS A MILLION AND A HALF—INSURANCE $400,000—BURNS FOR FIFTEEN HOURS IN A GALE.

St. John, Q., June 18.—About 8 o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the lumber piles in rear of Bousquet's saw mill. It soon spread till the large piles of lumber and the saw mill were in flames. A heavy south wind was blowing, and the fire spread with great rapidity. About 8:45 a.m. it had extended to the corner of Partition Street, having destroyed the Custom House, Post, Telegraph and Express Offices. The fire continued to spread till at 10:45 a.m. the whole of Richelieu Street from south to north was in flames. Not a building was saved on this, the principal business street. $80,000 worth of flannel was burned with the woollen mills. The east side of Champlain Street is also in flames. In value one half or two thirds of the town is destroyed.

11:45 p.m.—The fire is completely extinguished, with the exception of the smouldering ruins, and the danger is over. The St. Albans Fire Brigade, who left for home about five p.m., and the Montreal Brigade (still at work) with the steamer Bertram, rendered great assistance throughout. It is impossible to estimate the loss at present, but every store and business establishment is destroyed with the exception of one or two small groceries in the back streets. The only casualties reported are Miss May, dress maker, who was burned to death, and Miss Lynch is missing. The fire extended from the southern to the extreme northern end of Richelieu street. The only two buildings saved being the residence of Mr. Bull, immediately in front of the mill, though the buildings on each side of this were destroyed, and the residence of Mr. F. Monnette, at the northern part of the town, over which the flames seemed to leap, destroying the houses immediately north. The wind, which was blowing a perfect gale, carried the sparks still onward, and the barns of Mr. Samuel Vaughan, outside the town, fell a prey. All the principal hotels are destroyed, and a large number of people are temporarily located in the barrack buildings. A walk through the burnt district presents a dismal and heartrending appearance.

Merchants may be seen looking at the ruins, of what were last night establishments with stocks of $50,000 to $75,000, and the general cry is "We are ruined, ruined; not half insured."

The Merchants' Bank and Banque De St. Jean vaults are perfectly secure. The specie notes and papers of all kind are saved. No loss is incurred by either. The aggregate loss is in the neighbourhood of $1,500,000, while it is thought that of this the amount covered by insurance will not be more than $400,000.

The Stadacona is said to be in for about $50,000; the Agricultural, $6,000; the, National, $22,000, the Citizens, $35,000; the Royal Canadian, $60,000; the Provincial, $40,000. The Liverpool and London and Globe, are said to be heavy losers.

The provision stores being burnt, the Mayor has telegraphed for supplies for 3,000 houseless people. The fire is said to have been caused by a spark from a passing engine.

RASCALITY.

Hontzdale, June 17.—Last night a man was detected in the act of setting fire to the Catholic Church. The incendiary escaped. This is the same church in which the contracter was killed and 30 persons injured last Sunday by the floors giving way.

CONGRATULATIONS.

Washington, June 17th.—President Grant sent the following telegraph despatch to Gov. Hayes immediately upon the receipt of the news of the Cincinnati nomination:

"I congratulate you, and feel the greatest assurance that you will occupy my present position from the 4th of March next."

Malone, June 17.—This place—the home of Wheeler, was brilliantly illuminated last night, bells were rung and canons fired.

PRESS OPINIONS.

New York, June 17.—The *Post* editorially says the Republicans are to be congratulated on their good fortune, having narrowly escaped a fatal error, into which they were in danger of falling up to the last hour of the Convention. They signalized that hour by an act which goes far to vindicate at once their political honesty and their partizan sagacity. The Republican leaders will give Hayes a heartier and more united support than they would have given to any other man before the Convention.

The *Commercial Advertiser* calls the ticket of Hayes and Wheeler an admirable one, like the platform it represents, the very heart and spirit and splendid antecedents of the Republican party.

The *Express* (Democrat) says the nominations made at Cincinnati are admittedly respectable in character of men with some experience in the civil service.

HUNG.

Constantinople, June 17.—Hassan, the assassin of Cabinet Ministers on the night of the 15th inst., was hanged this morning.

MURDER—LYNCHING.

Omaha, Neb., June 19.—Deputy Sheriff Smith, Dawson County, Nebraska, in company with another man, attempted to arrest one Howell at his homestead yesterday, when upon entering the house Howell shot, instantly killing Smith, and seriously wounding Smith's companion. Howell was taken from Plum Creek Jail and hanged on Saturday by a mob.

GREAT FIRE AT HUDSON.

Hudson, N.Y., June 19.—About 12 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the engine room of the propellor John Taylor, laying at the dock of the Athens & Schenectady RR., opposite this city, and the flames communicated to the other vessels at the dock and to the depot buildings, all of which are nearly a total loss. The vessels destroyed are the propellor John Taylor, barge Hercules, loaded with sugar, canal boat Stephen Warren, with cargo of merchandise. The large depot building, 1,600 feet long, built at a great expense by Daniel Drew, and known as the "White Elephant," was nearly destroyed, together with its contents, including freight. One hundred freight cars, which were standing on the cars loaded with flour, corn, oats and tobacco, were totally destroyed. The freight was consigned to Messrs. David Dows, Stillwell & Co., Jesse Hoyt and others of New York. The depot belonged to the N.Y.C. & H. RR. Co.; the cars to various western railroads. The loss is estimated at $400,000 dollars. The fire was purely accidental.

THE LATEST.

—The Countess left Montreal to-day for New York. Captain Cuthbert told in Montreal that he had hopes of winning the race in New York.

—Dinnen and Goldsmith, of London Bess Ball Club, were robbed of a watch and some money, but the thief got off because the "boys" would not prosecute.

—The Canadian lacrosse teams on Saturday played their 1st public match in London. Before they sail—on the 29th inst.—they play a private match for the Prince of Wales.

—Gov. Hayes, of Ohio, on Saturday accepted the nomination for President formally tendered him by a Committee.

—The lacrosse match for the championship, between the Toronto and the Ontario clubs was won by the Ontarios.

—The Insurance men of Montreal are despondent over the Montreal fire.

—Sir A. T. Galt is visiting his brother, Mr. Justice Galt, at Toronto.

—Assault cases in Toronto are becoming very frequent; so are petty burglary cases.

—Two of the prisoners who escaped from the Pembroke Jail have been heard from, Jordan, the bigamist, is in Watertown, and McNulty is in New York.

—Humvey & Reese, grain merchants, London, failed in $1,000,000.

—Commercial Hotel, Aylmer, has been burned; partly insured.

—Twenty fire cisterns are to be constructed in St. Sauveur.

—Fishing prospects at Magdalen Islands fair.

—The processions in the R. C. Churches yesterday were grand.

—The Czar yesterday in taking leave of a lady who wished him a good journey replied with undisguised satisfaction: "I hope I shall spend more tranquil days at Jugenheim than those I have passed at Ems." Such a remark as this is tantamount to a specified promise, and it may be inferred that the European powers are determined to remain spectators of what passes between Turkey and her subjects.

—Brent, the Louisville forger, has been discharged in London.

—Lyons will send twenty-eight workmen to Centennial.

—Fire in Moscow destroyed 50 houses.

—Three-fourths of the town of Kadischory burned on Saturday.

—German Minister denies he charged the Centential Commission with corruption.

—Henry Thomas, of Hammership, and Thomas Winship, of Newcastle, ran foot race for $5,000 a side; Winship won in 24 min. and 32 sec.

—The Bishop and clergy of Barbadoes write that the late riots were caused by belief among negroes that their property was to be divided among the rich white men.

—Explosion of coal oil on the ss. "Atlantic" at Cardiffe; six men killed; several injured.

—Fire in Boston; $24,000 loss.

—Dyramite explosion in Glasgov; six men killed.

—Jackson alias Lyman a convict in St. Vincent de Paul, was shot by a guard while in the act of discharging a carbine at another guard prior to a general attempt of the convicts to escape.

—People burned out in St. John are flocking into Montreal in hundreds.

The body of an artilleryman connected with B Battery was found in the water at Boucherville.

—Geo. McAuley, Cheropodist, fell dead on Saturday, in Toronto.—Whiskey—apoplexy.

—Archbishop Lynch replies to Sir A. T. Galt next Sunday.

—The Presbyterians will have two Central Home Mission fields.

—Macdonnell Committee will report this afternoon.

—Mr. Crombie's meetings in Belleville have closed. He goes to Hamilton.

SUICIDE.

Early this morning the report reached the city that William Talbot, living with his wife and mother-in-law below the Grand Trunk Depot, had committed suicide by shooting himself. On enquiry we learned that the report was quite true. The particulars of the sad case, so far as we have been able to learn them, are these: The deceased, who has in his life time, as the eldest son of the late Robt. Talbot, has occupied a good position in society. Some twenty-six years ago he became blind, and with this failing of nature he became burdened with misery such as only one can experience who has lost his sight. He became addicted to liquor, too, and latterly, it is alleged, he has been drinking very hard. It is thus possible that his mind was affected, and probably while under some insane impulse, or prompted by a desire to end his despondency, he last night discharged the contents of a gun into his mouth, by sitting on the bed, and by the attachment of a piece of wire, pulling the trigger with one hand, while he held the instrument of death in position with the other. If he was crazed with drink he certainly displayed more cunning and premeditation than usual. The report of the gun awoke his wife and her mother, who slept together in another part of the house, and alarmed they flew to his apartment to find him sweltering in the blood which flowed profusely from his wounds. Death was not immediate, as after firing the shot he got up, and staggered about the room, but returned to bed, on which he shortly afterwards expired. This was between 1 and 2 o'clock in the morning. The gun was picked up where it had fallen from his hands, and a quantity of powder was found under his pillow. The deceased was 60 years of age, and was very well known to many of our readers. He was of a harmless, quiet disposition. He did himself most harm, by being a slave to failings which wrought him injury and made his condition the more unpleasant and the more unfortunate. Coroner Shaw was called upon to hold an inquest, which he was to open at the house of the deceased at 4:30 o'clock. The funeral will take place to-morrow.

DEATH OF MR. WATKINS.

This afternoon at 4:50 o'clock, Mr. John Watkins, the oldest surviving (though retired) merchant of Kingston, died after a long illness. He was within one day of 87 years of age. To-morrow we shall speak of the life of this wealthy, benevolent gentleman.

NEW POTATOES.—The first potatoes from the hotbed arrived five or six weeks since, but a cheer went up from our sanctum on Saturday, when Mr. Jas. F. Gibson laid down the first lot of this season planted and grown in the open air. They were fine large esculents, from the veteran care of Mr. A. Shaw, Penitentiary gardiner. They were as fine as any August production, and entitled to rank first this year.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, June 19th.

Bank of Montreal—185 1-2, 185, 86 at 3-4.
Merchants' Bank—31 1-2, 35 at 31 1-4.
Bank of Commerce—121, 120 3-4, 6 at 120 3-4.
Ontario Bank—103 3-4, 102.
Bank of Toronto—150, 152.
R. Can. Bank—100, 99 1-2, 6 at 99 1-2.
Montreal Telegraph—171 1-2, 170 3-4, 4 at 1.
Bank of Commerce—ex div. 102 1-4, 101 1-2, 70 at 101 1-2.
National Bank—ex div. 94, 92.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Montreal, June 19th.

Flour—receipts 5,100 bbls; sales 16,00 bbls; market quiet and steady; prices unchanged sales 120; superior extra 5,40 to 5,50; extra 5,32 1-2 to 6,00; spring extra 4,65 to 1,00; do 4,67 1-2 to 2,00; strong baker's 4,90 to 4,95; superfine 4,35 to 4,45; fine 3,85; grain, provisions and ashes unchanged.

FIRE! FIRE!

THREE STOCKS IN ONE! AMOUNTING TO

Over $30.000 Worth Dry Goods!

Which Must be Sold Without Reserve.

F. X. COUSINEAU & CO.

Have Closed up their two Country Stores, and now intend holding the LARGEST AND CHEAPEST SALE OF DRY GOODS that has ever taken place in Kingston. We must Reduce our Heavy Stock, even if we have to sacrifice the Goods. This GREAT SALE will commence on THURSDAY, 22nd JUNE, and continue until the entire Stock is disposed of. In order to make the necessary preparations, the STORE WILL BE CLOSED TWO DAYS previous to our Great Sale. Now we hope the public will take advantage of this opportunity of securing Bargains, as many articles will be sacrificed.

June 19, 1876. F. X. COUSINEAU & CO., Orange Hall Buildings.

WOODEN BUILDINGS.—The City Commissioner has commenced a fresh attack upon those who have been violating the law by erecting wooden buildings within the fire limits. We hope he will allow not a single plank to be erected in the business part of the city. The late terrible conflagration has taught a lesson which cannot soon be forgotten. If it were possible to go further and tear down every old rookery that now stands in dangerous proximity to our fine business blocks the city would be the safer and property holders would be gainers.

EXAMINATION.—The annual examination and presentation of prizes in connection with the Christian Brothers' School will take place to-morrow evening, commencing at 7:30 o'clock. Much preparation has been made for it, and the programme is such as to afford entertainment to the public, who are invited to attend.

THIEVING.—A little girl named Mary Ann Bean, aged 14, is under arrest for robbing her father of $1,00. Enquiry seems to have divulged the fact that she has been stealing from the amount during the past year, and spending the money in trifles and childish nonsense.

POSTAL.—The Kingston and Pembroke Railway will commence to carry mails between Harrowsmith and Kingston on the 1st July, serving Harrowsmith, Loughboro and intermediate places. Good bye, stages. Ta! ta!

BIRTH.

At Portsmouth, on Sunday, 18th inst., the wife of Mr. Thos. Kelly, of a son.

DIED.

In the Township of Kingston, on June 19th, William, eldest son of the late Robert Talbot, Esq., aged 60 years.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

Village of Portsmouth

VOTERS' LISTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the list of all persons appearing by the last revised Assessment Roll of the Municipality of the Village of Portsmouth, in the County of Frontenac, to be entitled to vote in the Municipality for the election of members to serve in the Legislative Assembly, was first posted up in my Office in said Municipality, on Monday, the 19th day June, 1876. Any person complaining of any error in the said List must deliver to me within thirty days after the said 19th day of June, a written notice of his intention to apply to the Judge of the said County in respect thereof.

THOS. KELLY, Clerk.

Dated this 19th day of June, 1876.

Card of Thanks.

I BEG to return my sincere thanks to my friends and all others who worked so hard to save my Goods on the night of the big fire.

M. KIRKPATRICK.

June 19, 1876.

RE-OPENING.

On and after TUESDAY, 20th instant, my place of business will be

On Brock Street,

Two doors above McKelvey & Birch's Tin and Stove Depot, where I will be glad to see all my old customers and friends. I have a splendid lot of FANCY MARKET BASKETS, saved from the fire, which will be sold at prices that cannot be competed with. Also a good assortment of other articles saved. COME AND SEE THEM AT

M. Kirkpatrick's Fancy Store,

BROCK STREET.

Don't forget the place—Two doors above McKelvey & Birch's.

June 19, 1876.

IMPOUNDED,

IN THE POUND LOT No. 15, in the 4th Concession of the Township of Kingston, on the Portland Road, on Friday, June 16th, Two Heifers—one White; the other Red, with white on belly and one hind and one fore foot. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take the animals away, otherwise they will be sold at the Pound Gate, according to law, on TUESDAY, June 27th, at 12 o'clock.

JOHN SMITH,
Pound Keeper.

Tp. Kingston, June 19, 76.

ACCOUNTS COLLECTED.

MR. WM. PUGH is prepared to attend to to landlord's business promptly, collect accounts on the shortest notice and render quick returns. Address, Barrie Street, opposite the Cricket Ground.

REFERENCES:—Dr. Jarvis, Mr. W. H. Fuller, and Messrs. Kirkpatrick & Rogers, and E. M. Smythe, Barristers.

June 19, 1876.

Oranges! Oranges!

SWEET ORANGES,
PINE APPLES,
AND TOMATOES.

Strawberries Expected

—AT—

DUMBLE'S

June 19, 1876.

Cabbage Plants For Sale

BY THE THOUSANDS AT THE ST. GEORGE and DRAGON HOUSE,

Opposite the National Hotel, Wellington Street

RICHARD BUNT.

June 17, 1876.

For Sale,

THE LOT ON PRINCESS STREET, 66 x 132. The site on which Rees Bros., Chown & Walker and W. D. Gordon's stores were situated.

ALSO,

The Lot on the Corner of Princess and Montreal sts., the site where Crystal Block stood.

The Lot and Building, on Corner Queen and Montreal streets, 66 ft. square, together with Cottage adjoining, occupied by Mr. M. Kirkpatrick.

ALSO,

A Lot on Montreal street, 66 ft square. Titles indisputable. Terms easy. Apply to

WM. MARTIN.

June 14, 1876.

REES BROS.,

WILL BE FOUND

AT THE

Queen Street Bakery

FOR THE PRESENT.

Don't forget us, friends.

REES BROS.

Manufacturing Confectioners.

June 19, 1876.

ANOTHER MOONLIGHT

And Cheap Excursion

THE favorite Steamer *MAUD* will leave the Ferry Wharf at 2 p.m., sharp, on FRIDAY NEXT, 23rd inst., with a Cheap Excursion, remaining at Cape Vincent one hour, returning at 7 p.m.

Will leave for a Moonlight Excursion at 7:30 p.m., with

A Battery Band,

Returning at quarter to 12.

June 19, 1876. FOLGER BROS.

CONSUMPTION.

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