GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Trains arrive and depart from the Kingston Station as follows:—

GOING WEST.		
Arrive	4.45 p.m.	4.00 a.m.
Depart	5.05 p.m.	4.40 a.m.
Mixed train...	6.00 a.m.	
GOING EAST.		
Arrive	2.35 p.m.	3.30 a.m.
Depart	2.55 p.m.	3.40 a.m.
Mixed train...	5.15 a.m.	

(This is by Montreal time, from which deduct 12½ minutes for the difference between Montreal and Kingston time.)

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	CLOSE.
Eastern by G T R day train	1.30 p.m.
Western " "	4.00 p.m.
CLOSE.	ARRIVE.
East and West night trains 9.00 p.m.	7.00 a.m

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The Daily News.

SATURDAY EVENING, JAN. 6.

Our local contemporary and the Belleville *Ontario* are demonstrating to their own satisfaction that Mr Wm. Robinson was defeated not in consequence of his political frailties, but from a variety of other causes too numerous to mention, and they refer to Mr McIntyre's speech in which he stated that his object in coming forward was not political—as indeed it was not. It is a pity that a strict regard for the facts compel a correction of these misstatements. Our great objection to Mr Robinson was altogether political, his broken pledges to his constituents, were strictly political. The letters of Mr George Davidson and Mr John Mudie (both still unanswered) were nothing, if not political. Its very true that political misdeeds were not all that Robinson had to contend with, and that many of his old friends finding their confidence misplaced, took the opportunity of paying off old scores irrespective of politics. If the contest was not political, how was it that the members of the Local Reform Association took such a lively interest in it? How was it also that a paper was started by them to aid his election? If there is any doubt in the minds of our contemporaries let the member for Kingston resign (as he ought to do) and the electors will soon settle the matter. By the way it is amusing to find the Grit shouts putting down the majority against Robinson as only 23; Mr McIntyre was pitted against him and the vote stood 191 to 119 or a majority for McIntyre of 72 votes. Mr Briggs was pitted against Mr Livingston and beat him by 142 to 91 or a majority of 51 votes; and when it is remembered that Mr Briggs owing to the death of Mrs. Briggs a few days previously was unable to canvass the electors or almost do anything to promote his own election, the wonder is that he should have been elected at all. As to Mr Robinsons success another year it is rather soon to speculate, but at present it is merely a waste of time to lose powder and shot upon a dead duck.

There have not been wanting of late instances of a change in public sentiment in free trade intercourse with Canada, a sentiment which has gained fuller expression since the ratification of the Treaty of Washington. The Boston Board of Trade has just passed a resolution in favour of free trade with Canada; and in all the eastern manufacturing and commercial centres, public opinion is favourable to an extension of reciprocal trade relation. The Western States are not so eager, however, they only care for cheap transportation. Such resolutions as that of the Boston Board of Trade are of great value at the present time when Congress is called upon to revise its legislation and establish new trade relations with Canada. They encourage the idea that something will be done to bring the two peoples closer together commercially, than they have been since the mistaken abrogation of the Reciprocity Treaty.

At the nomination at Ottawa on Thursday when Mr Scott was returned by acclamation, the new Commissioner of Crown Lands vindicated his course in entering Mr Blake's Cabinet by a reference to the Coalition Ministry of 1864 when Governor Howland the Hon. Ferguson Blair and Hon. W. McDougall of the Reform party joined with Sir John A. Macdonald in carrying on the affairs of the country at a time when party government had brought things to a deadlock. He also referred to the claim on which the first elections under Confederation were carried, that the old issues were dead and party lines obliterated, and that not until distinct party lines on new issues were formed could party government be practicable. It is evident from the remarks he made that the explanations already given in his behalf by the Ottawa *Citizen* which we transferred to our columns were exact and probably authorized, so that the views of Mr Scott entering the Cabinet as a Conservative and retaining his Conservative principles while however he is agreed on the manner in which Mr Blake and his Reform colleagues propose to manage the local affairs of Ontario.

It would seem that Mr Scott has viewed the local government something in the light of a municipal corporation, the affairs of which could be managed irrespective of the political distinctions which have been formed between parties in this country.

Mr Scott's presence in the Ontario government links it more intimately with the government at Ottawa; and his well known moderation and character will command for the government a respect which it might not otherwise command were it founded upon extreme views of partyism. For example, Mr George Hamilton the member for Prescott, and Mr Monk the member for Carleton who are strict Conservatives, have declared their appreciation of Mr Scott's presence in the Cabinet, and promised to give the government a fair trial. Others will similarly be inclined to give the government every fair opportunity of carrying on the affairs of the province. But nevertheless it does not follow that the new government will have a following sufficiently strong to guarantee its existence for any length of time. The earlier divisions on questions which do not involve matters of party principle will no doubt be in favour of the government; but any mistake on the part of Mr Blake would be fatal.

The fact of Mr Blake's inconsistently with his professions in denouncing coalitions and then inviting Mr Scott to unite with him in the formation of a government, is by no means relished by the pure Reformers, who have been sincere in their expectations of a strictly Reform government taking the place of that of the Hon. John Sanfield Macdonald. The more unspoken of the country Reform journals have shown this, and openly confessed their disappointment.

It remains then that Mr Scott's position in the Cabinet is a vindication of the coalition principles on which the late government was founded.

THE GAME LAWS.

A meeting of gentlemen was held at the Anglo American Hotel last night, to take into consideration the advisability of altering some of the laws now in existence, relative to the killing of snipe, woodcock and duck. Judge Burrowes was called to the chair. The following resolutions were adopted:—

Moved by Major Van Straubenzie, seconded by Capt. McGill,

That it is expedient that the game laws be altered by providing that woodcock and snipe may be killed during the time beginning with the first day of August, and ending with the first day of March following, and at no other time; and that all kinds of ducks may be killed during the time beginning with the 15th day of August, and ending with the 1st day of March following, and at no other time. Carried.

Moved by Capt. Merritt, and seconded by Capt. McGill,

That Major Van Straubenzie, Capt. McGill, J. J. Burrowes, Henry Smith and the mover be a committee to communicate with Mr Albert Prince, relative to the alteration of the game laws now in existence. Carried.

Moved by Major Van Straubenzie, and seconded by J. G. Strachan,

That in the event of the present resolutions passed at this meeting not proving satisfactory to the sportsmen of Toronto and west of Toronto, it be expedient to divide the Province of Ontario at Port Hope, and that laws be passed appropriate to each section. Carried.

WHO IS TO BE MAYOR?—Now that the elections are disposed of, the next question to be canvassed for, and settled, is that of the mayoralty. The candidates spoken of are Aldermen Drennan, Cunningham and Kinghorn. These are all first rate men, and the city may under any circumstance expect to have a good Mayor for the ensuing year. The election will be made by the Aldermen on Monday week. We have never been favourable to the present mode of election, and believe that the Mayor should be elected by the direct vote of the people; and we are sure that it would be regarded with more favour generally if such were the case.

RIDEAU WARD.—We are pleased to learn that Mr Thomas McMahon offers himself again for re-election as School Trustee in Rideau Ward. Mr McMahon has been one of the most useful and attentive members of the Board, and his election unopposed would under ordinary circumstances be certain. But Mr McMahon is one of those gentleman who some time ago found out Mr Robinson's deceptive conduct, and did not hesitate to act upon his knowledge at the late election, and hence the "ring" have threatened him with opposition. However Mr McMahon is just as able to beat his opponents as Mr McIntyre did his, and he will do it too, no matter who may be his opponent.

CITY COUNCIL.—A meeting of the old Council is expected to be held on Monday evening next, for the transaction of unfinished business of 1871.

LARCENY.—A telegram to the police authorities announces the committal of a case of larceny in the shantying district of the township of Olden, in the theft of several articles of clothing, and a considerable sum of money. The thief is only known by description.

NOTICE.—An "eligible young men's Mutual Protection Society" is talked of being formed at once, this being leap year. Perhaps the youths are unnecessarily frightened.

THE DOG TAX.—It has been wisely suggested as an effectual means of lessening the increasing nuisance and annoyance caused by the number of canines permitted to perambulate the streets, in some cases, much to the danger of our citizens, that the new council should appoint an assessor, whose special duties shall be the imposition of a tax on dogs. The revenue derived from this source in Montreal amounts annually to about $3,000—not to think of such high anticipations, a sum, say one-third, would go far to improve the condition of our somewhat depleted sinking fund.

WEATHER PROGNOSTICATIONS.—The weather for the past two or three days has been exceedingly mild and pleasant, in contrast with the severity of the temperature a few weeks since. The most reliable weather prophets confidently assert that the winter which is yet to come will be "broken," and strongly inclined on the warm side. However after the Arctic spell we have experienced since the middle of November, a proportionate season of less inhospitable weather in the months of January and February would not come amiss.

IMPORTANT ENTERPRISE.—It will be remembered that a short time ago a deputation of gentlemen interested in the deepening of the Rideau Canal, waited upon the Dominion Government in reference thereto. In consequence of the representations made upon that occasion, the Government have already given directions for the erection of a dam a long distance above Buttermilk Falls, by which the retention of water, 6½ feet deep, and twenty-five square miles of surface in dry seasons will be permantly secured, providing that the dam receives proper care, and this of course must be seen to. This dam has already been built under the superintendence of one deeply interested in the trade of the canal. Having secured this, Mr George Morton has been the means of establishing a connection through the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburgh Railroad, and the entire net work of its connections, by means of which the entire produce of sawed lumber from Ottawa City and intermediate points to Kingston, can be distributed at competing rates with any other route, which will effectually divert this vast trade from all points to Troy, Albany and southward. The only difficulty now in the way is the lack of sufficient canal tonnage to carry this property to Cape Vincent, where the railway will take care of it. A million feet of timber per day during the navigable season will be under the capacity of Ottawa City alone to produce. We also understand that all the carrying craft of the Messrs Chaffey, not otherwise chartered, have been engaged for this undertaking. Kingston must derive considerable benefit from this branch of industry, and great credit is due to Mr Morton for his energy and perseverance in the matter.

CONCERT AT CATARAQUI.—The great concert came off at Cataraqui yesterday evening, and was quite a success. A large number of visitors were present from the city, and from Yarker, Odessa, Westbrook, &c. The chorus numbered nearly one hundred voices, and included the choirs of Cataraqui, Westbrook, the Primitive Methodist Church, Kingston, Odessa and St. Paul's Church, Kingston. Several choruses were sung by the united choirs, after which each sang a piece separately. Professor Smith played the accompaniment for St. Paul's choir on one of Mr Reyner's organs. He also played a beautiful violin solo with exquisite taste and execution. The Messrs Tandy sang, with their usual good taste, "Mother, can this the glory be," and were rapturously encored, when they sang another piece, which was warmly applauded. Mr Reyner sang "Jesu, Lover of my Soul," and being encored, gave the "Ranting Methodist" in his usual good style. Miss Smith, of Westbrook, performed a piano solo, and afterwards a vocal piece with much taste. The quartette, "Toiling on," by the members of the Primitive Methodist Church, Kingston, was very fine. The choir of St. Paul's Church sang Bridgwater a evening service in A (Cantate and Deus), and also the Hallelujah Chorus, all of which were greatly admired. The performance was concluded by the National Anthem, Mr Reyner singing the solo and all joining heartily in the choruses. A vote of thanks was paid to the performers, on motion of the Rev. R. Wilson, seconded by Mr Henry Robinson. Mr Cook and Mr Lawson deserve much credit for the success of the concert.

ROWDYISM.—The residents of the upper portion of the city were disturbed in their slumbers at a late hour last night by a number of intoxicated young men, who returning home gave vent to their feelings of revelry in a series of shrill shouts, yelling and groaning, rendering the locality hideous with their noise. Although beyond the reach of identification and legal prosecution, young men (old and wise enough to know better), if they possess any regard for themselves or the public peace should abstain from such conduct, particularly at such an hour. If an habitual practice, they cannot always escape the punishment their actions merit.

KINGSTON SIGNAL SYSTEM.—Mr Samuel Woods, the Manager of the Kingston Station, has commenced to furnish a midnight report of the state of the weather to the station in the Observatory at Toronto, for transmission thence to Washington. The Montreal Telegraph Company furnish a night operator for that especial purpose.

THE GREAT DOLLAR WEEKLY—THE CHRONICLE AND NEWS.—While feeling deeply grateful to our numerous friends for the large increase in the subscription list of the *Daily News* and *Chronicle and News* during the past few weeks, we think that there is not a postmaster in Central Canada who might not get up a club of at least ten subscribers for the *Chronicle*. To all such clubs we furnish the paper for the low price of ONE DOLLAR a year, with a *free copy* to the gentleman getting up the club. Single subscribers are reminded that except their subscriptions are paid during the PRESENT MONTH they will be charged at the rate of two dollars each. Postmasters who do not see the *Chronicle and News* can have specimen copies sent upon application.

CONCERT NUISANCES.—It is a well-known fact that the pleasures of our public entertainments are in a great measure marred by the incessant noise and demonstrations of uneasiness on the part of some discontent persons, who, cannot keep still, and preserve order. We have often regretfully observed this disturbing element—late instances being on record—and we heartily endorse the sentiments expressed by the Hamilton *Times*, which says:

The musical critic may find subjects for criticism frequently in the audience, prominent among which are the accommodating people who aid the conductor by beating time with their feet, and the everlasting chatter boxes who come to flirt and to talk, and have as little appreciation of music as an untamed monkey in his native wilds. The natural politeness of cultured Canadians leads them to treat these pests of the concert-room with too great consideration. A good hearty hiss or verbal rebuke is none too severe, and we are not sure that it should not be made the duty of the ushers to notify them that if they must needs chatter and beat time, they must retire to a position outside the hall where they will not annoy their more sensible and courteous neighbours.

I. O. L. 741—OFFICERS FOR 1872.—The following are the names of the officers elected for this Lodge:—Bro. Johnson Brown, W.M.; Bro. John McIntyre, D.M.; Bro. Robert Stacey, Secretary; Bro. Charles Warwick, Treasurer; Bro. T. L. Snook, Sen., Com.; Bro. George Bevin, Chaplain.

VENISON.—To endeavour to prevent the wholesale slaughter and export to the United States of our fine Canadian deer, by the "Yankees," several gentlemen are at the present time discussing the advisability and propriety of petitioning the Legislature, at its ensuing session, for an act imposing a heavy duty thereon. As many as five hundred carcasses have been transhipped here to the American side since the taking of the ice.

THE PLEIOSIAN.—The variety troupe travelling under this title, again performed in the City Hall last evening to a large and appreciative audience. There were some slight alterations in the programme presented—new and attractive features were introduced, and loudly applauded. The "negro" comicalities and imitations were, as usual, when successfully delineated, productive of loud laughter and merriment to the spectators. The whole exhibition was well and ably conducted, and we believe gave general satisfaction to all.

The Testimonial presented last week to Wm. S. Ireland, Esq., manager of the Bank of Commerce, at Chatham, appears to have been one of great value. The *Planet* says:—The Testimonial is a most gorgeous service of silver, consisting of no less than seventeen pieces—decidedly the finest thing of the kind ever brought to Chatham, and cost within the neighbourhood of $1,000. The service was purchased of the eminent jewellers, M. S. Smith & Co., corner Jefferson and Woodward Avenues, Detroit. Each piece has a beautifully engraved monogram on it, while the massive server contains the following handsomely engraved inscription, viz.: "Presented to William S. Ireland, Esq., as a token of esteem, from his numerous friends at Chatham, Ont., Jan. 1st, 1872."

LEAP YEAR.—The first effects of the privilege alluded to in the *News* a few days since, as being granted to young ladies, this (leap) year, has been the union in the holy bonds of matrimony, at one of our churches yesterday, of two of the Pleadesian (Green's) minstrels—"Bones," and the fascinating balladist. We had not the good fortune of being in attendance at the half last evening, but we are told that the result of this delightful change, and Cupid's presence on this bewitching couple, in the burlesque *love vs. jealousy* was truly magical!

A HUGE SELL.—Consequent upon the announcement of Mr Green, on Thursday evening, that one of the Australian Family, master Eugene, would ascend to the dome of the City Hall by torch-light, an immense crowd of "youngsters" assembled on Ontario street last night; but after a very lengthy and impatient wait, they gradually dispersed, with their expectations far from realized—it was a huge sell!

EXPORTS.—The exports to the United States from Kingston, for the week ending January 6, were 3,602.32. The shipments of cattle have not yet fairly commenced.

POLICE COURT, SATURDAY.—(Before Mr Strange, P. M.).—Frank and Mary Comstock, an Indian and squaw, hailing "from the back country," came to the city yesterday to make some small purchases, and in their unmitigated love and appetite for "forty-rod" yielded to the effect of numerous potations, and were found by the police wondering about the streets, not knowing whether. They admitted the offence, and mildly submitted to a fine of $1 and costs, or thirty days incarceration at the Stone House. James Cliff, a youth of about 12 summers, was accused of acting disorderly. Constable Hoyle, deposed that last night during the performance of the St. James Pleadesean in the City Hall, the prisoner and a number of other lads kept up a continuous noise and annoyance in the lobby, from whence they were repeatedly ordered into the street. Later in the evening when witness entered the hall, a stone was hurled through the window, and chase was immediately given to those composing the aforesaid party, and Cliff arrested. He denied any complicity in the matter, but the magistrate believing him to be guilty at least of disorderly conduct, again expressed his determination to suppress this nuisance, and so imposed a fine of $1 and costs, or thirty days. Moride Stoddard, an Englishman by birth, and a late emigrant to Canada, was charged with vagrancy. The prisoner, though harmless, is seriously deranged in mind, and talks all kinds of nonsense when questioned relative to personal matters. A note book was found in his possession which contains some interesting and curious entries, among others a "memo" of the date of his committal to the London (Ont.) Gaol, with a pencil drawing of the same, and also the names of his fellow prisoners, carefully arranged. There was no help for it but send him to Gaol (Kingston), for thirty days.

THE ICE.—Notwithstanding the thaw of the past couple of days, the crossing on the ice is in splendid condition, several heavily laden teams arriving in the city to-day from Wolfe Island. There is a large crack about midway but it is not dangerous to cross.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.—The festival and Christmas Tree given to the children of the Grand Trunk Railway Depot Sunday School, in the Victoria Music Hall last evening, was the occasion of drawing together one of the happiest assemblies in which we have ever had the pleasure to commingle, in short it was no other than an unequivocal success. There were about three hundred persons present, and to say that these, one and all, enjoyed themselves would only convey to our readers the faintest idea of their feelings. The programme consisted of dialogues, readings, singing and addresses, which were rendered to the entire satisfaction of participants and audience alike. It was in the midst of this excellent musical and literary entertainment that the curtain was drawn aside, revealing on the dais, a tall evergreen tree, laden with various descriptions of Christmas cheer; gifts, such as toys of different kinds, fruit, etc., which were distributed to the exultant pupils, who each received a present, and to spare—the remainder on hand being disposed of for the benefit of the school. Tea and refreshments were subsequently served and partaken of to the gratification of all concerned. Rev. Mr Mulock, of St. Paul's Church, was present, and in his address manifested an especial interert in the promotion of the pleasure and welfare of his youthful charge. The audience dispersed in high glee with the National Anthem.

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(Per Montreal Telegraph Line.)

FROM OTTAWA.

The friends of Mr Galbraith, M.P.P., are highly indignant at Mr Scott being a member of the new Ontario government. There certainly seems some reason in what they say. Mr Galbraith is a representative man among the Grits of this section, has fought their battles for years, while Scott was fighting against them, and now naturally feels it hard that a red hot Tory like Mr Scott should have been preferred to him.

Mr Angus Hamilton, of Toronto, Special Emmigration Agent to the Highlands of Scotland is about to leave for Old Country.

The Hon. W. McDougall is in town.

There are great rejoicings here over the result of the elections among the supporters of the Dominion Government.

There were two small fires last night.

Dr. Wilson, translator the House of Commons, is dead.

FROM TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—The organization of the opposition is proceeding favourably. The Hon. M. C. Cameron has been in communication with old friends and expects the Ministerial majority will not exceed 4 or 5. Some Grits are expected to cross the floor.

The York assizes open on Monday, 2 cases of murder on the calendar. Kenneth Mackenzie conducts the Crown business.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

BATH.—Thos. Armstrong, Reeve.

ERNESTOWN.—P. D. Booth, Reeve; Wm. Perry, John Hogle, Deputy Reeves; S. D. Clark, Isaac Alysworth, Councillors.

SOUTH FREDERICKSBURGH.—Ira Ham, Reeve; John Hawley, Thos. Downey, A. Newgent, B. Mullett, Councillors.

KENNEBEC.—Reeve, James R. Fraser, re-elected.

DOMINION OF CANADA.

Hon. Peter Mitchell went east last night for a few days.

The New Brunswick papers announce the return of Mr Bolton, M.P., from Europe.

We regret to record the death of Dr. Wm. Wilson, Senior Chief English Translator to the House of Commons. The melancholy event occurred in Ottawa on Thursday.

A contract for the improvement of Port Colborne has been awarded to George Neilson, of Belleville.

An accident occurred on Wednesday morning in Wingham to a son of Mr Hugh Hamilton. The youth was playing near a shingle machine, and while attempting to wipe the sawdust from the saw got his hand taken off by the wrist. The boy was 17 years of age.

A Montreal journal calls attention to the fact that promissory notes under $25 in amount do not require to be stamped, the wording of the Act, 31 Vic., Cap. 9, being that every promissory note, draft, or bill of exchange, "for an amount not less than twenty-five dollars" shall be stamped.

A rumour comes to us of a young gentleman, late a resident of Spencerville, having absconded with a number of railway tickets through to California and other places, amounting in the aggregate to about $300. Loving not wisely but too well is said to have been the cause of the sad escapade.

Hon. William McDougall, C. B., arrived in Ottawa yesterday morning. The honourable gentleman is here with reference to the North-West Boundary matter, which, we believe, is to be soon brought to arbitration. He will visit his constituency before returning to Toronto. We are glad to see our former townsman in such excellent health and spirits.

FROM HALIFAX.

Halifax, N.S., Jan. 5.—The steamship Silesia, which put in yesterday, with 200 passengers from Hamburg for New York, short of coal, proceeded to-day.

Neither of the Allan steamers has arrived yet. The heavy fog in the harbour may detain either of them outside.

WEST NORTHUMBERLAND—THE OPPOSITION CANDIDATE ELECTED.

Cobourg, Jan. 5.—At the close of the different pools in West Northumberland the voting stood as follows:—Haldimand township, Fisher's majority, 67; Hamilton, Fisher 15 majority; Alnwick, Gifford 46; Cobourg, Gifford 143; making Captain Gifford's majority 98. There was great excitement during the day, both sides working hard.

THE GAIN AND LOSS.

The *Globe* of this morning sums up the result of the elections thus far held. It claims that "the new Ministry have carried three—Durham, Prescott and Carleton; while the opposition have carried three—Prince Edward, Grey and Simcoe." Now, this looks awfully like swallowing the swine whole, as will be seen by a glance at the politics of the men claimed by the *Globe* for the Ministry. The gentleman who has been elected to represent West Durham, Mr McLeod, will support it of course; he is a Clear Grit of the ultra George Brown type. Mr Hamilton, of Prescott, claims to be, as his father was, a Conservative When he was elected last March, the *Globe* classed him (quite correctly) as a supporter of the Ministry then in power; and that journal ceased not to revile him from the first day his candidature was announced until last week when the people said he was the man of their choice, the courts and the *Globe* to the contrary notwithstanding. Now, forsooth, the "organ," with that effrontery for which it is pre-eminently distinguished, swallows the verdict, pats him on the back, and declares he will support Mr Blake. Mr Monk is—well, we disposed of his case yesterday, and no new features in connection with it have since developed themselves.

Just here it is worthy of mention—and we hope the *Globe* will note the fact—that of the six seats rendered vacant by the decisions of the judges four have been filled by the men formerly occupying them—men supporting the late Macdonald Government; a fifth, formerly filled by a Blakeite, has been given to an opponent; while the sixth, yet vacant, bids fair to have an Opposition occupant also. Of the two vacated by reason of a double return and a resignation, one, (West Durham) has already, as every person expected, returned a Blakeite; the other (West Northumberland) will probably return an Oppositionist instead of the Blakeite lately representing it. So that the gain to Mr Blake's strength is not quite so great as his organ and apologist would make it appear;—*Hamilton Spectator.*

It is said that hay can be made fire-proof by sprinkling a layer of salt between each layer of hay. This process is recommended as serving the double purpose of a preventative against fire and rendering the hay more conducive to the health of cattle and more agreeable to the palates.

NARROW ESCAPE OF DR. COLENSO.—The Bishop of Natal (Dr. Colenso) had a narrow escape from being shot by an insane person named Gumbinski, who fired four shots at the Bishop's farm-steward, wounding him in the chest. He had previously fired two shots at the Bishop's natives.—*Natal Colonist.*

"A Chelsea Liberal" writes to the *London Daily Telegraph* complaining of Sir Charles Dilke's having come out as a Republican. The writer says: "I consider that Sir Charles Dilke has obtained his seat in the House of Commons by misrepresentations. Had he been a Republican at the period of his election, he should honestly have said so; if his conversation to Republican doctrines has taken place since then, he should resign his seat, and if he pleases offer himself for re-election. My vote was given to Sir Charles Dilke, Bart., a supporter of Mr Gladstone and of Liberal reforms; and not to Citizen Dilke, the president of the future republic, and the travelling agent of the Republicans who meet to theorise and quarrel with each other at the Hole in the Wall pot-house.

"Many," says Dr. Goss, the Catholic bishop of Liverpool, "even without the aid of the Sacraments of the Catholic church, will be saved. Though they reject the ordinance of the Catholic church, yet if they are sincere in their belief, and follow the light as far as God has given it to them, I believe that the Almighty will have regard to their sincerity of belief, and that if they have a real and true sorrow it will suffice for their salvation." This is pleasant. There are a few people who argue that only they and two or three others are elected, and the prospect for those who cannot believe as they do is very discouraging.

The last ten years have witnessed a singular mortality among some of our oldest and apparently best English newspapers. The *Morning Herald* expired on the last day of 1869, having been published as a daily ninety years. The *Morning Chronicle*, established in 1779 lived nearly as long, but declined and fell about 1860. The *Sun*, which first rose in the year 1792, set for the last time on the 28th of February, 1871. The *Morning Star*, established in 1856, and an organ of free trade after the Manchester or Cobden school, was discontinued in 1870, after having sunk over eighty thousand pounds for its hopeful but unlucky proprietors.

IMPORTANT DECISION ON THE LAW AFFECTING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.—A priest in Pennsylvania has obtained a perpetual injunction from one of the law Courts against Bishop O'Hara, who sought to remove him from his pastorate. The question, however, is—of what avail will be the injunction? If there be any temporalities in question the judgment will of course, be good as respects them; but Catholic discipline is understood to require unresisting submission by the priest to the bishop. The application to the Court has shown that the priest does not adhere to this duty in the ample and popular sense; but if he be the only litigant *non constans* that any of the faithful will ask him for his assistance.

A wild goose was shot at Cedar Lake, in the body of which the head of an Indian arrow was found just back and under the wings, the ends projecting on either side. The arrow head is of bone, six and a half inches in length, with five sloping notches cut on the side, is quite sharp at the point, while the other end has nearly the shape of the prow of an Indian canoe. The wound caused by the arrow head had entirely healed, and it was firmly imbedded in the goose.

General Sickle's bride, it seems by a statement in the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, is a fiend in human shape, or something of that kind; and General Sickles himself, the same authority informs us, is mean enough to have a penchant for foreign wives, his first wife having been an Italian. "What is there in a name?" asks the Washington correspondent of the *Enquirer*. "The truth about Dan. Sickle's bride is, she is the daughter of a poor Spanish widow, who, to better her fortunes, married a rich Scotch trader by the name of Joseph Craig. He was a sort of commercial traveler, and after he had made a snug fortune out of the dons of Cadiz, dropped the 'ph' and attached a 'de' and double 'oe' to his name, and came to Madrid a Spanish senor. It is a way not uncommon to Americans when they go abroad, and right here in the republican metropolis there are plenty of names so Frenchified and Teutonicked that the first bearers thereof will never answer to them when at the day of judgment their names are called. If Madame de Creeagh Sickles, *nee* Guerrero, has a taste for anatomy she can find a pleasant study in the army medical museum. Among the gun-shot wounds, in a case nearly under the sky-light, is all that is left of what was once the totherest, high-stepping, shapely leg of her husband." This is fearful. What punishment is great enough for a woman whose first husband's leg adorns a case in a medical museum? Alas, there is no end to this depravity.

THE NEW SMUGGLING DODGE.—The Ogdensburg *Journal* says:—Henry Hooker, deputy collector at Morristown, in this district, seized on Friday two boxes of turkeys, entered at his office, coming from Canada. Each turkey had thrust up into its body a bottle of brandy, and the orifice nearly closed so as to hide the same, and the frozen up. The turkeys thus loaded weighed so much as to attract the attention of the officer, who caused an investigation and detected the fraud. The entry of the brandy, though successfully made into the turkeys, prevented the latter from making safe passage through the custom house. The plunder was sold at auction at the custom house, in this city, Saturday.

One evening in company, during conversation, a gentleman quoted the expression, that "Man proposes, and God disposes." "Yes," said a maiden present, "a man proposed to me once, I said no, and have never seen him since, so I thought *somebody* had disposed of him."

LIVED IT DOWN.—An honest blacksmith was once grossly insulted, and his character infamously defamed. Friends advised him to seek redress by means of the law, but to one and all he replied, 'No; I will go to my *forge*, and *there* in six months I shall have worked out such a character and earned such a name, as all the judges, law courts, and lawyers in the world could never give me. He was right. It is by honest labour, industrious toil, manly courage, and a conscience void of offence, that we assert our true dignity, and prove our truth, honesty and respectability.

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On the 27th December, at Innisville, the wife of A. Code, Esq., M.P.P., of a son.

MARRIED.

At Merrickville, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. Chas. Forrest, Mr Edwin A. Smith, of Toronto, to Miss Annastatia, youngest daughter of E. H. Whitmarsh, Esq., of Merrickville.

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