

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE LAST REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES FOR 1888.

Clearing the Table of Work—The Change in the Personal of the Board—Some of the Retirements Regretted—The Salary Question Finally Disposed Of.

The last regular meeting of the school board of 1888 was held last evening. Referred to were present the chairman, T. C. Wilson; Messrs. W. Allen, S. Anglin, W. J. Arnel, W. Dunlop, S. H. Fee, J. Gaskin, A. Horne, W. Massie and H. B. Savage.

J. Gould, caretaker of the Central school, applied for an increase of salary. Referred to the new school management committee.

P. B. Douglas, acting for the minister of the interior, and Hugh C. Pinet, for the department of militia and defence, wrote, respecting the transfer of a portion of the Normal school lot to the school board for a site for a new school.

An old item discussed. The matter of reconsidering the clause in the report of the committee of school management recommending that Miss F. Hentig, teacher, receive a salary of \$400 per annum was discussed.

When it became known that Miss Hentig was granted by the board the salary stated, thirty-two teachers became dissatisfied and appealed to the board for increases in their salaries. At the time the board increased Miss Hentig's salary \$50, it was believed that she was worthy of reward because she was teaching a class of boys, and doing her work successfully.

Capt. Gaskin, although opposed to any reconsideration of the matter, moved, seconded by Mr. Massie, "that that portion of the report of the committee of school management respecting Miss Hentig's salary, be reconsidered."

A discussion ensued, and then the motion was submitted. It was lost in the following division: Yeas, Messrs. Anglin, Arnel, Horne and Massie. Nays, Messrs. Wilson, Allen, Dunlop, Gaskin and Savage.

Accounts to be paid. The payment of the following accounts was recommended: Water works, \$40; gas company, \$5.10; S. Jenkins, \$64.26; E. Roddy, \$4.87; S. S. Phippen, \$30.10; Shaw, \$3; T. W. Milo, \$9.95; J. Henderson, \$1.50; F. Nesbit, \$4.95; John McMahon, \$11.55; A. Reynolds, \$12; W. Punn, \$12.52; E. McCall, \$8; E. Reddy, \$28.83; Joscombe, \$4; Nugent & Taylor, \$100; J. Howell, \$156.71; Elliott Brothers, \$47.23.

HONORING THE CHAIRMAN. It was moved by Capt. Gaskin, seconded by Dr. Fee, that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Wilson, chairman of the school board, for the able manner in which he has discharged the duties of his important office during the year.

Dr. Fee said he enjoyed the sessions of the board during the year. No unpleasant scenes occurred. Mr. Wilson had treated all the members kindly. He hoped he would long retain a seat at the board because of the deep interest he took in the welfare of the public schools.

Mr. Allen heartily agreed with all that had been said about the chairman by others. He had never enjoyed the meetings of the board as well as under the presidency of Mr. Wilson.

The motion was carried unanimously. Mr. Wilson, in reply to it, said it gave him great pleasure to know that his services during the year had been so highly appreciated by the board. The office of chairman he had highly regarded, and he hoped that he had discharged the duties acceptably.

THE RETIRING TRUSTEES. It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Allen, that the board deeply regret the retirement of Messrs. Gaskin, Massie, Tracey and Conley.

Mr. Allen said he was sorry the board was going to lose the services of two of the best trustees it ever had. The motion was carried.

Messrs. Gaskin and Massie thanked the members for their expression of regard, and regretted leaving the board. The board adjourned at 9:30 o'clock.

HE'S MARRIED AGAIN. Silas E. Seymour turns up and Adds Another Wife to the List.

Silas E. Seymour, alias W. J. Martin and S. E. Shaver, who was released from the penitentiary some months ago, and who has had numerous escapades since then in Kingston, Napanee, Brockville, Watertown, N.Y., West Winchester, and in all escaped arrest, has turned up in Cornwall. He was first seen in January, and represented himself as a traveller from J. S. Prince, jeweller, St. Lawrence Main street, Montreal.

While skating on the ice near Millhaven yesterday afternoon Herbert Milligan, son of Mr. Samuel Milligan, and another young man were drowned. It is said that Milligan broke through the ice while trying to rescue his companion. Milligan leaves a young wife whom he married in Odessa three months ago. The friends of the unfortunate young men are deeply distressed over the accident and extend their sympathy to the sorrowing relatives of the dead.

Sweet, Wholesome. For home made bread, try Manitoba flour, only 70c per cwt., at W. F. Baker's, 12 Market square.

There has just arrived at J. Campbell's wood yard, Ontario street, the best stock of sawed or unsawed maple, also the best of dry slab wood.

DR. GRANT ON THE SCHOOLS.

His Reply to the Address of the Board of Education Recently Presented.

At the meeting of the school board, held last evening, the following letter was read from Principal Grant, replying to the address presented to him on behalf of the school board upon his arrival from Australia:

"Gentlemen,—I esteem very highly the honor you conferred upon me in co-operating with the city council to give a public welcome to one who is simply a private citizen. The address in which you speak in such flattering terms of my services to the country during my absence, and of the interest displayed by me in furthering educational and other important public interests during my residence in Kingston, is another proof of your regard which I value highly. Such tokens of public appreciation are seldom bestowed, and are, therefore, all the more significant. They are to be valued more highly than titles or gold, and he who receives them should feel himself pledged to the public service more unreservedly than before.

"During my absence I have studied the school systems of many countries, and have learned lessons that ought to assist me in coming to right conclusions. The world is wider than Canada or than America. The British empire itself is wider than this continent, and within its boundaries there are so many educational systems and methods that a man who travels with eyes and ears open cannot help learning things that confirm opinions previously held, and suggest improvements on what he may have thought perfect, or the necessity of revising his former judgments. He gets new points of view, and that of itself is a great matter.

"I may say here that my wider experience has convinced me that educational centralization and rigidity are bad. The best feature in our system is the comparatively important place held by the school district and the local board. I would advocate the gradual increase of the power of local boards, both of common and high schools. In order that changes in this direction may be effected with safety the people generally must take an active interest in the matter. And why should they not? Can anything else be to them of such interest as the education of their own children? Electing the fittest men as trustees they should gratefully acknowledge their services when they discharge faithfully the duties of their high office. They should honor the teachers, make their tenure of office secure, pay them liberally and promote them fairly.

"Above all they should remember that they cannot discharge themselves of all responsibility for their children's education by throwing it upon the teacher. The home ought to be the best school. Wherever this is rightly understood the teacher's work will be effective and comparatively easy.

"Your address has in it tones of such warm feeling and personal regard that you evidently expect from me something more than a formal reply. That is my excuse for speaking to you without reserve. In the future I hope to have opportunities of addressing my fellow citizens on educational questions, and to stand side by side with you in doing everything that can be done to make our schools even better than they are.

"I thank you for your kind mention of Mrs. Grant, and I join my earnest prayers with yours for the happiness and true prosperity of every household within the good old limestone city.

"G. M. GRANT."

MAX O'NEIL'S VIEWS. A Pleasant Evening at the Opera House—Magic Lantern Exhibition.

The largest audience seen in the opera house for a long time assembled last night to witness the series of views presented by Max O'Neil. So great was the demand for seats that all on the lower floor were reserved, and the balcony and gallery were completely filled. Only standing room could be obtained long before the hour of commencing. Hundreds were turned away.

About 250 views were presented, principally Canadian, but including also many in China, Japan, England, Ireland and Scotland. Each scene was described by a gentleman who had personally visited nearly all the different places mentioned. His remarks were both witty and entertaining. Excellent portraits of Sir John Macdonald, Sir George Stephen, Gen. Middleton, Lieut.-Col. Struth, Benzie, Principal Grant, and others were given, including a number of views in this vicinity. The band of "A" battery acceptably rendered fine selections during the evening.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. Examining the Scott Act. SYDENHAM, Jan. 14.—(To the Editor): As the repealing of the Scott act will engage the public mind for weeks let us examine matters. The man and the means for enforcing the act were denied us by our county council, and the act was brought in dispute, and many felt disposed to vote against it; but since the means have been supplied the change for the better is all we could expect in so short a time.

All good friends of humanity and of law and order feel delighted with the change. Contrast the past with the present; now our streets are quiet, and we don't see men reeling, swearing, and yelling up and down them, and we don't hear of a lot of boys from ten to sixteen having a regular drunk every few weeks. We have quiet in all our borders. These things being so we hope every true man will do his best to sustain the Scott act.—Yours truly, A FRIEND OF OUR RACE.

THE OSSIANIC SOCIETY. The Meeting on Friday Night—Discussing Some of the Real Live Subjects.

At the first regular meeting of the Ossianic society, to be held on Friday 18th, at 8 o'clock, in Queen's college, the "Crofter and Tenure" question will be discussed at some length, in a paper to be read by Mr. Macdonnell, LL.B., of this city. An opportunity will be then given for remarks in connection with this subject to the members. This society is rapidly increasing in numbers, and the interest manifested at present is greater than at any former period of its existence. The programme is usually interspersed with instrumental and vocal music, together with Scotch readings and Gaelic songs. The meetings are always thrown open to the public, and all are welcome to come.

Drowned at Millhaven. While skating on the ice near Millhaven yesterday afternoon Herbert Milligan, son of Mr. Samuel Milligan, and another young man were drowned. It is said that Milligan broke through the ice while trying to rescue his companion. Milligan leaves a young wife whom he married in Odessa three months ago. The friends of the unfortunate young men are deeply distressed over the accident and extend their sympathy to the sorrowing relatives of the dead.

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INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

PARAGRAPHS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSY REPORTERS.

The Spice of Every Day Life—What the Public are Talking About—Nothing Escapes the Attention of Those Who are Taking Notes.

For genuine Scranton No. 4 coal go to the Gas Works yard. Mr. McCormack has retired from the C.P.R. detective staff. There will be a meeting of the city council to-morrow evening.

Reading rooms have been opened in connection with the Picton Y.M.C.A. The Hungarian band has been recalled to Toronto. This is its fifth successive engagement there.

There will be a partial eclipse of the moon to-night. It can be viewed between 11 and 2 o'clock. The electric light company will supply the Burnett house with 120 incandescents and the City hotel with 30.

There is a fine curling rink at Rockwood asylum, and some of the officials can run a stone with any of the Kingston veterans. Breck & Booth have the best slabs, hard wood and dry blocks. You can get just what you want in the fuel line at their yard.

The annual dinner of the Royal military college club occurs in Montreal on Friday night. Major-General Cameron will attend. Manitoba flour, \$2.75; bran, 90c; chop feed, \$1.25; hay, \$14; buckwheat flour, 65c per cwt., at W. F. Baker's, 12 Market square.

Dr. Fee thinks the school board should take some steps towards securing the money now in the custody of the trustees of the Lanasterian school. The last merchant to locate in Brockville, and over which the papers howl tremendously, is Charles E. Fratic who will run a clothing establishment.

J. O'Neill, late proprietor of the Queen's hotel, at Seely's Bay, removed to Belleville to-day where he has leased a hotel formerly conducted by Mr. Doyle.

The petition for the repeal of the Scott act in Frontenac, sent to the department of justice, has been found correct, and a date for the voting will be fixed shortly.

All customers say: "We want more of that Manitoba bran. It is worth twice its weight in hay for horses and cattle." Only \$18 per ton at W. F. Baker's, 12 Market square.

The members of the Eastern Methodist church, Napanee, are talking of erecting a \$3,000 hall for Sabbath school purposes. A nice plot of land in rear of the church can be utilized.

Just think of this, stair carpet for five cents; ladies' black wool hose for 15 cents, at R. McFaul's. Hosiery, gloves, mitts, hoods, caps, mufflers, &c., less than cost at R. McFaul's.

While boys were coasting at Deseronto one collided with Miss Bessie Bothwick, throwing her against a fence. She escaped with a few bruises. The boy was severely crushed.

If this should catch the eye of anyone needing new clothing, we would advise him to go to Lambert & Walsh, 110 Princess street, where he can be sure of getting good value for his money.

Ladies' half, whole and quarter wigs, bangs, switches, hair chains, rings, made to order. Dress and mantle making. Cannif corset, best ever made, over Walsh & Steacy's, 105 Princess street, Kingston.

Christopher Futte, Toronto, one of the True Blues charged with traitorously trying to sell the secret work of the order, will sue J. T. Diamond, deputy grand master, Belleville, for libel. The officers say they are ready to hear from him.

Your money is better to us than goods, no matter how cheap. Roll bacon, 12c; cooking apples, 20c; table apples, 20c a peck; lemons, 20c; oranges, 20c; cranberries, 10c; roll and tub butter, fresh celery, potatoes, cabbage, cauliflowers. James Crawford.

This is the silly nonsense telegraphed to the New York World, from Ottawa, about the wind storm: "George Simpson, a brakeman on the Kingston & Pembroke railway, was blown off his train near Smith's Falls, and will die from his injuries."

Immense buckwheat cakes. Our buckwheat flour makes the finest cakes, our bread flour is the finest in the land, cooking apples, table apples, 20c peck; lemons, 20c; oranges, 20c; cranberries, 10c. James Crawford.

Now is the best time for bleaching cottons. Cottons white and grey at wholesale prices at R. McFaul's. Towels, table linens, sheetings, pillow cottons, linen crash, all at mill prices, at R. McFaul's. Carpets, oil cloth, curtain poles, art blinds and rollers, chenille curtains, damask and tapestry curtaining, the cheapest in the city at R. McFaul's.

The Plate Glass trade has become an important feature in Canada. No business house would now dream of having the old sheet glass windows. Not only the design of the building is vastly improved, but the goods displayed in the windows are more inviting when plate glass is used. McCausland & Son, Toronto, supply by far the largest quantity in Canada.

Mayor Thompson, when asked about the sidewalk he was said to have ordered without consulting the streets committee, remarked: "That's all right. They say I got ten votes by it. I am glad of that. Probably before the matter is done with I may make some one wiggle, some of those old men who have been drawing money while sitting at the board."

The Value of Advertising. John Wanamaker, the merchant prince of Philadelphia, says: "When I came to my desk last Wednesday morning I was naturally thinking about the Christmas trade which we had. We did a great deal of Christmas business in this store this year. During the ten days previous to Christmas our sales averaged about \$100,000 a day. The grand total for the ten days falls only a few dollars under a million. I spent \$5,000 a week in advertising, and I pay a skillful man, a former newspaper editor, and a good one, \$1,000 a month to do it for me. I make money by it. Advertising is the leverage with which this store has been raised up. I do not see how any large and successful retail business can be done without liberal advertising. Continuous advertising, like continuous work, is the most effective."

The Hotel Arrivals. Arrivals at the British American Hotel—J. A. McAvity, St. John, N.B.; G. Grant, Belleville; G. E. Maybee, W. Davidson, Toronto; R. Polson, Boston; G. M. Montgomery, D. McNaughton, Montreal; F. F. Bruneau, J. E. Fauquier, Brockville; R. Coleman, Hamilton; G. Hickey, Morrisburg; E. Rathbun, J. M. Poitras, Deseronto; O. B. Bell, Detroit; J. L. Denike, Picton; J. P. McLaren, Carleton Place; L. Harkoht, Buffalo; H. A. Calvin, Garden Island; Peter Curran, Philadelphia; A. A. Braun, Boston.

We Want Your Hard-earned Money. Canned salmon, 15c; best cooking or table apples, 20c peck; onions, 30c peck; cranberries, 10c a quart; raspberry jam and jelly, 12c lb; roll bacon, 12c lb; oranges, 20c; lemons, 20c. Jas. Crawford.

A MILITARY SENSATION.

Major Short is Placed Under Arrest at the Citadel at Quebec.

There was somewhat of a sensation to-day when it became known that Major Short, the genial second officer of "B" battery, Quebec, and a general favourite here, was placed under arrest. The telegraphic dispatch from Quebec reported that trouble had been brewing in the citadel for some time between the cavalry and artillery. It broke out on Sunday and resulted in the arrest of Major Short, of "B" battery. It is stated that his offence was merely marching off his men without reporting to Lieut.-Col. Turnbull, who is in command of the cavalry. According to another report Col. Turnbull remarked to Major Short when the battery were drawn up for church parade, "Why do you allow your men to appear on parade in such a slouchy manner?" Major Short said nothing, and on returning, just as the cavalry were about to file off into their own quarters, Col. Turnbull made another remark about the battery. Major Short said something between his teeth, some words which were not altogether complimentary to his superior officer, and the latter immediately ordered him under close arrest.

Major Short applied for a court of enquiry, and all the papers connected with the case have been forwarded to Ottawa. The relations between the two officers were not of the most friendly nature. Col. Montzambert being sick and Major Short under arrest Captain Farley acts as commandant of the battery.

Another report says that when placed under arrest the major took off his sword and handed it to Captain Farley, the next in command, who tragically ordered the prisoner to his room. The insubordination took place after parade on Sunday, when it is alleged, Major Short returned a disrespectful reply to a question from his superior. The offence was overlooked for the moment, but later in the day, when the colonel endeavoured to get a private explanation, the offence was repeated, hence the arrest. Major Short says he is altogether ignorant on what ground he is so placed under arrest.

At the militia department in Ottawa no information could be obtained in the matter beyond the fact that a charge had been made against Major Short. The papers had been received, but no evidence or particulars were given, and the accused had been asked for his reply. The deputy adjutant general had also been asked to report. It is denied that Major Short is under arrest. He is at perfect liberty, and has only been notified to be on hand when wanted.

The general opinion in Kingston is that the major will come out victorious. He was known here as a most capable soldier and a man who would not offend a child with intent.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. District No. 3, Rideau.

The annual meeting occurred at Sunbury, and the officers elect are: D.W.M., John Kelly, Sunbury; D.D.M., Henry Knapp, Battersea; Chaplain, Calvin Campbell, Inverary; recording secretary, A. McBride, Sunbury; financial secretary, Wm. F. Shannon, Sunbury; treasurer, Robert Shannon, Sunbury; D. of C., Wm. Gordon, Sunbury; lecturer, John McDonald, Sunbury.

L.O.L. No. 365. At a meeting of L.O.L. No. 365 the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: W.M., Wm. Johnston; D.M., Wm. F. Shannon; treasurer, J. B. Smith; secretary, chaplain, Robert Shannon; D. of C., John Balls; committee, John McDonald, Wm. Connell, John Shannon, John Kelly, Richard Connell.

HE HADN'T A LICENSE. Dr. Jakes, of Pittsburg, is Fined \$50 and Costs—What His Offence Is.

A few months ago a stranger began the practice of medicine in the township of Pittsburg. He gave his name as Dr. Sidney Jakes, a physician. Some one discovered that he had not a license. He was accordingly brought before Squire Brown for trial. People whom he treated gave evidence against him. Squire Brown had no alternative but to fine him \$50 and costs. He was given ten days in which to appeal. Dr. Jakes says the admiral of the North American squadron at Halifax is a friend of his. He has travelled extensively on the continents. During the Red River rebellion he was with Col. Wolsey. He claims to be a graduate of Cambridge university, and of the Royal college of physicians and surgeons, England. Mr. Fitzpatrick, who defended the late Louis Riel, is a particular friend of his family. He says his father lives a short distance from Montreal. A constable has Jakes in the meantime under surveillance.

REGISTERED VESSELS. The Tonnage of the Craft Entered at the Port of Kingston.

The following is a statement of vessels registered under the late Canadian act and on the register at this port: 9 schooners, measuring 1,428 tons; 3 sloops, measuring 93 tons; 21 barges, measuring 3,401 tons; 26 wood boats, measuring 1,301 tons; 2 steam hfts, measuring 69 tons; 21 steamers, measuring 3,180 tons, making a total of 82 vessels, measuring 9,472 tons.

The vessels registered under the Merchants' Shipping act of 1854 are: 26 schooners, measuring 6,973 tons; 20 sloops, measuring 779 tons; 19 barges, measuring 4,551 tons; 1 wood boat, measuring 64 tons; 1 steam elevator, measuring 69 tons; 46 steamers, measuring 2,462 tons; a total of 113 vessels, measuring 14,018 tons. The grand total is 195 vessels, measuring 23,490 tons.

PERSONAL MENTION. People Whose Movements, Sayings and Doings Attract Attention.

Rev. Dr. Jackson conducts the Normal teachers' class this month. Crossley and Hunter, the evangelists, are having great success in Detroit. Thomas Newton, who has been absent from the city for a couple of years, returned to the city yesterday.

Miss Addie C. Chisholm, president of the women's christian temperance union in Ontario, has removed to Chicago. Rev. W. R. Dyer, formerly a member of the Montreal conference of the Methodist church, is now pastor of the Methodist church at Lime Springs, Iowa.

An Absurd Rumor Afloat. An item has appeared in the papers stating that Sir Richard Cartwright intends to reside permanently in Ottawa. Sir Richard owns considerable property in Frontenac in Kingston and Napanee, but not an acre in the Ottawa valley. It is, therefore, manifestly absurd that he should transfer his residence from Kingston, where his ancestors settled and his interests are, to a place on the Ottawa.

For dry oak and soft maple, soft wood and hard wood at lowest prices, go to Crawford's, foot of Queen street.

LAI'D BY A KINGSTONIAN.

NOT THE ONLY GOOD THING BE-GUN FROM THIS CITY.

John Culbertson Laid the Foundations for a Flourishing Village—A Worthy Chief Whose Burial Place is Not Marked—History of Much Interest.

Deseronto Tribune. "Deseronto," the name assumed in 1881, is a Mohawk word meaning "an object struck with lightning." Captain John Deseronto was the chief who after the revolutionary war led fifteen canoe loads of his people to the reserve now occupied by a band of over 1,000 souls. The Mohawks got from George III as a reward for their loyalty the township of Tyendinaga, portions of which they at various times ceded to the government. This is the source from which they derive their annuity. They retain about 17,000 acres. In the year 1835 John Culbertson, son of a Scotchman, who kept a store in Kingston, and Margaret, a daughter of Captain John Deseronto, applied to the chiefs for a grant of land on account of the services of his grandfather. After some time a grant of 800 acres was made, Culbertson pledging himself to liquidate all Indian claims, etc. The chiefs were easy going and ignorant and Culbertson's name remained on the pay list and though his wife was a white woman, named Sagar, his children and grandchildren enjoy the privileges accorded by several acts of parliament to Indians. The only wharf for many years on the Tyendinaga side of the bay was that near the old Mohawk church. About 1836 it became useless from age and Culbertson built one in front of his own house a little to the west of the present flour mill. The landing was then known as Culbertson's wharf, which served for persons going to Napanee.

About 1837 Culbertson conceived the idea of a village, and had a small plot surveyed for that purpose by the late Philip Clapp, of Napanee, giving it the name of Deseronto after his grandfather. In July, 1850, the point was sold to an American company and for years the little hamlet was known as Mill Point. In 1851 a post office was opened in a log house. For years it was called Bone or Bowen after the postmaster, the late James Bowen. The growth of the place was slow at first. In 1864 the first religious service was held in the school house by the Rev. G. A. Anderson. Subsequently the Rev. John Scott, Presbyterian minister of Napanee, held services in the same place. Religious services were also held occasionally by Methodist ministers, stationed at Napanee. The first religious service held in the White church was in February, 1868, by the Rev. G. A. Anderson.

John Deseronto was perhaps as brave a warrior as Captain Joseph Brant, but the latter was more forward, and having a few drops of white blood coursing through his veins, which Deseronto had not, pushed himself into notice. Deseronto is buried near the Mohawk parsonage, and no stone is raised to mark the place where a greater warrior than Brant lies. The American company commenced operating in 1848, and consisted of the late H. B. Rathbun, T. Y. Howe and L. E. Carpenter. The two latter withdrawing the business was continued by the late Hugo Bugghardt Rathbun, the founder of Deseronto. Mr. Rathbun persevered in the face of difficulties in which he met with great assistance from Mrs. Rathbun, who shared his trials and with a brave heart encouraged him in his undertakings. To her courage and fortitude the growth and success of Deseronto are in a great measure due. Few indeed are aware of the sacrifices she made to promote the welfare of the infant community. H. B. Rathbun continued the business alone until 1863, when he associated with himself his son, E. W. Rathbun, who took the management of the business. In 1880 Mr. F. S. Rathbun was admitted into the firm, which in 1883 was incorporated as the Rathbun company. Mr. H. B. Rathbun died in 1886, his estimable wife having died in 1885. The business of the Messrs. Rathbun continued to rapidly increase, and as a consequence Deseronto itself grew steadily in population and importance. In 1881 the Bay of Quinte railroad was built and connection made with the Grand Trunk. The history of Deseronto during late years is generally known.

Asking for Tenders Irregularly. Printed circulars have been issued from the city engineer's office, asking for tenders for material with which to build a dock near the foot of West street. This plan of asking for tenders for material is not considered satisfactory, and many persons, who would have heard of the matter had it been advertised in the papers, will not know that such material is needed until it is too late.

Hardware, stoves and ranges, damaged by fire, water and smoke, clearing sale at big reductions. Bibby & Virtue, King street.

COMMERCIAL MATTERS. MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

MONTREAL, Jan. 16.—Prices are somewhat lower on account of the large receipts. The demand for exporters for good cattle has been fair, but no large lots have come forward. The demand for sheep has been good. At the east end the market was glutted with poor stock, and in consequence sales were slow. Only one or two choice small lots were bought at about 4 1/2c. per lb. Good butchers' cattle sold at 3 1/2c. to 4c. fair at 3c. to 3 1/2c. common at 2 1/2c. to 3c. and inferior at 2c. to 2 1/2c. per lb. live weight. The offerings of sheep met with an active demand at from \$3.50 to \$7 each, and lambs at \$2.50 to \$3.50 each as to size and quality. The demand for calves was good and all the offerings were quickly taken at from \$4 to \$12 each as to quality.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKETS. STOCKS. MONTREAL, Jan. 16.—12 noon.

Table with columns: STOCKS, MONTREAL, Jan. 16.—12 noon. Rows include Bank of Montreal, Ontario Bank, Bank du Peuple, etc.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 16.—5 p.m. Cheese—White 6s. 0d.; Colored 6s. 6d.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 16. Cotton, free supply offering; American midling, 5d.

Table with columns: WIND, CLOUDY, RAIN. Weather Probabilities.

Weather Probabilities. Fresh to strong east and south winds, cloudy, mild weather with rain.