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AN INVITATION TO THE CALEDONIAN SPRINGS. The following is the text of an invitation to the Caledonian Springs, describing the location and amenities of the site.

NEWSPAPER FILE.—The largest collection of newspapers known to the late Dr. Burney, comprising numerous and rare series of these periodicals from the year 1603 to 1818, is now in the whole to 700 volumes, and valued at one thousand guineas.

AN INCIDENT AT THE FIRE IN HAMBURG.—The able and eloquent correspondent of the New World, closes an interesting account of the recent conflagration at Hamburg, with the following incident.

THE INMATES OF THESE HOTELS were nearly all found sitting on their trunks and portmanteaus in the streets and on the walls, some of them offering from fifty to one hundred marks to have carried to the steam boat, but were refused.

STREET FARMER can be at once placed upon a footing of equality, that being an equivalent for the extra expense of the greater distance to market. All the inhabitants of the London District have to do to call all the activity, energy and intelligence which they can command to their aid.

Dear Sir,—If the following is likely to prove interesting or amusing to your subscribers, it is submitted for insertion in the British Colonist.

ANCIENT CASTLES.—At a meeting of the Oxford Architectural Society, last week, a paper on the military architecture of the middle ages, communicated by G. T. Clark, Esq., was read by the Rev. J. D. Collins, of Worcester College.

CREOSOTE IN WHISKY.—The recent instance of the sudden death of the police constable in Holburn, has brought to light an adulteration practised, particularly by illicit distillers and vendors of whisky, in the introduction of creosote to give the celebrated peat red flavor to common spirit.

A TERRIBLE TIME!—Wal there's a row over to our house. What on air's the matter, you little sarpint?

PROVINCIAL ESCAPE.—A curious anecdote is related of Captain Souter, of Her Majesty's 44th Regiment, in one of the letters we have published, when the troops were attacked at Jugdulluk, he tore the Queen's colours from the staff, and wrapped it round his body, to save it, as he hoped, from falling into the hands of the enemy.

THE first thing we ought to do is to obtain a charter for a plank road to the District line towards Goderich; we shall then, in connection with the Sarnia road, open London as the market centre for the territory to Niagara, Brantford, and here to the westward.

THE public are beginning to speculate on the probable course of the Provincial Assembly when it meets in Parliament. It is anticipated by a few that the scene will be one of the most amusing ever presented, and that to those who take an interest in studying the vagaries of public men it will be a not unprofitable one.

ENGLISH RICHES AND DEBT.—On the continent there are two matters of especial importance as regards us English—the wealth of our "milords" and the magnitude of our national debt.

COMPLIMENTS.—Compliments may be offered in all sincerity, and yet have a very equivocal sound, as in the case of the city knight unable to aspire the letter H, who being deputed to address William the Third, exclaimed, "Future ages recording your majesty's exploits, will pronounce you to have been a Nero. Not less honest and unambiguous was the negro's compliment to the great emancipator, "Goramyigh bless Massa Wilberforce! He hab a white face, but he hab a black heart!"

IN ADVANCE OF THE MAIL.—A Wisconsin paper says, "We learn from a foot passenger just arrived, that the mail may be expected in the course of next week."

POWER OF PERSUASION.—Mr. Michael Hutchison, who collected £38,749, for rebuilding All Saints Church, Derby, in 1790, was so industrious and successful in this labour of love, that when the walls filled at his door for a Christmas-box, he invited them in, treated them with a tankard of ale, and persuaded them out of a guinea.

THE JUSTICE OF BANKING.—It is monstrous, my Lord, that any man or body of men, corporate or otherwise, should have the power of making money cheap or dear, at will, combining the office of national currency with that of bankers; and that they should have the privilege at any one period of inundating the country with an immense amount of paper currency, thereby stimulating speculation as well as trade, raising prices, wages and profits; and at another period drawing in their rags, screwing up all legitimate sources of credit, as well as capital, and thereby lowering prices and wages, and diminishing profits, producing a stagnation of trade, ruining merchants and manufacturers by the hundred, and spreading misery and wretchedness among thousands. [Extract from a Speech of Henry Brougham, in the British Parliament.]

ONE of the courts in New York, a blacksmith who had got of stammering to perfection, was called into court as a witness; the amount in question being about twenty-five cents. The judge, after hearing his testimony, asked him why he had not advised his workmen to settle, the cost being five times the amount of the put-up sum. In reply, the witness observed: "I t-t-told the fools to settle. I-s-said the constable would take their co-ats, the lawyers their sh-shirts, and if they got into your hon-our's court you'd s-s-kill 'em."

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Mr. Joseph Mansell of Hernon, was killed on Monday last while getting timber in the woods near his house. He and his oldest son were working on the same stick, when his son's axe glanced and entered the calf of the father's leg, chopping it nearly off and severing all the blood vessels, which he bled to death before he could procure surgical aid or get to his own house. He was 47 years old and has left a widow in very infirm health, and nine children.

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