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THURSDAY MORNING, Nov. 23,

The situation relating to the United States Presidential election remains michanged. It is not expected that the count in Florida will be completed this week. There is little or no change in the situation in that State, pending the arrival of returns. Nine counties are yet to be heard from.

more encouraging. A growing disposition appears to be manifested on all sides to promote the chances of the success of the Conference are i to quote them in this connection : on the increase. In a long interview with Lord Loftus the Czar spoke strongly in favor of the con- with the difficulty that is thrown tinuance of peaceable relations with in the way of proper investigation England. Turkey is also moderat- and detection of crime from the abing her attitude, and now appears sence of a properly constituted dedisposed to offer Europe guarantees | tective force; the ordinary confor the execution of the reforms stabulary are in many cases, not omy to Boshia and Herzegovina.

The Railway Debentures. A special meeting of the Halton County Council was held last who were investigating the charge. Thursday, at the call of the War | The system, also, of resorting to the Railway Company. The annexed however that system may answer liar character, but when the horse, chosen trades. There have also been letter, which had been received in older countries, it is quite un- man's noblest and best friend, ac- many failures in the mercantile from the President of the Company, suited to the state of things exist quires such a reputation, it is high line. But there has been no deresolved that the Warden be in and who care little for the means er equines. structed to hand over the deben- by which they secure a conviction. tures on the completion of the ne. so long as it is obtained, and even cessary bonds.

engineer; and, I assure you that the practice which the sheriffs of some can be produced. company will only demand from the said .pro-rata amount per mile between Hamilton and Georgetown, and we will not ask for any portion of the proper | conversation of prisoners and propro-rata sum per mile between Georgeown and the town-line between the counties of Halton and Peel, until that portion of the railway is under construcion, and we are properly entitled to secure it. I also undertake, on behalf-of the company, that the treasurer of the county of Halton shall have the privilege of paying cash for the overdue debentures and coupons, and he shall also e entitled to exercise this right of purchaning debentures to the amount \$25,000 at the time of topening the ten ders, and the price shall be the price which may be realized by the company or the residue of the debentures, such price and accraing interest to be paid

And I further undertake, on behalf of the company, to pay to you at the time of delivery of the debentures the sole object should be to arrive at som of \$400 for and towards the payment of expenses incurred by you in opposing the application for a mandamus or the payment of the debentures to the | whom the courts ought to feel

within thirty days after notice.

### JOHN STEWART, President

Hamilton, 16th Nov., 1376. The foregoing letter and a personal bond by the construction company, that the road would be ready for trains from Hamilton to Georgetown on for before the 1st day of May 1877, were the terms on which the county of Halton Bonus was paid over to the

Trustees. The Warden and Treasurer went to Hamilton on Friday the 17th inst., and paid over to the trustees \$61,500 in debentures not yet due, and in cash \$13,055 for \$3,500 the debentures and \$9,555 of interest coupons over due.

The Whithy Guzette in discussing the "pay up" question, suggests as the best plan to adopt "that as the farmer can and does get cash down for almost everything that he produces, he should pay for everything as he buys it. Farmers pay and responsible officer; with the your debts, and you will confer a great favor on the poor mechanic. and prove a blessing to Canada for introlucing a true and popular sysiom of trade.

The news from Madras Presidency gives room for hope that the threatening famine will be averted. rain, having fallen in time to do some good. In Bombay the prospects are still gloomy, actual famine appearing probable in two or three districts, and great distress in

A Reform Convention, to choose community in which we live. a-candidate for the representation | crime is to be prevented, the true of Cardwell in the House of Com remedy is to be sought in destroy mons, rendered vacant by the de- ing those infamous dens of iniquity cease of the Hon, J. Hillyard Cam- in which it is propagated. Preven eron, will be held at Orangeville on tion, according to the old adage, is the 29th inst.

Odr Home Companion and Canadian Teacher" is the title of a neatly printed Monthly Magazine, of Bengal; containing a population Hugh Spencer or any other member ing from the top of a fence he was published by the Companion Publ of 340,000, submerged by the wave of the family who may have made climbing over, causing concussion lishing Co: London. It contains a of the 31st October, over two thirds the purchases, the goods were of the brain. Mr. Brown was an

The Detective Business. A pastoral letter from the Pope If read in the light of the failure denouncing Catholic Liberalism. was read in the Roman Catholic to secure the conviction of the churches of Ottawa on Sunday. Whiteside murderer, the following

remarks by his Honor Judge Bur

ton, in the course of his charge to

the grand jury at the recent Kent

assizes, may be regarded as specially

applicable to this case. Since that

Sunday night, just three months

dence has been secured by the de-

tectives sufficient to warment the

belief that they had got on the track

day the matter is enshrouded in as

deep a mystery as it was then,

although local constables and gov-

"I have, on several occasions re

countries have permitted-of al-

lowing their detectives access to

the cells, where they, listen to the

fess afterwards to give the purport

of such conversation; I dure not

terms I would feel justified in do-

trust myself to condemn in the

therefore, is compelled to scrutinize.

with the greatest care, the evidence

procured by these men, an anxious

duty at all times and under any

circumstances, but rendered infi-

nitely more so when from either of

the causes to which I have referred,

he is compelled to regard with sus-

picion and distrust the evidence

thus furnished by parties, whose

from bias and prejudice, and upon

a conviction, are lost, the result be-

ing, either that innocent parties are

than paid the services of a skilled

ous murder committed in an adjoin

officials having appeared upon the

to obtain reliable evidence;

that case disclosed a state of th

which is most disgraceful to

better than cure.

cently, been painfully impressed

The Town Clerk of Belleville | fell to a very low figure. The im- such a weighty conundrum. W gives notice of an application to the Local Legislature for an Act incor porating the town as a city.

A case of homicide has occurred t Sharbot Lake, near Kingston, by which a lodging house keeper los ago, when poor old Mr. Whiteside his life at the hands of a gang was so foully murdered, no evi- rowdies.

The loss of the British gunboat, Lapwing, off Chefoo, and of the to a wonderful degree. The col mail steamer, Windsor Castle, near lapse is yet very distinctly rememof the real culprit. And to this Cape Town, is announced. No lives bered. Real estate in country, and

More researches into the Mor real sausage business has led to the fact that those bearing the name ernment detectives were quickly on of chickens are for the most par The aspect of affairs in the East, the alert and apparently earnest in | made up of calves, and as is often as depicted by despatches, is once their endcavors to ferret out cluss the case they being only one day which might lead to conviction; It is said there is a manufac tory of this kind not far distant. Judgo Burton's remarks seem so where a calf enters in at one door of peace, and the hopes entertained appropriate that we are constrained and comes out as the so called chicken sausages at another.

Deputy Chief Guard have been pended on new railways and for abolished at the Central Prison, and steel ruils for the old ones footed up an officer, to be known as the Dep. I an immense sum. Then came the uty Warden, has been created in collapse, when railway building lien thereof. This position was ceased, and the panic in the United offered to Mr. Matthew Logan, at States had brought merchandise demanded of her, and grant auton- only inefficient, but in some cases I present Chief of Police for the city of all sorts down to bankrupt of Hamilton, and he lins accepted | prices in that country. The Yanhave had reason to believe that it and will enter upon the discharge | kees were no longer good customers, they were actually interesting themof his duties on the 24th inst. selves in defeating the ends of justice and in misleading the officers

The Milton Champion says an | With all the elements to create epizootic has broken out in the general depression, it may be quesnorthern part of London Township, tioned if our condition has been as having been read, the question was ing here; these men so selected, are time some dreadful epizootic carried crease in the value of real estate. briefly discussed, and it was finally frequently persons of no character, them off and made room for honest-

SUSPECTED FOUL PLAY. -Since if they are not of the degraded the inquest upon the body John Waldie, Esq., Warden of the class I refer to, they bring to the George Saunders, found in a cattledifficult business in which they pro- guard of the H. & N. W. R. R. DEAR SIR. -I am the President of less to be experts, no trained skill near Hamilton, suspicions of four H. & W. Railway Co'y. I admit to or knowledge, and having laid down play have arisen, pointing in the you, as the Warden of the County of a theory of their own, they become direction of two brothers, John and unconsciously biased in its favor, William Stewart, and one Danie given by a portion of the County of und endeavor to procure evidence Fletcher, who have been arrested Halten, in aid of the construction of the in support of what they have con- The authorities claim that circum said Railway, to the amount of \$65,600, | vinced themselves to be the facts. | stantial evidence, such as | making | is to be applied pro-rete on the mileage In this conviction I cannot help re- threats, following the deceased of Halten under the certificate of the ferring to a most objectionable (who was a County Constable), &c.

> Montreal Witness :- The question now naturally arises, 'What are our prospects this year for Christmas and New Year's times?' This we have referred to Mr. Vennor, only upon paper. Political writers who last year as early as October.

the truth, keeping their minds free an early spring. But more again. FATAL ACCIDENT .- On Monday that they should safely rely. The last, Mr. Alexander Brown, who forge, all would have been prosper the services of such men would, in he was climbing over the fence, and money and eventually fail. of the harpies I have mentioned, was found by his nephew, Mr. A. who are just as likely to be bought Speirs. Dr. Freeman, who was in off by the accused as to secure attendance, pronounced his death their conviction, or, if the services | the result of concussion of the brain. of a respectable officer is secured, Mr. Brown was an old and respectit is generally so long after the ed resident of this neighborhood, occurrence of the crime that the and his bereaved relations have the vestiges which would, if noted at sympathies of the community.

the time, have been ample to secure | Champion. A PECULIAR CASE.—At the si convicted upon false testimony, or. Marys, held on Tuesday, a case was that the county is put to an annual tried which may be of some interest expense which would have more to the mercantile community. Henry E. Wilson, merchant, sue additional unsatisfactory result that Mrs. Elizabeth Spencer, widow, for the recovery of an account of \$7' the accused, about whose guilt there for graceries furnished to her-family could be scarcely a moral doubt. for the use of herself and family in defendant's house. The ground of defence were that the defenden did not purchase the goods ; that her son Hugh was the party who parchased them and was responsible for payment. The plantiff produced his books in which the goods were charged to Mrs. E. Spencer. The defendant produced the bills or slips rendered at the time of each purchase; and the bill of first pur chase being made out in the follow manner: "Mr. Hugh Spencer Bought of Henry E. Wilson:" the Judge held that this bill was the one on which the case rested, and that the defendant was not responsible. The plaintiff showed that FATAL ACCIDENT. - Mr. Alex. although the bill at the time of Brown, living in Milton, lost his

The Week of Canadians. (From the London Advertiser.) At the close of the commercial depression nearly twenty years ago, like a successful publication.

potus given to farming by the Cri- said he, ha at first appeared as mean war had raised the value of monthly, then as a weekly, then land beyond what it had ever been | dully and now we have an extra o before. The war stopped suddenly. Sunday. Just at the same time an era of railway construction came to an end. Millions of English capital had been spent on the construction of the Grand Trunk, and the im porting trade had been stimulated

dity could not be sold at any price, Town plots that had been divided up and sold at high prices in build ing lots were thrown back on the vendors' hands, and farms dropped below their normal value. During two or three years Canada been going through a somewhat similar experience. The American war and the United States policy had stimulated prices in Canada Railway construction with English capital had been |-enormous. The position of Chief Guard and The millions brought in and ex-

at home for our products. den, to reconsider the matter of assistance of private detectives who amongst the horses of a most pecu- bad as represented. Certainly there for pulling his nose. The latt giving up the bonus debentures to are paid for securing a conviction, liar character. It is bad enough were laborers in some of the cities thought it looked ripe enough to the Hamilton and North-western is open to very serious objections; to have politicians of a most pecu- who could not get work at their pick.

> hard times." the value of farm some stock -very cheap. property is higher in Ontario than ever has been before since the country, was settled. Farms that could be bought in 1871 for \$5,000 stands in the market to-day for \$8,-000. Land that is too far away from the site of a possible village or charged. Ladies remember this. town to be bought for a speculative purpose, or for anything else than ordinary agriculture, is freely sold for \$100 an acre. In many localities sales are made for \$120 and \$130 an acre; and there are hundreds of farms valued at \$10,000 the hundred acres that the owners THE WEATHER - Says the do not care to sell at any figure.

> > the farmers. There are no forced

- A good deal of the hard times i

sales and no shrinkage of values.

have made it their business to foretold with considerable accuracy paint the woes of the country, that ing, practices so contrary to one's our 1st of January weather. Mr. they might have an excuse to attack to order for \$8.00 at Dickson & McNab's Vennor, however, it appears, has the Government, which they hold not yet had time to arrange his responsible for every man's success. notes so as to come to any definite A more unfair thing could not be conclusions; but the following is a done. Fifty blacksmiths might portion of his reply : We will not, take it into their heads to build at any rate, have a green Christmas | shops and commence business in and New Year. I expect our the village of Hyde Park, each one winter will shortly come on abrupt. bringing on the ground his stock of ly, and that we shall have deep tools, iron and coal. By no possnew almost from the outset. I sibility could there be work enough expect a real old-fashioned winter | for all of them, and some must very but I have impressions favorable to soon shut up shop. Had forty-nine of them gone into farming, or market-gardening, while the remaining one prosecuted his work at the men selected for this delicate and lived at the east end of Milton, was ous. But no Government could difficult position should not only found lying beside a fence on his interfere to limit their free action. New Fall Wheat. be persons of good character but farm, with a rail across his breast, On the same principle, if there are Spring Wheat, Glasgow .. 1 00 to 1 0 men of experience and ability, and in an unconscious condition, and he five merchants in London to sell the expenditure of a few hundred died shortly after being conveyed the goods that one could handlo dollars in each county, to secure to his house. It is supposed that with ease, the weakest will loose the end, be an actual saving to the fell from the top of it, pulling over mercantile bankruptcies have been municipality; when any grave one of the uprights across his breast due to the fact that Canada had too crime occurs the parties utainly as he fell, and that he had bein many merchants, and quite a prointerested either fall into the hands there for several hours before be portion of them are trying to do more business than their capital and range of customers would permit. The evil is correcting itself. just as the redundency of black smiths would be corrected.

We cannot admit that any Government is charged with the work of standing between individuals and the legitimate result of those individuals' blunders. When there are no more merchants than the country requires, and those in trade are satisfied to do business prudently. there will be no more tales of bankruptcy. When manufacturers | Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating are limited to the demand, and people only try to produce those articles that can be produced here as cheaply as anywhere else, the perly nourished frame."-Civil Servi calls upon the government to create a fictitions market will cease. Men will eventually turn their attention to the business that pays the best profit, and it is both unpatriotic and cruel to keep them from following the natural course, by holding forth hopes that the Government will reverse nature's law by a vote

A man named George Wilson. who resides a few miles Acton, fell into bad company in Guelph last Monday, and rather roughly handled. He was knocked down and robbed about 11

Three large islands off the coast purchase, was made out to Mr. life on Monday of last week by fall-

PARENTAL CONUNDRUM. -A tuin gentleman asked us not long since why his daughter's beau w no price of real estate in Canada confessed our inability to answer

> FIRE IN MILTON.—Between hree and four o'clock on Sunday awakened by smoke in her room and soon discovered that it came WALKER LODGE No. 321, from Mr. McNair's store, next door. The alarm was immediately give by her son, and a number of the neighbors were promptly on band. On the door being burst open, the store was found to be full of de smoke and flames. The town fire engine (which consists of the near buckets) was put into operation, and the fire extinguished. only thing that saved the block buildings, was that Mr. McNair' store is new, and the doors, which are almost air tight, were all so that the fire could not gain much hendway for want of air. It had evidently been smouldering for some time, as the stock was entirely destroyed. It was insured for \$600, a day or two before. The loss would amount to something more than that. Mr. McNair was spending the night in Hornby, and did not know of it till next day .-

and there was no natural demand Who is the laziest man? furniture dealer ; he keeps chairs and lounges about all the time. A Georgia man is suing anoth

-Look at the Scotch Tweed for 50c per yard at Dickson & McNab's. -- If you want stylish millinery To day, near the close of the don't fail to see Mrs. McNair's hand

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jellies, pickles, canned goods, sauces, fish of all kinds, honey, etc., etc., very G. cheap, at Secord Bros. -For good tea cakes and buh The depression does not extend to | go to Galloway's Bros., Acton Bakery

-Heavy dark-grey Fulled Clot at 40c per yard at Dickson & McNabla -Galloway Bros. make the bes bread in the county. Give them a call. -Heavy Ulster Overcoats mad

In Acton, on the 12th inst., the wife of Mr. Thos. Brunt; a son.

WARRIED. On 1st Nov. at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Mr. Alexan- | At a special discount of 25 per cent teacher, Horney, son of Mr. Townley Brocklebank, Malton, to Miss Mary

Howson, fifth daughter of Mr. Richard Howson, of Esquesing, Co. of Halton.

In Acton, on the 21st inst., the wife | And continue until the whole stock Mr. Thos. Brunt, aged 29 years.

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In outbreak of the inhabitants losing their lives. An outbreak of cholers was hourly in both day-book and ledger, to neighborhood, and his bereaved remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed from the putrefying bodies.

In outbreak of the inhabitants losing their lives. An outbreak of charged at the time of each purchase old and respected resident of that weakness, early decay, loss of maintain, and others, and others, and his bereaved remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed from the putrefying bodies.

In outbreak of the inhabitants losing their lives. An outbreak of charged at the time of each purchase old and respected resident of that weakness, early decay, loss of maintain, and the putrefying beautiful and respected resident of the brain. Mr. Brown was an weakness, early decay, loss of maintain, and the putrefying beautiful and respected resident of the brain. Mr. Brown was an weakness, early decay, loss of maintain, and the putrefying beautiful and respected resident of the brain. Mr. Brown was an weakness, early decay, loss of maintain, and the putrefying beautiful and respected resident of the brain. Mr. Brown was an weakness, early decay, loss of maintain and respected resident of the brain. Mr. Brown was an weakness, early decay, loss of maintain and respected resid

AUCTION SALES.

Christie, Friday, Dec. 1st-Farm stock and implements, on the premises of Jacob Fisher, lot 7, 4th con. Erin. G. Gibbs, Auctioneer.

Tuesday, Dec. 5th -Farm stock and implements, on the premises of Isuac Snyder, lot 6, 3d con. Erin. W. Hodgkinson, Auctioneer.

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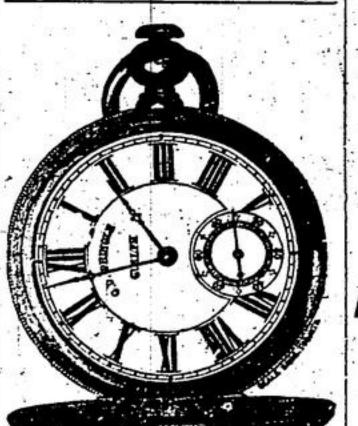
MUFFLER LOST.

Lost between Acton and Creek, on Thursday evening. 9th inst., a large Brown Muffler. Any person. returning it to the FREE PRESS office will be suitably rewarded. Acton, Nov. 14, 1876.

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