A motion was made to rescind the resolution moved by Mr. Wilson regarding the appointment of a committee to investigate the the Cape before they subdue the Zulus, led \$1200 debenture matter, and to call in the by Cetevayo. No potentate in Africa takes best legal advice.

Murphy, Pinde Messrs. Wilson, Hoyt, Lawson and Calhoun spok

It appeared to be the general opinion that would be time enough to call in outside legal advice when the Board were sued for the amount. It would be better to allow the matter to stand over without appointing a the greater number of his troops carry arms Agricultural Society of which the membersentertained no apprehension. On motion the published a pamphlet which gives the nuresolution was rescinded

occupancy of Mr. Cameron of the building atside the Court House, read document, May 25, 1862, signed by the late W. H. Needham, then Mayor, agreeing to give Mr. Cameron on his delivering his market stall in building alongside said jently to the army, for it is stated free of rent in the Market House, during the time the troops may occupy said Market Stall, &c.

It was suggested that Secretary Treasure make out a proper lease for Mr. Cameron, and finally that the matter had better he left cluding the seven veteran battalions, eighto the building committee.

Mr. Mastin moved that Assessors and Collectors of Southampton, receive the same per centage as last year. Carried

Mr. Close said that the question between the City and County as to the rights of ferry lands was not vet settled, he moved accordingly that the Secretary Treasurer inquire into the matter, and report at next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Hoyt chairman Public Accounts, moved that \$81.85 be paid to H. B. Rainsford Esq., for certifying to the school lists of the several parishes. Carried. Mr. Pinder moved the following :--

Resolved, that a pound district be establish ed in the lower part of Southampton, from the parish line on the main river road up said road to Mr. Allens upper line, and in rear of said river road to Grand Brook, so called around said brook to Nakwicac Stream and down said stream to said river road. Carried. Council adjourned over until the July

NEWS ITEMS.

The Itotal debt of the United States the 1st February, 1879 was \$2,025,896,130.

January 10th was the thirty-ninth anniversary of the establishment of the penny post in England.

In the annual report on the health of the British Navy for the past year two deathe from chewing tobacco are recorded 744, 1766, 1788, and 1829.

Hippophagy is on the increase in Paris. The number of horses sold for food last year was 11,319, being 700 more than in 1877.

A new 'Alte Flute," the nitch of which

The Agriculturist. THE AFRICAN WAR .-- The English troops will probably have some tough fighting at the Cape before they subdue the Zulus. reater pride in his military array than the

FREDERICTON, N. B., FEBRUARY, 8 1879. Znlu King. It is as much a hobby with him as it is with some Indian princes to maintain

Economy, &c. a large army in as efficient a condition as circumstances render possible. Since his A wave of economy is passing over the accession to the throne the rudiments of drill Dominion. The pinch of hard times has had have been introduced into the Zulu host, and the effect of presenting the subject of recommittee, and risk a law suit from the York of precision. Lord Chelmsford, the present trenchment to many minds. They are very Commander-in-Chief at the Cape, has just solicitous to economise the public money

and are happy that they can find in the merical strength of the Zulu army as a little Secretary Treasurer in the matter of the over 40,000 men, without including seven numerous class of public officials, scapegoats regiments of veterans. Following the Ger-The Toronto Mail has been devoting a man plan, Cetevayo passes the whole series of articles to the extravagant cost of opulation of his kingdom through the government in the Dominion, with its Genranks. Enlistment commences at fourteen or fifteen years of age, and it would appear eral Parliament and its Local Houses. Market House for the use of troops, a stall that the men, once enrolled, belong perman- objects strongly to the large indemnity allowed to the members of the Ontario Legissoldier is allowed to marry until he is forty lature, and grudges the existence of the years old, being more than twenty years from the date of enlistment. The regular troops Local Legislature itself. These articles in are divided into thirty-three regiments, ex- the Mail are supposed to have a purpose, and to indicate a move, for putting an end to what teen regiments being composed of married one journal calls "our miserable division soldiers and fifteen of bachelors. At present into Provinces." Sir John A. McDonald, it Lord Chelmsford has no more than 14,000

men under his command, a large portion of is hinted, finding he cannot make much of whom are, unfortunately, native levies. the National Policy, in the way of making Nevertheless, British pluck and skill will no the tariffs stringently protective, yet avail-

doubt conquer as of yore.

SEVERE WINTERS.-The Pall Mall Ga proposing a National Policy which will subzette says :- An enumeration of all the severe stitute a Legislative union for the present conwinters in Europe during the last ten centuries, made by the late M. Arago, and printconfederation. Possibly such a policy may ed in the Paris Advertizer of 1835, is of infindfavor in Ontario, but a great change terest at the present season. In 806 the must have come over the French Province Rhone was frozen over; the cold was from 18 to 20 centigrade deg. below zero. In 1133 of Quebec since confederation. the Po was frozen from Cremono to the sea: Canadian Spectator is correct in saving that 1234 loaded wagons crossed the Adriatic many, if not most of the more intelligent front of Venice; in 1305 all the rivers in of the French Canadians in the Province France were frozen over; in 1324 it was possible to travel from Denmark to Lubeck of Quebec have got tired of the existing

and Dantzic on the ice. In 1334 all the state of things and would gladly have a rivers of Province and Italy were frozen : at larger, a more reasonable, and a less costly Paris the frost lasted two months and twenty political life. days. In 1468 it was necessary to break up

The Canadian Spectator does not venture the wine in Flanders with hatchets, in order to serve it out to the soldiers. In 1544 the to speak for the Maritime Provinces, but we the same became requisite in France. make bold to say that these Provinces sever-1594 the sea was frozen from Marseilles ally are not now prepared to give up their Venice. In 1657 the Seine was entirely local independence, and merge themselves rozen over. In 1767 the Seine was frozen for thirty-five successive days. In 1709 the under one general government. No ono can Adriatic and the Mediterranean from Maranswer what may happen, but we are not seilles to Genos were frozen. In 1717 shops rash in saying that if Sir John adopts legiswere established on the Thames, and finally lative union, as his National Policy, it will he Seine was entirely frozen over in 1742. be much more unpopular in New Brunswick

than a National Policy which would protect instance could imagine that the times were a comparatively small class of manufacturers hard here, who saw the crowds watching, The amount of counterfeit coin in circulaat the expense of the great body of consumers. the livelong day, the curlers at tion in the United States is said to be \$2,-The economising spirit of the times has taken ine pieces made fradulent by the removal of hold of some minds in this Province. The part of the metal. Wholly spurious coins St. John Globe purposes to save money by are almost always lighter than the good ones. holding only one session of the Legislature every two years, and, at any rate, by reducing the indemnity of members to the old 40 each. Various ingenious modes are used rate of \$4 a day. Any measures, such as the in stealing gold from coins. The most common is "sweating," which is done by using apolishment of the Legislative Council, or the coin as the anode in an electro-plating limiting the frequency of the local sessions. bath, the gold being abstracted from it and would have the effect of diminishing the imdeposited on another surface. As much as of the hard times. two dollars' worth of gold can be taken in portance of the local House in the eyes of the successfully in England. The rail is a flat that way from a double eagle, without mak- people, and would be steps to their abolishment France. and it is not in human nature for members to except by weight. A less scientific plan is reduce their pay; they would submit to it if it to file the smooth parts of the surface, and was_imposed upon them, but it is too much reburnish the spots. The most extensive fraud is "splitting." The operator saws the to expect that they would deliberately vote in the conducting of their political affairs, more real than this." Dr. Bethune was a coin through neatly, gouges out the centre for a diminution. and have entered on constitutional grooves. High Churchman, and the twelve years of his until only a thin shell is left, substitutes a They may, in the future, supply fewer sensa- episcopate were a good deal ruffled by breezes. The Common Council of St. John were base metal, and joins the parts again. The passing the famous declaration: Resolved, ring of the coin is destroyed and the weight on Tuesday night last in a fit of economy, That the saints shall possess the earth. Re- lessened. Sometimes holes are bored into and abolished some offices, threatened tional passages for the historian, but if they ecclesiastical and he was not the man to rule keep in the prosaic course of law and common the storms. The synod will meet in about the edge, and plugs of lead put in. sense, they will be happier, as a people. three weeks, to choose his successor. The to lay hands on the salaries of the portly There is at present, every appearance that Bishop will be elected by a free vote of both Police Magistrate and his clerk, and did Sitting Bull is as inconstant as the aurora the Republic will stand the test of time. The orders, clergy and laity, and the Mail" wishes out down the salaries of chairman of Water of the western skies. He no longer defies three possible aspirants to the throne-the them well through their responsible task," a Commissioners, Inspector of streets, sergeants, Bourbon-Legitimist, Count de Chambord, phrase that seems to insinuate (that as in the mit a raid on the frontier outposts from his clerks, chief engineer, store keepers, teamscamp within Canadian territory, but he and the Orleanist, Count de Paris, and the Bona- case when Dr. Bethune was appointed coadters, janitors, &c., but they manfully stood his bands sue for peace with the Republic partist, Prince Imperial-mutually weaken jutor to Bishop Stratchan,) there will be a by their own allowance of \$100 a peice, and and asked to be allowed to return to their each other ; no one of them singly, has a party wearying conflict of parties before the elecrefused to be sacrificed to their own sense of reservations. The Americans generally view at his back, strong enough to enable him to tion is made. But why should not the clergy them, however, as a gang of tramps who economy, which was so patriotically displaymust work for their victuals, and the ed at other's expense. In our own City desire to revenge the death of Custer has not Council, Alderman Gunter tried the econvet wholly left the breasts of military men. ed, the paitres at their back are too jealous omy move at the expense of the Chief of each other, to combine, in common hatred Assessor and assistant Assessors, but was of Republicanism, to support either of the resisted by Alderman Beek and other mempretenders to kingly or imperial power. There bers who very rightly held that it was the on Sitting Bull, which he cannot accept, the can be no doubt that the French are becompoorest kind of economy to cut down the country will rue the act. Canada will ing more and more Republican in sentiment certainly speed this parting guest, whom it never welcomed. The Sioux chief has been salaries of officers to the lowest figures. the dwellers in large cities and towns have long been haters of monarchy and privelege, and

The Hard Times.

These are dreadful hard papers and everybody you meet say journals in fact, are, in part, very

reading from the way that Lard times-as shown in reports of failures, of closed and factories, of operatives out of work and starving, of charitable appeals for the poor, and in editorials dwelling in a gloomy manner on the prevailing and unlightening commercial depression are dwelt on. From

imes are bad are not so very evident. stir in the streets is about the same, and looking at things externally, people enjoy themselves much according to their usual wont. Different people have different guages for hard times; it is hard times for the lumberer. when deals are selling at the present quotations; it is hard times for the merchants.

when their stores are not crowded daily, and they are not turning money hand over fist to some the least check to the flow of prosperity is the beginning of hard times ; some if they only make ends meet, complain that

the times are awful, while others think it they can accomplish that feat, that they are very, good at least not bad. Anything less than prosperity, abounding ease and luxury are able for purposes of revenue, is preparing to ; bad times with some. A state just above surprise the people of the Dominion by proresent care with a moderate flow of ness sufficient for all necessaries, and a few luxuries, is good times with others. Pro-

bably these who speak loudest about the bad times feel them the least. The cry of hard times may be very convenient to some who the have it perpetually in their mouth, as may be made the excuse for not meeting a monetary engagement, of not paying a pressed bill, of not contributing to some pressing charitable work.

Times are no doubt very hard in Fredericton; nobody has as much money as he would

like, but there are not, it is to be hoped man who have not sufficient to eat, who feel the pinch of hunger or cold. Life with only a suffitiency to eat, is too dismal an affair for any one to contemplate with equanimity, the probability that there may be many who have not even that. But looking at things from the outside, there are no visible signs of hard times here. The sun we all know, shines on the just and unjust alike, and it is as brilliapt in bad and as in good times. Who for

Ambassador at St. Petersburg, notified his

Government the same day that the plague was spreading rapidly, and had passed the imits, where according to official accounts. the last cases were reported. Most of the

European Governments have taken measures to repel the fell visitant. An imperial decree was issued in Berlin on Monday, establishing strict passport regulations between Russia and Germany after the 10th of January. Every traveller before entering Germany will be required to prove that he has casual observation the evidences that not been in a suspected or infected district

within twenty days, and must submit to have all clothes and baggage disinfected. A somewhat similar decree has been issued in Vienna; the French Government have ordered precautionary measures to be taken Marseilles and other places, and the Government of Italy have adopted the same cours at their ports. At all the seaports of

Great Britain, to which Russian vessels sail. quarantine will be established. It will be fearful if the plague spreads from the ports on the Black Sea, and seizes on the Russian armies in Bulgaria and Eastern Roumelia:

in comparison with this, war would be welcome. The plague which is said to be indentical with the " black death." the scourge of ! the Middle Ages, is very swift and fatal in places where filth abounds, and where there is nodrainage or attention given to personal cleanliness, but it can be successfully combatted where sanitary rules are observed. Late despatches report that the St. Petersburg Journal bitterly denounces Germany and Austria for the precautions they have taken against the plague, which it declares are in

to ruin Russian trade.

be consecrated. On Monday morning last

the Right Reverend Neil Bethune, D. D. L. L. D., Bishop of Toronto, passed away. He Simmons and Babbit: Quarter salaries were paid. also the officers was in his 79th year having been born in August, 1800 in Montreal. In 1866 Dr. Befor holding civic elections. The balance hune was appointed (as a sort of compromise sheet of the City Treasurer was read. Ald.

dericton.

Burchill

after a wearying conflict of parties,) condiutor Beek, in replying to Ald. Gunter's adverse of old Bishop Strachan, and on the death, the remarks, on the state of the City finances. referring to the sheet, said that the city was following year, of the venerable pioneer Bishop of Canada, became Bishop of Toronto. in a better condition this year than it was the He was cast in a very different mould from last, and he hoped that if the expenditure his predecessor. Bishop Strachan was a man of action, a born administrator, a man of de-

Goldwin Smith on Prohibition.

The new City Council met for the first Prohibition is being discussed in Ontario time on Tuesday evening the Mayor in the mong the latest contributors to the literachair, the full Board present, and all the ure of the subject is the famous quondan seats outside the railing well filled. Oxford Professor Goldwin Smith, who is now isited the Council Room to see how th under the heading of a "Byestander." con-Aldeamen looked, and probably expected that tributing a series of papers on the topics of the the newly elected Board would do something hour, to the Canadian Monthly. The opinions extraordinary. But it was a very quiet meetof such a writer are at least worth reading. ing. Alderman Gunter tried to arouse the

Board to a sense of the deplorable financial condition of the city, and seemed quite ready to enter into an altercation, but members did Prohibitionists should pause and reflect benot take so gloomy a view of the city's mone be said without prejudice to a full recogniatary state as the representative of St. Aun's tion of the goodness of their aim, of the mag-Ward, and declined to be led into any disnitude of the evil against which they con-

cussion. Ald. Beek said so far from Fredericton being in a deplorable state, financially, that there was no city in the Dominion (we think he said) that had, in proportion to its one. It will deaden and suspend voluntary size and population, so small a debt as Freeffort by the delusive hope of the State

The following standing coumittees were

City Council.

Roads-I. W. Simmons, Gunter, Burchill, Smith and Babbitt Fire--Moore, Richey, Beek and Vandine Market-Smith. G. H mons and Van-Wharf-Gunter, Burchill

The Band of Hope especially are allowed in Assessment and An and Beek. Assignment - Mayor. Moore. Smith and Schools-Mayor, Moore, Richey and Geo. H. Simmons Contingencies - Gunter, Vandine and Smith. Police-Burchill, Beek and Babbitt.

Legislative-Mayor, Beek and Babbitt. Lamps-Gunter, Burchill and Babbitt. Revisors-Gunter, Moore, Babbitt, Beek

Fire Wards - Moore, Richey, Geo. Simmons, Beek and Vandine. Alms House-Beek, Gunter, Burchill, I. W.

He savs :-The results of the recent attempts to app the Dunkin Act. seem to indicate that the

tend and of the value of the crusades as a proof of the existence of moral enthusiasm mong the people. Unless the movement acceeds, it will do harm in more ways than

interference. It will drive the publicans to league together in self-defence, and weld them into a compact political body, exerting

an influence which is sure to be noxious as well as powerful, over elections and general legislation. Victuallers' Association is one of the most dangerous of those which the throat of the British liberty. Voluntary efforts and voluntary associaions-the old-fashioned Teetotalism, and the Band of Hope-have done much good.

peal-Babbitt, Gunter England to have been very effective, both in guarding the young and in training up missionaries for the cause. But it may be loubted whether any good has been done or is likely to be done by prohibitive legislation. In the United States prohibition is not the cause but the effect and the sign of temperance ; the Anglo American as a race City Hall-G. H. Simmons, Smith and are very temperate people : opinion among

hem is strongly against drink, and it probably gains little or no additional force from the laws, which on the other hand somewhat loosen public morality by leading to evasion. We came back always to the same thing. Sumptuary legislation cannot be enforced in a free community. The Czar Peter might have compelled his subjects to give up brandy as he compelled them to cut off their beards. He needed no aid from public seniment to give effect to his ukase. But in a

ree community your law without public entiment is a dead letter. Prohibitionists may be ready to call upon the Government or vigorous measures, but not one in ten of hem would himself help the police in interering with the private habits of his neighwas kept down it would be in a better con- against the State, and people in general can- expunged from the Praver-book. In conse-

Curler's Suprer.

With the fine hospitable spirit that characrises them, the members of the Frederict a Curling Club extended to their visitors and ivals of the St. Andrew's Club an invitation to supper. The gathering took place on Wednesday evening, in the Curler's favorite " howf," the Waverly Hotel, owned by " the old hero." The room was decorated in good taste, and the Board was spread by the host Mr. J. B. Greives, with all the delecacies of the season, in first-class style. The evening passed jovially with toasts, speeches, songs fore they continue the agitation. This may and "daffin," and closed in the good old

fashion with Auld Lang-syne.

There seems to be but little doubt that the proposition for biennial sessions of the legislature and biennial elections, will be submitted to the people by the present legis ture. This will be a practical movement in the direction of economy .- Aroostook Times.

The great clock and carillons in the tower of the Manchester Town Hall, the greatest work of the kind in the world, were started on New Year's Day at noon by the Mayor. many thousands of persons crowding the square to hear the carillons. The big bell are on apon which the hours are struck, weighs 6 tons 9 cwt., and the peal forms an almost chromatic scale of 21, reaching within half a note of two octaves.

RECIPROCITY .- Sir David Wedderer peaking at Jedburgh lately, denounced the Protectionist ideas which seemed to be gainng favor in certain quarters. The talkedreciprocity meant, that because some of our neighbours in their ignorance have thought fit to injure themselves a great deal and to injure us a little, therefore we must reciprocally attempt to injure them a little and injure ourselves a great deal .- English Ex.

The Ottawa correspondent of the Mail says chairs have all been removed from the Senate Chamber, and ladies who wish to be present on the occasion of the opening of Parliament must perforce stand. It is hardly customary to sit in the presence of Royalty and so out go the chairs. There will be a little grumbling of course, and many be prevented from going, as owing to the number who will he present, it will be necessary to go early and stand for a long time.

A revised ritual has been introduced in the vnagogue service of the ancient Jewish community of Bonn. All pravers relating to the restoration of the Jewish State in Palesbours. Mere self indulgence, however in- tine. the gathering together of the Jews and jurious to the man himself, is no evidence their return to the Holy Land, have been dition next year than it is this. Whether not be induced to treat it as if it were. quence of these innovations, a number of Jews have seceded from the congregation,

spired by hostility to Russia, and by a desire Vandine. Another Canadian Bishop has died. another Canadian Bishop will soon have to

and Vandine.

an octave below that of the ordinary instrument, has just been invented by F. Wallner, of Vienna.

A cricket match on the ice in the Home but an exception, described by the Scientific Park, on the north si te of Windsor lake, was American, is a \$5 piece made of gold and recently played by moonlight, each eleven silver, and really costing the counterfeit or \$3.wearing skates.

Every tenth person in a Hungarian town of 20,000 inhabitants has recently been attacked with diphtheria, and 927 have died. The malady also prevails in Vienna.

A new street railway track has been tried plate regularly pierced with holes into which ing a difference that is readily detected fit protuberances on the wheels.

Mr. Gladstone has written to the Liberal of Midlothian, accepting the invitation to stand for Parliament, and renewing hi charges against the Government.

Ohio politicians are for ever meeting and solved further, That we are the saints.

While the Roscommon stag hounds were hunting in the neighborhood of Boyle, the stag took to the ice on Bairtown Lake. The ice gave way, and 16 of the splendid hounds the United States troops or threatens to comwere drowned.

Arrangements are about to be made for the modelling of the police at Cyprus on the English system, and it is believed the chief of the department will be a relative of one now holding high authority in Scotland-yard.

The marriage of the Duke of Connaught is arranged to take place at Windsor Castle about the 13th of March, the ceremony ori- The New York Times thinks it necessary to ginally fixed for February, having been post-poned a month in consequence of the death of the Princess Alice. utter a word of warning. It points out the dangers of a general Indian war, and declares that should conditions be purposely imposed

France spends fifteen and a half times as much on her army as on her schools. Italy twelve times as much, England five and a half times, Germany four and two-tifths a source of trouble and danger to Manitoba times. Austria four times and Switz erland and our North-West ever since he crossed one and one-eight times.

The number of failures officially announce in the United Kingdom during 1878 was 15 .-057, of which 2641 were in the financial wholesale, and manufacturing branches of policy less complex and difficult. trade, and 12,416 in retail trades, professional pursuits, &c.

John Bright recently told some Scotch clergymen that if they were to banish whie-key from their houses, and the consumption tory, thus speaks of the 72nd Highlanders :of it from their social habits, they would do much to withdraw a leading source of the tinued to advance rapidly up the steep side poverty and suffering which curse Scotland.

The Roman Catholic citizens of Montreal at a largely-attended meeting in Union Hall mostly killed by the bayonet as our men decided to tender Mr. Costigan, M. P. for jumped over the barricade. The mountain Victoria, N. B., a complimentary dinner at | battery was of the greatest assistance during the Windsor Hotel on his passing through this advance, and the guns were fought in Montreal en route for Ottawa. He will pro- the most determined manner well up in the bably reach Montreal on the 8th inst.

The Geographical Society of Paris has taken the initiatory steps toward forming an emigration society, which will give information to those desiring to emigrate regarding all sections of the civilized world. It will emigration in detail.

It is an odd notio

the lines two years ago. His bands openly violated the buffalo ordinance and threatened the peace of the prairies, His withdrawl to the United States would render our Indian

THE 72ND HIGHLANDERS AT THE BATTLE PEIWAR KOTAL.-General Roberts, in an "The Goorkhas and 72nd Highlanders conof the Kotal, and captured three stockades

n quick succession, the enemy defending them in a very obstinate manner, and being advanced line. Their gallant commander,

Captain Kelso, was shot through the head while bringing the guns inte action just beyond the first stockade. I brought up the remainder of the 72nd as soon as the firing commenced, and I cannot praise too highly describe the advantage and disadvantages of and the brilliant style in which the men

> same prohibition. The late advices, Feb. from Liverpool, states that the Privy Council The present is the severest winter they have ordered the withdrawal of permission have had in California for a long time, and i to land cattle at Liverpool Docks after March has increased the mortality, chiefly among 1st, unless provision is made for their slaughter on the quay. It may be that this wenty per cent. At the same time, when their weather is compared with Eastern winorder is directed against cattle from the l ters, it b comes difficult to understand why United States, but unless a special exemption s made, it must be understood as including Canadian live stock. Many of the farmers. stock raisers in England, will probably use ail their influence to prevent the landing and sale of live animals in England, and make atmosphere, and when the sun was up doors the most of the outbreak of disease among the and windows could be left wide open, to let United States cattle. What they would like to see would be the entire prohibition of the imextra blankets serviceable. The increase in portation of live stock. If the order of the mortality is attributed to the lack of precaution of old residents, who are not accustomed Privy Council is made permanent, and to to find heavy clothing necessary. apply to Canada as well as the United States, a sore blow and discouragement will be given to a trade that promised great things, AFGHAN WAR .- A despatch (Feb. 3rd.) and that would have, if prosperous, been a great incentive to the farmers of the Dominion to turn their best attention to the raising of chan, gave a shawl to his "ladylove." The was carried changing the name of the Profirst class stock. If the importation of live girl sickened and died soon after wearing it, vincial Farmers' League, to Farmers' Pro- ton was ahead by one score. On Thursday fering. The people of the country are inclined to be insolvent. All natives suspected stock were prohibited, they could still export and four members of her family succumbed vincial Association. The old question occurs morning, Gregory's and White's-St. Andto the infection two days after. The epide- what's in a name? There is often a great searched, concealment of arms being punishbusiness to export live bodies than the dead ed. Four elephants and 108 bullocks died mic spread in the village, but it was allowed deal in a name, but what is the occult mean-

and heard the merry shouts as good hits were made, and players gave way to their exuberant glee at a good score for their side. It will be said that many in the crowd would not have been there if they had anything else better to do, but the fact that they are able to spend whole forenoons and afternoons on the ice, shows that they do not feel very keenly, if they feel them at all, the pressure

the cubinet would not resign, but

that step and the President Grevey selected

M. Waddington in his place. The present

Waddington ministry is, saving M. Dufaure

the former one, and is composed as follows.

Minister of Foreign Affairs and President of

Baptiste Leon Say ; Commerce and Agricul-

ture, Deputy Lepere ; Justice, Senator le

Raver : Public Work, Charles de Frevcinet,

Fine Arts and Public Instructions, Jules

Admiral Pothuan ; Public Worship M. Bar-

The Plague in Russia.

The U. S. Cattle Disease.

The alarm among the cattle dealers Upper Canada, in consequence of the slaughtering of a large drove of cattle shipped by a Toronto firm, greatly subsided on advices

being received that every shipment of cattle from Canada would be judged on its own merits. Dealers, in order to prevent hasty condemnation of their cattle by government at once retained the services of experienced

veterinary surgeons to keep them in check. But latest advices are not so re-assuring. There is no doubt that pleuro pnemonia of a bad type is raging among the cattle in different parts, especially in the East of the United States, and as long as it does, cattle dealers in Canada will feel the ill effects. Though the Dominion Government have passed an order prohibiting the importation

of cattle from the United States into Canada for three months, there is a danger in England that cattle from the United States and Canada will be placed in the same

were led by Lieut. Colonel Brownlow and category as American, and suffer under the

cided views, and indomitable will (we can Il easily imagine what sort of an ecclesiastic diture in some departments, taxation for the old Bishop was) while Dr. Bethune was school purposes will have to be increased. the type of an English parson, a scholar and There was some disscussion over the

Assistant Assessors. Mr. Gunter contended. good sermon writer, and very courteous and genial accessible in his manners. The that the Council, as the custodians of the Toronto Mail thus pictures them. "The sturdy little figure of the hard grained Aberfor the City at as cheap a rate as possible deen man with his keen eve, trotting swiftly and moved resolutions to fix the salarie of along our streets with hat tilted back on hi Chief Assessora at \$150 and \$50 each for the head, stick under arm, and subdued whistle. two Assistants, which were thrown out Finally the resolution fixing salaries at \$250 has vanished down the dark road. The thin, almost ascetic, refined and mild old gentleand \$75, respectively, were passed, by casting

It would really seem as is the French peo- mun, who succeeded him has faded away into vote, and T. L. Simmons was appointed ple had got beyond barricades and revolutions the shadowy land, which yet is probably Chief and James Farrell and John Hodge Assistant'Assessors.

Mr. Moore read and presented the repor of the Chief Engineer, which gave details o the defects found in the "Sils by," and the particulars of the bill of the Silsby Manufacturing Company for the articles necessary to repair them, &c., the report was adopted and referred to Fire Committee to report at next meeting.

Mr. Moore also read a memorandum from Chief Engineer asking Council to define the duties of the City Teamster, A committee was appointed to take the matter into consideration .--- Ald. Moore, Vandine and Smith One of the old Fredericton hand-engines (No. 1) was purchased by the Parish of St Mary's and assessment made in order to meet the expense, but the ratepavers refused to

pay the tax, and have left themselves open

The third annual meeting of the Provinto a suit by the city. On the Mayor's asking ial Farmer's League was held in the Hall the Council, if they desired to take proceedthe Queen's Central Agricultural Society. ings. Ald. Gunter, magnaminously or sar-Hampstead, Queen's County, on Wednesday | castically said, as the City Treasury was full and Thursday. Harmon Humphrey, Esq., of of funds they could afford to let this matter Sussex, vice-President, in the absence of the stand. This little speech seemed to give the the peasantry, as they are, under the modern influences of railways, telegraph and the President, Samuel Sharp, Esq., was called to worthy Alderman infinite relief.

press, becoming more practical and sharp, the chair. Delegates from various local The petition of Thomas Morris, praying societies and county Leagues in King's, the Council appoint him keeper of the Alms and less under the dominion of old manners and customs, and traditions, have lost faith Queen's, Sunbury, Westmorland, York, St. House, was read. The petitioner gave reain the old idols-Napoleon, and military John were admitted members, and some took sons for making a change in the keepership glory. The greatest danger ahead for France part in the discussions. S. L. Peters was re- of that institution, which was gravely listened is the fear that her Republicanism may as- elected Secretary. Excellent papers on to by the Board, and a resolution was passed sume an ultra-democratic-socialistic charac-"Agriculture" were read by Mr. Howard to place it on the file.

ter; that the majority of the "have nots," Trueman. Discussions cook place on a A petition from 3. H. Gill, who complainor "have littles," will so firmly gain the variety of topics, the raising of cattle, ed that he has been unjustly deprived of the upper hand, that they will, by suppression the exportation of live stock, and of poultry, lease of St. Mary's ferry, which has been and confiscation, attempt to reduce the min- butter and eggs, to England, farm economies, given to A. S. Crawford, praying the Counority to their own level. The safety and &c. Some of the farmers had great faith in cil for license to run a ferryboat between St. happiness of France will depend on the the capability of some parts of the Province Mary's and the city, was read.

firmness, tact, and good sense of the moderate to produce fine sugar beet crops. Some Mr. Gunter moved that a special commitrepublicans; they are the middle party who spoke colly of beet culture, and said that tee be appointed to take the petition into constand between the pretenders or aspirants to farmers had better turn their attention to sideration, which was carried.

the throne on the one hand, and the extreme raising turnips. The one argument, that Mr. G. H. Simmons presented a communistic party on the other, between there was no factory established, was made to for six cords of wood-\$14.17-which amount civil war and revolution. do duty. But the sooner farmers are conhad been advanced to him as Chairman of Since last week some changes have occur- vinced that the cultivation of the beet must the Hall Committee.

red in the aspect of affairs in France. It preceed the establishment of the factory,

Mr. Gunter end-avoured to commit the was then thought that M. Dufaure, the head and that cultivation of beets would be profit- Council to resolution, that no money should Insurance Company met in Quebec to discuss able, without reference to sugar, and pre- be paid out of the Treasury by City Treasurer

"others hold meat to be the same, as, if and formed themselves into a separateused in the excessive quantities in which needless to say orthodox-congregation. some people use it, undoubtedly it is. Sup-

pose the anti-tobacconists or the vegetarians a gentleman, no great theologian, but a very question of the salaries of the Chief and to be anywhere in a majority, will it be their luty to close by law the shops of the tobacconists and butchers? If we want to change the diet or the habit of freemen, we must do City's finances were bound to get work done it by argument and example. The end will not be so quickly attained as it would be by the ukase of the despot, but the work will be the more genuine, more lasting, and more truly moral.

Of course anything may be done for the salvation of the State. If drink were proved to be a plague among us, which only exceptonal legislation could say, everybody would consent to exceptional legislation. Perhaps trong measures may be necessary in Eng-

and, where the licensed victuallers censitute a gigantic propaganda of evil, pushing ts malignant influence, with the overwhelm ng force of vast capital, and widely ramifyand, so that two or three cottages cannot be uilt near each other without at once bringng down the pest upon them. But in Canada all cool-headed observers say that the

evil is declining, and that the babits of the present generation are better than those of the ast. That there is an increase of moral ensibility on the subject, the existence of he Prohibiotinist movement itself proves. Punish drunkenness if it leads to indecency r outrage. Punish the drunken offender loubly, for the offence itself and for having oluntarily put himself in the way of committing it by drowning his power of self-control. Apply to taverns, as they are notoriously apt to become scenes of excess, such exceptional regulations as public order may equire. If a man is a confirmed drunkard

reat him as a lunatic, and take his wife and bildren out of his hands. In all this you will have the support of public sentiment particularly as your law will be the same for ich and poor, whereas prohibitionism, whatever its theory may be, practically draws a line between the rich man, who buys his liquor at the wine merchant's, and the poor man, who buys his liquor at the tavern Much may be done also in the way of couner attractions; the coffee rooms, which

Thomas Hughes, among others, has been active in establishing in England, have been very successful there, and seems likely to be equally so here. Even the substitution of wine or beer for whiskey would be an immense gain. Whiskey, such whiskey, at least, as our people get, is the real demon.

To the two evils, already mentioned as atending a futile agitation, may be added two nore, the stimulus given to hypocritical inrigue among the politicians, who flirt with emperance for its votes, and the demorilizaion of the liquor trade itself, which must arise from branding it as the trade of poison-

ers and making it the object of social persecution. At present many of our hotel and tavern keepers are very worthy men, who hate excess as much as any one and do their

STADACONA INSURANCE COMPANY .- On

ew and fine residence on Queen Street.

A special meeting of the City Council will

The Bishop of Manchester spoke at a Savings' Bank meeting in that city recently. He attributed much of the present bad condition of trade in this country to the circum-

stances that British manufactures were not so good now as they once were, that an unsettled feeling existed between employers and employed, that banks lent themselves too readily to the schemes of speculators, and that in many branches of trade there was over-production.

Is France or Great Britain the wealthier country ? A recent paper by Mr. Giffen, the Government statistician, estimated the wealth of the United Kingdom at the enormous gross total of £8,500,000.000. M. Vacher, a French statistician, has followed suit with an esti-

mate of the wealth of France at £9,220,000,-000. 1f M. Vacher is right. France has the ing connections, into every corner of the advantage of us by £720,000,000. If we could by a stroke of the pea sweep away our national debt, we should be about £60,000 .-000 richer than France.

> The largest congregation in Boston, exceptng two, is that of the Episcopal Church of the Advent, which is in charge of four celibate ministers of the Order of St. John the Evangelist. They live in a house conducted on monastic principles, and receive no salaries. A confessional is maintained in the church, and the ritual is of the most advanced kind. Boston's largest congregation is also Episcopalian, being that of the Rev. Phillip's Brook's Church, Trinity, which is at the opposite extreme in its plainness of worship.

Elizabeth City, New Jersey, has declared tself bankrupt by defaulting on the interest of its bonded debt, of which \$41,000 matured Saturday and was pavable at the office of the 'armer's Loan and Trust Company in New lork. Salaries to school teachers, police ficers and city employes for the past four nonths, amounting to \$60,000, have not been paid, and in addition there is an indebtedness of \$150,000 for temporary loans made by the controller for the purpose of maintaing the city's credit.

THE BURNT DISTRICT .- Mr. Vaughan has oncluded to erect a brick building on his lot in the burnt district, as a Dry Goods store for Messre, Smith & Murray. It is to be three stories high, to have the same frontage as the old building and to extend back seventy five feet. We have seen the front elevation. as drawn by Mr. Leonard Markee, and it presents a fine appearance. We hope others will follow Mr. Vaughan's example in the erection of brick buildings, as thereby protection against fire will be ensured and cost of insurance reduced .- St. Croix Courier.

TROUBLE AHEAD .- A Vienna despatch Feb. 3rd, says the occupation by Roumanians of a position near Silistria, which they claim as belonging to Drobrudja, is a very serious best to prevent it, from right feeling as well affair. The Roumanians by an overwhelmas because it drives decent customers from ing display of force compelled the Russians to abandon the Arab Tabia fortress on the outskirts of S.listria. The Roumanian Government on Saturday received intimation Tuesday, the shareholders of the Stadacona simultaneously from St. Petersburg and from General Todleben to withdraw immediately. but formally refused and a collusion is pro-The Committee of the Manitoba College has published an urgent appeal in its behalf Our vast North Western territory is making fre in St. John, the Stadacona, whose losses bear their full proportion ; they are rising to a mounted to \$313.425, paid up, ceased to a realization of their duties and responsibilities, and sending forth labourers into transact new business after the 28th of June. this whitening harvest. Dr. Black, their 1877. There was a strong feeling among first missionary of 1851, now heads a band the shareholders, in favor of winding up the of over a score. The mission to the Indians business of the company. A resolution to too increases in interest. The brethren out there find as we do, a college to be essential that effect was carried, after a protracted to their being and well being. liscussion at an adjourned and largely at-

Farmer's Provincial League.

take advantage of a time of political trouble. and laity meet, like the apostles and disciples, to seize the sceptre; and it may be suppos- all with one consent?

dumb debating society, but they have one in London. At the opening debate of the present session, the question, "Is the Indian Government justified in going to war with Afghanistan ?" was discussed in the finger language, and decided in the affirmative by a persons of middle and advanced age, fully large majority.

A barber in Paris raised the price of shaving when the Exposition opened. On the they should find it so trying. For about two day of closing a permanent patron expressed months, with occasional rain, they have had the hope that he would again fall back on a white frost every morning, but as soon as the anti-Exposition charges. "I should like the sun was fairly up that has disappeared. to," said the barber, " but since the distribu- A beautiful sky was overhead, there was tion of the prizes there are so many long only just wind enough to give motion to the faces that I really cannot afford to do so."

In the past twenty-three years more than 17,000 pieces or ordnance have been con-night, however, grate fires were pleasant, and structed in the Krupp works at Essen, and sixteen guns only have burst, while of these by far the greater number were destroyed during trials to test their power of resistence and when loaded with charges heavier than they were designed to fire.

It is interesting to hear that Lord Beaconsfield, according to the laws of hereditary to be eighty-six. His mother was only seventy-one when she died, but his father's grandmother, Mrs. Seybroot, lived to the age of bearing arms in Candahar have been of ninety.

Owing to the depression in agriculture, the from starvation. Forward movements to carcases. Earl of Beaconsfield has paid the school and church rates of the tenants on his estate at Hughenden, Bucks. for three years, the sum being equivalent to 10 per cent. on the halfbeing equivalent to 10 per cent. on the half-year's rent. Sir Harry Varney of Claydon from the effects of previous starvation. The Park, Winslow, Buckinghamshire, has just returned to his tenants 10 per cent, of their rents owing to the recent bad seasons. from the enects of previous statutions in the season of the ingood health and spirits, but are beginning to weary of the monotony and hardebips of the campaign.

A movement is now on foot in Berlin for building a church to be called " Church of Thanks," in grateful memory of the Emperor William's happy escape from two assassing hands. A voluntary subscription is being made, and the amount subscribed up to the nearly £3,900. The church is expected to cost £15,000 or more.

Young paid their fares to Boston.

from Khilat-i-Ghilzel says supplies there are longevity, has still many years of life to look obtained with great difficuly, and that the forward to. His father lived to be eighty- arrangement of commissariat is deplorable. two, and his grandfather. Benjamin Disraeli, Cavalry and artillery men and horses are suf-

Ghirisk and Khilat-i-Ghilzal are attributed

there are dying daily in great numbers. The

Chicago may yet be called the Telephone City, to such an extent have its people availed themselves of the far-speaker. Dr. E. Hale tells the Tribune how he diagnosed the meantime the people in the neighbourpany), by a distant patient whose baby was

Emma Young, a daughter of Brigham temperature of its body, symptons, breathing with great exertions the fire was prevented chan, and orders have been issued from St. L. O. A. LECTURE COURSE.—On Wed-Young, used to appear on the stage in Salt and cough, got them to hold the child near Lake Theatre during her father's life. After the instrument till he heard the cough and the cough and the destruction of the de off with a variety show, which collapsed in pare a prescription, and in a few minutes the Halifax, leaving most of the performers with- druggist had called a messenger and sent nim

druggist returned to their beds,

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at Candahar to the scarcity of forage. Camels FIRE .- About half past five on Sunday morning an alarm was given, fire having drawn around the infected villages; but it together, make them feel more strongly their been discovered in a shed on George Street. Mr. Marsh's outbuildings and Mr. Grieves'

barn. It was some little time before, and

ness of the roads that, the "Alexandra"

was brought to the St. John St. tank, but in ports, in the clothing of the sailors, and is old Provincial Board of Agricultural, and to wafted abroad. The people in Western start afresh on a career of usefulness ? We made, and the amount subscribed up to the a case where he was called (through the present time is about 78,000 marks-that is the telephone of the District Telegraph Comsomething to keep down the flames. The endeavouring to cut off all communications ever it may be, in the change of name. -presumably with croup. He asked the "Alexandra" and No. 4 worked well, and with the plague stricken districts in Astra-

Lake Theatre during her father's life. After the instrument till he heard the cough and his death she came eastward to find employ-ment as an actress, and was engaged for the Folly Theatre, in this city but the enterprise failed, and she got no pay. Lately she went the adruggist, who was instructed to predamage was confined to the destruction of cham, and other Governments extraordinary deliver the fourth lecture of the L. O. A. by a barrel of ashes having been carelessly had reached a village near Moscow, though afford the able lecturer fine scope to display

Halifax, leaving most of the performers with-out money enough to get out of towil. Miss with the medicine, and the doctor and the liest close to the wall of the shed. The like to see the house he lives in." - Colchester federates at heart," but says "they wisely losses are parting covered by insurance. day contradicted the report ; but the German ality.

legacy to Russia. A Cossack returning from though certainly not neglected, are made

plague before the Government took measures league more popular with the farmers of New

seems impossible to restrain the insidious ad- responsibility as cultivators of the soil, and

their position. The shareholders of Halifax ferable to turnips and mangles, the better without the order of Council, but the sense St. John, and Kingston were represented by

for themselves. A resolution, the preamble of the Board was that there were always R. Flaherty, Esq., St. John; those of Freof which contained an expression of ignorance circumstances arising when it was necessary dericton, numbering 11, representing \$44,000 and Teisserere du Bort retired, identical with on the part of the farmers of the League, of to make advances, and the Council could not stock, \$12,480 paid up, by G. F. Fisher, of sugar from beet business, was passed, asking bind themselves to such a hard and fast Fredericton. In consequence of the great with increasing volume, the Presbyterians the members of the Association to ex- rule.

the Council, William H. Waddington ; In- periment during the coming season, in rais-The Council then ad journed. terior, Edward de Marcere ; Finance, Jean ing the sugar beet, and to report the result at the next meeting of the association. It Curling.

seems to us that this was rather a cold con-There was another grand Curling contest clusion to come to after all that has been here on Wednesday and Thurseay last. This successfully done in the way of making time the St. Andrew's Club of St. John arraved themselves against the victorious Fre-

Ferry ; War, General Greslay ; Marine, Vice sugar from beets. A great part of the time of the meeting derictonians. The St. Andrew's players arwas taken up in discussing matters of consti- rived on Wednesday by the noon train, and tution. The weak part in such leagues is the received a great welcome. Play commenced disproportionate time given to mending the at 2 P. M.; the ice was in the glibbest state, mere machinery of the organization. The and the weather was magnificent. Mellick's If the account given of the origin of the chief object of the League should be the in-

and Snider's, (St. Andrew's) rinks were plague now raging East of the Volga is cor- telligent discussion of practical subjects, such pitted against the rinks of Allen and Loggie, rect, the war with Turkey has left a dreadful as will advance agriculture, but those things Fredericton. Archibald Rowan, Esq., acted W. C. T. U .- On Tuesday evening, the Rev. Mr. Reud delivered his interesting lecas umpire throughout the contest. The match Asia Minor to his native village in Astra- subsidiary to matters of form. A resolution was closely contested and splendid play was the City Hall, before an audience "fit made on both sides. At the close Frederic- though few." The lecturer for next Tues-

day, will be W. G. Gaunce, Esq., subject : "That Eleven-year-old and its Destiny." rews-rinks played against those ----Street and Greives-Fredericton. Up to The Chief Engineer having made repreto gain in violence, and to become a destroying ing of this nominal change? Will it make the twelve o'clock, the Frederictonians kept their entations to the Silsby Company, that the defective crownsheet was the cause of the vantage ground; then the fortune of the to endeavour to arrest it. Then a cordon was Brunswick, will it bind them more closely game took a turn against the Street rink. Silsby engine's failure to work, the company has generously made no charge for the new

The St. Andrews men "ca'd canny." and came out, at the finish, victors by 13 points belonging to Mr. Jennings, and adjoining vance of the plague when once it has gather- make them more determined to advance the The St. Andrews players left on Thursday ed strength, for it spreads in the course of the interest of their time honored pursuit? By afternoon, and were driven, jubilant, in the On Thursday evening last, Thomas Temple.

ordinary commercial intercourse between dropping the old name, do the members mean "Great Eastern," four-in-hand, to the railand with a little difficulty, owing to the soft- different parts of the Empire, it lurks in to let fall into oblivion all their grudge way station

the goods transported to the different sea- against the government for abolishing the At a regular meeting of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 44, I. O. G. T., held on Tuesday evening, 4th inst., the following officers were installed into office :---

be held in the City Council room this even-W. Reid, W. C. T; W. D. Smith, W. V. ing, at 7.30 p. m., for the purpose of receiv-T; Dr. McAlpine, W. Sec.; Miss A. Murray, ing and discussing the report of the commit-W. Treas.; T. Davis, Fin. Sec.; Miss A tee on City finances. Smith, W. Chap. ; Miss E. Maire, R. H. S.

Miss H. Maire, L. H. S.; Jas. White, W

Sheriff, and Miss Temple leave this city at the opening of the Dominion Parliament, Union.

tended meeting on Thursday, by a majority A St. Petersburg despatch says authentic of nearly 4000 votes. The result, it is said. intelligence has been received from the Govrnment of Eastern Siberia that Prof. Norappeared to give the meeting great satisfaclenskjiold's steamer "Verga" is ice bound tion. A new directory was appointed, and forty miles from East Cape. The authorities steps taken to carry out the wish of the shareof Irkutsh have been instructed to issue a general summons to the natives to assist the expedition. A special relief expedition of reindeer and doc sleds has been organized but it is feared that this assistance will be too ate. A Russian man-of-war from the Pacific station will shortly proceed to Behring's Straits, to endeavour to extricate the "Verga," or bring off her crew.

One day, as he was musing on these things in sore perplexity, he entered his wife's dressing room and saw a box of pastilles on the table. The lid was marked 'lavender trops.' Mechanically Jenny's husband opened the box and put one of the pastilles in his mouth. They were large white wirgs like dragees, but instantly John Arh had crunched one his mouth was filled with undiluted alcohol of fearful strength. So again he bad his wife's secret. She got drunk off these pastilles, specially prepared by a roguish Esq., President of the Reform Club, enterchemist, for persons like herself, and innocently styled "lavender drops."-London Truth. tained the club officers for the past year, and the members of the Band at dinner in his

The question of Confederation is being warmly discussed by the St. Johns, N. F. papers. The Newfoundlander (Government organ) intimates that if the people want confederation, all they have to do is to ask for and they will get it. The Patriot thaks the time has come to discuss the question in a reasonable, rational and practical way, and does not see that Newfoundland has made much progress since she last repudiated con-While some immigrants were lunching at nection with their go-ahead neighbors, and the Truro Railway Saloon, on Saturday last, if they really desire to do so, they must look one of them very innocently inquired if this abroad somewhere for help. The Chronicle was Nova Scotia, and if Dr. Tupper lived raves in the wildest possible way against conhere. He was answered in the affirmative federation, and mourns woefully over the fact and at once exclaimed, " Dear me but I would that " too many of our leading men are conhold back." and was just bill . NO Shich