THE LOWER PROVINCES .- Mr. Palmer, one of the official delegates from Prince Edward Island to the Quebec Conference, has since his return home published the annexed statement in the Islander, giving his opinion upon the much vexed question of Colonial Union:-

"By last Friday's Islander I perceive that its editor is a strong advocate for the Colonial Federal Union. I regret that I feel it my duty to say I differ very widely from the opinions expressed in a newspaper I have slways supported, and in the political views of which I have, not invariably but for the most part concurred. The Islander has taken an early opportunity of publishing a very badly reported speech of mine, made at the Toronto dejuner given on Thursday, the 3rd instant, with the intention, I suppose of impressing its readers with the idea that I was like the majority of the delegates, in layor of the Report they have come to on the subject of the Union. If so, I must beg to take an early opportunity of undeceiving his readers, and to give, either through the columns of the Islander, or in some other public manner, my reasons for disagreeing to the report of the delegates, and, probably to exhibit a little of the generalship used by the more prominent members of the delegation in bring. ing that report to a conclusion in its present shape. In the meanwhile, time will be afforded for the dream of the delegation, with all its fanciful imagery, to be dispelled, and for people to resume sober and sound reflections on a subject of such unparalleled importance to this Colony. Time will not to day permit me to comment on the financial statements in the Islander. The advantage which, at most, they purport to claim for the Colony is but of a tempor ary character; and when brought into contact with various important facts bearing on the subject, but cautiously omitted, they will be found a mere glittering delusion, and such, I trust, as will not ensuare any material number of the people of this Colony to suffer their interests, and those of their posterity to be irredcemably sacrificed, for the sake of the aggrandizement of a few individuals of the present day,"

One ounce of facts is worth more than a hundred weight of theories; and so with the liquor laws which our modern reformers would impose upon us, as if it needed but an Act of " The Family" in the matter of Education :-Parliament to make a man live cleanly, and forswear sack and sugar.

This cunce of facts is furnished us in the following paragraph which we clip from the Scotch correspondence of the Montreal Herald :-

"It has been determined to provide additional prison accommodations for Glasgow at an expence of £40,000. This will appear strange to people who remember and believed the predictions of the supporters of the Forbes-Mackensie Act, the operation of which was to empty our prison-houses, and asylums and jails.

Strange to them perhaps, but not strange to those who take facts, not theories, for their guide. To all who have watched the actual workings of laws designed to make men sober or chaste by Act of Parliament, one fact stands out in strong light: to wit-that all such legisation, though it may have slightly changed the direction of crime, deflecting it from one channel or mode of manifestation, into another, has but that our contemporary will have hard up-hill increased and intensified the actual amount of work of it, to make his principles understood and crime and misery.

CATHOLIC COLLEGE BURNED. - We learn from the Toronto Freeman that the pile of buildings known as the College of Our Lady of Angels, at a cost of \$20,000, was destroyed by fire on Monday the 5th instant. The institution was der the direction of the Vincentian Fathers. and the property on which it stood was acquired by His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto. The origin of the fire is not mentioned.

SINGULAR AND IMPORTANT DISCOVERY .-We find in the Montreal Witness of the 8th instant, the annexed paragraph which will prove interesting to Biblical students, and which throws much light on some rather obscure passages of Holy Writ:-

"We may also mention that a striking antitype on this Continent of the Tower of Babel is the Grand Trunk."—Montreal Witness.

After this we should not be surprised to learn that Mr. Brydges is a lively image of the "Man of Sin;" for the Witness seems to indicate that the Lord's right arm is already stretched out to smite the Grand Trunk and all its officials :-

But there is a Divine Providence watching against overgrown power which they cannot control and which may scatter them and their counsels to the four winds, like the builders of the Babel."

Of a piece with his interpretation of Scripture is our contemporary's interpretation of the object of the visit to Europe of His Lordship the Bishop ef Montreal, given in the same number of the Witness as that from which we have quoted above. Somebody, we greatly fear, has been poking fun at, or making a fool of, the editor of the Witness, a thing not only cruel, but abundantly a work of supererogation.

"BLACKWOOD'S EDINBURGH MAGAZINE."-November 1864. Dawson Brothers, Mont-

My Latest Vacation Excursion which is the first article, is a growl against Germans, and Germany, in which more ill temper than humor is manifest. It is followed by a continuation of Tony Buller, of which the later numbers barely realize the hopes excited by the first appearance of the tale. Then we have the almost inevitable critique of Tennyson's last poem Enoch Arden; and a not very interesting article on Christian Art, being a reviewof a work commenced by the late Mrs. Jameson, continued and finished by Lady Eastlake on The History of Our Lord. Cornelius O'Dowd is as usual sprightly and entertaining in his remarks upon Men, Women, and other Things in General; and the number concludes with a notice, of Mr. Banting's dietary system, a short piece of poetry, and an apologetic review of General McClellan's Now, we are so accustomed to hear the Papal campaigns.

It will be noticed that the Rev. M. Beausang's lecture has been postponed from the 20th, sell and Mr. Gladstone discourse so flippantly of that shameful, cowardly act, and disayow all conto Monday the 26th inst. in order to secure the its imbeculty-that we are often tempted to look | nection with it. We sincerely trust that the guilty lecturer to his first Montreal audience.

THE ST. ALBAN'S RAIDERS - This case again came before the Court on Tuesday, 13th technicality grounded on the want of jurisdiction on the part of the Court to detain them. In some respects this is to be regretted; for though we doubt not the impartiality of the judge, or the egality of his decision, we think that it would have been better if that decision had been based on the merits of the case. One thing is however clear; that it is the interest and duty of our government to take efficient measures to prevect any future attack upon our neighhors from Canadian soil, and to compel the observance of a rigid neutrality. In private | we may have our sympathies with one or the other of the belligerents: but our duty towards our neighbors bids us discourage all such very questionable acts as those with which the discharged prisoners stood accused.

"THE OCCIDENTAL."-We have, before us the Prospectus and the first number of a new journal, published under the above title in San Francisco. According to the terms of its Prospectus, The Occidental will identify itself with no party or creed, but in politics it will advocate the cause of State Rights, and the rights of

" Nor shall we be silent on the subject of the terrible war which is now shaking our continent, drenching our land in blood and threatening the final destruction of American liberty.

"There is one other subject, however, which we intend to make the leading feature of our paper, and that is popular Education. Looking upon the school room as the spot wherein have been planted and nurtured into fruition the seeds of hypocrisy, dishonesty, infidelity, bigotry, and intolerance, both reigious and political, which have produced the terrible havest of evils that now afflict our unfortunate country, we shall insist upon going to the school room, in order to eradicate these evils. We shall insist that the subject of education belongs more immediately to parents than to politicians; and if properly sustained in our humble efforts, we shall never abandon our work so long as there remains within the limits of our State a single parent, be he Catholic, Protestant, Jew or Pagan, who is required to sustain by his money a system of education which be cannot, without a violation of his conscience, ermit his children to enjoy."

To a journal with such principles every friend of liberty must wish God-speed; but we lear accepted by the people amongst whom his lot is cast - and whose entire system, whether social or political, is hostile to individual liberty. A long continued course of democratic diet unfits a man for, and renders him unworthy of sight to the blind than to restore the appetite accustomed to bow beneath the lyranny of brute majorities, the most cruel and the most degrading of all tyrannies.

MR. DOHERTY'S LECTURE.

On Monday evening last the Lecture of Marcus Doherty, Esq., Advocate, on the "Trish Character Essentially Conservative," took place in the St. Patrick's Hall. Owing to the very unfavorable state of the weather the attendance was not large, but those present seemed to be very much gratified with the gentleman's discourse. The Lecture lasted about an hour and quarter, and presented a very true picture of the character of the Irish people, their tenacity to their faith and nationality, and their ardent love of their native land. The learned gentleman pointed out the moral conservatisin of the Irish people, and showed that they were anti-revolutionary, and always willing to submit to properly constituted authorities, and were ever ready to support a just cause, as the history of their country proved.

At the close of the lecture, Mr. T. McKenna proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer, and eulogised his discourse in very eloquent terms. Mr. E. Murphy seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Mr. R. McShane, President of the St. Patrick's Society, then thanked the meeting for their attendance, and announced that the second lecture of the course would be delivered on Wednesday, the 28th met., by Mr. J. J. Curran, B.C.L., Advocate, on-" The Irish in America."-Com.

Logically the "tu quoque" argument is unsound. Wrong can never be palliated by wrong. That one's neighbor is as bad as oneself is but a poor defence for evil done. But at the same time consistency demands that the character of the accuser should at least bear some slight relative superiority to that of the accused. One whose wisdom no man shall gainsay has said: "Let him who is innocent cast the first stone:" a decree illogical perhaps according to the human standard, but preemmently practical and su-

advantage of the presence of Mr. McGee, who back and ask (impertmently perhaps!) whether will have the honor of introducing the reverend this British Government, which so sedulously ward offered by the city authorities for their appreand we may say gratuitously condemns its neigh- hension. We are lovers of peace; our social interbor on the slightest pretence, be indeed the efficient government we should expect to find it seeing that it arrays itself so unblushingly in the inst., and after a lengthy argument the prisoners immaculate garb of the accuser? The doctrine were ordered to be discharged upon a legal of "the first stone" applies doubtless as fully to the accusers of the Papacy as to those of the looking box marked "pikes" had been sent to town, frail woman of the guspel, and it were well if its injunctions were carried out somewhat more consistently. " Medice, curd teipsum" is certainly not a primary maxim of the Foreign Office-nor is the quaint old injunction "Look at home" one of the approved canons of editorial hermeneutics. Had the disgraceful scenes enacted at Muller's execution in the British metropolis, and stables to search the premises of the aforesaid Hiberunder the very eye of the British Government, nian, which they did, and "lo, behold," the box been enacted at an execution in Papal Rome, the reader suppose?—why, with fish, of the kind Anglo-Saxon Papaphobia would have run ram-pant for a month of moons through the whole vo-a large number of our citizens enjoyed a hearty cabulary of Exeter Hall vituperation. Let it laugh at the expense of the J.P., who, after acknow not be supposed for a moment, that we are inimical to British institutions. Far from it; we box at the railway station, painted the word 'pikes' love and admire them as ardently as my Lord on it, which ward, in view of the recent pike trouble in Toronto, has not the most agreeable sound to Russell and perhaps more so; but we are no bi- people of a nervous temperament. got. Our eyes are as open to England's faults, sure in bearing testimony to the unflinching loyalty of our esteemed friend, Fenning, the fish-merchant as they are mindful of her virtues; nor can we bring ourselves to condemn in others, what we will permit him to pursue his avocation undisturbed. wish to palliate and excuse in ourselves. If the disgraceful garroting—if the utter lawlessness and unrestrained licentiousness that ran rampant | 1st December, 1864 :- Bienville, in the townin the streets of London with the very gibbet before its eyes, is not to be attributed to British Governmental imbeculity, all we ask is, that when a poor victim of continental free-masonry falls unseen by the Roman sbirri, under the stilettos of Mazzinian perfidy in the broad piazzas of Rome, it be not attributed by my Lord Russell | the 1st. Nov., 1864. or Mr. Gladstone and the howling fanatics of an anti-Catholic press, to the weakness of Papal rule. Anglo-Saxon superiority? has so nice a perception of ' the mote,' coupled at the same time with so stolid a perception of 'the beam'; events happening in a Catholic country admit of so different a construction to those very same events happening under precisely similar circumstances at home"-that the calm student of "man and manners" is often at a loss to explain the anomaly, and to suspect the presence in the dark recesses of the human mind of some strange distorter of mental vision, -some abnormal state of the retina wherein near objects are undiscernable, whilst distant objects are reflected with preternatural Gazette. minuteness. There is, it is true an analogous of Clothilde Hebert, who was found dead in her bed, state of the physical vision. The gentleman who minuteness. There is, it is true an analogous in all the glory of gold spectacles fell over a heap of stones, took off his binoculars in order to day evening Detective McGarry arrested a young learn the cause of his disaster. Can the mental recently erected near the Suspension Bridge liberty; and it would be easier, almost, to give aberration arise from the wearing of Protestant spectacles? Speaking of the concomitant events and aptitude for freedom amongst a people long of this execution the Times says. "None but those who looked down upon the awful crowd of Monday will even believe in the wholesale open broadcast manner in which garrotting and highway robbery and violence which yesterday had its way virtually unchecked in Newgate street;" Flour, country, per qtl......... 12 9 to 13 0 "the rule was such robbing and ill treatment as made the victims only too glad to fly the spot." These are strong words as applied to an assemblage of "the superior race" gathered together in the " first city of the world," to behold a fellow being ushered into the immediate presence of his Maker. Had they been written by "Our Own Correspondent" from Papa! Rome or Bourbon Naples, we could have understood them and should have been prepared for the inevitable deduction of Popish inferiority and imbecility, and my Lords Palmerston's and Russel's usual jaunty fling at Rome and the Papacy; but as related of a respectable (!) English mob under a limited constitutional Monarchy, we cannot understand it! We must confess that we are inclined to suspect some geographical confusion in this narrative; and to conclude that after all Muller did not close his existence before the grim walls of Newgate, but before the lotty porticos of the Vatican, and that this brutal mob, that robbed and all but murdered every robable and murderable victum they could find, was none other than our old friend the priest-ridden vulgarity of Italy.

The suggestion which we threw out last week, relative to the prosecution of the Globe has, thus far, met with favorable consideration of many Catholics. They agree with us in thinking that the Globe should be compelled by process of law to make good the criminal charges published by that journal, or suffer the penalty which the law prescribes for the utterance of seditious and libelous language. The Catholics—not alone of Toronto, but of Upper Canada are hound in duty to vindicate ther character, by exacting proof of the specific accusations in question; or, failing this, to force the publisher o the Globe to make suitable reparation. - Torodto Freeman. The following letter has been addressed to the

Toronto papera :

Toronto, Dec. 6, 1864. Sin,-You will very much oblige by inserting in your columns the accompanying communication which will explain itself; it is being signed by the Catholics of the city. I am. dear sir.

J. WALSH, V. G.

Your obedient servant,

of England for its shortcomings; my Lord Rus- this city, we the undersigned, in the name of the ests are bound up with those of our Protestant fellpw-citizens, and we have no desire as we can have no laterest to be in discord with them.

We take this occasion to state that we have no sympathy nor connection with Fenianism.

Fenianism in Ingersoll -A Box of Pikes in Town -Our town was thrown into a state of great excitement on Monday last by a report that a mysterious and that the box was actually at that time in pos session of a well-known Hibernian—a dealer in fish near the market-formerly a soldier in Her Majesty's service, and who had hitherto been regarded as truly loyal to her crown and dignity. The rumors at length reached the ears of one of our worthy magistrates that a Fenian organization actually existed in our midst, that the firing of our town or something worse, was in contemplation, that at least one box of the dreaded pikes was already at hand, &c., &c. The wideawake J P. promptly instructed two conmarked 'pikes' was found filled with-what does ledging that he had been 'sold,' joined heartily in We have pleareferred to, and trust that in future our authorities -Ingersoll Chronicle.

NEW POST OFFICES. - The following new Post Offices were established in Canada on the ship of Lauzon; Brookbury, township of Bury; Chesterfield (re-opened), township of Blenheim Haliburton, township of Dysart; Roxton Pond, township of Roxton; Shanick, township of Marmora, Valetta, township of Tilbury East; Winchester Springs, Williamsburg. The Post Office at Point Platou, Co. Lotbiniere, was closed on

DEATH OF A VETERAN .- An old man, aged 70 or 75 years, named Jacob Axley, who belonged to the Incorporated Militia in 1812, and helped to defend Toronto when the city was taken by Gen. Pike of the American force, died on the 5th December, in East York. He was of a wandering disposition, seldom remaining in one | CONCENTRATED LYE .- The Subscriber place long. He has been in the habit of stopping with Messrs Milne & Son, woollen manufacturers, more or less since they came to the country in 1817, and of late years, being too feeble to move around, be has stopped with them altogether .- Toronto Globe.

Fire .- Monday night at 12 o'clock the flour store occupied by Mr. Prevost in St. Lawrence Main street adjoining the store of Mr. Adams, grocer, was seriously damaged by fire. Nearly the whole of the stock was destroyed, but the building was saved.—

INQUEST .- At the inquest held Monday on the body of intemperance.—Ib.

ENLISTING FOR THE FEDERAL ARMY .- On Satur man named Andrew Henderson on the charge of enlisting for the Federal army. - Toronto Globe.

Died.

In this city, on the 9th inst., A. E. Montmarquet,

MONTREAL RETAIL MARKET PRICES.

(From the Montreal Witness.) s. d. s. d. Oatmeal, do00 0 to 00 0 0 to 0 Indian Meal Peas per min 0 0 to 0 Beans, small white per min, 0 0 to 0 0 0 to 0 Honey, per lb Lard, uo. Potatoes, per bag Lard, ..., 0 7 to 0 8 3 3 to 3 0 to 3 Oniona Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs. ..\$7,50 to \$8,00 Hay, per 100 bundles ..\$8,00 to \$12,00 Straw, Beef, live, per 100 lbs .. \$5,00 to \$7,50 4,00 to 6,00 0 10 to 1 Eggs, fresh, per dozen 1 3 to 1 Butter, fresh per lb, Do salt, 0 11 to 1

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS Mont real, Dec. 13, 1864.

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Barley, do., for seed per 50 lbs. ... 0 0 to 0

Flour-Pollards, \$2,90 to \$3,00; Middlings, \$3,30 \$3,50; Fine, \$3,70 to \$3,85; Super., No. 2 \$3,90 to \$4,05; Superline \$4.15 to \$4,30; Fancy \$4,30; Extra, \$4,50 to \$4,60; Superior Extra \$4,70 to \$4,90; Bag Flour, \$2,37 to \$2,41.

Oatmeal per brl of 200 lbs, \$4,75 to \$5,00:

Wheat-U Canada Spring, 89c to 92c ex-cars; U. . Winter, 00c. Ashes per 100 lbs, Pots, latest sales were at \$5,27 to \$0,00; Inferior Pots, \$5,50 to \$0,00; Pearls, in demand, at \$5,25 to \$0,00.

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Jan. 17, 1864.

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MRS. DUNCAN McDONALD, Martintown. MRS. JAMES MCPHERSON, Lancaster. Oct. 3, 1864.

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