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FINANCE & COMMERCE.

TRUE WITNESS OFFICE, Tuesday, January 6. Financial.

The local money market is quiet and rates are somewhat easier, quoted at 5 to 6 per cent on call and 6 on time. Mercantile paper is still discounted at 7 to 8 per cent, as to name and date. Sterling Exchange is a shade firmer at 81 per cent. For 60-day bills between bank and 84 cash over the counter; transactions just now are on a small scale. Sales of gold drafts on New York have been made between banks at 1/2 prem.

The rate of discount at the Bank of England remains at 3 per cent, and the open market rate for three months' bills is 2 1/2 per cent. The Bullion in the Bank increased £177,000 during the week ending Thursday last, and the proportion of reserve to liabilities fell from 45 per cent to 39 1/2 per cent. The specie in the Bank of France decreased 21,825,000 francs during the week.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the Ville Marie Bank is to be held on Tuesday, the 17th February next, at two p.m., for the purpose of submitting to the shareholders the question of the winding up of the business of the Bank, and to decide whether it shall be so wound up or not. The Halifax Fire Insurance Company has declared a half-yearly dividend of 7 1/2 per cent.

The Bank of Yarmouth has declared for the past half-year a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent per annum.

The Dominion Telegraph Company has declared a half-yearly dividend at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, payable on and after the 10th instant.

The Midland and Canada Railway return of traffic for the week ending December 14th, 1878, shows passengers, \$1,733,650; freight, \$1,900,444; mails and sundries, \$241,737; total, \$3,875,831. The total of the corresponding week of 1878 was \$2,782,192. Increase, \$512,888.

The traffic receipts of the Grand Trunk Railway for the week ending 27th December, 1878, compared with the corresponding week of 1878, shows an increase of \$45,129.

Table with columns: 1878, 1875, Passengers, mails and express, Freight and live stock, Total, The increase during the past 25 weeks amounts to \$416,988.

Business Troubles.

A. Meyer has been attached by Alex. Dupuy et al for \$201.77. L. Dupuy, assignee.

Messrs. Gault Bros. & Co. have taken out a writ of attachment against Joseph W. Lamontagne for \$239.92. Beauvolet, assignee.

A writ of attachment was issued, 30th ult., against Samuel Strong, for \$236.75, at the instance of Maria Leahy. John Fair, assignee.

A writ of attachment has been issued against the Hamilton Bridge and Tool Company (limited) by Burrows, Stewart & Milne, of Hamilton.

A writ of attachment has been issued against Alexander Bressler for \$300 at the instance of the Consolidated Bank of Canada. Moffat, assignee.

The Dana Boot and Shoe Company have issued a writ against Hugh Harold, boots and shoes, St. Joseph street, for \$225. A. H. Pitsoill, assignee.

A writ of attachment was issued Friday afternoon against Ernest Dufresne for \$234, at the instance of Cornelius C. Snowdon. A. Bourbonniere, assignee.

A writ of attachment has been issued against David Carignan for \$465.88 at the instance of Thomas Owens et al. Andrew J. Simpson, official assignee.

A writ of attachment was issued on Friday against Edward L. Foster and Isaac D. Thurston, of the firm of E. L. Foster & Co., for \$179.27, at the instance of the Bank of Toronto. John Fair, assignee.

A compromise has been effected in the case of McGowan, Tucker & Co., lumber merchants, on the basis of 50c on the dollar, one-third cash, and the balance unsecured at nine and twelve months. The total liabilities are about \$198,000.

The Napane firm of E. Hooper & Sons, dry goods, clothing, &c., have suspended, and liabilities not yet known. The suspension was hurried on owing to the large deficit in the County Treasury, at the head of which was the head of the firm, Mr. Edmund Hooper.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE CITY WHOLESALE TRADE.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6.

The holiday element has pervaded the city wholesale markets all week, and there are very few changes to note either as regards prices or the state of trade in any of the several branches of commerce. The only noteworthy change in prices is an advance of 25c per 100 lbs for bar and sheet iron, and for cut nails of 3 inches and upwards. In groceries our wholesale dealers are busily engaged at stock-taking, and business continues light. Several of the roads across the river have been made to follow, now that residents of the south shore are within easy communication with city traders. This morning, however, a thaw set in, and this afternoon, while we write, rain is falling steadily; should this kind of weather continue there may be some danger in crossing the river. The local breadstuffs market, so far this year, has been dull, and values show but little change within the week.

Table with columns: Price, Quantity, Items like Superior Extra, Extra Superior, Fancy, Spring Extra, Sturgeon, Strong Bakers, Fine, Middlings, Potatoes, Ontario Bags, City Bags, Oatmeal, Cornmeal.

ASHES.—In store here on the 31st December, 1878, 462 bris pots and 104 bris pearls, against 1,123 bris in store on the 31st December, 1878. Receipts since 1st January, 1880, to date, (6th inst), 120 bris pots, 142 bris pearls. A few sales of pots have been made during the week at \$4.65, but there is nothing doing in pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Manufacturers are still kept busy on spring orders, but prices have not yet been changed for the spring trade.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Trade is reported dull and in an almost stagnant condition. The demand for all kinds of drugs and chemicals is light and principally confined to the city retail trade. Prices remain firm, with an upward tendency, if anything. No change reported in foreign markets.

DRY GOODS.—The city retail trade continues wonderfully active, considering that the holidays are over. Orders from travellers for special lines of woollens and cottons are reported very fair. The prospective rise in values is operating in favor of early placed orders. Letter orders during the week have been fairly numerous, and with bright hopes for the Spring trade there is, on the whole, no cause for complaints in this department of trade. Remittances are coming forward very fairly, for the season.

FISH.—Salmon is scarce in this market, and stocks are in few hands. Lake trout and white fish are also scarce, the catch being far below that of former years. White fish are held at \$4.50 per cwt., and trout at \$4. Labrador herrings have advanced to \$6.75 per barrel. It is stated that there are not over 1,000 barrels in the market, and stocks in Quebec are also light. Salmon, 1, 2 and 3, \$18 to \$17 and \$16. Dry cod, \$4 to \$4.25. Labrador herrings, \$6.50 to \$7 per barrel; Mackerel, split, \$8 for 2's, \$7 for 3's; round mackerel, \$5.50 for 2's, \$4.50 for 3's. Green cod, No. 1, \$6.25; No. 2, \$5; drafts, \$8.

FURS.—The trade for this season is now about over. The annual sales of muskrat and beaver this month will regulate the prices for the coming season. The cold weather of November and December has influenced the trade favorably, and an advance may be expected on all classes of Canadian furs. But few raw furs are coming forward now, and prices are unchanged. During the past fortnight a few muskrats, skunk and minks have been offering, but there are not enough coming in to establish a market. There is a fair trade doing in manufactured hats, cloaks, &c.

GROCERIES.—Trade is reported inactive; all our large wholesale and jobbing houses are now busy stock-taking, and no large or important transactions in any of the several lines of staple articles have been reported, while prices remain steady and unchanged, all round, a few small lots of groceries, grades of raw sugar, have sold at refiners at from 8 1/2 to 9c, the outside figure being paid for choice Ports. Bico. Teas are steady and unchanged, values being very fairly maintained, while fruits are scarce and quiet, at the prices previously quoted. Other articles are dull and unchanged. Business is expected to rule quiet for at least another week. Latest mail advices from Liverpool, received yesterday, report business there as a partaking of the dull character usual at this season of the year, and it may be considered as partly a reaction after the recent activity. The present stock of raw sugar in Liverpool is 131,732 tons, against 98,570 tons last year at corresponding date, showing an excess this season of 33,162 tons. Black teas there are a slow sale, and the tendency is reported downwards. Currants have advanced in Liverpool, and are now quoted at 31s to 32s, in consequence of the French demand. Raisins, sugar and coffee dull. Freights unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—While the butter trade is reported to have improved since the turn of the new year in New York and Boston, there is no improvement to note in this market; everything, almost, in the line of provisions, is as dull as possible in the wholesale way. There is apparently no demand for exportation and the local trade is unusually dull. In the absence of sales we quote Eastern Townships at about 20c to 22c; Morrisburg, at 19c to 21c; Brockville, 18c to 19c; Western, 15c to 18c; and Kamouraska, 16c to 18c. Cheese quiet but firm; shippers supplied at 12c to 13c, and city retailers 13c to 13 1/2c. Dressed hogs in good demand at \$6.75 to 6.90 per cwt in cwt lots, with \$7 asked for small lots. Mess pork \$17.50 to \$18. Lard, city rendered, 10 1/2c to 11c; hams, 11c to 12c. Bacon, 8 1/2c to 9c. Fresh eggs in cases, 13c to 2c; lined, 15c to 16c. Dressed poultry, inactive; turkeys, 7c to 8c, with 10c asked for very choice stock; geese, 5c to 6c; chickens, 5c to 6 1/2c; ducks, 7c to 7 1/2c; partridges, 5c to 5 1/2c per pair. Venison, Saddles, 8c to 9c; carcasses 5c to 6c.

HARDWARE AND IRON.—Trade in the local market remains quiet; the travellers are all at home now preparing their samples for the spring trip, upon which they will start out about the last week of January, inst. The advance in prices for iron forwarded in our last report has since taken place, and we have now to put prices for bar and sheet iron, and boiler plates, up 25c per 100 lbs. Cut nails, 3 inch and upwards, have also advanced 25c per 100 lbs, being quoted now at \$3.25. All descriptions of heavy goods are firm at our quotations, and everything seems favorable for a good spring trade; meanwhile business is reported quiet, with remittances as good as can be expected.

Table with columns: Price, Quantity, Items like Rio Inox, Partisburle, Sunflower, Langdon, Lower and Bowling, Calder No, Carnbroe, Humatite, Scotch and Staffordshire, Best, Sweden and Norway, Lower and Bowling, CANADA PLATES, per box, Giamangan, Gault & Penn, F.W. & Arrow, Hatton, TIN PLATES, per box, Charcoal, I.C., Charcoal, D.C., Charcoal, J.C., Charcoal, J.C., Tin, Silesia, Charcoal, Cookley, K. of Bradley, per m., Galvanized Sheets, best brands, Hoops and Bands, 100 lbs, Sheets, best brands, Boiler Plate, per 100 lbs, Bars, Cut Nails, per 100 lbs, 3 in. to 7 in., Single, do, do, do, do, Pressed Spikes, LEAD, Sheet, per 100, Bar, Shot, Bar, Tin.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The market is reported steady and unchanged; hides are scarce, and the recent advanced prices are steadily maintained at \$10 for butchers' No. 1 skins, \$9 for No. 2, and \$8 for No. 3. Salted hides are worth \$1 more per 100 lbs. Sheepskins are steady and unchanged, at \$1 25 to \$1 50 each, as to size, etc.

Table with columns: Price, Quantity, Items like Sole, No. 1, B.A., per lb., Do, No. 2, B.A., Do, Buffalo Sole, No. 1, Do, No. 2, Hoopskin Slaughter, No. 1, Waxed Upper, light & medium, Do, do, heavy, Grained Upper, light, Splits, large, Do, small, Calif, 27 to 36 lbs, per lb., Do, 15 to 20 lbs, per lb., Harness, Buff Cow, Enamel Cow, Patent, Pebbled Cow, Rough Leather.

WOOL.—The demand for all kinds of domestic and foreign wools, at former quotations, continues fair. Canada pulled quoted firm, at 24c to 29c; Greasy Cape at 21c to 22c, and Australian at 28c to 32c.

THE FARMERS' MARKETS. TUESDAY, JAN. 6. Since last Tuesday there has been no business of any consequence done on the city markets, and prices are nominally unchanged throughout the list. On Friday last, the next day after New Year's Day, the markets were almost wholly deserted, and to-day was a holiday, hence no business was done.

THE CATTLE MARKETS. St. Gabriel. MONDAY, JANUARY 5. The receipts of live stock at Point St. Charles during the week ending to-day comprised 28 carloads of cattle and one of sheep. At St. Gabriel market there was a large supply of cattle, and business was more active than for some time past. The arrivals consisted of 19 carloads of cattle from Ontario and the Eastern Townships, but about half a dozen loads were driven down to Viger market.

The names of dealers offering one car load each are: F. W. Ritchings, Acton West; R. Craig, Brampton; Geo. Webber, Port Hope; T. H. Fife, Port Hope; A. Knox, Oshawa; Hugh Kelly, Toronto; J. Jones, Toronto; Thos. Bonner do; Thos Crawford do; P. H. Dardis, Morrisburg; W. Roberts, Richmond; W. Roberts, Lennoxville; R. Cochrane, Guelph; D. H. Elliot, Kingston; W. H. Reed do; Thos Dennis, Grafton; R. J. Hopper, Brighton; A. Dow, Berlin, and James Glennie, Guelph. Although the quality of the cattle was generally as good as at Christmas, the prices paid were fully 50c to \$1 per 100 lbs lower. Hugh Kelly sold his cattle, averaging 1,151 lbs each, to S. Price, at 4c per lb. F. W. Ritchings sold 6 head of choice cattle at 4 1/2, and 13 do at 2 5/8 each. Robert Jones sold 21 head to J. B. Roy at 3 1/2. Mr. Benallick bought a yoke of oxen from R. J. Hopper, and two more heavy steers from Mr. N. Taillefer at about 4 1/2. N. Taillefer bought 7 head of cattle, averaging 1,101 lbs each, from A. Knox at \$49 each, also 18 head, averaging 1,300 lbs each, from A. Dow at \$50 each. T. Crawford sold a head of cattle to a local butcher at \$38 each, also 15 choice hogs at \$5 3/4 per cwt, live weight.

On Monday, the 29th ult, E. B. Morgan, of Oshawa, shipped 10 cars of cattle to Europe via Halifax. Mr. Clarke, of Belleville, also shipped 2 carloads of sheep to-day for Great Britain, via Halifax.

AT VIGER MARKET to-day the supply of cattle was good, and a goodly number of choice grades of beef was offered, but the demand was slow, and butchers were endeavoring to buy at lower prices. Some drovers stated their intention of driving their best cattle home again rather than sell at the prices offered. The average range of prices paid for cattle was from about 2c to 4 1/2c per lb., live weight. Receipts altogether comprised about 225 head cattle, 10 sheep and 2 calves; of these fully 200 head were from the St. Gabriel market. R. J. Hopper & Co. received at St. Gabriel market 1 load cattle and 37 hogs, from Brighton, Ont; Mr. Hopper sold 14 head for \$582 at the western market, and 15 head for \$302 at Viger market. Mr. N. Taillefer bought 42 head cattle at St. Gabriel market at an average of 4c, and resold 5 head at Viger at \$48 each; for 15 head more he received a bid of 3 1/2c per lb., but had not sold them up to noon. Messrs Elliott & Reid, Kingston, sold 45 head out of 56 at from \$14 to \$25 each. Messrs Roberts & Wilder, Granby, sold out about 2 carloads cattle at about 3c per lb, live weight. R. Jones, of Mitchell, sold his carload of cattle at this market to Mr. B. Roy, this city, at 3 1/2c. Mr. Robert Cochrane, Guelph, sold 8 head, out of a carload of cattle, up to noon, at from \$30 to \$40 each. Geo. Webber, Peterboro, sold 6 head of cattle to-day at \$30 to \$45 each; on Saturday he disposed of a carload of 23 head to R. J. Hopper, at \$38 each. There had been no sales of sheep reported, up to noon.

There was a rather small business done in horses in this market during the past week, the official report of shipments showing a decrease of 71 horses and \$4,194, the number of horses sold during the week being only 61, at a total value of \$3,876.50, against 133 horses valued at \$8,070.50 for last week. The falling off is no doubt chiefly owing to the holidays, which were absent by the majority of American buyers at their own homes. The quality of horses offering during the week at the American House yards is reported to have been fair, and the average price paid for the best was about \$75. Three carloads were shipped from these yards.—One by Mr. Dean, to Boston; another by Mr. Sydney, to New York State, and a third to Portland, Maine. There are at present some 4 or 5 buyers at the American House, and about a carload of horses in the stables; several American buyers are expected to arrive here early next week.

On the Corporation horse market four animals were sold by auction yesterday at from \$19 to \$45 each, and two superior horses were sold privately during the week at \$150 and \$175, respectively.

Following is the list of shipments from this city to the United States during the week:—December 29, 8 horses at \$218; December 30, 21 horses at \$1,574, and 9 horses at \$706; December 31, 13 horses at \$1,978.50.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS. London, Monday, 15th December, 1879.—Cattle at market, 5,620; sheep at market, 10,290. Best beef, 9d to 1 1/4d; inferior and secondary, 8d to 8 1/2d per lb. Mutton, 8 1/2d to 10 1/2d per lb. To-day being the great day of the year, our market has a busy aspect. Good beasts, however, are extremely scarce, and have commanded higher prices, and the competition has been keen. Midding and useful cattle have been more in demand and getting slightly increased prices. The sheep trade also has partaken in the general activity, at 2d, and in some cases 4d per lb more money.

Liverpool, Monday, 15th December, 1879.—Cattle at market, 3,682; sheep at market, 3,727. Best beef, 8d to 8 1/2d per lb; inferior and secondary, 6d to 7 1/2d per lb. Best mutton, 7d to 9d per lb. The falling off in the supply was unusually large for Christmas time. The attendance was numerous, and prices ruled very high.

GLASGOW, Thursday, 18th December, 1879.—Cattle at market, 1,064; sheep at market, 4,300. Best beef, 8 1/2d to 8 3/4d per lb; inferior and secondary, 5 1/2d to 7 1/4d per lb. Best mutton, 8 1/2d to 9d per lb; inferior and secondary, 5d to 5 1/2d per lb. The supply of cattle at market this day was short, and many of them were of secondary quality. Demand for all kinds was fair, and no alteration from last week's rates. Of sheep there was a fair supply, and many of them of good quality. Demand still dull at last week's prices.

New York Live Stock Market. Trade in live stock in New York last Friday was slow. Beeves were off in value 1c per lb, and sheep and lambs weak, with a downward tendency of about 1c per lb. At Sixtieth street yards horned cattle sold at 8 1/2c to 10c per lb, weights 4 to 10 1/2 cwt. At Barnim's Cove yards prices ranged from 8 1/2c to 10c per lb, weights 5 to 10 cwt. General sales on 56 lbs net; range of allowances, 55 to 57 lbs net. Quality poor to good, in the aggregate coarse and well fatted. Milch cows sold at \$40 to \$60 per head, calves included. \$60 to \$40 per lb, calves not over 2 months; veals sold at 5c to 7c per lb. Sheep sold at 5 1/2c to 6 1/2c per lb; lambs, 6c to 7 1/2c per lb; mixed flocks, 6c per lb; quality of the flocks to market, coarse to good. Pigs, live weight, \$8 to \$11 per cwt; city dressed not quoted at noon. A lot of 272 Canadian lambs sold at 7c per lb—the highest figure of the day.

Montreal Fuel Market. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31. There are no new features to note in relation to the coal and wood trade in this city. Some of our leading dealers report a fair demand for anthracite and soft grate coal since the commencement of the present cold weather, and they are living in hopes that it will continue for a considerable time longer; while others state that there has been very little doing all week. Of course all orders given now are of small size. Dealers report the ice-bound coal from different points on the Richelieu river arriving here now in carloads every day, but some of the leading hotel-keepers claim that they have not yet received their supplies for which they contracted some time ago, and it would be interesting to know how all this coal now arriving is disposed of. One thing appears quite certain, that it is not being yarded, so that there must be a lot of coal contracted for yet to be delivered. Prices remain unchanged, dealers having found it impracticable, so far, to make any further advances; and any rise in the near future will most probably depend on the severity of the winter weather, and the condition of affairs in the United States, where a large curtailment in the production of anthracite coal is just now being enforced. It is believed that the consumption in the States during next year will be very much larger than ever known before, in consequence of the activity in the iron trade and other kinds of manufacture.

The production of anthracite coal last week was 509,255 tons, as compared with 554,977 tons the previous week, and 375,939 tons the corresponding week of 1878. The total production from January 1st to December 20th was 25,526,172 tons, against 16,852,027 tons for the like period of last year, showing an increase this year of 8,674,145 tons.

There is nothing new to note about wood; a steady demand exists for firewood at unchanged prices.

COAL.—Retail prices per ton, delivered for cash: Stove, \$7 to 7.50; chestnut, \$6.75 to 7.25; egg, \$7 to 7.50; furnace, \$7 to 7.25; Scotch grate (No. 1), \$5.50; Scotch steam, \$5.50; Sydney steam, \$6.50; Pitcairton, \$5.50 to \$6; coke per chaldron, \$4.00.

WOOL.—Retail prices per cwt, delivered from the yards: Long wools, 100 lbs, 30s to 32s; 3/4 breed, 25s to 27s; 3/8 breed, 20s to 22s; short, 15s to 17s; 1/2 breed, 15s to 17s; 1/4 breed, 10s to 12s; 1/8 breed, 8s to 10s; 1/16 breed, 6s to 8s; 1/32 breed, 4s to 6s.

Montreal Hay Market. SATURDAY, JANUARY 3. The demand for hay in this city has been less active during the week closing to-day, owing, probably, in some measure to the holidays, and, accordingly, prices are easier, and the best Timothy is quoted 50c to \$1 lower, at \$8.50 per 100 bundles, while common hay sells at various prices from that figure down to \$5. Straw is unchanged, quoted at \$3 to \$4 per 100 bundles. The receipts of hay and straw at the College street market from all sources were about 200 loads, one-half of which were brought across the river from points below Inchelaga and the Hudson cotton mill. The first two loads crossed from St. Lambert to-day, and it is reported that regular roads from Louisa and St. Lambert will be completed this afternoon, so that heavy receipts into this market are expected to be seen next week. Prices for pressed hay and straw remain nominally unchanged.

Liverpool Provision Market. CHEESE.—There is a rather firmer feeling in the trade, retailers, who have evidently been holding back as long as possible, having come forward and bought for Christmas stock at prices up to 60s to 68s for finest September makes. We also note that large wholesale houses, who usually deal principally in English manufacture, are now enquiring after American, and offering up to 60s to 63s for cheese to sell, not to hold. There is no doubt that our home makes are about exhausted, and, where a few extra choice are still unsold, we hear 80s to 90s per 120 lbs. is demanded for it. There is a strong enquiry for medium cheese at 45s to 52s, but no stock to be had.

BUTTER.—The weather continues to favour holders, who, however, are free sellers, and are disposed to meet buyers, but the demand is not very brisk. We quote fine creamery 110s to 120s, and fine dairy 100s to 110s per cwt.—Hudson Brothers Circular, 20th December, 1879.

The Ounce of Prevention and the Pound of Cure. Death reaps his richest harvest in the Spring. Then it is the time for cold catches, for colds, for consumption, and for contracting malarial fevers, and the system requires the proper food and tonic to prevent the development of these ailments. Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hyposphosphites of Lime and Soda contains just these properties. It is not only a delicious food, but a splendid food for the brain and nervous system, and at the same time perfectly agreeable to the taste.

The present Governor of Colorado used to be a carpenter at \$1.50 per day, but his old boss says it was more than he was worth. He used to stop sawing to match pins.—Free Press.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. "Swear offs" are nearly ripe. The loveliest things in muffs, thus far, are pretty little hands. Man should place himself above prejudices, and woman submit to them.—Ame. Necker. This thing of shooting at the Czar is getting to be tiresome. Why not engage Bogardus? A Wetzel country girl says one fug in was introduced as evidence in a breach of promise suit, either. A little boy, 3 years old, who had been looking out of the window for a few minutes at a beautiful red sunset, exclaimed: "Mother, look how sore the poor sky is!" After a Texas jury had stood out for ninety-six hours the Judge got a verdict out of them in two minutes by sending them word that a circus had come to town. We learn from the Home Journal that, up to the 22nd ult, the collections in the Diocese of Detroit, under the direction of the Right Rev. Bishop Borgess, for the relief of the Irish distress amounted to \$7,279.44; and from the Uniceur, that the same fund in the Diocese of Cleveland (Bishop Gilmour), up to the 23rd had reached \$7,191.42.—Toronto Tribune.

Provisions were never so dear before as at present in Naples, and the Mayor and his agents are investigating the charges of the grocers, butchers, bakers, and candlestick makers. Milan is also suffering from exorbitant prices in meats. Every large city in Italy is in fact complaining over the cost of the prime necessities of life to the poorer citizens.

The Rev. I. S. Killoch, Mayor-elect of San Francisco, has published a letter calling upon the Police Commissioners to revoke the license to carry a pistol granted by them to Charles De Young of the Chronicle. He says that De Young's attempt to kill him shows that it is dangerous to permit him to carry weapons. Denis Kearney has been denied permission to carry a pistol, and he, therefore, unites with Killoch in his demand upon the Police Commissioners. When Kearney was recently arrested for disturbing a meeting a revolver was found on his person, and this was one of the charges made against him in the Police Court.

An Englishman who has been visiting at a large country seat in Silesian Prussia describes his host as exercising an arbitrary and irresponsible authority. "Liberty does not exist in Prussia in any sense in which we understand the word, and there is incessant petty meddling with affairs of private persons. There is apparently an almost total absence of religious feeling among the peasantry. The Government schoolmasters are often professed infidels. The children grow up wild and ready to receive any mischievous teaching that may come in their way. So far as a foreigner's observation goes, the Prussian school system appears to be in a most precarious condition. The lower classes are in a state of ferment and upheaval, while the nobility is crystallized with its medieval institutions, its antiquated habits of thought, and its utter want of sympathy with any class but its own. Morality is undermined, party spirit runs high, and there is little feeling of security in the country."

The value of certain churches in Paris is thus: St. Eustache, 23,307,384 francs, of which 393,701 francs is for work of art and decoration; St. Roch, 16,850,598 francs, St. Germain l'Auxerrois, 12,029,500 francs; Madeleine, 11,477,500 francs; St. Sulpice, 9,900,000 francs; St. Augustin, 7,000,000 francs; St. Clothilde, 5,287,000 francs, of which the decoration has cost 355,000 francs; St. Germain des Pres, 4,500,000 francs; Notre Dame de la Tourette and St. Vincent des Paul, each 3,000,000 francs; and twenty-two others at 1,000,000 francs and over. The value of religious buildings for Protestant worship is given at 9,537,888 francs, of which 3,925,621 francs is estimated for the Temple of the Oratoire, St. Honoré, and for the two synagogues in the Rue de la Victoire and Rue des Tournelles, 4,425,570 francs. The works of art in the shape of paintings, sculpture, frescoes, &c., contained in the churches under the supervision of the city of Paris are valued at 6,116,359 fr., of which 3,391,094 fr. is apportioned to paintings, 1,776,040 fr. to sculpture, and 949,295 fr. to stained glass.

One night, at the close of last month, 200 ex-convicts met at a mission chapel in a mean street of a low district in London for the third annual supper of an association devoted to the aid of discharged prisoners. A member of this mission attends every morning at one of the chief city prisons and invites discharged prisoners to breakfast, after which the question of what can be done to help them is considered. During the past year 5,502 breakfasts have been given, 172 men were placed at work, 50 sent to sea, 19 to various "refuges," 45 had their railroad fare paid to their homes, 25 are in the home of the association, and 13 have been expelled or have absconded from it. In this city there is a similar association, but, unfortunately, it does not seem very effective, to judge by the statements which are made by prisoners, who declare that they are almost driven back to evil courses by inability to find work. One great difficulty lies in the repugnance of employers to work with ex-prisoners. But a little tact and decision might often surmount this. Some years ago an old English gentleman took into his service a young footman who had, under very hard circumstances, been for a brief time imprisoned. One day the housekeeper came, with flushed face, to announce the fact that the man who she could not remember the name of had been in jail. "Sir Charles looked up from his book and merely said, 'Well, then, you'd better go.' Almost suffocating with indignation, Mrs. Marmalade stepped out. 'But Corker (the butler) says he can't a-bear it, either, Sir Charles.' But to this clincher, as she supposed, Sir Charles merely replied, 'Well, then, he'd better go, too—now, that will do.' Both remained, and the young footman was left in peace.

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