

DYING IN PRISON.

Not Allowed to See his Brother by Mr. Ward... About a year ago a young man named Jeffrey from Elora, was sentenced to 23 months in the central prison with 25 lashes for criminal assault.

The doctor ordered his removal to the London asylum from which institution he was returned to the prison some few days ago cured as to his mind, but in poor physical health.

HOSPITAL, CENTRAL PRISON, Toronto, Dec. 11, 1881. DEAR FATHER AND MOTHER: I received your kind and welcome letter and was glad to hear from you.

Accordingly Mr. Andrew Jeffrey, the brother referred to, came down to Toronto last night and made the above statement, and said further that Mr. Warden Massie had refused to admit him to see his dying brother, whom he had not seen since the fair at London.

A FINE DISPLAY OF FURS. At this time of the year everybody is supposed to be making presents, and the cold weather naturally creates a vast fur store.

Visitors to the store may always rely upon being treated with perfect fairness, and quiet unobtrusive politeness be their purchase small or large.

YORKVILLE ANNEXATION. There was a fully attended meeting of the joint committee yesterday. They considered the report of the committee and adopted their recommendations as a basis of annexation with the following changes:

Michael Stroffog grows in the public favor, and the houses increase with every performance. The last two opportunities of witnessing Kraljic's show will be this afternoon and to night.

Building permits have been granted to M. & H. Handle for semi-detached two-story double brick dwelling house on the north side of Selby street, to cost \$5000; and to John Boyce for two brick-fronted houses on Huron street, north of Russell, to cost \$1400.

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COUNTY COURT.

An Action for Illegal Seizure Against Police Officers - A Preliminary Note Case. The case of Mrs. Mary Rebecca Doherty against Chief Constable Draper and Policeman Taylor was an action for \$200 damages alleged to have been sustained by reason of an illegal seizure of her grocery goods on a warrant issued for the recovery of a fine imposed for selling liquor without a license on her husband, who is since deceased.

In both v. Neil, an action on a promissory note, the defence was that the note had already been paid by an endorser named Louisa, and that plaintiff was really suing on behalf of Louisa, against whom Neil had a good defence.

The romantic drama of My Geraldine was played at the Royal opera house last night. The reformers of North York meet to-day to select their candidate for the house of commons.

The Ontario field battery came down from Guelph yesterday and engaged in shell practice at the Woodbine park.

E. King Doherty says he will accept no further engagements to speak against the Scott act. He's tired of the stump.

License Inspector Dexter denies that he employs young men to enforce the law against the liquor traffic in houses of ill-fame.

An explosion in the oil shed of the Credit Valley shops at Parkdale, Thursday night, set fire to the building and did considerable damage.

The Georgetown fireman will soon be rigged out in new uniforms. The suits are being manufactured by W. J. Hoge & Co. of this city, and will be quite nobby.

J. N. O'Neil is doing a good business in plumbing and hot water, steam and gas fitting at 108 Church street. Mr. O'Neil contracts for all branches of the work, furnishing supplies and executing the work in first-class style. He gives satisfaction to all.

Patience at the Grand opera house commencing Monday night. The opera will be produced by the Comely-Barton company, which is said to be the best on the road.

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No Postponement

To every purchaser of 5 lbs. of our Tea at 60c. or upwards, a ticket is given free that entitles the holder to a chance in our grand drawing for a XMAS PRESENT in the shape of a

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The drawing will be conducted by one of the ticket-holders chosen by the majority present, at our store on the evening of the drawing, 23rd December, 1881.

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