delphia is called greedy, and has made that imputation. Of course, plan has "money in it" for some; will be revived in due time.

FROST BUILDINGS.—The great fire Pantechnicon, in London, has given tention to inquiries as to what constitfireproof building. The *Pall Mall* thinks that the many shrewd reflecdid forth may all be summed up in obvious conclusion that it seems and prescribed to the PRESIDENT of the Rev. John Stevens, Congregational Minister, sent out by the Boston Board of Foreign Missions, with cries of "Song five the Priests." They broke into the house, and seizing the clergyman, emptied his head to a jolly, and chopped his body into pieces. They afterwards sacked the house, and carried off everything of value. After much delay the riot was suppressed by the local authorities. The Government has sent a detachment of troops to the place. A rigid investigation has been set on foot, and orders issued for the arrest of all the priests in Abnalnoo and the neighbouring town of Tokhtan. The mob in Sayan, acting under the same influence, attacked a small garrison of the town, burned the public archives and pillaged the house of the authorities.

The City Council of Zanesville, O., has passed an ordinance, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating drinks.

Jacob Dacon, a noted prize-fighter, has been elected alderman for one of the wards in Brooklyn, on the Reform ticket.

Bald Mountain, along the western part of North Carolina, is in a state of volcanic eruption.

The temperance movement in Chicago has almost collapsed. The woman, wherever they appear, are hooted and yelled at by the mob.

The Central Pacific Railroad is again blockaded with snow near Tangent Gap. The snow, in some places, is twenty-five feet deep on the level.

There were eight fires in Montreal, on Monday night.

CANADIAN.

An accident occurred at Hamilton on Monday, in Murton & Reid's coal yard, by which a boy fifteen years of age, named Henry Gotswover, lost his life. He was loading his waggon with coal from a bony which had been undermined, and a heavy frozen crust hung overhead, and while he was underneath the mass above, weighing over five tons, gave way, and buried the boy beneath it. The body was dug out as soon as possible, and presented a horribly disfigured appearance.

The iron bridge over the Desjardins Canal, erected by the Hamilton and Milton Road Company, broke down Monday; a little before four o'clock. Four horses were drowned, and two teamsters narrowly escaped with their lives. One named Moore and his wrist broken, and the other, Frank Grey, was seriously injured about the ribs. The escape of the men was miraculous. The bridge parted in the middle.

Judge Hoseen Hoss, one of the retired Judges of the Nova Scotia Bench, died on Monday morning aged seventy-nine. He represented the County in the Provincial Parliament for a number of years previous to his elevation to the Bench.

A young man who had only just returned from New York to his father's home in Roslaville, C. B., while receiving the congratulations of his mother, fell down and expired.

The Ottawa *Times* of Monday morning says that Premier Mackenzie has decided on a bye-election for Ottawa City, and that Mr. Wright, the Reform candidate, will be the Government candidate.

A fire on Saturday broke out in a stable owned by Wm. Lamont, Sarnia. The flames spread very rapidly, and it was at one time thought that the whole block would be burned. The fire broke out with their steamer displayed great promptitude, and did excellent work, succeeding in confining the fire to the stable and woodshed adjoining. The hose burst several times, but the firemen were equal to the emergency, and quickly substituted other hose. The loss is about $3,000. The insurance is not yet been ascertained. The Sarnians are badly in want of substantial and durable hose.

Jas Boyden died suddenly at Eatonville, Cumberland Co., N. S., last week, from an overdose of laudanum.

Alphaus Pine, of Clements, Annapolis Co., N. S., died suddenly on Friday last, working alongside his waggon.

Capt. Wm. Feil, late master of the ship Salacia, which was wrecked near the entrance of Yarmouth Harbour a few weeks ago, died suddenly on Saturday last in the United States Hotel in that town. Coroner's verdict was death from congestion of the lungs, combined with heart disease.

On Saturday morning, between two and three o'clock, some burglars effected an entrance into the office of the Woodbridge agricultural implement and machine works. They blew open the safe and rifled it of its contents, and then set fire to the building. The flames totally consumed the whole establishment, together with two mense piles of lumber and cordwood. When the fire was discovered the office was all in ashes, which rapidly spread to the other building. Although the steam pump was quickly got into operation, the flames made such rapid progress that it was of very little use. The burglars opened the safe by drilling a square hole out of it from the outside door, and then inserting powder or nitro-glycerine, which blew the door open, was completely rifled, and one of the wrought iron hinges. The inside door they opened by putting the substance into the key hole. It is supposed that not finding any currency in the safe, the villains set fire to the building in a fit of disappointment. The loss is estimated at $300,000; no insurance. Two cash boxes, containing promissory notes to the value of upwards of $100,000, are said to have been carried off. Over one hundred and fifty employees are thrown out of work.

A switchman of the Great Western Railway, named James Edwards, was run over and killed on Friday night, at London, while on duty. He was called on to turn a triple switch, between Clarence and Wellington streets, in order to let a train come and go in the way of the locomotive, which passed over him. Some time afterwards he was missed from his post, and, on a search being made, was found lying on the track in a shockingly mangled condition. Deceased leaves a wife and one child to lament him.

A painful accident occurred near Thistletown on Saturday by which a man named Isaac Plowright lost his hand. He was engaged at the time in feeding a cutting box in the barn of Mr. J. Boulton. Doctor Savage was promptly in attendance, and found it necessary to amputate a little above the wrist. The patient is progressing favorably.

Very successful temperance meetings have been held the past week in Thamesford, Goderich, Almonte, Ottawa, &c.

The brick stables of the Dominion Hotel, Belleville, were damaged by fire to the extent of 2,000, on Tuesday night.

Navigation is open at Windsor and Walkerton.

The second annual meeting of the Bowmanville Y. M. C. A. was held on Monday evening, in the Town Hall.

THE WEEKLY MAIL.

THE attention of our readers is directed to an advertisement on another page, from which will be seen the inducements held out to persons having time or inclination to form Clubs for the circulation of *The Weekly Mail*; a paper specially suited for readers at a distance from Toronto, whether residing in the country parts of Canada, in Great Britain, the United States, or other foreign countries. For cheapness, in comparison with the wealth of information to be gleaned from it, *The Weekly Mail* is in advance of all competitors for popular favour, while the unparalleled success which has followed it since its first publication, is a gratifying evidence of the suitableness of its columns to the tastes of the reading public. No doubt, one cause of the extraordinary rapidity with which *The Weekly Mail* obtained the Government of Mr. Sandfield Macdonald. (Hear, hear.) In referring to the investigation before the Public Accounts Committee, he charged the Provincial Secretary with doing his best to prevent the facts being brought out. The member for South Brant also endeavored to protect the Government and prevent affairs being brought to the light of day. There was a principle involved in the resolution which the country could not disregard, and whether the resolution were voted down or not, it would have its due effect. He did not believe that a single jury in this country would be found to sustain the Commissioner of Public Works in his misappropriation of the public money. In the transaction was on a par with the reckless extravagance of the Government last year, and the loose manner in which the works in connection with the Central Prison had been carried on. If the resolution were voted down, the Government would in the future be enabled to exercise their influence on the elections in whatever manner they chose.

Mr. Masson (Argenteuil) said the Commissioner at some length. He charged the Opposition with attempting to make Public capital by bringing up aggravated statements and drawing upon their imaginations, in order to damage the Government. What was there justly a vote of censure against the Commissioner of Public Works? There had been no concealment ever attempted about the expenditure of two hundred men were given a holiday, and it was naturally talked about. It did not occur to the Commissioner that there was anything wrong in conceal. He might have made a mistake, but he apprehended that any Government, no matter how wise and good, was liable to mistakes. The press supporting the Opposition, had done its best to do injustice and excite public opinion in reference to this matter, but the effect had scarcely met with the success claimed. The Commissioner of Public Works had placed his resignation in his hands and had asked him to accept it. He had, however, refused to accept it, and he thought he had consulted the wishes of the great majority of this House, and the feeling of the country in so doing. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Wood moved the adjournment of the debate.

The motion was carried.

Hon. Mr. Mowat moved the adjournment of the House.

The House adjourned at 1.10 a.m.

FRIDAY, March 13.

Hon. Mr. Mowat moved "That when this House adjourns to-day, it do stand adjourned until eleven of the clock in the forenoon of Saturday next, and that the House do meet at eleven of the clock in the forenoon of Monday next, and so continue from day to day until the House may sit until the end of the session, and that on each day designated for the House to meet, there be two sittings of the House, one being from eleven of the clock a.m. till half past one p.m., and the other from three o'clock p.m. Government measures to take precedence each day, except on Monday, when Private Bills are to have precedence, and Private Bills also to have precedence on Tuesday, Bills on Saturdays, but after Government Orders."

The motion was carried.

On the order for resuming the debate [on Mr. Cameron's amendment to go into Committee of Supply,

Mr. Haney said he could see nothing in the action of the Commissioner of Public Works to warrant this motion of want of confidence.

Mr. Clarke (Norfolk), characterized the charge against the Commissioner as a "mill charge" which had been "trumped up" by the Opposition.

Mr. Barber said he should vote against the motion, though he hoped he would not be called upon to give another such vote. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Ardagh could not come to any conclusion other than that the Commissioner was actuated by a political end and that the letter to Mr. Wagner was written with a view to bring his friends here, he recollected the political character of the session at whose request the letter was written. He could not see any other motive than that he was in which it was going to be put, and that the House would use it for political purposes. If this were the case, he thought the Commissioner had been guilty of such a gross error in judgment as to leave a shade of the doubt, but he believed that everyone who voted to condemn the Commissioner would be doing an injustice against the fact. The whole career of the Commissioner had been that of a political man using his own money. If the Commissioner had paid the $204 out of his own pocket, and presented the men a half holiday, it would, no doubt, have been a generous act on his part. It was argued that the Commissioner had been misrepresented not only by the evidence, but he thought that the evidence clearly proved a motive in the Commissioner was that he considered the Government was doing things to do as other employers of labour did. But the cost of the Commissioner did not show that it was the conduct of other employers of labour to give their men half-holidays in order to secure nominations, and yet allowed their wages to run on as usual. Mr. Wagner stated that he did business in Toronto, and during the last nineteen years had never allowed his men to attend nominations, except in the one instance of the Bickford-Mom election. He read extracts from the evidence of Mr. Dickey, who stated that he could not say whether it was usual or not in other establishments to allow men to attend their time, and that he believed that his men would not allowed their time. Now Mr. Dickey was a strong opponent of Sir John Macdonald, and yet the Commissioner of Public Works gave the men permission to let the men attend the nomination. The participant passed through the hands of Mr. Wagner, and then into those of Mr. Mellon, another strong partisan, and yet he was unable to charge them with any. And yet the Government pretended that no influence was brought to bear upon the men. He (Mr. Clarke) had made an attack upon the workingmen, charged with having allowed themselves to be misled, but he thought it was their duty to pass judgment upon whatever crime may have been committed. He was prepared to admit that a crime had been committed, and that the men had been misled, but that the rights of the people, and yet they asked the House to condone such offence on account of the high position of the Commissioner of Public Works. It was not for every day on which the House may sit until the end of the session, and that on each day designated for the House to meet, there be two sittings of the House, one being from eleven of the clock a.m. till half past one p.m., and the other from three o'clock p.m. Government measures to take precedence each day, except on Monday, when Private Bills are to have precedence, and Private Bills also to have precedence on Tuesday, Bills on Saturdays, but after Government Orders.