

gaining general knowledge than a professional man in the active pursuit of his profession. But it does not depend on time so much as inclination."—Webster says that "even in matters of taste and literature, the advantages of a man of leisure are apt to be over-rated. If there exists adequate means of education, and the love of learning be excited, that love will find the way to the object of desire through the crowd and pressure of the most busy society.

News.

CANADA.

The Provincial Government are about to issue Debentures of \$10 and \$20 each, payable in a year after date with interest. They are in appearance like the notes of the chartered banks.

Mr. W. Aspinall Howe, succeeds the Rev. F. G. Simpson as Rector of the High School of Montreal. He has been chosen in Scotland by Lord Cockburn and several gentlemen connected with the High School of Edinburgh, and is said to possess talents of a high order, and to have had much experience in teaching.

The Retail Dry Good stores, in the city, now close at 8 p.m., till the 1st November, and from that period till 1st May at 7 p.m.

From all sides come most excellent accounts of the crops. On the Island of Montreal, nothing can be more promising. It is to be hoped we shall have sufficient warmth to bring to perfection our present prospects, as we have lately had an unusual amount of rain.

At Montreal, on the 17th inst., a private of the 19th Regiment, named John Jones, shot corporal Fitzgerald, on account of his having received a slight reprimand. A verdict of wilful murder has been returned against him.

In the Emigrant Hospital, Point St. Charles, the number of sick treated from the 20th Nov. to 30th of June, was only 87 in all.

"The Journal of Education," under the editorship of Dr. Ryerson, proves to be a losing concern to the proprietor, and must be discontinued unless better supported.

Wm. Barber, a private of the 93rd Highlanders, was killed lately by falling from Cape Diamond into a yard in rear of Champlain street, a height of about 300 feet.

Government intends disposing of the Crown Lands south of the Ottawa, in rear of the surveyed Townships, to actual settlers in free grants, settlers being required to clear and cultivate 16 acres to each 100 acres.

A brick-maker, in the neighbourhood of Cobourg, has succeeded in making 20,000 bricks in one day, by means of Butter's newly invented machine.

About a fortnight ago, a child was playing in a boat above the Falls of Niagara, when it got loose, and notwithstanding every effort, the child and boat was carried into the abyss below.

The subject of Ocean Steamers to Montreal from Great Britain, has been mooted by the city press. We shall be very happy to record some action in the matter by those who are competent.

A new trial, in the case of *McGillivray, vs. McDonald*, for a libel, has been refused. The libel consisted in the Defendant, proprietor of the Montreal Transcript, having inadvertently published a hoax, stating that the Plaintiff, a widow, had given birth to twins.

The *Minerve* states that a lioness with two whelps has appeared in Yamachiche, supposed to have escaped from a menagerie. We think it likely that this creature is a native puma. It very much resembles the lioness at first sight.—*Courier*.

Mr. W. Burr, an American, with other artists, is engaged in making a Panorama of Canadian Scenery.

The new Proprietors of the Sherbrooke Cotton Factory, expect to have it in operation again very shortly.

The vibration on the Niagara Suspension Bridge is so great that it is doubted whether it can ever be made available for carriages.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE CONTINENT.

It appears that Senor Isturtz, the Spanish Minister, has left London, not in consequence of being recalled, but because it was thought necessary to retaliate for the insult put upon Sir Henry Bulwer.

Nearly 200 young women left Plymouth lately, in the Royal George for Sidney, New South Wales. They go out free of expense under the auspices of the Australian Land and Emigration Commissioners, and have been selected by them from the unions of Ireland, in consequence of the want of domestic servants and the disparity of sexes in the Colony.

100 American live hogs were lately landed from the St. George at Liverpool, in good condition. They are remarkably large and fine animals.

Wm. Howitt, author of the *Homes and Haunts of British Poets*, is in the Gazette as a bankrupt. He is described as a "bookseller, Strand."

The Elephant "Rajah" lately killed one of the keepers at the Zoological Gardens, Liverpool, and it was found necessary to have him shot, as this was the second he had killed. He was 35 years old, the largest in the kingdom, and cost the proprietor £600 eleven years ago.

The Revolution in France has assumed a more promising aspect. The late insurrection has been completely quelled and tranquility restored. General Cavaignac is the almost irresponsible Dictator of France, and seems to be fruitlessly occupied in consolidating the Government.

There are reports of a revolution in St. Petersburg, in which 300 lives were destroyed. The cholera is making fearful progress: six new hospitals have been opened in Moscow. A great fire has visited Oriol District, in Russia; 3000 houses burned; loss, £685,000.

An armistice of three months has been concluded between Prussia and Denmark. There has been great excitement in Berlin. Archduke John has been appointed Lieutenant-General. Perfect tranquility in Austria.

Charles Albert is inactive; the Austrians have re-possessed themselves of nearly all the Venetian Provinces.

Rome is in a disturbed state. The Pope has had an epileptic attack.

The Carlists are rising in Spain.

In Turkey, an insurrection broke out among the galley slaves at Procida; 5000 are reported to be killed.

Several convictions have taken place in Ireland for drilling. A warrant has been issued against the publishers of the "Felon." A bill has been found against John Reilly for drilling.

A riot has occurred in Edinburgh, resistance being made to the Annuity Tax.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has received £300 from an anonymous correspondent, as "conscience money."

The value of the property in England assessed to the poor rates is about seventy millions sterling.

A bird's nest was last week found snugly built in one of the cranes on Bristol quays.

A child named James Walmsley Denton, aged nine weeks, has died in Liverpool from being overlain.

The Cholera had nearly left the Ottoman capital, but had made its appearance, though in a mild form, at Aleppo.

Last year 364,000 gross, or 52,416,000 tobacco-pipes were sold in England.

A coal-mine has been discovered, near the Dardanelles, of a most excellent quality.