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Quebec.— The Oshawa fire brigade has been re-organ-
ized and placed on a good footing.— A large new floating dock has been launch-
ed at Quebec.— The Consolidated Bank has declared a
half-yearly dividend of three per cent.— Barnett's Museum at Niagara Falls is to
be sold by auction.— A felt hat factory is to be started in New-
market.— The egg trade is a considerable one in
Bellefille. Over 4000 dozen were exported last
week.— Wages are so low in London that men are
engaged on the new water works for seventy
cents a day.— Mr. Robert Thomson, of Portage du Fort,
one of the oldest lumbermen on the Ottawa,
died last Saturday.— The familiar proverb that "Figures
won't lie" was invented before the present
Bankrupt law went into operation.— There is a good depth of water in Lake St
Peter, about 25 feet. The depth will be reported
daily at the Corn Exchange.— Mr. John Brown, one of the leading mer-
chants of Carleton Place, and well known
throughout the Ottawa valley, died last week,
after a long illness.— A special train of six cars conveyed to Hal-
fax, for the last outgoing Allan steamer, 582
quarters of beef from Toronto for shipment to
England.— The first cargo of English coal for the
season, consisting of 500 tons, arrived in Quebec
on the 18th inst., and was sold for \$5.25 per
Quebec chaldron.— The deed of composition in the case of A.
MacIntosh, forwarder, Ottawa, has been con-
firmed by the creditors. He is to pay 50 cents
on the dollar, in 9, 18, 27 and 39 months.— Great Britain expended last year in foreign
countries the respectable sum of five millions of
dollars for the purchase of food. Canada got a
considerable share of this amount. We hope
this year the share will be considerably increas-
ed.