

CITY NEWS.

their religious feelings overpower them when the truth comes out. As D'Israeli said when Gladstone was kissing the Queen's palm as First Lord of the Treasury:

"It is hard to give the 'and' where the 'art' can never be."

It is now a week since I issued my challenge for a duel to the world, but I have up to this received no answer. Are the days of chivalry, indeed, fled forever? Are there no longer any words ready to leap from their scabbards? Not one.

I remember how I used to weep over the glorious deeds of the knights of old and their successors the buccaners and the pirates of the prairies, and how my heart used to throb when I came across a chapter in Sir Walter Scott's novels, describing how the chivalry, after robbing several churches and as many head-roads as lay within the range of their jurisdiction, were accustomed to rally forth and challenge the world to produce a fairer dandy than their own (or some one else's) Mary Jane of the period. My eye! How they did massacre their slaves and villains and then march off to Palestine to free the Church and to pitch into old Saladin. They were armor, did the chivalry, from top to toe, and it has been to me a matter of surprise how, when they were unhorsed, they managed to get on again. I suppose they had five or six base fellows to give them a leg up, for otherwise they would have lain on the ground for all eternity. The bowmen and footmen were killed in thousands, but nothing less than a catapult could injure the chivalry. I don't believe a knight was ever slain in combat, though he might have burst a blood vessel trying to rise.

Mr. Editor, I have now found out a true and certain way of getting rich, and I feel ashamed of myself because it escaped me so long. It is so extremely simple. I shall buy a hen and set her hatching a dozen of eggs. eleven of them will come out, and they in turn will become the mother of chickens in turn. Allowing ten each, that will be 110, and so on until by the law of arithmetical progression I shall have about 1,100,000,000,000,000 in less than forty years, when calculating a chicken at sixteen cents, their sale will bring me \$62,500,000,000,000. Now deducting one-third for waste, death, theft, etc., I still have left the princely sum of \$40,333,333,333,333, which I shall lodge in the Mechanics' Bank, and draw interest at six per cent. I shall then be the richest man in the world, but if the chivalry had not gone, I leave it to yourself if I could ever save to such an extent.

If one of your subscribers would kindly lend me a hen and a dozen eggs to commence with, I shall reward him handsomely when I roll in millions.

Your sanguine correspondent,
MYLES O'BROGAN.

PERSONAL.

—Garfield was a good boy at college.

—Mr. Taillon is not yet gazetted Recorder.

—Colonel Jerome Bonaparte is in New York.

—Grant is a good (cigar) stump speech maker.

—Mr. Gladstone's majority is crumbling to pieces.

—Lizzie Carroll, a Troy girl, has died from a spider bite.

—A French paper styles Gambetta Emperor of the Republic.

—Sarah Bernhardt changes her toilet a dozen times a day.

—Capital punishment has been abolished in the British army.

—Sir Selby Smyth recommends a permanent military force for Canada.

—Kelly has annihilated Tilden and his chances for the Presidency.

—Neil Warner's pupils have presented him with a splendid writing desk.

—The King of Greece is to receive the freedom of the City of London.

—Lord Beaconsfield wishes to retire from the position of Opposition leader.

—Sir Garnet Wolseley has been gazetted Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath.

—Hon. John Beverley Robinson has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.

—The rift contest between the Irish and American marksmen promises to be keen.

—General Dougherty, an Irish Catholic, nominated Hancock at the Cincinnati Convention.

—Acheson, the landlord who murdered Mehan at Baltimore, Leitrim, has been acquitted.

—Hancock was mixed up in the Surat affair, and the republicans are making the most of it.

—The body of Giovanni Polli, father of cremation, was cremated at Millar on Sunday, the 20th June.

—At the moment Garfield was nominated an American eagle perched upon his house in Washington!

—Don Carlos says Charles General Boet stole his golden fleece, and the General says the Don sold it.

—American and Turkish officers are in the habit of kicking and striking their soldiers, and are allowed.

—D. A. Sullivan, Esq., B. C. L., Toronto, has been elected president of St. Michael's College Alumni Association.

—The boss system has passed from New York to France. Gambetta is at present boss of that fine country.

—It is said the Duke of Connaught will be made Commander-in-Chief of the army instead of the Duke of Cambridge.

—Bradlaugh, in contesting his claim to a seat in the House, said, "If I had 10,000 men at my back" — the rest was lost in a storm of hisses.

—The late Prince Albert carried aristocracy to such a height (?) that he would not receive his gun direct from the hands of his gamekeeper.

—The Duke of Norfolk, the premier Roman Catholic Peer, voted with the Tories against the Bursala Bill, as did Lord Bury, another Roman Catholic.

—There is terrible mortality among fish from Murray Tower to the Penitentiary, near Kingston. They come down from the Bay of Quinte and line the shores.

—The New York Herald names Charles O'Connor and Senator Kernan as possible Democratic candidates, but says they are Roman Catholics—and the sky has not yet fallen.

"I will stay," said he, "and will sing my still deep night see me stay under its moonlight skies. I will wake and sing till the morning star shall come, and the darkness fly." But he didn't; he came right out there, and "lifted" him nine feet high.

Mr. Frank Greene, of this city, has obtained the contract for heating a Belgian convent with his steam-fitter. Canada is evidently going ahead.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.—It is stated that Mr. James R. Urquhart has been appointed to the position lately held by Mr. H. N. Tabb, who has been dismissed from the service.

THE \$12,000 ROBBERY.—One of the men implicated in the above robbery, and whose name is Brown, is said to be suffering from ill health. Consequently he has been released on bail.

STRIKE ENDED.—The strike of the bricklayers employed on the new Grand Trunk office, Point St. Charles, has virtually ended, the majority of the foremen and contractors having agreed to give the men \$2 a day.

CHAPEL OF NOTRE DAME DE LOURDES.—The doors of this splendid chapel are now open. All can enter from half-past seven in the morning till noon, and from one o'clock to seven in the evening. Price of admission, 10 cents.

TERRERONNE.—The Court of Queen's Bench for the District of Terrebonne opens on the 2nd prox., at Aymer. Among the cases which will come up for trial are the Gattineau conspiracy case, that of a habitation murdering a companion while in the woods, and the Oka Indian arson case.

CUT HIS THROAT.—About eight o'clock on Friday night a man named Stanton, said to reside at Point St. Charles, was brought to the General Hospital on an express wagon with his throat cut. He was found in the McGill College grounds, where he committed the act, by the policeman on that beat, and was at once arrested and taken to the hospital. The cut on the throat was superficial one, and that on the arm more severe. Neither of the wounds are dangerous. The man assigned no reason for his rash act.

Tuesday afternoon the annual closing exercises of the Catholic Commercial Academy were held, the Hon. Mr. Oulmet, Superintendent of Education, presiding. Among others present were the Rev. Fathers Sorin and Rousselot, L'Abbe Verrean, Bros. Austin and Marzari, Principal of the Normal School, C. E. Archambault, Superintendent of the Catholic School; Mr. M. C. Desnoyers, Mr. Edward Murphy and Mr. McMahon. Several selections were well rendered by the Academy Orchestra and Glee Club, after which the distribution of prizes took place. Mr. Jacques Laurin received the "Lorne Silver Medal," while the "Edward Murphy" prize, a gold medal and \$50, was won by Mr. Frederick Lariviere. Mr. Eugene Giguere won the "Compte" prize of \$50, and seven extra prizes, presented by Mr. P. S. Murphy, were borne away by Messrs. Theodor Haynes, Ovide Thomas, James Skelly, Albert Hebert, Henri Bourassa, Eliezer Montpetit and Victor Chretien. After the presentation of prizes, the valedictory addresses were delivered by Mr. Patrick Cox, in English, and Messrs. Hector Lafleur and L. J. Marlin in French. The Rev. Pere Rousselot, Mr. Edward Murphy and the Hon. Mr. Oulmet then delivered addresses.

THE ACADEMIC YEAR CLOSING.
DISTRIBUTION DAY AT "VILLA MARIA."

With June is ending the academic year, and schools and kindred establishments are closing for the summer vacation.

The closing scenes of the scholastic year at Villa Maria were attended with unusual brilliancy and success. The distribution of prizes was not a public one, it having been the rule for some years past to restrict the invitations to the clergy, the Commissioners of Education, and a few professional gentlemen. We have been fortunate, however, in obtaining a slight sketch of the proceedings, which we think too interesting to be left unnoticed. The young ladies, some two hundred and eighty in number, assembled in the grand reception hall of the Convent, which was beautifully decorated with bouquets and wreaths of natural flowers. The scene presented upon entering, the many pretty and happy faces and the glorious musical overture by forty performers, are long to be remembered. His Worship the Bishop of Arribat, who has just returned from Rome, presided. Miss Jessie Brooks, Brookville, received the beautiful gold medal presented by His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne. Other beautiful medals were awarded to the following young ladies as recompenses for close application and attention to their studies:—Miss McGill, Ontario, Miss Feehan, Boston, Miss May O'Brien, Montreal, Miss Donovan, Miss Egan, Miss Tithy, Miss Mulvey, Miss M. Brooks, Miss Brotherton, of Gulliver, Texas, Miss Olivier, Miss Beaudoin, Miss Guilbeault, of Joliet, Misses Scanlon, Tranchemontagne, Williams, Murray, Casey, Pelletier. The distribution of prizes over, the pupils adjourned to the chapel, where a solemn benediction was given by the Bishop. An act of consecration was beautifully read, and Miss May O'Brien sang in a sweet and feeling voice, supported by a rich and powerful choir. There was a large assembly of the clergy and every thing passed off to the satisfaction of the reverend Sisters and all concerned.

The Montreal Herald supports the Government in the matter of paying the passage to this country of 3,000 navvies, while the Gazette condemns them, and by so doing is acting honestly and independently. The Gazette, in reply to the erratic comments of the Ottawa Citizen, says:—

So that it appears that the Government are to pay the ocean passage after all. We entirely dissent from the opinion of the Citizen that the Government are not responsible at all. By permitting this "organization in England" to be used, it establishes a practical contract between the Government and each individual navvy, and the former will be made responsible for any disappointment which the latter may experience. If the contractors have money due them by the Government, let them draw it and import their own navvies. It is a capital axiom in law—which is sometimes hard to learn—that it is a wise thing to mind one's own business. It is as applicable to Governments as to individuals. We hold that it is no part of the business of the Government, having given out contracts, to trouble itself with providing labor for the carrying out of the contract.

ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY, SHEERBROOKE.

At a meeting of the St. Patrick's Society of Sheerbrooke, specially convened for that purpose, on motion it was unanimously

Resolved, that this society has heard with deep regret of the death of John M. Shea, one of its oldest and most faithful members of this society.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of the deceased, and inserted in the Montreal True Witness.

An American lady has written an essay on "The Disadvantages of being Pretty." Our girls, believe them! are good-natured, and will put up with the disadvantages.

ST. ANN'S CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' SCHOOL.

Distribution of Prizes.

The annual distribution of prizes of this school took place yesterday in the upper hall of the building, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and made as cool as a thermometer in the nineties would permit of. Notwithstanding the intense heat a large number of the friends of the pupils were present, their holiday dresses giving the hall a very gay and pleasing appearance. Besides Brother Arnold and his staff, quite a number of brothers from other schools were present to witness the examination at this "crack" school, for wherever Brother Arnold goes success follows him, and circumstances have to lead to his extraordinary and untiring energy and his zeal for the education of youth.

At two o'clock, when the proceedings began, the hall presented a gay and animated appearance; running under the ceilings were banners of different colored cloths, festooned in a manner that betrayed a taste for art in the designer. On the platform was the beautiful piano lent for the occasion by Nordheimer, while right in front were handsome bouquets interspersed through the prizes designed for the victors in intellect. The boys themselves were there, bright with hope and expectation. It is evident the Christian Brothers know how to relieve the monotony of examinations, for after each class was examined music, songs and recitations succeeded, so that figures and grammar and maps did not have it all their own way. Among the boys who were put forward as musicians and elocutionists were Master Frank Green, recitation: Master J. Kennedy, a piano solo and a melody of Irish air, which he played with remarkable ability; Master Michael Quinn, who recited the battle of Fontenoy amid unbounded applause; Master Patrick Galvin, one of Brother Arnold's best scholars, who recited the Sack of Baltimore by the Algerines, and the two brothers Kennedy (John and James), who delighted the audience with their skillful piano playing. Besides these exhibitions the boys sang several choruses, among them being "Happy little birds are we," and the "Red Cross Knight."

It was pleasant to hear the fresh sweet voices of the boys as they rolled out the choruses, and the vigor with which they sang. It would take too much of our space, pressed and all as we are, to give a full report of a three or four hours examination. Suffice it to say that the school maintained its reputation, although a good many of its best last year's scholars have gone forth to battle with the world. What we would advise, and what we are sure would please Brother Arnold, would be for some of our well college professors and principals to go and see the curriculum for themselves, to hear the questions and the answers in geography, mensuration, algebra, Euclid and history; to be astonished and go away confessing he has a lot of most intelligent boys who had neither been coached nor crammed, but intelligently trained and taught. The most difficult and intricate questions were asked, and the correct answers were given immediately the question was finished. It was Brother Arnold who conducted the examination, and frequently his questions were so long and full of fractions that he, himself, lost track of the figures. There could be no suspicion that the same questions had previously been learned (and the exceeding cleverness of the boys might give rise to such a doubt), for the lips of some of the scholars moved in silent calculation after each word of the teacher.

Appended is a list of the successful candidates in classes:—

FIRST CLASS.—Timothy Crowe, Patrick Galvin, Michael Cullen, F. Greene, William Smith, Patrick Connelan, Alex. McGuirk, Thomas Sweeney, James Wickham, Edward Finn, John Kennedy, Michael Quinn, John Fox, Walter Leleuvre, Chas. Green, Lawrence Craven, Frank Lynch, Frank Mahon, Frank McGuire, James O'Farrell, John Thornton, Aloysius Whalen, John Lyons and Daniel O'Donnell.

SECOND CLASS.—William Parker, Edward Peggan, Jas. McLaughlin, Michael McEighan, Patrick Flannery, W. Cullen, John O'Farrell, Patrick Shea, Wm. Crowe, Hugh Farmer, John Danaher, John Mullen, Thomas McNally, Michael Doherty, James Cahill, James Burns, Patrick Morrissey, William Hadley, Arthur Gignas, Lawrence McInerney, Thomas Burke, Patrick Reynolds, Michael Flynn, Patrick Gilligan and Thomas O'Kane.

THIRD CLASS.—Thomas Wynne, Patrick W. Kearney, Patrick Power, Christopher Cutler, Thomas Carey, Maxime Fournier, John Farmer, Francis Dolan, William Gavin, David O'Farrell, Owen Ahearn, Sarfield Craven, George Grace, James Kennedy, Simeon Craven, George White, Patrick McLaughlin, James Doran, Frederick Leroux, Edward Tobin, Henry Scanlan and W. J. O'Brien.

FOURTH CLASS.—Fios. Greene, M. Brophy, Daniel McCallum, Charles Dillon, Thomas Brit, John Greene, Charles Meahan, H. Matthews, Michael Murphy, Robt. Newman, William McAllister, M. O'Brien, Patrick Kelly, John Dogrove, Edward Sweeney, William Dolan, Thomas Madigan, A. Tunstall, M. Gahan, John Browne, M. Cushing.

FIFTH CLASS.—John McGeece, John Norris, John Murphy, John Boyd, Patrick O'Farrell, John Murphy, James Donohue, James Grelon, John Sullivan, Thomas Scanlan, Michael Madigan, James Ford, John Driscoll, Arthur Kennedy, and John Shea.

SIXTH CLASS.—Geo. Murphy, James Price, Robert Craven, James Cavanagh, Patrick Ward, John Whitley, James McGuire, John Ford, Edward McMahon, John Costello, Frederick Considine, Louis Sutcliffe, Thomas Gaffney, Raoul Gauthier, Thomas Shelly, Michael Kinsella, Thomas Hartney, James Carroll, — Gates, Howard McAlary, W. J. McAlphres.

The prizes were distributed by Father Hogan, Mr. Ryan, M. P., and Alderman Kennedy.

There were six special prizes offered, consisting of silver watches and silver medals. The donors of the watches are Brother Arnold and Ald. Kennedy, Messrs. George Clarke, Alex. Woods and James Gallery, Rev. Father Hogan and Mrs. Kennedy each presented two silver medals. These special prizes were carried off by Masters Timothy Crowe, Patrick Galvin, Michael Cullen, F. Greene, William Smith, and Patrick Shea.

In addition, Master Frank Lynch received a special prize, which was voted to him unanimously by his fellow scholars.

When the prizes were distributed the pupils were addressed by Father Hogan, who commended them for their zeal and the progress

they had made, but warned them that their intellectual gifts should be used in the advancement of pure and moral objects without which intellect was no gift at all, but the contrary. Mr. Ryan also addressed the pupils and congratulated Brother Arnold. The most amusing part of the proceedings was reserved for the close, when a bright little fellow of four, Mark Walsh, sang two comic songs in splendid style, to the great delight of the audience, as well as amid their hearty applause.

It was useless, here, in connection with this matter to hold forth on the capacity, energy, and entire success of Brother Arnold as an educator and an administrator. It has been done so often before that it is almost monotonous. His reward for all this consists in the success of the pupils when they go into the world, and it may be truly said hundreds of them are now occupying leading positions in all the walks of life who never forgot the brother or what they owe him. Nor should we forget to mention the able and cheerful assistance rendered to him by his self-denying subordinates.

In our next issue we shall give a description of Brother Arnold's new house, now finished and furnished.

BY TELEGRAPH.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

LONDON, June 22.—It is stated that the French Government intend to propose a law for the payment of a subsidy of one franc and a half per ton on every ton of new shipping built in France, for each thousand miles traversed in voyage from France. Some large shipping companies have arranged to double their fleets as soon as the Bill is passed.

LONDON, June 25.—In the House of Lords to-night, during the debate on the burials bill, Lord Beaconsfield said the measure was unjust and unjust, but he did not oppose it, because eminent members of the clergy supported it. He thought it would be better to close the churchyards altogether. The bill was read the third time and passed.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Home Rule Confederation, it was decided to renew the Home Rule pledge in all the English constituencies.

LONDON, June 25.—Mr. Bradlaugh drove to Westminster Palace this morning in an open carriage. He was accompanied by Mrs. Annie Besant, who it will be remembered was indicted with Bradlaugh for the publication of a book which was held to be obscene, and whose subsequent suit to recover the custody of her daughter from her husband, from whom she has long been separated, attracted much attention some time ago. As the carriage entered the Palace yard, Bradlaugh was cheered by the crowd.

Shortly after the opening of the session, Mr. Henry Labouchere gave notice of his intention to move on Tuesday next to rescind the resolution adopted by the House, excluding Mr. Bradlaugh from taking the oath or from affirming. Mr. Gladstone declared that the whole subject must be considered and decided on Tuesday next. Mr. Bradlaugh then left the House laughing, and re-entering his carriage, drove homeward, amid the cheers of a considerable number of people, who had waited for his reappearance in the park and along the streets near the Parliament House.

LONDON, June 25.—In the House of Commons this evening, the Right Hon. Wm. E. Forster, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, moved the second reading of the bill providing for compensation for ejectment in Ireland under certain circumstances. Right Hon. David Plunkett, member for Dublin University, and Mr. Henry Chaplin, member for Lincoln, opposed the motion, after which the meeting was adjourned. Feeling is growing among moderate Liberals that the bill is a concession to agitation.

DUBLIN, June 21.—There are 200 cases of small-pox in the various hospitals of this city. At a meeting of the Mansion House Relief Committee to-day it was stated that the famine fever had appeared in Killarney, Sligo County.

DUBLIN, June 25.—The Mansion House Relief Fund announces only 240 received since last meeting. The funds now afford only three weeks' supply. Eight weeks of intense distress is to be faced. Even if the harvest should be good the troubles of the country will be only beginning, owing to the enormous debt which presses on tenants and farmers.

ROME, June 22.—The triumph of the Clericals in the municipal election exceeds the highest expectations. Of fourteen vacancies in the Municipal Council they filled thirteen. The severity of the contest was unprecedented. Of Provincial Councils they returned four of the five candidates.

AFFRAY WITH MILITIAMEN.

DUBLIN, June 22.—As the escort attending Acheson reached Carrick it was met by a crowd, including many militiamen, who are training at present. A large stone was thrown through the window of the omnibus and struck the chief constable, who sprang out and ordered the arrest of a militiaman who he seen throwing the stone. The police seized him and went off at full gallop, 300 militiamen following and threatening to rescue their comrade. Acheson was lodged in safety, but on returning from the jail to the barracks the militia attacked the police, severely, some mounting the fence and firing a fusillade of stones among the police, who fixed their bayonets and attempted to force their way, when a bloody riot ensued.

LONDON, June 24.—An official despatch from India states there is considerable discontent amongst the native troops under the existing regulations. It is impossible to raise the army to the original standard.

A very funny story is being told of one of the new Ministers. He is, it seems, not much liked at Oxford; and it so chanced one day that a number of friends by way of a diversion agreed that they would have a dinner with the most disagreeable men they knew—each friend was to invite one. When the hour of meeting came, the gentleman who is now Minister was found to be the only stranger. All had invited him!

HE WASN'T A KING.—When Naples was ruled by King Ferdinand, his majesty one day paid a visit to the ship of an English commodore lying in the bay. While the commodore was receiving his royal visitor on the quarter-deck, a member of the Neapolitan suite cruising about amid-ships mistook a wind-sail for a pillar, and leaning against it suddenly went below head foremost. The only witness of the accident, an old tar, thereupon made for the quarter-deck, and having saluted, said, "I beg pardon, commodore, but one of them ere kings has fell down the hatch-way."

TELEGRAMS CONDENSED.

—The Government refused to receive Mr. Parnell's Irish relief bill.

—The Buenos Insurgents have been routed and their chiefs arrested.

—The Prussian Landtag has passed the second reading of the May Laws.

—The French Chamber of Deputies passed the public worship budget yesterday.

—A Rio despatch says peace negotiations have been opened at Buenos Ayres.

—Abdai Rahman's reply to the British terms is said to be fairly satisfactory.

—The Desouk, with the American obelisk on board, left Gibraltar on Saturday for the United States.

—The Burmah rebellion has not been entirely quashed yet. A recent advantage of the rebels is reported.

—In the House of Lords, the Bill legalizing marriage with a deceased wife's sister was rejected by 101 to 50.

—The Englishers' corps from Montreal and Toronto have arrived at Kingston, and gone into camp at Point Frederick.

—Mr. Baring has been appointed to succeed Mr. Strachey as Financial Secretary of India, the latter having resigned.

—Wandsworth, Putney and Hammersmith bridges, London, have withdrawn their imposts, at a cost of nearly \$1,000,000.

—The N.Y. Tribune gives General Arthur's positive denial of the rumour that he intended withdrawing from the Republican ticket.

—A correspondent at Vienna learns from Berlin that the Technical Delegates have adopted the Greek frontier proposed by France.

—The Postmaster of Liverpool, N.S., is said to be in financial difficulties, his accounts with the Dominion Government being about \$3,000 short.

—A revenue posse, making a raid on Moonshiners, ten miles from Atlanta, Ga., were fired upon, and, returning the fire, killed James Jones, Moonshiner.

—At the Stratford (Ont.) Cheese market on Thursday 2,515 boxes were offered, but no sales reported. One hundred tubs of butter were sold at 20c per pound.

—The report of the West Point examinations recommends the discharge of Whittaker for deficiency in his studies. If the Secretary of War concurs, Whittaker must go.

—The continued drought and heat cause great alarm on Long Island. The crops harvested yielded one quarter what they should have done, but there is little pasture for cattle.

—Lands on the line of the New Brunswick Railway, owned by Eaton Bros, F. H. Todd & Son, and Z. Chapman, have been swept by forest fires, and a large amount of timber destroyed.

—Bismarck's organ denies that any compromise has been effected on the Falk Laws amendment bill, and states that the Government are determined not to give up any portion of the bill.

—At St. Thomas, Ont., on the 22nd inst., a man named Patterson, a fireman on the Canada Southern Railway, was shot by his wife, the ball entering the chest. The cause is supposed to have been jealousy.

—The British Admiralty attach no credence to the story of the barrel stove inscribed with a message purporting to have been written by a person on board the missing training ship Atalanta, picked up at Cow Bay, N.S.

—A private despatch to a well-known house in Mincing Lane, London, states that the Russians have bought up all the best tea on the China markets, giving as much as 25 and even 50 per cent more than any other buyers.

—It appears that during the Bennett murder trial in Toronto one of the jurymen of a somewhat tendency was asleep during the giving of important evidence, and it is now intended to move to have the verdict set aside on this ground.

—The fifth annual Conference of Believers for Bible Study are now in session at Clifton Springs, N.Y. Two hundred and fifty are in attendance from different parts of the United States and Canada, representing various religious denominations.

—In the case of Arthur Orton, who was convicted on two indictments, and sentenced to seven years' imprisonment on each, Plaintiff's counsel argued that sentences should have been concurrent, that is, that he should have served seven years total time on both instead of 14. A writ of error was denied.

—It is understood, says a Toronto evening paper, that Mayor Mackintosh, of Ottawa, and Mr. (Richardson), the last year's contractor for the *Haward*, have preferred to settle out of Court the share of the profits of that contract which each is to get, rather than have the extent of them disclosed in Court.

—The Toronto Globe lays down a platform for the Liberal party of eight or nine planks. It comprises tariff reform, the abolition of the Senate and Legislative Councils of the Provinces, placing the currency again on a stable basis by increasing the reserves and letting contracts by tender and not at the pleasure of Sir Charles Tupper.

—The Northern Railway has been doing a large carrying trade in through grain this spring and season so far. In the earlier part of the season since navigation opened the road was busy with lumber, but this trade slackened some four or five weeks ago. It is again promising to be opened up, and next week it is expected regular lumber trains will be run from the lumber ports. There are some sixteen million feet to come down from Longford mills.

THE NAPOLEONIC TREE.—When the Empress Eugenie started for her pilgrimage to the scene of her son's death, she took with her a willow growing in Dean Stanley's garden, to plant at the foot of the young Prince's monument in Zululand. The tree in the Deanery garden has grown from a slip taken from the willow over the tomb in which Napoleon I. was interred at St. Helena. The strange tradition is related about this tree, that its condition is affected by the fortunes of the Bonapartes. It is remarkable that on the day of Sedan a large branch fell off, and on the day of the Prince Imperial's death in Africa another bough fell.

On account of the new measure law, which compels us to sell by the Imperial measure, the price of our Altar Wine will be \$1.80 per Imperial gallon, which is one-fifth larger than the old measure. The price remains the same, as 1.5 colonial gallons, at \$1.50, is equal to one Imperial gallon, at \$1.80. CORRU & CO., 245 Notre Dame street. cowl7-G

A gentleman, speaking of a young lady who was studying medicine as "a dear little duck," a friend remarked, "I am sorry to hear that." "Why so?" asked the gentleman. "Because," replied the friend, "if she is a duck, I am afraid she will make a quack doctor."

ROUND THE WORLD.

—Spain threatens war against China.

—Pestum's population is nearly 300,000.

—The claimant's case is to be re-opened.

—Italy is agitating for universal suffrage.

—There are about 200,000 cats in New York.

—There will be no Orange procession at Ottawa on the 12th.

—The new Catholic Church at Windsor has been consecrated.

—The London Spectator speaks of "the Bret Harte dialect."

—The Home Rulers are now recognized as a third party in Parliament.

—Germany could bring 2,000,000 men into the field at a month's notice.

—The St. Jean Baptiste Society, of Montreal, are to have a procession on Dominion Day.