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OUR EMIGRATION BUREAU.

Readers of Dickens will remember that in one of his novels, he gives an admira ble description of the imbecile "Circum locution" office in London, with its poms Barnacles—father and sonlacking information on all subjects con nected with that office, assumed an air of pomposity and superciliousness when by parties having official business to transact. They waxed very indignant when troubled with questions; and when parties "wanted to know, you know," they were invariably referred in succession to the small army of do-nothing clerks -- none of whom ought it worth while to bother his head about matters connected with the "Circumlocution" department. The inquirer invariably had to come away disappointed with the result of his efforts; while the blue-tapists of the office went on receiving large salaries, and blundering along their way, until public attention was at last aroused, and a reform both in the office and its hangers on eventually took place

A great many people have an idea that we have a "Circumlocution" office in Canada—and judging from the past, our Bureau of Emigration at Ottawa is about as useless a public concern as any we are troubled with. What it has ever done beyond the merest routine duties and issuing a number of blue-books which nobody reads, it is difficult to say.

It is of great importance that, consider ing the manner in which public attention has been roused in Britain as to the desirability of Canada as a home for the emigrant, there should be more energy infused into our Emigration Department than has been shown in past years. We are likely to have a larger emigration from the old country this season than we have ever had before; but if, when the ers land at Quebec, and find nothing has been done to provide them with suitable information, the probabilities are that the tide of emigration will turn in that direction where, as ever, great inducements are held out to intend ing settlers. It is nonsense to expect British emigrants to come to Canada simply because it is a portion of the empire, and that therefore, whether exertion are made to secure them or not, they will be sure to come. Loyalty and attachment to British institutions are poor aids for a working man with a family to support—and the consideration of these does not weigh a feather's weight when bread and meat are sought after. The fact is, the condition of many of the emigrants coming to Canada this spring will require immediate attention at the hands of the proper authorities here; and instead of puttingsinto their lan is musty blue books and maps, a little commonsense practical action should be called forth. We suggested some time since a very good plan, which was for all persons in the country requiring skilled artizans or farm hands to make known their wants to the President of the County Agricultural Society, who could in turn communicate with the Emigration Agents in the different cities. A have the proper nation of the country agricultural Society, who could in turn communicate with the Emigration Agents in the different cities. A have the proper portion of the country requiring skilled artizans in the different cities. A have the proper possible proper such as a constant of the country and the country requiring skilled artizans or farm hands to make known their wants to the President of the Country Agricultural Society, who could in turn communicate with the Emigration Agents in the different cities. A have the proper be sure to come. Loyalty and attachd have the proper in the different cities emigrants forwarded to the a they arrived. The cil set about this ria County Coun cil set about this
having appointed committee on Emparing appointed committee on Emparing attention, who may be diligent enquiries, they were soon and led to present a remarkable showed the exact number of the state of the sta persons who could without the least difficulty obtain employment in the County; and if we mistake not, this list was forwarded to the emigration authorities, so that action might be taken on it. Were every county to follow the example of Victoria meth good would result, for it is apparently useless to expect the effete Bureau at Ottawa to awaken from its lethargy. At all events, there is no time now for delay-spring is close at hand, and the business of the year is about to

A correspondent of the Montreal Gazetta of yesterday morning says the sation against Ensign Whittaker, accusation against Ensign Whittaker, that he seduced the daughter of a respectable citizen of a town in Western Canada, is not true. The young woman in question has, more than once, admitted this to a gentleman who endeavored to have her return to her parents from one of the most disreputable dens of Quebec.

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must be done quickly.

Miscellaneous Items.

Antiquity of the Tower — Set against the Tower of London—with its eight hundred years of historic life, its nineteen hundred years of historic life, its nineteen hundred years of traditional same—all other palaces and prisons appear like things of an hour. The oldest bit of palace in Europe, that of the west front of the Burg in Vienna, is of the time of thenry the Third. The Kremlin in Moscow, the Doge's Palazzo in Venice, are of the fourteenth century. The Seraglio of Stamboul was built by Mahommed the Second. The oldest part of the Vatican was commenced by Borgin, whose name it bears. The old Louvre was commenced in the reign of Henry the Eight: The Tuilleries in that of Elizabeth. In the time of our civil war Versalles was yet a swamp. Sans Souci and the Escurial belong to the eighteenth century. The Serail of Jerusalem is a Turkish edifice. The palaces of Athens, of Cairo, of Teheran, are all of modern date. Neither can the prisons which romain in fact as well as in history and drama—with the one exception of St.Angelo at Rome—compare against the Tower. The Bastile is gone; the Bargello has become a museum; The Piombi are removed from the Doge's roof.

POLAR EXPEDITIONS. — The North Pole expeditions, which were sent out last year from [Germany and Sweden were not as successful as their originators had hoped, but they gave a new impulse to the interest taken in the exploration of the Arctic regiens. From Germany, a whaler has just been sent out, at the sole expense of a wealthy citizen of Bremerbaven, which, after remaining during the fishing season off the the Island of Jan Meyan, is, about the end of June, to proceed on a voyage of discovery northward along the eastern coast of Greenland. The steamer now sent out is to be the precursor of a second larger expedition to the North Pole, which is being organized by Herr Koldewey, the leader of last year's expedition.

Is health worth having? If it is, protect it—it is a jewel as easily lost as virtue, and in many cases as difficult to recover. In this climate, and more particularly at this sesson of the year people tue, and in many cases as difficult to recover. In this climate, and more particularly at this season of the year, people
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FIRE AT BOW PARK.—The country residence of the Hon. George Brown, of Bow Park, near Brantford, took fire on Sunday morning at 2 a.m., and was burned to the ground. The fire is supposed to have been communicated from the chimney of a basement fireplace to the room above, from which it spread rapidly over the bouse. Some of the farmserants were occupying the house at the time and escaped with difficulty. The house was a handsome building, and was erected in 1859 by R. B. Bown, Esq., who was at that time proprietor of the northern portion of the estate. The house was insured in the Hartford and Eaton Companies, but there was no insurance on the contents.

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A "tremendous" Fenian meeting was held in St. James Hall, Buffalo, on Friday evening. The Hall was packed full. Speeches were made by Gen. O'Neil, and D. O'Sullivan. O'Neil called for a subscription of \$1 from every Irishman and woman on next St. Patrick's Day, and agreed if it was given, that before another St. Patrick's Day came they would see the green flag on British soil. The enthusiasm was "huge." The 7th regiment of I.R.A. paraded, several hundred strong, fully equipped and uniformed.

A young man named Robert Morrison,

A young man named Robert Morrison, while chopping on the farm of Mr. Robt. Curle, 6th concession of Egremont, on Monday last, met with an accident which resulted in the fracture of one of his legs. It appears that a sapling which he had cut down in falling sprung back, striking him on the leg a little above the ankle, fracturing both bones.

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