

The Montreal Herald notices, and not unjustly condemns, the extra-legal means used at Quebec to induce M. Chiniquy to leave that City, where he had for some time been lecturing as a kind of volunteer agent of the French Canadian Missionary Society.

Yet though we must condemn, though we cannot but regret, the illegal acts of some of the Catholics of Quebec towards M. Chiniquy, we must also admit that their indignation against that unhappy man was not altogether without foundation; and that Protestants in encouraging, or countenancing, such unworthy creatures as the Achilles, the Gavazzis, and others of the obscene crew, in their attacks upon the faith and morals of a Catholic community, are guilty of an outrage against decency, as great, at least, as that which they condemn in the Quebec mob.

The Quebec Chronicle in a temperate article in reply to the Montreal Herald, from which we make some extracts, points out the injustice of holding the people of Quebec responsible for the treatment of M. Chiniquy. Our Quebec cotemporary says:—

PLACE HUNTING EXTRAORDINARY.—The passion for this kind of sport in Canada is certainly inexplicable; that which in other countries is looked upon as most vile, is here, if thereunto there be attached the slightest semblance even of a salary, sought after with avidity.

EVANGELICAL HONESTY.—The Montreal Witness complains of the applications made to the Legislature for pecuniary assistance, from several charitable institutions, as "preposterous;" and by way of making it appear that these "preposterous" applications proceed solely from Catholic Institutions, gives a long list of names, all of Catholic Asylums, asking for aid.

CONVERSION.—Among the names of recent converts to the Catholic faith, we find that of General Walker, of Nicaragua notoriety; who was received into the Church on the 31st ult., at Mobile, by the Vicar-General of the Diocese.

THE CATHOLICS OF UPPER CANADA MOVING.—An esteemed correspondent writes to us from Upper Canada to the following effect:—"Our labors in favor of the separate school question are now producing their fruit. George Brown will get petitions this year to his heart's content. A course of action that will lead to unanimity amongst the Catholics of Upper Canada, has been decided upon.

This is good news indeed; for till the Catholics of the Province learn to be united, and consent to abandon their petty rivalries, and all personal objects, for the sake of the great interests at stake, they can not expect, and certainly do not deserve, to be successful.

THE CLAIMS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.—A LETTER TO THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PAUL'S, HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, BY EDMUND MATORIN, FORMERLY CURATE OF THE PARISH.

This is a most interesting account of the process by which the writer, Mr. Matorin, formerly a Clergyman of the Church of England, was led by the Grace of God to renounce the Protestant heresy, and at great personal sacrifice, to submit himself to the Catholic Church.

MAP OF IRELAND.—Mr. Walsh of Cincinnati has just published a very handsome map of Ireland, a copy of which has been received at this office, and for which we tender our thanks to the publisher.

PROTESTANT SEPARATE SCHOOLS.—We learn from the Peterboro' Review that at a recent meeting of the Church Society (Protestant) in Peterboro', the Rector stated that he would never rest until he had obtained a Separate School for the members of his own sect—the Church of England.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—We have received another communication concerning the personal merits of Mr. Sansfield Macdonald, from our Charlottenburgh correspondent, over the signature of a "Scotch Catholic," in rejoinder to the letter from an "Irish Catholic" that we published in our last.

From Kingston we learn that a petition praying for an amendment in the School Laws has been numerously signed, and is now being circulated for signature in the different Missions of that important Diocese.

We have much pleasure in copying from the Montreal Herald, of yesterday, the following notice of some very interesting Microscopic preparations, exhibited by Mr. Edward Murphy at the inauguration of the new building for the Natural History Society of this City, which event took place on the evening of Tuesday last:—

In the Library, at one end of the long table, Mr. E. Murphy had a number of Microscopes in charge, where he exhibited many beautiful microscopic objects of his own preparation; among them were a great variety of specimens of wood from forest trees indigenous to Canada.

WAGES OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.—The Three Rivers Inquirer has an excellent article upon this subject, from which we make some extracts:—

"While members levy black mail on the community, while they tax the laboring man, who is just able to provide his family the luxury of a cup of tea, to contribute to his own support while in Parliament, we will not honour those large drafts for patriotism, which he draws on public credulity. How many of those who now constitute the Legislative Assembly, would be ambitious of a seat in that body, if they did not draw rations from the public commissariat; how many of these would be dumb if they were not under the inspiration of six dollars per diem? The truth is that it is felt to be a heartless inroad on the revenue of the country to pay extravagant sums, to support our legislators, while in session.

To the Editor of the True Witness. Renfrew, Feb. 18, 1859.

DEAR SIR—As you always interest yourself in the welfare of Catholics, you may wish at intervals to hear something from the backwoods, and also like to be informed how Mr. Orangeman Cayley treated his Catholic constituents in the County of Renfrew. A few days ago, to our surprise, what did his Excellency the Governor General do but appoint no less than fifteen of the "Brethren" to the sacred Commission of the Peace, and this all through a Cayley dodge; fearing that some outcast Minister may again be caught in the horns of a dilemma, that he may be able to secure his election in this county.

INSPECTION AND DRILL OF NO. 4 AND 5 COMPANIES OF VOLUNTEER MILITIA RIFLES.—These two Companies, under the command of Major Devlin, and Captain Karanagh, were inspected on Friday evening last, at the close of their ten days drill, by Lieutenant-Colonel Ernatinger, Inspecting Field Officer for Lower Canada, at the new Riding School in Cote Street.

The inspection was closed by an advance in review, order and salute. The Inspecting Field Officer complimented Major Devlin on the high state of efficiency and soldierly appearance of the body under his command, than which he was satisfied none more efficient nor in better discipline was to be found in the Active Force.

STATE-SCHOOLISM.—We would earnestly invite the attention of our readers to an extract from the Belgian correspondence of the Weekly Register, which they will find on our sixth page. It was to Belgium, he it remembered, that, together with Prussia, we were recommended to go in search of hints to remedy the defects in our Canadian school system.

A writer in the York Commonwealth cautions the public against a person now travelling the country, and lecturing on "Reminiscences of the Crimea," where he says he served as Assistant Surgeon in the second battalion of the Rifle Brigade. He calls himself Theodore Walworth; but no such name, as attached to the above-mentioned corps, is to be found in the Army List of 1855.

FATAL RESULT OF THE LATE RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT ARTHURSBURG.—We regret exceedingly to have to announce the death of Mr. Alexander McKenzie, one of the sufferers by the recent accident at Arthurburg. This unfortunate gentleman, was severely wounded in one of his legs and was removed to town for the purpose of amputation. The operation was performed immediately on his arrival at the St. Patrick's Hospital, apparently successfully, and everything promised a speedy recovery till early on Saturday morning, when he died.—Herald.

CANADA IMPORTED WHEAT.—For two days past says the Free Press, wheat has been offered at the market in London, which has been brought from Chicago. Perhaps, in the whole course of events there is nothing which tends to illustrate so forcibly the exhaustion of the country as the fact, that the home supply of wheat is so small as to induce importation into the centre of what has been well called the "Garden of Canada."

IN REFERENCE TO THE REMARKS LATELY PUBLISHED IN THE Ottawa Citizen, that it was the intention of the Hon. Mr. Cayley to retire from his seat in the House of Representatives, we beg to assure his supporters in the County of Renfrew that such is not the intention of that gentleman. In asserting this, we go on no idle rumor, but have been authorized to give an unqualified denial.—Renfrew Journal.

A VERY DISGRACEFUL outrage was perpetrated at Dundas recently. The house of a colored man was burned down by neighbors, to whom he had made himself unpopular. It is to be hoped the parties guilty of this wicked act, will be brought to justice.—Witness.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED.—The House of a Prussian, named John R. Muhl, at Toronto, was searched by the authorities on Wednesday, and a large amount of stolen property found. Among other things were the communion plate lately stolen from the Toronto churches; a scarlet cassock, a white linen surplice, a batch of pillow-cases, marked "Russell's Hotel," several silk mantillas, scarfs, and damask table-cloths; a complete outfit of shirts, marked "W. H. Merritt;" dozen of shirt-collars, marked "Powell;" and in fact, all kinds of goods usually found in dry goods, ironmongery, or fancy store.—Muhl and his wife were taken into custody.

ASSISTING THE POOR.—Notice has been given in the Bradford town council that £5,000 of the active bonds of the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway would be asked for and applied in giving employment to the working classes, now almost destitute.

THE TWO FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS are from a Toronto letter, in the N. Y. Tribune, written probably by W. L. Mackenzie:—"A few Sundays since, in the Free Church here, a country parson—Mr. Gray of Orillia—prayed fervently; 'O, Lord! teach our Senators wisdom—our Legislators honesty!' Mr. Galt must have been edified. He was the only lawgiver and state manager present, and the supplication to the Throne of Grace quite apropos."

THE GREATEST REMEDY of the day is unquestionably PERRY DAVIS' VIOLET PAIN KILLER, for the instant relief of all pains, aches, bruises, &c. and for pains in the stomach and bowels; it is used with encouraging success in sudden attacks of cholera and cholera morbus. Sold by druggists.

The London Prototype states: "That scarcity prevails in many districts of our country is a stern reality. Too many of the back townships are already suffering from the want of the necessary supply of wheat. The crops of last year were so defective in many places, that the staple of the country fails, not only for purposes of exportation, but the supply of bread has, in many districts, already become short, and the farmers have not even now, laid up in their barns or granaries, as much as will serve for seed in the ensuing spring. We have been informed by a gentleman, whose means of investigating the matter are of the most accurate and extensive kind, that great destitution prevails in nearly all the back townships to the north and west of us."

A HARD-FARTEN LANDLORD.—A correspondent of the Kingston Daily News relates the following:—More than a twelvemonth since, the aged head of a family was deprived of his situation, and being a man advanced in years and unaccustomed to labor could it have been procured, was in a few months reduced to want, when to add to his misery he was burned out last autumn, on which he took shelter in a small tenement belonging to Mr. Geo. Webster. The family, consisting of five helpless small children, have been sustained by the physical exertions of the poor mother, aided by a few dollars charitably collected by a friend—and this was all they had to subsist upon—there being nothing left to pay rent. On the afternoon of Tuesday last, in the midst of a biting cold, the landlord and his wife with the bailiff entered the dwelling, and amidst the poor mother's entreaties and the tears and cries of the five children, these messengers of mercy seized and carried away the bed and bedding clothes of the children, with all the little stock of furniture, to the auctioneer's ware-room. The bailiff at a certain stage of the proceeding informed me that he refused to take the stove, but the relentless landlord and his wife were deaf to entreaty, and ordered him to take away everything movable. And now these poor creatures were left during the whole of the piercing cold night that succeeded, to wander about their empty domicile in want and cold, until their famishing condition laid mother and children prostrate, without covering, on the bare floor of the shanty. This was the sad state in which I found them on the following afternoon.

BIRTH.—In this city, on the 19th inst., the wife of Allan P. Cameron, Esq., of a son.

MARRIED.—In Cornwall, on the 21st instant, by the Rev. J. S. O'Connor, Mr. Wm. McDonnell, (Kanah,) of St. Andrews, to Miss Mary Jane Johnson, of Cornwall.

DIED.—In this city, on the morning of the 22nd inst., Mr. Edmund Baird, aged 55 years and 7 months.

BROKERS' CIRCULAR.—MONTREAL, Feb. 19, 1859.

Flour.—The demand for local consumption has not improved during the past week. There is no speculative movement for immediate delivery. Superfine No. 1 is \$6 to \$6.50. Offers are still made for choice fancy, for May and June delivery, at \$6.75, without landing to transactions.

WHEAT.—None. Corn.—None. Rye.—None. BUTTER.—The market is barely supplied, all arriving is eagerly fetched up at 90c to 95c. EGGS.—Are a shade lower, and are pressing on the market at 60c per unit. PORK.—Latest sales, 2000 minots, at 90c, but they are not now to be had under 100c. PROVISIONS.—Holders are firm for all qualities of inspected. Prime Pork \$20.50 to \$21. Prime Mutton \$14 to \$14.50. Mince Pork \$13 to \$13.50. ASHES.—Pots have been lower during the week they have rallied, and are to-day held at \$6 to \$6.10.—Pearls are steady, at \$6.40.

MONTREAL MARKET PRICES. February 23rd, 1859. Flour, per quintal, \$3.80 to \$3.90. Oatmeal, per do., 3.20 to 3.25. Wheat, per minot, 1.40 to 1.50. Oats, do., 55 to 60. Barley, do., 55 to 60. Peas, do., 85 to 90. Beans, do., 0.00 to 0.00. Buckwheat, do., 75 to 80. Onions, per minot, 67 to 80. Potatoes, per bag, 85 to 90. Beef, per lb., 7 to 15. Mutton, per quarter, 1.00 to 1.15. Pork per 100 lbs., (in the carcass), 6.00 to 6.50. Butter, Fresh, per lb., 25 to 30. "Salt, per lb., 18 to 20. Eggs, per doz., 30 to 32. Cheese, per lb., 10 to 15. Turkeys, per couple, 1.20 to 2.20. Geese, do., 80 to 1.20. Ashes—Pots, per cwt., 6.10 to 6.15. " Pearls, per do., 6.40 to 6.50.

A LECTURE, ON PIUS THE NINTH, AND THE ROMAN REVOLUTION, WILL BE DELIVERED AT THE BONAVENTURE HALL, ON THE EVENING OF TUESDAY NEXT, 1st MARCH, BY MR. P. CURRAN; Himself an eye-witness of the Roman Revolution. Lecture to commence at EIGHT o'clock P.M.; Doors open at half-past Seven. Tickets may be procured at the different Book Stores. Price of Admission—25 cents.

MECHANICS' HALL, MR. JOHN MUIR, At the request of a number of his friends, will give a GRAND CONCERT OF VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, ON FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 4, AT THE MECHANICS' HALL. Mr. Muir will be assisted by the Amateur and Professional Talent of the city. Concert to commence at 8 o'clock, precisely. Tickets 50 cents each; to be had at Pickups' News Office, Medical Hall, and at the Music Stores; also at the Door on the night of the Concert. Montreal Feb. 24, 1859.

WANTED, FOR the Catholic Separate School, at TRENTON, C.W., a MALE TEACHER, holding a 2nd Class Certificate. Salary, £70 per annum.—Apply (prepaid) to the Rev. H. Brettburgh. Trenton, Feb. 9th, 1859.