ation as to the action of the information as to the action of the authorities will be awaited with interest.

The report that rinderpest prevails among cattle in some parts of the United States is undoubtedly erroneous, the disease probably being pleuro-pneumonia. These maladies are entirely different in their character, and we are assured on the best authority that no such fatal and terrible disease as rinderpest has ever appeared. ease as rinderpest has ever appeared among the cattle of this continent. Rinderpest is indigeneus to the Russian steppes, and although it has appeared in Britain and other European countri t has only been as a result of direct or indirect contagious influences. Canadattle have always been free from tagious pleuro-pneumonia, or any serious disease of a highly infectious character. We trust that the action already in shippers to continue to supply the English markets with healthy cattle.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Local Government in 1877 spent \$46,265 on immigration i. e. in bringing in abour to an already glutted market.

The newly-consecrated Bishop of Monteal has warmly taken up the question of the better sustenance of the clergy, especially those in the rural districts. As Bishop Bond is exceedingly popular in the liocese it is confidently anticipated that diocese it is confidently anticipated that liberal contributions towards any object with which he is identified will be raised. At a recent meeting his Lordship sounded the keynote for a vigorous movement in favour of properly remunerating the rural clercy.

Protection is the question of the hour in England. A memorial has been signed by many of the largest London firms asking the Lord mayor to convene a public meeting in the Guildhall to demand a parlia-mentary enquiry with the object of modi-fying, if such should be found advisable, the existing system of free trade. Mr. Walter, M.P., proprietor of the Times, has addressed the Newbury chamber of Agriculture on the depression, and expressed culture on the depression, and expressed his satisfaction that in view of the difficulan agitation in favour of a return to protection. Mr. Starkey, M.P., is also out a favour of a retaliatory policy.

A note of warning was given by Mr. Morris during the debate on the Address to the effect that measures should be taken by the Provincial Government to prevent large sections of mineral or timber lands in the territory recently added to Ontario, as the result of the arbitration between the Dominion and the Province, from being locked up in the hands of private speculators. The caution was given not one mo-ment too soon. The Manitoba Gazette gives sample of what occurred in this di inder the Mackenzie Government, It here an honest man actually built his saw want of lumber, while the timber limits of which he depended for his supplies, were by some, not honest, means—handed over

Australian preserved meat is being placed on the English markets at extremely ow rates, and in these present hard times s competing with Canadian and American meat. The trade, which is of very recent origin, has attained large dimensions, and ises to take still more rapid strides in exported £172 worth of tinned meats in 1862, now sends abroad an annual quantity estimated at a thousand times that value, Victoria in 1866 did not send away £2,000 Victoria in 1866 did not send away £2,000 worth of tins, or about 120,000 lbs., while ten years later over 6,400,000 lbs. were exported, valued at £167,000, and these figures were less than half the total export of 1871. Queensland, which has turned her attention principally to the export of wool, is beginning to do a fair trade in fresh tinned meats.

ia, is reported in our telegraphic despatches to be travelling westward, is what is known as the "black death." This is the same disease which, in the fourteenth century, desolated the globe, and it gets its name from the black spots, and it gets its name from the black spots, symptomatic of a putrid decomposition, that show themselves at one of its stages on the skin of the sufferer. It is thought to have had its origin in China in 1333, some 15 years before its outbreak in Europe, and it raged for 25 years, while droughts, famines, floods, earthquakes that swallowed towns and mountains, and swarms of locusts spread devastation everywhere. Three years passed from the date of its appearance in Constantinouls. date of its appearance in Constantinople before it crept by a huge circle to the Russian territories. Statistics were not obtainable then, but it is estimated that in China alone 13,000,000 people died, and in the remainder of the East 24,000,000; while in Europe 25,000,000 souls perished, making a grand and terrible total of 52,-000,000. Persons attacked with it are said to die like flies, and the ignorant and superstitious peasantry are so terrified by it that many are thought to have perished of pure fright. Already international sanitary regulations are being devised to prevent the extension of the disease to West-

The North British Agriculturist received by the last English mail gives a reriew of the past year's food importation rom Canada and the United States. have already dealt with the live stock trade. Respecting the dead meat trade, it says:—"The importation last year has been exceedingly large, showing a steady increase on previous periods. The termination of 1877 left the demand very good mination of 1877 left the demand very good for fresh meat, with very fair prices. Since then, however, the market being, no doubt, influenced by the large influx of live American animals, the price of the fresh meat has declined. The keen competition between the two imports has had the good effect of introducing great improvements both in the accompetition for the good effect of introducing great improvements both in the accommodation for live stock in transit, and also for the better preservation of the fresh meat during the voyage. In this latter respect an important saving has been effected by the portant saving has been effected by the adoption of an ingenious process for keeping the meat cool without the necessity of using ice. As week by week advances, there is an increase in the arrivals of fresh meat, and when the new process is generally introduced on board the steamers in the spring, a still larger supply may fairly be anticipated. The grand total for the year is:—255,168 quarters of fresh beef, 41,631 carcases of mutton, 3,052 carcases of mutton. carcases of mutton. 3,052 carcases of pigs. 6,791 packages and 9,590 tubs of fresh butter, 46,704 head of live cattle, 54,378 live heep, 14,257 live pigs."

Business Failures.

Lack of judgment causes fully 50 per cent. of all business men to fail, earlier or later. Do not an equal proportion of physicians fail to cure from the same cause? At the Grand Invalids' and Tourists' Hotel, Buffalo, N.Y., Dr. Pierce, through the skill attained by his several specialists, each having devoted years to a special department of medical science, is able to cure a large per cent. of cases hitherto considered incurable. Many physicians, in view of the superior advantages of this model sanitarium, bring there stubborn, obscure, complicated, and surgical cases for examinations, operation, and treatment. Full particulars given in the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, an illustrated work of over 900 pages. Price, post-paid. work of over 900 pages. Price, post-paid. \$1.50. Address the author, R. V. Pieros. M.D., Buffalo, N.Y.

and Mr. Hodgins, Q. C., and Mr. Calvin Brown for the respondent.

The record is very voluminous. There are over 140 charges of bribery, treating and undue influence against Mr. Hughes and his agents, and 96 of his votes are objected to, while he makes a great many counter charges, and objects to 90 of Mr. Plumb's votes. Both Mr. Plumb and Mr.

Hughes were in court.

Mr. Robinson moved absolute a summons to strike out the charges against Mr.
Plumb founded on the old election of 1874. Mr. Hodgins showed cause. Mr. Robinson replied. The summons was made absolute.

Mr. Hodgins also raised the question of jurisdiction already disposed of by the ful Court, but it was overruled. Court, but it was overruled.

JOHN WOOD, sworn—Lives in Virgil.

Am a farmer. I was canvassed for my vote the week before the election. John Cain, Mr. Hughes, the member, Alex. Servos and Mr. Currie came to my house. Mr. Hughes and Mr. Servos came in while Currie and Cain remained in the carriage. I was beckoned out to the carriage by Cain. Mr. Hughes came out and asked me if I would support him. As they left Cain said he would see me and make it all right with he would see me and make it all right with he would see me and make it all right with me on Saturday night or Monday morning. I saw him on Saturday night at Mr. Hughes' meeting in Virgil. He called me aside and took me down the road and asked me what I would take to vote for Mr. Hughes. I told him \$25. He said he wouldn't give it but he would give me \$20. I thought a while and then said I guessed that would do. He said, "All right, vote and I will nay von after you have sated." that would do. He said, "All right, vote and I will pay you after you have voted." During the day of the election he told me he wanted me to stay away from the polls, but I thought that wouldn't look well and I voted. He afterwards asked me if I had voted and I told him "yes," and he paid me \$20, two fives and a ten in Bank of Commerce bills. I had told a supporter of Mr. Plumb, named Walker, what was going on, and after I was paid I told James Hiscott and Brock Cushman. After the election Cain came to me and wanted me to keep the matter quiet

me and wanted me to keep the matter quiet and let no one know. He also wanted me and at the order a trip, and offered me \$30 and a ticket to Cincinnati. I wanted to go to Angus, and he agreed to it, although he wanted me to go with him to Michigan, and he gave me \$38 and a ticket to Hamilton. I told Wilson about it, and I started with Cain, when he paid me \$38 and gave me the ticket, but Detective Oswald, of St. Catharines, subpoensed him on the train. Cain gave his name as O'Grady. I train. Cain gave his name as O Grady.

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I would take to get out altogether, and I
said I would take \$70. He told me to go

CONTESTED ELECTION TRIALS.

I will talk business. I then told him I would sell him a setter dog, and he wanted to know if he could buy anything else from there people, and for me to see, and he would make it all right. As he was going away, I told him I wanted \$25, and he said that was five more than he was limited to. On the day of the election Oliver came to my house, and I told him I wanted to do business with the other man. I met the other man down at the poll, and after some conversation he said, "I don't want the dog. You go and vote for Mr. Hughes and I will pay you \$25." I refused to vote without getting the money first. This man told me "he was linied with money and his clothes were for these decisions was to give and Mr. George A. Boomer acted as Registrar. Mr. C. Robinson, Q.C., and Mr. Calvin Brown for the respondent.

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NICHOLAS WALL, sworn—I saw the stranger and Holligan in conversation on the election day.

The case stands for proof of agency.
WILLIAM THORNION, sworn—William Long drove a stranger up to my place on the election day, and then drove off.
William Elliot was with me. The stranger asked me if I had voted, and when I said to be said "Sav what you want and vote and william the said "Sav what you want and vote asked me if I had voted, and when I said no, he said, "Say what you want and vote for Mr. Hughes." He gave me \$30, and I took it, as I wanted to catch him. I handed over \$25 of it to Mr. Pafford, agent of Mr. Plumb, and I used \$5. The money was all in \$5 Bank of Commerce bills. I voted. I saw the stranger on election day, and pointed him out to my brother and brother-in-law.

WILLIAM ELLIOT, sworn—Was present and saw the stranger on the occasion

and saw the stranger on the occasion spoken of. Never saw the stranger before or since. Saw him pull some papers out of his pocket and give them to Thornton. After he went away I asked Thornton what he made by it, and he said "Hush, I made \$30. I tried for another \$10, but couldn't got it."

HENRY PAFFORD, already sworn, re-called:—I got the \$25 from Thornton the day after the election. I have the identical money and can produce it.

The case was held for the present.

CHARLES BUFTON, sworn:—I voted at

CHARLES BUFTON, sworn:—I voted at the election. I got \$20 from Charles Stevens after I voted. He said, "I suppose you voted for Hughes all right," and I said yes. The money was \$5, Bank of Commerce bills. I kept it.

Cross-examined—I have no object in "squealing" on Charles Stevens, but I have on the party. I never told anyone that I was offered money.

ADAM STEVENS, called by Mr. Hodgins:
—I know Charles Bufton. I saw him just after the poll was closed. My nephew, Albert, told me he wanted \$20, and told me to give it to Bufton. Albert still owes me that money. It had nothing to do with Bufton's vote as far as I am concerned. I didn't canvas Bufton's vote.

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came back from Hamilton next morning. I had also been asked by Pat Hannigan what I would take to get out altogether, and I said I would take \$70. He told me to go eut home and work there and he would see me about it, but he did not do it.

This witness was rigidly cross-examined by Mr. Hodgins without materially altering his testimony, except that he admitted that he had not told the truth on all occasions in the matter.

George Wilson, sworn—Wood had consulted me before the election as to whether he dare take money, and I advised him to

MESSAGE FROM HIS HONOUR.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(Hendle) would take for his vote, but he said he wouldn't sell it. Saw the stranger and Holligan in conversation on the election day.

Henry Pafford, sworn—I am Mayor of Niagara, and have been for fourteen years. Saw the stranger in conversation on the election day, and heard the stranger say that "if he went down and voted for Mr. Hughes he would stay there and pay him in the morning."

NICHOLAS WALL, sworn—I saw the stranger and Holligan in conversation on the election day.

The case stands for proof of agency.

EAST ELGIN.

St. Thomas, Jan. 27.—The Court opened here at 4.50 p.m. before the Hon. Vice-Chancellor Blake, Mr. J. W. Hector, of Toronto, acting as Registrar. The petitioner is Archibald Blue, of this place, and the respondent Thos. Arkell. Counsel for the petitioner, O. McDongall and Jas. Coyne; for the respondent, Dalton McCarthy, Q.C. and Chas. Ermatinger. The petition contains thirty-two cases of bribery—twenty-one of treating, six of undue influence and three of hiring teams. The majority for the respondent was forty.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 27 .- The Selkirk election protest continues. The evidence contradictory.

POLITICAL NOTES.

WALKERTON, Jan. 23.—At the annual convention of the South Bruce Conservative Association, held at Riversdale to-day, the following officers were elected:—President, Mr. Barrett, of Walkerton, in place of Mr. Shaw, elected to Parliament; Vice-President for the West, Mr. Rookledge, of Kincardine; Vice-President for the East, Mr. McNamara, of Walkerton; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Klein, of Walkerton; Secretary-for the West, Mr. Williamson, of Kincardine; Secretary for the East, Mr. Robertson, of Walkerton. The nomination of Mr. Baird for the Local House was unanimously affirmed, and the utmost conunanimously affirmed, and the utmost confidence is expressed in his election. There was a very large attendance from all parts

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE. WINNIPEG, Jan. 25.—A short session of the Local Parliament will probably be held and it will then adjourn until after the meeting of the Dominion Parliament, to ascertain what action the Ottawa Houses will take on the Manitoba railway deputation. The Local Ministers will visit Ottawa

ST. CHARLES, MAN. WINNIPEG, Jan. 25.—Mr. Oddaheads, the returning officer for St. Charles at the late general election, was committed for trial to-day for his action then in refusing the nomination papers of two of the candi-dates, thus allowing Mr. Murray to be elected by acclamation.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

ONTARIO ASSEMBLY.

(Continued from Second Page.)

MONDAY, Jan. 27. STANDING COMMITTEES. Mr. MOWAT presented the report of ne Committee appointed to strike Stand-

Mr. MOWAT presented a message from his Honour, as follows:—
"I thank you for your address in answer to the speech with which I opened the session, and I rely on your constant attention to the consideration of the measures that will be submitted to you."

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

The following bills were introduced and read a first time:

An Act to incorporate the Poultry Association of Ontario.—Mr. Mowat.

An Act respecting the Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Females.—Mr. Mowat.

An Act to extend the powers of gas companies.—Mr. Mowat. LICENSE INSPECTORS.

Mr. MEREDITH asked whether the attention of the Government has been called to the fact that Mr. Thomas Boon, License Inspector for East Kent, has been elected Reeve of the Town of Bothwell; and whether it is intended to permit Mr. Boon to retain the position of License Inspector while he holds the office of reeve.

Mr. HARDY said this was the first time his attention had been called to the matter; but he would give further information at a future time.

- COLONIZATION ROADS. Mr. BOULTER moved for copies of all reports of the Inspectors of Colonization Roads to the Crown Lands Department for the last three years.

The motion was carried.

The House adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

TUESDAY, Jan. 28. A number of private bills were introduced and read a first time. THE SCHOOL LAW.

delivered an address.

THE SCHOOL LAW.

Mr. CROOKS, in introducing a bill to amend the law respecting Public, Separate, and High Schools, was understood to say that he had at first intended to introduce a measure affecting the public schools only, but it had been found that the propositions he meditated would be equally beneficial to separate schools, and one of them would be equally applicable to our High Schools. the alterations in the law he proposed to introduce were in relation to the extension of the school franchise, the mode of holding school elections, and the appliance of some checks in reference to the expenditure on capital account both in respect to public and high schools. These checks would be found in the vote of the rate-payers in certain cases in regard to that large class represented by rural school corporations in giving the Councils of cities and counties certain discretion in regard to complying or not with the demands made from time to time by High and Public School Boards. Some minor defects in the law would be made good, and some accessary improvements would be added. He would be ready to receive any opportune suggestions on the discussion on the second reading of the bill.

Mr. MEREDITH—Will the hen. gentleman introduce the ballot?

Mr. CROOKS—My measure is not framed in that way. It retains open voting.

LICENCE INSPECTOR FOR EAST

THE CITY RECORD.

Frank Johnston, a lunatic, aged 35, scaled the walls of the Provincial Asylum on Tues-

day and escaped.

Four rinks of the Scarboro' curling club last week defeated the Caledonians of this city by 101 to 95. Four rinks of the Scarboro' curling club last week defeated the Caledonians of this city by 101 to 95.

At a mass meeting of citizens, held on Monday evening, to consider matters requiring attention from the Legislature, the following resolutions referring to the Landlord and Tenant Act, the Division Court law, the estlement of wild lands, and the exemption question, were unanimously passed:—

Of seventeen vessels moored in the Don river, ten are from Chicago, and are laden with 200,000 bushels of corn. Joseph Hugel was thrown out of his cut-ter on Saturday and had his scalp torn from his forehead. He lies in a critical condi-

Mr. James Gormley, a grocer, has recovered \$200 from the city for damages to goods in his cellar from floods last September. Octave Choquette, aged 22, has been sent to the Central Prison for a twelve-month for stealing a watch and chain from

Dr. Workman has presented the Canadian Institute with a fine edition, in sixteen volumes, of the French Encyclopedia of the time of Louis XV. A Medical Students' Christian Association has been formed by the students of Toronto and Trinity medical schools. Rev. J. McCarroll is President.

The summoning of people interested, for not registering births, deaths, and marriages has had a wholesale effect, and the Registrar is now kept busy. Rev. Hyatt Smith, of Brookly, N.Y., lectured on 23rd inst., under the auspices of the New England Society, on a journey "From New York to Jerusalem."

Small-pox of a virulent type is said to be prevalent in the villages of Longueuil and Laprairie, near Montreal. The License Inspector has a female whiskey informer in his employ. She has appeared as a witness in several cases in which convictions have been recorded. It is reported at Quebec that the Governor-General and Princess will pay a visit to that city this winter in cog. The anniversary of the birth of Burns was celebrated by the Caledonian Society on Tuesday evening by a concert in Shaftesbury Hall. Hon, Alexander Mackenzie

delivered an address. The Chief of Police has received a circu

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One hundred and thirty-eight horses were purchased in the Montreal market last week and shipped to the United States. The average price of each horse was \$75. Two cars loaded with horses were also disputed to Manifest

We regret to hear that Bishop Anderson, formerly of Rupert's Land, continues so ill that his life is despaired of. He has been sick several weeks, and at the last accounts

no hopes were entertained of his recovery. The Governor-General and Princess Louise will visit the Falls of Montmorence

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VEGETINE

Toronto Ministerial Association. At the same time Mrs. Robb was presented with a silver water pitcher, stand and two goblets, and her sister, Miss Hannah Robb, with a gold chain and locket.

An Excellent Medicine. SPRINGFIELD, O., Feb. 28, 1877.
This is to certify that I have used VEGETINE, manflactured by H. R. Stevens, Boston, Mass., for
theumatism and General Prostration of the Nercous System, with good success. I recommend
VEGETINE as an excellent medicine for such com-

ints.

Yours very truly.

C. W. VANDEGRIFT.

Mr, Vandegrift, of the firm of Vandgrift & Hufftn. is a well-known business man in this place,
wing one of the largest stores in Springfield. O.

parts and on the action of the prosecutor only."

"That in the interests of the workingmen, the amount of personal property exempt frem seizure under exemption should be increased, and the Mechanics lien law should be amended by providing that 30 to 40 per cent. of the contract price of the erection of buildings, or of work done thereon, be retained by the proprietor of the building and land for thirty days after the completion of the contract to pay mechanics and labourers, and that the said be a first lien on the said land and building." MR. H. R. STEVENS. "That a portion of the surplus funds of this Pro-vince should be applied in assisting settlers to emi-grate to and develop our wild lands, and that said landsshould be given as free grants to such settlers." 1011 West Jefferson Street.

Safe and SHTC.

That the Government be requested to enact legislation as shall give every municipality the sr to deal with the question of examption."

A committee was appointed to impress e views of the meeting on the Legislates, and to further the election of candiates in sympathy with them.

CANADIAN ITEMS.

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It is reported at Quebec that the Governor-General and Princess will pay a visit to that city this winter in cog.

The Governor-General and the Princess Louise and suite returned to Ottawa at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning,
One of the Belleville steam fire engines has been seized for costs in connection with the suit of Belleville v. Cronk.

Influenza is very prevalent in Charlotte county, New Brunswack, principally among children. In Calais 300 persons are afflicted
The annual convention of the Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario will be held at Ingersoll on the 19th, 20th and 21st of February, 1879.

A French Canadian colonization society has been formed at Montreal for the purpose of settling the unoccupied lands in the Province of Quebec.

The Masonic difficulty at Winnipeg still continues. One section held a Grand Lodge meeting and elected their officers last week, and the other section holds its Grand Lodge next week.

Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise has acknowledged the receipt of a Christemas present of a prayer book from the Christ church Sunday School, Winnipeg.

We regret to hear that Bishop Anderson.

effects.

Let your patrons troubled with scrofula or kidney disease understand that it takes time to cure chronic diseases; and, if they will patiently take VEGETINE, it will, in my judgement, cure them.

With great obligations I am

during the latter part of next month. It is understood that they will then attend a skating carnival at the Victoria rink, Montreal. Yours very truly, G. W. MANSFIELD, Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Chu VEGETINE H. R. STEVENS, Boston Mass.

