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The Free Press.

Wednesday, February 6, 1878.

SEAFORTH.—The Amateurs are getting up a concert for the poor. The Dramatic Club will follow suit.

PERSONAL.—His Lordship Bishop Hellmuth left yesterday for Toronto on important business connected with the Diocese. He will be absent several days.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Mr. Samuel Tubby, for the last twenty years Postmaster of Pingal, died very suddenly on the night of the 4th inst. He was attending to his office duties as usual all day. He was aged about fifty, and was well known and much respected. —Cow.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At the annual meeting of the Westminster Fire Insurance Company, the following gentlemen were elected directors for the year:—Messrs. John Little, John Nixon, James Craig, J. Weldon and Thos. McDougall. Messrs. S. C. Jarvis and Fred. Anderson were chosen auditors.

RIBE IN STRATFORD.—D. I. K. Ribe delivered his first address at Stratford on Monday night, to an immense audience, in the Presbyterian Church. At the close nearly two hundred persons signed the pledge. The greatest interest is being awakened, and everyone expects good will result to the fallen in the community in the meetings to be held.

DEATH OF A FIRE STALLION.—Mr. D. McNaught, V. S., of Seaforth, has lost his fine stallion "Captain Lewis." Mr. McNaught was out driving the horse when it became frightened at something, breaking away from his driver and ran for home. While turning in an alleyway leading to the stable the horse struck against a post and fractured his leg. He was immediately shot.

THE OLD OFFICERS.—The following are the officers of the London Club House, which was opened here on Monday night last:—President, Mr. H. Waterman; Vice-Presidents, Mr. C. P. Goodhue and Col. Loye; Secretary, Mr. B. C. Marshall; Treasurer, Mr. Henry Taylor; Committee of Management, Messrs. D. Macfie, John Taylor, Chas. Hutchinson, G. S. Birrell and McRae.

CLEANING THE PATHS.—A number of citizens were before the Police Magistrate yesterday on the charge of refusing to clean the sidewalks in front of their premises of snow. The Chief of Police, having been informed that the defendants had cleaned the public paths the morning previous, asked permission to withdraw the complaint, and the P. M. so ordered. This should prove a warning to citizens, and it is hoped they will heed it.

FUNERAL.—There was a large attendance of citizens of Hamilton and neighborhood at the funeral of the late Rev. Canon Hebden, of the Church of the Ascension, Hamilton. The pall-bearers were—Revs. Canon Read, Canon Honsteer, Canon Worrell, Canon Roberts, Canon Lines; of London, Very Rev. Dean Boomer, Rural Dean Bell, and Rural Dean Osler. The streets along the line of procession were crowded with citizens, and the scene was altogether of a solemn and impressive character not easily forgotten.

DELAWARE GOOD TEMPLARS.—At the last regular meeting of Delaware Valley Lodge, No. 202, I. O. G. T., the following officers were installed:—Bro. G. D. Glennie, W. C.; Sister M. Stitts, W. V. T.; Bro. M. J. Ulam, W. S.; Bro. J. R. Merrill, W. F. S.; Bro. Andrew Glover, W. M.; Bro. George Reid, W. C.; Bro. George Waggoner, W. D.; G. Sister Mary Eichenberger, W. I. G.; Sister J. L. Lawson, W. A. S.; Sister R. Forsyth, W. A.; Sister Sh. L. Durdan, W. T.; Bro. J. Blackwell, W. H. S.; Sister A. Wagner, W. L. S.

SCHOOL MATTERS IN LONDON SOUTH.—Monday afternoon, Inspector Dearness held an inquiry into the disputed election of a Trustee for London South, contest. It appears that at the election "Squire Oxney" was declared returned by acclamation to fill the returning officer. This declaration is disputed by Mr. Rhesler, on behalf of Mr. Alex. Pomfey, claiming that the hour had not expired when the nominations of the last-named was made. The evidence, which was taken under oath, was rather contradictory, and Mr. Dearness will submit the whole matter to the Minister of Education.

EASTERN BIBLE SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Exeter Branch of the U. C. Bible Society was held in the Methodist Church on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Jas. Little, of Princeton, agent of the Society, was present and delivered an interesting address on the work of the Society at Home and Foreign, and U. C. Bible Societies. The Rev. Mr. Betcher was elected President for the year. The other officers remain as formerly. The report of the Secretary showed the collections of the last year to be $113.75, two-thirds of which was donated to the British and Foreign and the remaining one third to the U. C. Society.

BRACKMAN'S ENTERTAINMENT.—The Royal Star Dramatic Company open for a short season at the Holman Opera House this evening, on which occasion they purpose presenting Daly's sensational play of "Under the Gaslight." The piece is full of hairbreadth escapes, interesting situations, and notwithstanding its sensational character points a moral which many, we dare say, in this city, would profit by accepting and applying to themselves. The company is too well known to Londoners to require further commendation. Visit the Opera House and be persuaded that what we speak is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

YOUNG THIEVES NABBED.—Detective Flesit, having entertained a strong suspicion that the petty thefts reported throughout the city were committed by the Hurley and Gooderham boys, paid a visit this morning to their boarding house on York street, and after scrutinizing that Joseph Hurley and Martin Gooderham had brought a quantity of four to the house a few nights ago, and also two fancy glass globes, went in search of the Arabs. On approaching the Tecumseh House the detective observed the couple amongst a number of others, and took them into custody. The elder Arabs, Hurley and Gooderham, are the youths who urge their brothers to steal. But so soon as they saw the officer approaching them they ran off. The boys were remanded for examination.

DEATH OF A FORMER LONDONER.—The Hamilton papers record the death of Mr. R. M. Ballantine, merchant, which took place on Sunday last, at his residence on Park street. Mr. Ballantine was born in the County of Armagh, North of Ireland, and was one of a band of teachers taken out to the West Indies in 1840 by the Venerable Archdeacon Tree (uncle of A. T. Wood, Esq., M. P.) who was at that time representing the Mico Charity in London. Mr. Ballantine remained sometime in the West Indies, and from thence he proceeded to New Orleans. After remaining there he turned his steps to Canada, and settled at London, from whence he moved to Hamilton and has been a resident of that city for between sixteen and eighteen years. He had many friends, who will regret to hear of his death.

THE THREATENED MURDER OF A CANADIAN MISSIONARY.—There is little doubt that the Canadian missionary spoken of in the telegram from San Francisco on Friday last is the Rev. G. L. Mackay, who has been for some years stationed in Formosa as missionary from the Canadian Presbyterian Church. Mr. Mackay was the first missionary sent from Canada to that island, and has labored with the greatest assiduity and success. It would be unwarrantable to conclude, as the telegram in question seemed to intimate, that Mr. Mackay has either been deprived of life or is likely to be. At the same time it is but right to mention that Mr. Mackay is just the man, from temperament and strong conviction, to refuse to withdraw from his position, if by so doing he might appease either lacking in courage or devotion. Mr. Mackay is a native of Zorra, in the county of Oxford, where his relatives reside.

ODDS AND ENDS.

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The skirt-lifter is perhaps the most gratifying mark of civilization.

The great difficulty in skating is to maintain unanimity among your feet.

The man with the hereditary chilblains is the fellow who "told you so," now.

Make yourself necessary, young man, and your success is certain.—*Josh Billings.*

Do not fail to visit the Art Show in the Mechanics' Institute this afternoon. It will repay a visit.

No man can be said to be out of debt, he must necessarily owe something to the inclemency of the weather.

A hen over in the County of Wellington lays seven-ounce egg, while the Guelph papers do the cackling for her.

The Rev. J. A. Murray, of this city, preached in St. Thomas on Sunday on "Affliction which Works a Eternal Glory." It is the same with oysters in a chowder-social stew as with young people in love—two are company and three are a crowd.

The Laplander never rebels or conspires. Give him his reindeers and whiskey, and he cares not what happens in the outside world.

Young man, learn to wait; if you undertake to set a hen before she is ready you will lose your time and confuse the hen besides.

An exchange remarks that "the eye is the most wonderful organ of sight in existence." This will be sad news to the blind fiddler.

Coat buttons are now made to screw on through the cloth, but along about election time candidates will pull them off the stuff as any others.

Curious, isn't it, that after all the new religious and temperance revivals, business is bad, everybody hard-up, and crime never more rampant?

Remark by a Greek:—"Somebody hit me—just hit dat. Oh, I must have some amusement. Oh, thunder and Mars! observe the tail of this coat."

The Lingards occupy the Mechanics' Hall this evening. Go early and get a good seat. Wm. Hermes and Alice Dunning are simply immense, you know.

It is to be hoped that the Manch Chunk miracle will not be hastily discredited. If we can't have a good miracle as those of olden times we'll do does our boasted progress amount to.

Archie—"See, old man, how I'm hunted after; all those are invitations." Friend—"Good gracious! all invitations! Invitations to what?" Archie—"To call and settle their accounts."

An old Methodist preacher going around among the members of his congregation, came across an old lady in question. "Do you love the Lord?" he asked. "Well, parson, I ain't got no skins agin him!"

"What is all the world to a man if his wife is a widow?" enquires a friend of ours. In that case, it seems to us, the world is nothing to a man—he has all he can do to attend to matters outside of it.

"Take O, take that lily away,
That, alas! long since was our;
Call again some other day
When the tree do but serve—
Robins, they pleasant spring,
Some flowers, change with bring."

"It is our unbiased, unprejudiced, unwarped opinion, privately proclaimed through a public journal, that the Lingards will repay after to-night's entertainment that they had not longer *lingered* in London than one night.

The *tee-wee* says that one of the absentees mentioned by us was present at the late Grit conclave. Probably it will have the hardihood in a day or two to say that "though absent in the flesh they were with them in the spirit."

"A young man out west attempted to kiss a pretty widow, when, in the south, she thrust a finger into one of his eyes, destroying the sight." Evidently that young man had not heard of the optional injunction to "Beware of the widkie."

Discoursing chilt (who has heard some remarks by pap)—"Are you our new nurse? Nissa—Yes, dear." Child—"Well, then, I am one of those boys who can only be managed by kindness; so you had better get some sponge cake and oranges at once."

"The London Free Press says Mr. Nicol has been appointed Paymaster of the Great Western Railway. The employes of that road will therefore be paid by the book hereafter, and will doubtless swear by him as well."—*Detroit Free Press.* That's a Hay joke, verily!

Chief Jennings of St. Thomas has found the second stolen buffalo robe which was stolen from Mr. G. T. Hixon's rig on New Year's day. He regarded the robe in Montreal, and obtained possession of it on Saturday morning. The thief has not yet been arrested, but the responsibility he took will be dodged.

"What are you after, my dear?" said a grandmother to a little boy, who was sliding along a room and casting furtive glances at a gentleman who was paying a visit. "I am trying, grandma, to steal papa's hat out of the room without letting the gentleman know it; he wants him to think he's out."

"Do you know," remarked a rather fast youth the other day to a stuttering friend, to whom he was slightly indebted, "do you know that I intend to marry and settle down?" "I do-don't know anything about it," was the reply, "but-but I think you had b-b-better stay single and set-settle up."

Even a newspaper man finds it hard sometimes to believe everything he sees in print. At any rate, that's the way it affected us the other day, when a nine-year-old boy appealed to our generosity by laying before us a card setting forth, in unshrinking double-pica, that he was a poor widow and the mother of five children. There's confidence in this—pure, unblunted truth.

"Grease the Griddle, Birdie Darling," a beautiful new song and chorus, by the author of "Hang my Scalp Locks o'er my Forehead," will have a greater run than any piece since "Darling, I am Growing Old!" The melody being simple and plaintive, and very suitable for barber-shop guitars, we append the first stanza:—

"Grease the griddle, Birdie darling—
Grease it o'er an immense heat,
Pour the buckwheat batter on it
From the bowl so brown and neat.
And in order that the buckwheats
Be not scorched and brown and sere,
Grease the griddle in profusion,
Grease the griddle, Birdie dear."

The Mail, referring to the dispute between this journal and the Hamilton *Times* says "the FREE PRESS appears to have slightly the advantage of its contemporary." The *Times* on Friday said "Mr. Bible has not been appointed Paymaster," on Monday night it remarked "even at present writing Mr. B. has not been officially made Paymaster, though there is no doubt he is to be." Now, for the information of our sluggard-like contemporary, we beg to state that Mr. Bible received official notification of his appointment on the 23rd of January. Own up, that you had to go from home to get the news, and the profession will respect you the more.

PRESENTATION.—At the regular communication of Corinthian Lodge, No. 330, G. R. C. A. F. and A. M., London East, last night, Past Master W. Bro. J. B. Cook was made the recipient of a handsome Past Master's gold jewel by the members of the lodge, as a mark of esteem and in appreciation of his services. Bro. Cook made a suitable reply.

LOCAL NOTICES.

GREAT ATTRACTION.—A splendid brass band will be in attendance at the Covered Rink this evening.

"That Husband of Mine" brings home "Gillet's Cream Yeast" every time.

"THE BEST WATER MAIN IN THE WORLD."—This is the name adopted by the proprietors of the Wych-off pipe, manufactured by Messrs. Ayrsmith, Smith & Co., Bay City, Mich., and which is brought fully under the notice of the Commissioners and ratepayers in another column. It is contended that this pipe has many special advantages over those made of iron, and that something like $50,000 can be saved by its adoption for our new water-works. The following are stated to be the special merits of this pipe:—

1st—It is the Purest Conductor.
2nd—It is the Cheapest.
3rd—It is the Most Durable.
4th—It Will Last Longest in Water.
5th—It Does Freeze it Will Not Burst.
6th—It Can be More Easily and Rapidly Laid.
7th—It is Less Liable to Get Out of Order.
8th—It Can be More Easily Tapped.
9th—Sand Not be Laid in Over.
10th—Being Elastic, it is Less Liable to Burst From Hammer Action of Pump or Hydrant.

It is in use in many cities in the United States, and from the testimonials published from parties in Rochester, Bay City, Union City (Ind.), and other places, the pipes appear to have given every satisfaction.

THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Organization of the Board—Mr. Carling Elected Chairman and Mr. W. R. Meredith Solicitor — Applications—An Offer from the Coombs, etc.

The first regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held in the Mayor's office Monday afternoon. Present—Mayor Lewis and Messrs. Hyman and Carling.

Hon. John Carling was elected Chairman; W. R. Meredith, Esq., Q. C., Solicitor, and Mr. A. S. Abbott, Secretary *pro tem.*

Applications were received from the following persons for the appointment of Secretary to the Commissioners, viz.:—J. D. McLean, W. H. Hargraves, C. D. Shaw and Thomas N. Greene. Laid over.

An application for the appointment of Engineer was received from Mr. H. A. Childs, was read and referred for consideration; and also one for the appointment of Inspector of Pipes from Mr. Levi Yale, of St. Catharines. It was also laid over for consideration.

A communication was laid before the Board from Charles, John and Henry Coombs, who offered to sell the Coombs' Mill property, being parts of lots 40 and 41, in the township of Westminster, to the city for the sum of $25,000.

In explaining the position of the property, Mr. C. Coombs stated that the property was bonded by Mr. David Glass, Q. C., in 1873 (during the water-works discussion) for $25,000, and that a minor named Joseph H. Coombs had no claim upon the property at present, although he did not know but what he would have as soon as he became of age.

The question of purchase and title to property was referred to the Solicitor for a report.

Mr. Hamilton, of Toronto, an extensive dealer in iron piping, appeared before the Board, seeking information in regard to the size, quality and quantity of piping required, and also what it was proposed to have the works completed.

The Commission assured him that every enterprising dealer would have a fair and virtuous calling for tenders inserted in the newspapers as soon as Mr. Peterson, the Engineer, was heard from, which would probably be within a week. It was also the intention of the Commission to have the works commenced and finished within a year. Mr. Hamilton intimated his intention of tendering.

Mr. R. S. Finch, of Bay City, Mich., also appeared before the Board, and explained the excellencies of the Wyckoff Patent Wooden Piping. The matter was taken under advisement.

The Lake Shore Foundry Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, asked for information in regard to the extent of the proposed works, and the Secretary was ordered to furnish the particulars.

The Board then adjourned.

London East Notes.

Tuesday afternoon.

The Post Office removal has caused more noise to be in the front, and the "little pleasantness" that arises between Mr. Murray Anderson, the so-called "daddy of the village" and Mr. V. Sherwood, the "postmaster." After the forger had "pulled the strings," which the postmaster had to do in order to arrange matters with Mr. David Glass, and procured the removal of the works to his block, against the wishes of the ratepayers, Mr. Mills asked that Mr. Anderson fit up the place as a Post Office. This the owner of the store refused to do, and then Mr. Mills proposed to fit up the store at his expense, if Mr. Anderson would allow him three months' rent for so doing. This Mr. Anderson thought a fair arrangement was accepted by Mr. Anderson as satisfactory, and that upon the strength of it he fitted up the store. Since then, it is alleged, that Mr. A. has endeavored to back out of the arrangement he made, and that he has been pushing Mr. M. for three months' rent. This, Mr. M. very properly refused to pay, and yesterday afternoon a distress warrant was issued against Mr. Mills' goods to recover the amount. How far as we can hear, was settled for the time being by Mr. Mills "forking over," MS that part of the law's commands was not done literally by the Postmaster, who informed Mr. Anderson that he knew his "little game" was to make it so unpleasant for him as to force him to resign the position, and then Mr. David Glass would see that the "daddy of the village" was appointed to the vacancy. Mr. Mills means to "hold the fort" against all comers, and feels satisfied the P. M. General will sustain him. Mr. Mills has came quite a notable among the village and aroused admirers of the leaders of placemity on, awaiting further developments in the new phase of the Post Office removal. "When Greta fall out, the fun comes to the front."

Before Squire Peters this morning, four youths, named John and Marshall Rickard, David Livingston and James Ryan, were charged with stealing a game-cock from John Gilligan. The youths conducted to give up the bird and pay the costs, and the charge was allowed to be withdrawn.

Local Legal Notes.

TORONTO COURTS, Monday.

Chamber — Mr. Gordon became absolute to relieve the verdict to $861.28, and discharge, and to mention. Tyrwhitt-Drake, for Wright vs. Sun Mut. Ins. Co.—In this case an order was made in Chambers striking out the jury notice, but the Divisional Court judge this order was confirmed; the plaintiffs appealed from these orders to the full Court. The Court considered that the proper rule to adopt was these orders should be made in Chambers, but directed that it be left to the discretion of the presiding judge at the trial, and reminded the orders, striking out the jury notice.

Cassyman vs. G. W. R. Co.—Application for leave to appeal upon paying $400 into Court. Reserved.

re Robertson; Robertson vs. Robertson.—Enlarged.

Ferguson vs. C. S. R. Co.—Motion to fix the amount for which security for costs is to be given upon appeal to Court of Appeal. Stands.

Walker v. Roe.—Order for leave to pay into Court $100 as security for costs.

Re Essex and Rochester; *re* Mersea and Rochester; *re* Gosfield and Rochester.—These were applications to set aside awards under the Drainage Acts. Rules absolute without costs.

McMaster v. King.—Rehearing on a judgment of a single judge on demurrer. Judgment reversed.

Police Court Penciillings.

Tuesday—L. Lawrence, Esq., P. M. Presiding

Two men named Thomas Moore and John Sutherland were arrested yesterday morning by being drunk and kicking up a row in the neighborhood of Thompson's livery stable. They were fined $1 each. Moore, on being liberated, commenced abusing Detective Wickens, and that officer immediately placed him in the dock again, and he was fined an additional dollar bill for too freely exercising his tongue.

Jeremiah Dwyer, aged 16, and Tommy Sullivan, aged 17, were each fined $1 for being drunk and unable to take care of themselves. They paid it and left for a more congenial clime.

SEMINARY HIGH SCHOOL.—Mr. Duncan, formerly a teacher in one of the Ottawa Public Schools, and who has been attending the Hamilton Collegiate Institute, preparing for senior matriculation in arts, was waited upon a few evenings ago, by Mr. Carson, of Strathroy, P. S. I. of West Middlesex, who induced him to accept the position of Mathematical Master of the Strathroy High School. Although Mr. Duncan has been in Hamilton but a short time, he has succeeded in winning the good opinion of all the masters and students of the Institute, and was especially esteemed by his fellow-boarders, who made arrangements to entertain him with an oyster supper on the evening previous to his departure. Accordingly, a grand "spread" was prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Chestnut, to whom, in a great measure, the success of the entertainment was due. Numerous toasts were proposed and heartily responded to by the various speakers present, all of whom referred to the deep regret they felt at parting with so valued a friend.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—At the last regular meeting of Knowlton Lodge, I. O. G. T., the following officers were installed for the ensuing quarter by the L. D., Bro. M. Scarrow:—W. C. T., Bro. F. Tepper; W. V. T., Sister Hastings; W. R. S., Sister M. Michael; W. T., Bro. B. Michael; W. F. S., Bro. M. Scarrow; W. M., Bro. S. Screaton; W. I. G., Bro. J. Anderson; W. O. G., Bro. McBride; W. A. S., Bro. J. Hooper; W. D. M., Sister H. Jones; W. R. H. S., Bro. W. Lancaster; W. L. H. S., Sister J. Hooper.

Orangeism.

Annual Meeting of East Middlesex Lodge—Grand Lodge Meeting—Harmony Restored.

The annual county meeting of East Middlesex Loyal Orange Lodge was held in the Orange Hall, Richmond street, yesterday (Tuesday). It was very numerously attended by brethren having votes, and members of all the private Lodges and District Lodges in the city and county. The following officers of the county were duly elected:—

Bro. Robert Hobbs, County Master.

Rev. James Wilson, Deputy County Master.

Bro. Richard Wright, County Secretary.

Bro. Robert Deaney, County Chaplain.

Bro. David Baskerville, County Treasurer.

Bro. John Wilson, Director of Ceremonies.

Bro. John Read, County Lecturer.

Arrangements are made to celebrate the 12th of July on a grand scale this year in London.

The Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario East meets in Belleville on the second Tuesday in February, and the Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West meets in Oshawa on the same date. The Grand Lodge of the Orange Young Britons meets in Ottawa on the 12th prox. It is expected that the above meetings will be the most interesting that have ever been held in Canada, and matters of vital importance to the Order in this Province will be submitted for consideration.

Harmony has been restored in the councils of Orange Association of the U. S. This satisfactory state of affairs has been brought about by the action of the Earl of Enniskillen, Imperial Grand Master, in endorsing the course pursued by the President of the Triennial Council, Bro. MacKenzie Bowell, G. M. B. N. A. At the session of the G. O. L. of the U. S., held at Cleveland, Capt. John Fullerton, of New York, was elected Grand Master, and Bro. John Clark, of Philadelphia, Grand Secretary. The next session of the Grand Lodge will be held in Pittsburg, Pa.

"DAVY CROCKETT."—The production of this new American play at the Opera House last night by Mr. Frank Mayo and his talented company proved a delightful and refreshing surprise to the large audience present. Those who went expecting to see a mere Indian shooting performance, were agreeably disappointed. An American contemporary has truthfully remarked of this noble play that it is a new revelation of the borderland, and develops the best material which civilization selects to do its rough work. It holds up a mass of heart and stations him on the outposts, doing picket duty for progress. It glorifies woman as a mother and nourisher of heroes, and as the mate of man. It casts human nature in its eternal mould, producing the very simplicity of the race, and proves its integrity by hard knocks and sharpest probings. It brings the refinements of fashion and education in woman under the influence of the very largest breadth of pure humanity in man, and the more ornaments of blood and station are swept away by the strong pulses of nature flooding around the heart. We find "Davy Crockett" brave and resolute, with a great generous heart as tender as a woman's. In brief, a person in every sense of the word worthy of the name man. And such is the conception Mr. Mayo has of the character. Well adapted to the part in looks and physique, he enacts it naturally and effectively. The picture is complete in the smallest detail, so rich in color, so full of warmth, so beautiful and so manly. It is magnetic in its simplicity and truthfulness. There is a fascination in the very tenderness and humanity of this noble backwoodsman that is not to be resisted. We sympathize with his rudeness, and admire his generous nature. Kindly we follow his thoughts; of his actions we approve, for there is nothing ignoble in them; we pity his misfortunes, and rejoice in his triumphs. Mr. Mayo was absolutely surprised by a storm of applause, his splendid acting, without the slightest tinge of cant, was enthusiastically appreciated, and the actor called repeatedly before the curtain. Should the Company return to London, as they profess to do shortly, they may rely on a running reception.

THE LINGARD COMBINATION.—Our theatre-going citizens are on the qui vive regarding the appearance of this famous dramatic combination who are announced to appear at the Mechanics' Hall this evening, in one of their highly popular entertainments. It is rumored that London will be favored with a protracted to them of witnessing performances like the Lingards, and the rapidity with which the best seats have been secured shows that our citizens are discriminating and ardent admirers of the leaders of the dramatic profession. On this occasion, the Lingards will produce A. D. Gordon's play of "Heart and Cross," written expressly for them, and in which they have met very admiration in the States. It deals with a part of the life of the unfortunate "Mary Stuart," commencing with her departure from France for Scotland, and carrying on the action to the Death of Rebellion, and has some good scenes, one especially, depicting the assassination of Rizzo. The piece is in terms of praise of Mrs. A. Dunning Lingard's assumption of the role of the Queen of Scotts, and she seems to be well supported by the rest of the troupe, and the play abounds in grand tableaux and exciting scenes, consequently it does two marriages 'and four murders. Miss Lingard will also appear in some of the character sketches which have gained him such a great reputation.

BUSINESS NOTICES

THE Good Sisters of St. Joseph's Home, 15th St., New York, for the aged persons under their care, use, by direction of their medical advisor, Giles' Lithontard Iodide of Ammonia, with great success. For sale by all druggists.

ENGLISH FLANNELS at A. Mountjoy's, City Hall.

NEW stamping patterns for pillow shams, initiable wreaths, just received. Antique pottery, pictures, &c. Madame Demorest's reliable patterns at Mrs. J. Gallen's, 148, Dundas street.

AT R. DUNCAN'S Flour and Feed Store, 497 Richmond street, is the place to buy first-class provisions cheap. A fine supply of excellent apples on hand.

Boston brown bread, home-made and rye bread; oysters 20cts. per can, oranges 25cts. per dozen, fruits and confectionery cheap. Try them at H. H. Gore's, 521 Richmond street.

JUST ARRIVED.—Fresh Catawba grapes, Bananas and Malaga grapes; all other fruits in season, at R. Mountjoy's.

SELLING CHEAP.—If you want to get a mantle, clocks, wool shawl, trimmed millinery and muffs, for cash, call at Mrs. J. J. Sheffington's, 108 Dundas street.

Just in by express a fine supply of large, fresh Baltimore oysters, in cans or by measure; also cranberries, oranges, lemons, confectionery, fancy biscuits, jellies, &c., at Ackrowes, 419 Richmond street.

DENTISTRY.—Painless extraction of the tooth by means of Nitrous Oxide (Laughing gas), freezing of the gums, ether or chloroform. Charges moderate, at J. B. Cook's, opposite Strong's Hotel.

London East, Jan. 19, 1878.

Mrs. Holyoake, of London East, has been afflicted with asthma all her life. She tried Chester's Asthma Remedy about one year ago, and only used one box, and now considers herself perfectly cured, and is at the present time enjoying better health than ever before in her life.

(Signed) ELEANOR HOLYOAKE.

The above lady is the wife of Geo. Holyoake, Esq., Steam Saw Mills, London, Ont. The above preparation can be had at R. M. Chester's, London East, at $1 per box.

BLANKETS, BLANKETS, BLANKETS.—A choice stock of English and Canadian manufactured blankets of superior quality now offering at J. J. Gibbons' very cheap.

EMPRESS BRILLIE, sold by Harkness & Co., corner Dundas and Wellington streets; Harkness & Smith, Lilley's Block, London East. Prescriptions carefully prepared.

NEW FRUIT AND FREE SUGAR.—Homecured bacon, pork and hams at G W. Russell's, corner York and William streets. Groceries, hay, straw and feed at bottom prices. Fresh meat daily. Agent for EVENING FREE PRESS.

PRESCRIPTIONS carefully prepared by Harkness & Smith, Lilley's Block, London East.

PHILIP COSE, BOOTS AND SHOES.—Removed to Peel's building, opposite Strong's Hotel. Complete new stock, and has what you and everybody want—Bargains! ply

Financial and Commercial.

LATEST PER MIDNIGHT REPORT.

New York Stocks and Money.

New York, Feb. 5, 1:30 p. m.

Stocks dull.

GOLD	9[illegible]	U. P.	80[illegible]
Wabash	26[illegible]	B. P.	[illegible]
Ill. C.	[illegible]	Lake Shore	52[illegible]
D. & H. Canal	[illegible]	Tenessee	[illegible]
D. & R. G.	[illegible]	Adams Ex.	[illegible]
Chicago & R. I.	9[illegible]	P. M.	10[illegible]
N. Y. C.	[illegible]	P. F. W.	[illegible]
Ill. Cen.	11[illegible]	Ill. Cen.	[illegible]
do preferred	30	N. W.	[illegible]
		do preferred	[illegible]
M. C.	[illegible]	Erie	[illegible]
C. & A.	77[illegible]	C. C. C. & I.	[illegible]

New York, Feb. 5—Railroads strong. Stocks irregular and quiet.

European Finances.

London, Feb. 5, 11.30 a.m.

Consols	96 15-16
4's	104[illegible]
10-40's	105[illegible]
New Fives	109

Liverpool.

Liverpool, Feb. 5, 2.30 p. m.

Flour	30s	0d	to	32s	6d		
Wheat, spring	10s	3d	to	12s	0d		
Red Winter	11s	1d	to	12s	3d		
White	12s	4d	to	12s	8d		
Club	12s	4d	to	12s	8d		
Corn, new	26s	9d	to	27s	0d		
Oats	3s	0d	to	3s	0d		
Peas	36s	6d	to	00s	0d		
Barley	36s	0d	to	00s	0d		
Pork	48s	0d	to	49s	0d		
Lard	40s	0d	to	00s	0d		
Bacon	35s	0d	to	00s	0d		
Cheese	60s	0d	to	00s	0d		
Tallow	38s	6d	to	00s	0d		
Beef	65s	0d	to	00s	0d		

The following are the highest Liverpool quotations for each day of the past week:—

	Jan. 30		Feb. 1		2		4		5	
	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d
Flour	36	0	36	0	36	0	36	0	36	0
Wheat, spring	12	6	12	6	12	6	12	6	12	6
Wheat, red winter	12	6	12	6	12	6	12	6	12	6
White	12	9	12	9	12	9	12	9	12	9
Club	12	9	12	9	12	9	12	9	12	9
Corn	28	3	28	3	27	9	27	9	27	9
Peas	36	6	36	6	36	6	36	6	36	6
Pork	50	0	50	0	49	6	49	6	49	6
Lard	40	6	40	6	40	6	40	6	40	6
Bacon	35	6	35	6	35	6	35	6	35	6
Tallow	38	6	38	6	38	6	38	6	38	6
Cheese	64	0	64	0	64	0	65	0	66	0

The receipts of wheat for the past three days have been 39,000 quarters, of which 26,000 were American.

Chicago.

Chicago, Feb. 5, Midnight.

FLOUR dull and nominal.

WHEAT in fair demand. No 1 spring $1.05; No 2 spring $1.03; No 3 spring 97c; No 2 red 99c; rejected 97c.

CORN lower firm; 36c cash, Feb and March; rejected 35c.

OATS better firm; 26c cash, 26c March, 26½c April.

RYE quiet and unchanged.

BARLEY nominal.

DRESSED HOGS opened week and closed firm; $4.90 to $5.00.

PORK dull and tending downward; $10.50 to $10.60, cash; $10.60 March.

LARD steady and weakened.

BULK MEATS dull and unchanged.

BREADSTUFFS steady and unchanged.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 2,000 barrels; wheat, 19,000 bushels; corn, 6,000 bushels; oats, 10,000 bushels; rye, 3,000 bushels; barley, 13,000 bushels.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 1,000 barrels; wheat, 20,000 bushels; corn, 41,000 bushels; oats, 2,000 bushels; rye, 20,000 bushels; barley, 1,000 bushels.

New York.

New York, Feb. 5.

COTTON weak and nominally lower.

FLOUR without decided change; receipts 6,000 barrels; sales 10,000 barrels; low grades and extras.

RYE FLOUR quiet.

CORNMEAL steady.

WHEAT is dull, 1c to 1c lower; receipts 19,000 bush.; sales 30,000 bushels at $1.07 for No 2 spring May.

RYE steady.

BARLEY quiet.

CORN opened strong; receipts 64,000 bushels; sales 30,000 bushels; 1c higher.

OATS dull; receipts 92,000 bushels; sales 19,000 bushels; 1c to 2c lower.

PORK dull.

LARD quiet $7.82.

New York, Feb. 5, 6 p.m.

PEAS—Receipts today, no bushels. Canada peas quiet again at six for good stock in bulk and sacks.

BARLEY—Receipts to-day 1,000 bushels. Market nominal for malting grades for export; no sales reported. Canada barley is dull; receipts of 11,000 bush being made and by arrive at 31c, 30c, 3,100 bush received that one lot at 60c delivered to dis on track.

BARLEY MALT—Receipts to-day, 2,000 bush. The demand is still very light, and the market nearly for good samples is nominally 90c for ordinary. Sales of 1,000 city malt at $1.05, and 2,000 bush Canadian (? malt) at $1.05, cash.

Milwaukee

Milwaukee, Feb. 5.

WHEAT—quiet. No 1 Milwaukee hard, 18 cents at $1.06. No 1 Milwaukee club at $1.03. No 1 Milwaukee spring, $1.06. February wat $1.06; March at $1.06. No 2 Milwaukee club at 94c.

Toledo.

Toledo, Feb. 5, 12 p. m.

WHEAT—Firmer; No 1 Michigan is quoted at $1.21. No 1 amber Michigan, spot, at $1.21. Amber to the end of March and February, No 2 red winter nominally $1.12 bid; $1.13 asked; $1.14 for March.

CORN—steady; high mixed is quoted at 41½c bid, 42c asked; 41c bid for March.

OATS—Firm and nominal.

CLOVER SEED—Market is quoted at $4.70 prime at $4.80, No. 2 at $4.65.

PRIMARY RECEIPTS—Consist of 44 25 to 64.30 for right and bright.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 28,000 bush; corn, 41,000 bush.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 41,000 bush; oats, 2,900 bush.

Oswego.

Oswego, Feb. 5, 1 p. m.

WHEAT steady; No. 1 Mil. ship at $1 20; hard Duluth, $1 20; No. 2 Mil. ship at $1 07; at $1 08 for the month.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 Toledo at 42c; State at 42c.

BARLEY nominal. No. 2 Canada offered at 60c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 Canada offered at 28c in bin; shipping clothing at 29c in bin.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 4.

The *Drovers' Journal* this afternoon says as follows:—

HOGS—The receipts to-day have been 23,000 hog; shipments, 3,000 hog. The market is lower than yesterday. Prices ranged from $4 70 to $4 90 for light, $4 70 to $4 85 for medium, and heavy at $4.80 to $4. Light are fairly active.

CATTLE—The receipts to-day have been 2,000 head; shipments, 700 head. The market is steady and strong. No cattle here. A few choice shipping steers sold at $4 to $4.25, fair to good at $3 to $3.75, and common to fair at $2.50 to $3. Mixed butchers' are scarce at $2.30 down at $2.20 to $2.50; bulls at $2 25; to $2 50; stockers at $2 to $2 50.

SHEEP—The receipts to-day have been 400 head.

Chicago Hog Market.

Chicago, Feb. 5.

HOGS—Receipts, 19,000 head; shipments, 3,000 head. Market opened lower, but generally speaking heavy mixed packing, $4.80 to $4.90; heavy packing, $4.80 to $4.90.

Ocean Freights.

New York, Feb. 5.

OCEAN FREIGHTS were slow both on the bonds and for cotton as usual on Saturday, though in some cases a good trade was done. To Liverpool from Philadelphia the grain charter was let at 9d. In Baltimore firm at 9d for Corn and cotton, at which several 1,300 and 4,000 quarter cotton were chartered. The oil market is in a position that very little demand is noted for oil vessels for charter. The shipments of provisions for the week have been large, enough to fill the list for the Continent, and to charter a vessel to take the balance for the Continent, and 18,000 for 12,000 for Bristol. There