resolution was then put and Yeas-Detrie, Heffernan, Coffee, Nott, Hood, Davidson, Harvey. -Howard, Crowe, Raymond, Robertson, Mills. By-law was road a first and second and the Council went into Com-on the third reading. Mr. El'ioti ohar.

the on the fluid reading. Mr. Eliott he char. discussion roise on the quession of traing officers. or the South ward, James Ferguson Thomas W. Cooper were nominated. Datter was appointed. or the East Ward, W. J. Paterson Thomas W. Todd were named. . Howard could not see why Mr. Id should be expelled from the office. The Coffee replied that on the former asion Mr. Paterson had been appointed ause Mr. Todd was not an elector in East Ward. He thought this matter of de left with the Ward Conneillors. If. Hooder and that Mr. John Hogg and McGree had tried to eram falsehoods w Mr. Paterson's throat at the last thion.

owe had noticed that Mr. Pater-led to ask the electors the usual

e-And what did Mr. Crowe

(Langhter) (Langhter) r. Hood said that a preminent elector a member of this Council was at the and seconded everything that the lemen referred to had said, and Mr. re knaw it. knew it. Paterson was elected by a vote of

o 5. For the West Ward, Edward Newton George Murton, senior, were nomin-d. Mr. Newton was appointed. The preamble to the by-law was then mssed.

Davidson. The Committee then rose and the Council adjourned.

TUESDAY EV'NG, MAY 26, 1874

The Law of Libel.

Considerable attention has lately been given to the law of libel in da, from the frequency with which cases of this nature have been before the Courts. The celebrated Montreal case-in which the propristors of the Witness were defendants -a.id on which sat a jury so stupid as not to know for whom to return a verdict-has given rise to a demand. for an amendment of the law now in force in Quebec. In the case above mentioned the old and tyrannical law in force in Britain at the begin. ning of this century was the one un-der which it was tried, and even it was strained to its utmost limits in order to secure a verdict against the Messrs. Dougall, who showed that in publishing the state-ments charged as libellous, there was no malice. We are glad to see that the matter has engaged the attention of Parliament, and that a bill framed and introduced by Mr Brooks, for assimilating the law of libel to that which now prevails in England and also in Ontario, will receive the sanction of the House The first clause provides that the jury, on the general plea of not uilty, shall not be required by the udge "to find the defendant guilty merely on the proof of publication by such defendant of the paper charged to be a libel, and of the sense ascribed to the same in such indictment or information," with the two provisos of leaving the judge the usual discretion in the nature of his charge, and the jury the right to find a special verdict, and the defendant the right to move in arrest of judgment. The next three claus- store lat

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY WINDOW The Magee Outrage. The New Duke of Connaught. Finances in the U.S. Senate. New York, May 24.—Pansma ad ces to the 15th inst. say that Gonzales, commandent at San Jose de Guatemala, was not mortally wounded by shots rewas not morially wounded by shots re-ceived when attempting to escape to the steam ship Arizona, but was recovering. His trial for the outrage upon British Vice Consul Magee was fixed for the 28th April. He will probably be shot. Pas-sengers who were on board the steamer A naons in the port when the outrage was going on speak very strongly against Mr. James, the U. S. Consul, for not in-terfering to save Mr. Magee from the cruelty of the Commandant. Darmstadt, May 24. — The Princess Alice of England, wife of Prince Louis of Hesse, Darmssadt, has given birth to a daughter.

daughter. London, May 24.—At the celebr of the Queen's b⁻t⁻tday, which takes place to-morrow, the title of Duke of Connaught w⁻¹l be conferred on Prince Arthur

New York, Apr'l 26 .- The Times Wash ington special says some doubt has arisen as to whether the civ' rights bill will pass the House this sessi

The Herald's Washington despatch

The preamble to the by-law was then discussed. Mr. Howard moved, seconded by Mr. Robertson, that in the first clause, "On and to be either attached to the present therefrom," the word "either" atter by and the words "or separate therefrom" atter Town Hall be struck ont. Tho mover explained that while he wished the matter to go to the people in a defi-nite shape, he was still opposed to spending such a large som for the proposed therefrom, while opposed to mr. Robertson, while opposed to think the sum should be \$18,000, as his had heard of a gentleman who offered to the work for \$11,000. The motion was carried. Yeas : Messra. Howard, "Robertson, Crew, Raymond, Mills, Hood, Bruce, Herrey, Nays:-Messrs. Coffee, Petrie, Heffernan, Ha", The Committee then rose and the Council adjourned. The Committee then rose and the Council adjourned. Mr. Bust head to be self and the size and the self and th

BIRTHS.

MARRIED.

CUMM.NG-WATSON-At the residence of the bride's father on the 20th inst., by the Rev. Alex. McKay, M.A., Mr. John Cum-ming, of Detroit, U.S., to Miss Ellen, eldest daughter of Robert Watson, Esq., Puslibl, Ont.

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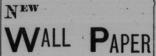
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