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upper story, the whole family eat, work and sleep on the ground floor, which is only 15x20. Seated on benches, which are also used as beds and which line the room, all engage in basket making. Two babies, which are the youngest members of the family, are taken care of in old time Indian style, being fastened to a board about three feet long, which is made to do service as a hammock and rest. All are very industrious, and make no complaints

very industrious, and make no complaints of their lot. the circumstances attending the execution of Costafloraz at St. John's the other mornof Costafloraz at St. John's the other morning, as there was surrounding the hanging which "My Lord Tomnoddy" went out to see, as told in the Ingoldsby Legends. The Quebec executioner was a prison bird, whose sentence had just expired. His office seemed to suit his tastes, for his mirth never left him during the performance of his dreadful duty. Having pocketed twenty dollars for his trouble, the fellow returned to Montreal, and forthwith entered on a debauch. When he had become drunk and created a disturbance in the city, the police carried him away. The trucks at city, the police carried him away. The hanging seemed only to have whetted him appetite, for he declared, "I have hung one man to-day, and would like nothing better the carrier in the contraction of the contraction of the contraction of the contraction of the carrier of the c The one man to-day, and would like nothing better than performing the operation over again." One half of his fee was devoted on the following day to paying a fine and costs, thus fitly closing his holiday extwo chil-

widow The members of the legal profession practising in Hamilton and the surrounding county have formed themselves into a law society, to be called "The Hamilton Law Association," for the purpose of supporting a law library for the use of its members, to be kept and maintained in the Court House, and for promoting the general interests of the profession, and good feeling and harmony among its members. The association is formed under the provisions of the "Act respecting Library Associations, &c." The first trustees for managing the affairs of the association were applied. . that he therland and say ond, owned being exer-O'Hara, a tions, &c." The first trustees for managing the affairs of the association were appointed at a general meeting of the profession, held at the County Council chamber on Tuesday last, and are as follows: The lad Æmilius Irving, Q.C.; Thos. Robertson, Q.C.; Richard Martin, Q.C.; F. McKelhe had recan, Q.C.; B. B. Osler, Q.C.; George M. Barton, Dundas; Alex, Bruce, John W. James, and Robert R. Waddell. The profession numbers sixty-two practitioners in ared at one now, how

Hamilton, Dundas, and Anci A clue to the burglars who have been plundering the stores at Barrie of late has been found. On Thursday Constable Campbell, of that place, during a dispute with a gas works employé named Gould, elicited the fact that Gould and another in Mont Mr. John employé of the gas works, named Lang, were partners in the ownership of a quan-tity of knives. Campbell having obtained ited bank a search warrant, proceeded with two other officers to the Victoria Hotel and arrested Lang and Gould, who were stay-ing there. On searching their room the permitted ing there. On searching their room the constables found two trunks ready for shipment, addressed to Hamilton. These, on being opened, were found to contain a 7th inst. a beet root number of pocket knives, revolvers, and plated goods, stolen from Johnston's hardware store two weeks ago; a chronomete stolen from M. Shanasey, of the Sim turing of a House, last October; a brown tep coat an part of a gun stolen from the Queen's Hotel, with other articles, including seve Hotel, with other articles, including several burglars' tools. The prisoners were ar-raigned before the Mayor yesterday and remanded until Monday. Goald comes from London and Lang from Hamilton. from London and Lang from Hamilton.

The Montreal Post says:—"A very curious Customs seizure took place lately. A lady going from Montreal undertook to smuggle some silks for the benefit of her friends across the border. When she came to the Bonaventure Depot her trunks were examined by the U.S. officers, but there was nothing contraband found in them. They noticed, however, that she carried a bulky paper parcel in her hand. They did not say anything, but the officer on board the train, whose duty it is to examine the hand hargase of passengers.

threatening her with being searched in eliciting from her the confession that she had goods concealed about her person. She was made to deliver them up. They con-sisted in a parcel of silks, in value about \$50. The lady said she was highly conen the local nected in Burlington, Vt."

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A singular example of the tritustice after long delay has just occu Gananoque. Last summer a married manamed Hyde was committed for trial by Gananoque Justice of the Peace on don a rise of the done of the Peace on a charge of indecent assault upon a young girl. No bonds having been entered into for the girl's appearance at the Assizes, a subpœna was issued. Meanwhile the girl's dather, Michaél Dillon, accepted a bribe of father, Michaél Dillon, accepted a bribe of the control of the proceeded the control of the Peace on a state that the girl's appearance at the Assizes, a subpœna was issued. Meanwhile the girl's father, Michaél Dillon, accepted a bribe of taken away to the United States. The case accordingly could not be proceeded with at the Assizes. Dillon and his fami returned, however, to Gananoque a sho time ago, doubtless presuming that t trouble had blown over. All the parties th did not ipe, he supthe case were taken before the Court of General Sessions, and the cause of justice vindicated. Not only was Hyde condemn an ordinary vindicated. Not only was Hyde condemned for the original offence, but he with Dillon and lee were indicted for conspiracy in keeping the girl out of the way of the serving of a subpena. On the defendant pleading guilty, they were sentenced, Hyde and Lee to forty-eight hours' imprisonment, and Dillon to ten days. The practice of bribing witnesses to abstain from appearing in the Courts is, anfortunately, somewhat common in Teronto and te on a paper similar way Battalion

nately, somewhat common in Teronto at elsewhere, and the Gananoque case should be the common of the act as a warning.

The Court Room at Niagara was crowded a few evenings ago to witness the closing The Court Room at Ningara a few evenings ago to witness the closin exercises of the High School examination with the court of the court exercises of the High School examination, which consisted of choice musical selections by the pupils, and the presentation of prizes to those who had succeeded in passing the July intermediate examination. Rev. Chas. Campbell, who was in the chair, in making the presentations, paid a high tribute to the efficiency of the head master, Mr. A. Andrews, and Miss Carneck assistant. On protion of Mr. J. M. men, after part of the nock, assistant. On motion of Mr. J. Clement, secretary-treasurer of the Hi School Board, seconded by Mr. J. Murph the past the chairman was requested to va-position, and Mr. H. Pafford, May appointed to conduct the interesticeed ngs which followed. As prearranged, an address was then present to the Rev. Chas. Campbell by the schola of the public school, and was read by M of the public school, and Bolton; then another to the same gentl man from the High School papils, read Master Joseph Healy, On behalf of general public, Mr. A. Andrews then ca forward and read in a clear and disti tons have

forward and read in a clear and distin-manner an address which that gentlems had engrossed and illuminated, and which was a most beautiful specimen of artist-skill. It bore 130 signatures. The re-gentleman made an eloquent reply, ferring with deep emotion to the many e-dearing associations of the past, and it strong ties of friendship which had in his soul to kindred spirits among all class of the community. He traced the progre-of education in the town, and rejoiced it the present prosperity of the publiwho had united to do him such honous.
All the addresses and the reply were received by the audience with enthusiasis applause. A watch, chain, and purwere then presented by the Mayor. The ceremony was followed by brief pertined remarks from the Hon. W. H. Dickson Mr. S. H. Follett, Reeve; Mr. Kirby, Collector of Customs;

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EUROPEAN JOTTINGS. There are in Prussia 8,223 doctors, 149 urgeons and 251 dentists.

Rampagious small boys stoning the tele-graph with cost England \$50,000 last year. The Dublin death-rate has for six months averaged 31 in 1,000, against about 22 in

During the academic year of 1877-8 there were 5,035 students at the Medical School

One of the experiments with the electric light in England has been for the illumination of the Cathedral at Bristol. An unprecedented gale has prostrated many houses at Constantinople, and it is feared many persons have been killed.

McKean, Tetley & Co., old merchants of Bradford, Eng., have failed. Their habities are £86,000 but will be paid in full. Mr. Gladstone has intimated his intention to contest another constituency at the next election for the House of Commons. During the last three years more than \$3,000,000 has been sent to the Mansen

House, London, for various charitable pur Wm. R. Cooper, F.R.A.S., the origina-tor of the English Society of Biblical Archæology, died recently at the early age of thirty-five. The Hungarian Diet by 179 to 125 has authorized the Government to issue forty million florins in gold rentes to redeem Treasury bonds.

A Vienna despatch states that with the victory of the Government on its Eastern policy the Ministerial crisis may be considered surmounted.

A Berlin despatch says the Labour Com taxation will result in a return to prote As to a Cabinet, Prince Bismarck deems it "most tiresome that I have to discuss every plan with five or six persons who sometimes know very little upon the

subject."

A correspondent at Vienna states that twelve Turkish battalions have been ordered to Podgoritza to prevent the Albanians from resisting the cession of the place to Montenegro.

Mr. Smalley, the London correspondent of the New York Tribune, says Eduson "fairly divides the attention of the British public with Shere Ali, and is, on the whole, much more fairly treated."

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The St. Gothard tunnel is approaching completion. Eleven thousand six hundred and fifty metres of the mountain have been pierced, and only two thousand two hundred and sixty metres remain.

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The German Government committee of inquiry has rejected Bismarck's tobacco monopoly scheme, and favours a duty according to weight. It is believed Bismarck's marck will not accept the decision. hards will not accept the decision.

Nearly all the goods from the Paris Exposition to be returned to America have been forwarded to Havre. They will be shipped in the Constitution and Supply, which sail about the 1st of January.

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A spirit merchant in Dublin announces in an Irish paper that he has still a small quantity of the whiskey on hand which was drunk by George IV. when in Dublin. This is spirit-ualism, double-distilled.

In twenty-two old hats, besides rags and bags, a Welsh pauper named Dai Benponiw, who for thirty-two years had been receiving assistance from the authorities, was found to have concealed £22 3s. 10d.

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Evidently, bad examples set by eminent men in France are having their effect. Two Captains of marines lately fought a duel at Cherbourg with pistols, and one received a ball in his throat and died in a few hours. The average income of