

The current of affairs in Dakota is not such as to lead the ordinary observer to suppose that it is altogether the paradise that Mr. Blake and his fellow Grits have depicted it. Not only is the price of wheat away down below the paying point, but it is loudly asserted that the stock raising and farming is scarcely known there, at all. That wheat is raised is true enough, although the production is far from remunerative. But in a great portion of the territory the culture of the ground is as is practiced in Ontario is almost unknown. That the inhabitants do not raise enough butter for their own consumption is well understood. Milk is seldom to be found even in the houses of people who own a quarter of a section of land, and pigs, poultry and vegetables are equally scarce. To raise wheat, and that, it seems to be the mission of the average settler, is the much be praised. That cannot be denied. But, of that phrase, "so many a poor man," no man can confine him

One of the Deputy-Reeves of London Township, at the nomination on Monday last, characterized some of the roads in this municipality as impassable a great portion of the year, or in such a state that traffic on them was unprofitable. And with it is. Good roads have much to do in facilitating and promoting commerce, and the activity of trade. It is the cost that activity of exchange that keeps trade alive and money in circulation, and whatever retards its progress and whatever regards its barrier to trade, and there is no greater barrier to trade, and there is no greater barrier to local commerce than the bad roads, known to all according to the acknowledged fact of men well qualified to judge and assert, we have such in our midst. But not only are our back roads in bad condition during spring and fall, but even a thaw, as at present comes, when the thin gravel roads that is on the cut through leave even that is a very unsatisfactory condition. If the soft weather shall continue for any length of time, communication with the city will be partially cut off. After a heavy rain our best roads become impassable. In the vicinity of London there is much more gravel than almost impossible. In the adjoining township a good class of gravel is difficult to obtain for screening, and the consequence is that the roads are repaired with half sand and gravel, and the result is through and

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Dr. Atkinson, whose blood was poisoned by the scratch of a patient's nail, is dead. Dr. Pierce, who has been Dr. Atkinson's assistant for some time, said:

"The active poison has been eliminated by mercury, but the more chronic changes which usually occur after from three to ten years, have occurred with unusual rapidity in this case. There is, it is likely a deposit of some sort at the base of the brain, shutting off a part of the blood supply to the nerve centres. In all likelihood the nerve which is distributed to the lungs, heart, and stomach is the mainly affected. There is no other account for the sudden failure

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New Year's morning.

The C. P. R. Cars have commenced to run special heated cars between Montreal and Ottawa in the convenience of property liable to damage by frost. Twenty-five per cent. over the ordinary rates will be charged for freight sent by these cars, a price which ought to give the Company a good profit, but at the same time will give a considerable margin below the ordinary rates. The Montreal Star says: "The freight companies of Ottawa can be just as far as Ottawa, west of Ottawa, but from that point on they will be carried in ordinary cars and owners risk damage by frost. We have the experience to encourage the Canadian Pacific to expand the system and the Grand Trunk to accept their good cars and the heat of the cars used in Montreal on Mondays and Tuesdays, and Ottawa on Tuesdays and Fridays."

The Canadian Gazette of Dec. 13, states that the Canadian Pacific Railway at the Smithfield Cattle Show, to which we referred last week, attracted a large amount of notice from the visitors, and admiration evoked by the specimens exhibited was general. Sir Charles Tupper visited the Hall on Wednesday, and pressed great gratification at the splendid display which had been made. In view of our contemporaries we observe with much interest that the Canadian Pacific

daily references to the exhibition. The *Daily News*, for instance, described as "the best it had seen in the metropolis." On Thursday and Friday an additional feature at the stall consisted of a sample of Scotch coal. This lignite has been analysed by Mr. H. Smith, of the Royal School of Mines, and was found to possess 55.36 per cent carbon, and 18.47 of oxygen and 1.17 of hydrogen. It has also been analysed by a private test by Mr. W. Hardman, metallurgical chemist, Court Station, Manchester at Earl's Colliery, and the result was very favourable. Mr. Hardman writes: "The coal as very strong and good for domestic work, and good allround, and it got fail to give a fair trial."

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Mrs. Fortescue's real name is Flinney. President Diaz, of Mexico, is a full blooded Indian.

Seats for the first night of Bernhard's presentation of "Theodora" sold for \$60.

Labouchee, of London Truth, has been dubbed "The Mrs. Grundy of England."

James Wade's admirers are going to build a memorial church to the story.

Haley's daughter was married in Science and Religion have to that.

After reconciliation is trouble again. In a column to an eastern editor, he writes:

Hong Kong.

Queen Victoria is to mark a road near Balmoral—a favorite walk of the late Duke of Albany—with a massive granite chair.

The New England Club is exercised as to what was the religion of Miles Standish. Judge Russell, in authority on Puritan history, says he was a Roman Catholic.

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Indignus, we shot M. Morin, is now booked for the stage. "She had a bounty of an impetuous, fiery personality," *The Tribune*, "a face that is itself to tragicomicals, a naturally emphatic manner, rich is also any one of her eyes, hand, and feet." The actress, who at the score orders of confinement in a case of detention for seven weeks and seize court trial. "I dare say, bring her back to the stage," *The Tribune* noticed and admired. "I have seen her seven years ago at Fiori-Lugo's, the pardonable under-actress of the struggle." "She has returned to her daily life since she was married," *The Tribune* had tried to penetrate in her honor society meeting. "She is a woman of great poetry and devotion." *The Tribune*.

Origin of the Term Creole.
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referring to people of Spanish, French

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