

THE PROPOSED ISSUE OF DEBENTURES.

As will be seen by the letter of the Provincial Secretary, in our report of the Council's proceedings, the Government declines to authorize this municipality to issue debentures for the erection of a Central School, and for other purposes. This is just as we expected and hinted some two weeks ago when the deputation waited on the Government to ask its consent to the proposed issue. Finding we are in debt to the Municipal Loan Fund, the Government considers it right to deny this, and other municipalities similarly situated, the right to issue debentures for any purpose until that vexed question in relation to the payment of this debt is settled, unless such authority be granted by special act of Parliament. This was the case with London, which though owing a large amount to the Municipal Loan Fund, got a special act passed last session for the issue of debentures to the extent of \$1,000,000 for railway purposes. Well, we suppose we will have to grin and bear, with this consolation that we are not the only disappointed municipality. Stratford after going the length of publishing her By-law for the issue of debentures told she couldn't do it. Other municipalities are in the same fix, and all will we suppose remain so till some scheme is devised for settling this vexed Municipal Loan Fund debt business. The sooner the Government can do that the better for all concerned. It has become the skeleton in the house to many municipalities. It is an incubus around their necks, it fetters their progress in many ways. Will the Government, therefore, please let us know as soon as possible whether we are to be forgiven that debt entirely; whether we have to pay a portion of it; or whether we have to foot the whole bill?

EDITORIAL NEWS.

There is a rumor of an intention on the part of the Government to establish a mail route through the Canadian territory to the Pacific coast. M. Guizer has subscribed to the French Republic, and expressed to M. Thiers his willingness to take office if his services can be useful to his country. The latest report from Mexico states that the Revolutionists are straining every nerve to raise money without which their cause will be lost. They levy contributions indiscriminately upon foreigners and natives. Mr. Hooper Green and some twenty other prominent Republicans of New York, have addressed a letter to the chairman of the Missouri Liberal Republican Convention, announcing their determination to attend the Cincinnati Convention, and inviting the co-operation of the Republicans of New York. COMMERCIALS from the Saguenay district reveal the prevalence of a great deal of distress among the settlers there. Farmers are without the means of sowing their crops; flour and provisions are dear, and unless speedy relief is furnished, the settlers will have to throw up their farms and go elsewhere—three have already done so to the States. The Earthquake in California. The earthquake in California, of which we gave a short notice, occurred on Saturday, appears to have been far more disastrous than the first one, and presented a more formidable aspect. The volcanic district in which it occurred is about four hundred miles southeast from San Francisco. Only a slight shock was felt at the time in Northern California, and the town of Los Angeles, however, to have been immediately over the centre of disturbance. The first shock rattled the rear of artillery, fired immediately under the town. Nearly the whole population were buried beneath the ruins of the houses, and the ground filled with the cries and shrieks of the mangled and wounded, who were unable to extricate themselves, and who were calling for help. The first shock was followed in rapid succession by three others of equal severity. Over three hundred distinct shocks were felt between half-past two o'clock in the morning and sunrise. The fact is, the earth was in an almost constant tremble and vibration for over three hours. A vast chasm was opened for thirty-five miles down the valley, varying from three inches to four feet in width. Great rocks were torn from their places, and rolled down into the valley beneath. The Indians in the vicinity have all left, fearing the recurrence of another general convulsion of nature, which tradition says occurred in the same place some hundreds of years ago, and created what is called the Owens River Valley, which was before that time a range of mountains. Over thirty persons have been killed, and more than one hundred were wounded. Smoke and lava have issued from several of the mountain peaks in the same region of country.

THE SPRINGERS.—Says the St. Catharines Times: Moses Springer, Esq., M. P. P., the popular representative of North Waterloo, is one of the heirs to the Springer estate, on which the city of Wilmington, Del., is situated. It seems that, generations since, one of the ancestral Springers reared an 800 acre farm in Delaware to a German for a term of ninety-nine years. When the lease expired by limitation, no one was on hand to claim the property, and it was disposed of for the public good. Recently, the ancient lease came to light, and a little investigation into the matter has made the Springers a happy family. The old farm being on the site of Wilmington, Del., the property is now worth \$80,000,000.

TO BLACKSMITHS AND WAGGON MAKERS.—Wanted, two journeymen immediately. Apply to John Byrne, Hill...

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Prof. Morse's Condition.

The Republican Victory in Connecticut.

News from Central America.

New York, April 2.—At 2 a. m., Prof. Morse, was sleeping, his condition showed little change.

The election in Connecticut yesterday, resulted in a decided victory for the Republicans. Jewell being elected by a majority of fully 300 over all his opponents, and by a majority of over 2000 over Hubbard. The State Senate will stand 14 Republicans to 7 Democrats, with an increased Republican majority of 10 in lower house.

Late news from Central and South America, states that Salvador and Guatemala are still agitated about an active difficulty.

Guatemala is raging war against the press.

Difficulties between Salvador and Honduras are reported.

Messrs Dreyfus & Co., have established a bank at Colima, with a capital of twelve million dollars.

Book Notices.

Music and Morals. By Rev. H. B. Harcourt, M. A. Harper Bros., New York.

The author has produced a book which is full of interest, and may be of use to a large class of readers. He has grasped his subject with much width and clearness of conception. "Music and Morals" is a comprehensive term; and it is made here to convey an elaborate analysis of the connection of music with emotion, as well as some critical comment on its position with reference to individual morality, and to its influence and significance in society at large. We can not commend too highly Mr. Harcourt's general exposition of the theory of music as the most profound and subtle artistic instrument for expressing emotion. He describes the thanks of the public for his sound exposition of principle, and his wholesome criticism, often conveyed with great force, sometimes with real beauty as well. We are indebted to Mr. W. E. Tunis for a copy of this book, which is for sale at Mr. John Anderson's bookstore.

Book Notices.

Herbert's Notes on the New Testament. 2nd Corinthians. New York, Harper Bros.

We have received through W. E. Tunis a copy of this work, another of the series from the press of Harper Bros. We have already spoken so fully and favourably of this valuable commentary that we need only now refer to the receipt of this the latest of the series. For sale at Anderson's.

Cybil's Trust is the latest issue of Harper Bros.' series of standard novels. It is by the author of Carleton's Year, and will, no doubt, be eagerly bought up by the admirers of this writer. For sale at Anderson's.

New Dominion Monthly.—The number for April is before us, and is a very interesting one. It contains a very good libel on M. Thiers. For sale at the bookstore.

BIRTHS.

Harriet M. White, on the 21st ult., the wife of J. B. White, of 200 St. George St. West, in West Toronto, on the 25th ult., the wife of Mr. Louis Bain, of a son. Conception in West Toronto, on the 14th ult., the wife of Mr. John Corbett, of a son, which only lived six hours. Severance in East Toronto, on the 14th ult., the wife of Mr. Wm. Stollers, of a son.

MARRIED.

At Springhill, on the 10th ult., by the Rev. Isaac Orme, Mr. John Emma to Maria Simmons, both of the same place. At Wallace, on the 24th ult., by the Rev. James Anderson, Mr. Joseph Patterson, formerly of Wallace, to Miss Ann Warren, of Wallace. At Wallace, on the 25th ult., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Geo. McManis, Mr. Edward Gull, son of James Gull, Esq. of West Toronto, to Miss Elizabeth Ann Clarke. At Wallace, on the 25th ult., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. J. B. Millan, Mr. Archibald Stewart, to Susan, second daughter of Mr. William Penny. At Wallace, on the 25th ult., by the Rev. Wm. Williams, at the residence of Mr. John Wesley Earle, of Pultney, to Miss Elizabeth Campbell, of the same place. At Wallace, on the 25th ult., by the Rev. Wm. Williams, Mr. Richard Campbell, to Miss Martha Ann Barber, both of Pultney.

DIED.

SIENCE.—In West Toronto, on the 22nd ult., John Spence, aged 49 years. NAUGHTON.—In Peel, on the 23rd ult., John, only child of Mr. John Naughton, Jr., aged 5 months. WYLLIE.—In Forgas, on Tuesday, 25th ult., Annie, infant daughter of Mr. Wm. Wyllie, aged one month and four days. ARGO.—In Forgas, on Wednesday morning, the 27th ult., of consumption, Jane, wife of Mr. James Argo, aged 73 years. WEST.—In Peel, on the 21st ult., Stephen West, in the 6th year of his age. WINGFIELD.—In Pilkington, on the 21st ult., Mr. John Wingfield, native of Westmoreland, England, aged 77 years. MARTIN.—In Pilkington, on the 20th, Martin Martin, an old and well known resident of Pilkington, aged 84. CUMMINGS.—In Pilkington, on the 1st, John C. son of Mr. James Cummings, Thorpeville, aged 3 months.

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A large and complete assortment of

Whitewash Brushes

AND Paint Brushes

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Guelph, Mar. 27, 1872.

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We beg to call attention to Mr. Horsman's advertisement about Ploughs. The Plough referred to is having a large demand, so great has it become that three car loads have been forwarded to Mr. Horsman to supply the farmers in this neighborhood this Spring. All pronounce them the best general purpose Plough made; as a guarantee of this we need only say that they are manufactured at the celebrated Agricultural Works of F. W. Glen, Oshawa. The price it will be observed will be kept at \$13, the old figure, until the 1st of April, when it will be raised to \$15 in consequence of the advance in Iron and Steel. We should therefore recommend our farmer friends to loose no time in procuring one at Mr. John Horsman's, Hardware Merchant of this town.

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A. G. RAMSAY, Manager.

March 2, 1872.

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Guelph, March 26, 1872.

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Hats, Caps, Shirts, Collars, Scarfs, Neck Ties.

An Endless Variety. All the Newest and most Stylish Goods.

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The Twenty-fourth Quarterly

Dividend of Three per cent. for

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Act 4, Scene 1 David Copperfield, Dickens.

Mrs. Caudle's Lecture on Free Masonry, Jerrold.

PART II. Lord Dunsinore on "Poor Richard's

Maxims," Bonicault.

The Hilde Dingley Dell, Dickens.

The Negro Question, Artemus Ward.

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Doors open at 7.30; readings to commence at 8.15; conclude at 10. Admission 25 cents. Children and school pupils 10 cents. N.B.—Thursday Evening 4th—An Evening with Irish Wits and American Poets and Humourists.

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Guelph, March 15, 1872.

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