

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY. NOV 18, 1871.

Table with 2 columns: Day and Date. Rows include SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY with corresponding dates and events.

TEMPERATURE in the shade, and Barometer indications for the week ending Tuesday, 1st November, 1871, observed by HEARN, HARRISON & Co., 242 Notre Dame Street.

Table with 7 columns: Day, Date, Max, Min, Mean, S.A.M., P.M., 6 P.M. Rows for W., Th., Fri., Sat., Su., M., Tu.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS sending in their names and \$4.00 from this date until the end of the year, will be entitled to the Illustrated News for 1872, complete, and to the numbers of the present year still to be published after the date of their subscription, including the Premium Plate now being printed.

Arrangements have been made to have the Canadian Illustrated News and the Hearthstone delivered in folio form to subscribers in the following places, by the Agents whose names are annexed.

These Agents will also collect the subscription and the postage. In most cases, not to interfere with existing postage contracts, the arrangement will take effect only after the 1st January next.

After the 31st December next, the subscription to the News will be \$4.00 per annum, if paid in advance, or within the first three months, after which it will be Five Dollars.

Table listing agents for various locations: Bothwell, Bowmanville, Brantford, Brockville, Cobourg, Collingwood, Dundas, Elora, Fenelon Falls, Fergus, Goble's Corners, Goderich, Halifax, Hamilton, Ingersoll, Kincaid, Kingston, London, Napanee, Orillia, Oshawa, Ottawa, Paisley, Perth, Pembroke, Petrolia, Port Perry, Prescott, St. Catharines, St. John, Sherbrooke, Tisonburg, Wardsville.

THE CANADIAN ILLUSTRATED NEWS.

MONTREAL, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1871.

Journalism is an institution sui generis. When we buy a coat or a pair of boots, it is seldom, indeed, that we think of the principles or the politics of the maker; but in subscribing for a newspaper we take account generally of both, in so far at least as they relate to those who have control over the matter published in the paper.

Clearly it is the interest of every country to have its press in the hands of thoughtful men, who discuss

principles without a blind allegiance to party; and though in this country we can, happily as yet, trust to the corrective force of public sentiment to keep journalism within its legitimate sphere. It is but too true that in many places the press has been turned to very vicious account: even well-disposed people, for the mere sake of excitement, and perhaps from a latent love of scandal, have encouraged the circulation of low publications, and thereby assisted to deteriorate serial publications to a level far below their own sense of propriety.

Now the trouble is that irresponsible men too frequently control this press. By "irresponsible" we mean not men without substance, but men without conscience, who regard no obligations beyond those imposed by the mere conventionalities of life. These are the men who strike at private character, who dress vice in an attractive form, who paint the world a little worse than it is, just for the fun of the thing, and to get their paper a "run."

National sentiment will receive far less encouragement for growth from a muffling up of divergent opinions than from a hearty and friendly disputation over matters upon which differences exist. There is no avoiding the conflict of opinion; but there is a way of turning that conflict to good account, and we believe that JOURNALISM has been specially commissioned for the task.

THE FIRST PARLIAMENT OF ONTARIO.

We present our subscribers this week with a supplement containing a double page illustration of the group so excellently arranged and admirably photographed by Messrs. Notman & Fraser, of the first Parliament of the Province of Ontario.

names of the constituencies which the several honourable gentlemen represented.

The first Legislative Assembly of Ontario deserves especial commemoration in Canadian history. The sole Legislative body in the Province (saving the delegated Royal sanction) accomplished an amount of practical legislation hitherto unexampled in the country, and pursued a close-fisted system of economy which must even have been pleasing to the manes of the late Joseph Hume, who, were he alive to-day, would have to compete for the honour of champion economist of the world with the Ontario Premier, whose not over portly figure rightly occupies a prominent position in the foreground of the picture.

KEY TO NOTMAN & FRASER'S PICTURE OF FIRST PARLIAMENT OF ONTARIO.—1870.

Table with 2 columns: REPRESENTATIVES and CONSTITUENCIES. Lists 82 numbered entries corresponding to the illustration.

TO PRESERVE FLOWERS.—A new mode of preserving flowers, fruit, and botanical specimens generally, has been suggested by Dr. Piesse, which we think will be appreciated by those who wish to preserve specimens gathered by departed friends, or to retain the form of flowers for botanical teaching.