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NICHOL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—A meeting of the Directors of this Society was held at Whyte's hotel, Fergus, on the 23rd ult., when Mr. A. Goforth was elected Sec'y-Treasurer in place of Mr. Todd, who has left the country. The meeting adjourned until Friday, 28th May, then to meet at John Temple's Queen's Arm's Hotel, Fergus.

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METHODIST UNION.—The Rev. John arroll is at present in town canvassing or a new Methodist paper published at t. Catharines, which is to advocate the nion in one church of the various bedies f Methodists. We wish the rev. gentleman success in his undertaking, and trust hat his efforts to bring about the union rished for will meet with success. lesides this, the establishment of a moral and selizious paper, at St. Catharines is

now are, they not having moved up yet.

THE WEATHER.—For May day the weather is very chilly and gloomy, with a drizzling rain which, however, will not be unwelcome to many, particularly to those engaged in agricultural pursuits; and as for the townspeople, it will at all events allay the dust nuisance, which has been so prevalent during the past two or three days. The thermometer yesterday (Friday) showed the state of the weather as follows:

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9 a.m....42 above. 12 a.m....46 above.
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GRAND ORANGE DISCUSSION.—We have to thank Mr. Hugh Walker for a parcel of the nicest oranges which ever found their way into the MERCHY Office. The "discussion" of them was certainly a most pleasant interlude in our editorial labors. Mr. Walker proposes a grand discussion of the same fruit on the largest possible scale at his store this evening, when he will sell as many as the public like to buy for 30 cents per dozen. If this don't lead to a speedy discussion and cleappearance of Mr. Walker progress.—A Rush to G. B. Fraser. The upper flat of the store of the store occupied by Mr. G. B. Fraser, Wyndham st., is 'crammed with packets of various goods, which are sold at 25 cents each of these packets as early as possible, will take the opportunity thus afforded them of getting the worth of their money several times over. Remember the twenty-five cent sale at G. B. Fraser's Dry Goods store.

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LIFE PEERAGES. — The question of Life Peerages has again been introduced into the House of Lords. Lord Russell has proposed a measure upon the subject, making such peerages legal. The bill is likely to become law, there being little or no opposition. It is evidently a prudent arrangement, and the wonder is that it has been so long withheld.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.—At the annual convocation of this college at Kingston, the progress and prospects of the Endowment scheme were reported. The amount already subscribed is \$70,000, and \$50,000 more is confidently expected. Official letters from the Church of Scotland give hope of liberal aid from the mother country. The establishment of two additional chairs is contemplated.

THE WORLD OVER.

Child of bright genius as he was some shades of darkness as powerfully, marked Edmund Kean's sensitive nature at the Dominion Parliament, to resign his seat.

Hon. Joseph Howe is expected to be in Ottawn next week. He had declined the Halifax banquet in consequence of indiposition.

A grand review of all the troops in the garrison took place in Toronto on Friday before General Stisted. This will be the last review of the regulars the Torontcalians will enjoy.

Grant's Cabinet is trying a new plan with the Indians, that of sending quaker agents to them. We presume the intention is to indoctrinate the red men with the Quaker theories on peace and non resistance.

Mr. Richardson, of the Geological Commission, is in Quebec making arrangements for a trip to Labrador in connection with the dealogical Survey and an examination of the country and an examination of the country commenced by the small actor that he might be added in the totological Survey and an examination of the country and an examination of the country of the connection with the declogical Survey and an examination of the country of the connection with the declogical Survey and an examination of the country of the connection with the declogical Survey and an examination of the country of the country of the connection with the declogical Survey and an examination of the country of the coun Edmund Kesnata wake.

ed thoroughly the noble art of self-defence.

But Kean felt that he had insulted this man unjustly and unfairly, and he determined to apologize to him. But not just then? To ask pardon in the face of a promised whipping would not be politic. Besides, he did not wish to physically injure the poor fellow whom he had insulted. There was only one course for him to pursue—and that was to avoid the encounter. Therefore so soon as the curtain fell upon the last act of the play, and the plaudits were still thundering through the house, the great actor slipped out of the back door of the "Old Park," and was in Theatre Alley! The fumes of several days dissipation had by no means "vanished like the baseless that of a vision;" they had left a rack" behind, accompanied with a brandy and waterish thirst for the stublime and beautiful. The night was rainy and uttryly dark. Kean was in the costume of Hamlet. He saw at a little distance the lights shining through the chinks of a large store shutter, and finding his way to the place, rapped at the door loudly. After a pause, footsteps were heard in the hall, and a voice inside said, who's there?" 'I, Hamlet the Dane! was the reply, in a sepulchral voice. 'Are yees come to the wake?' said the voice inside. 'Wake! Wake Duncan with thy knocking,—I would thou couldst; open the door. 'The door was slowly unbarred; the little entry two sark but a glare of light shone from an apartment. The man who admitted him had not been able to see his strange visitor in the gloom, but he led the way toward the light. His guest followed, but one stride stood in the doorway. Dressed in black from top to toe, a started with rair, drooping over a face pale as death but glittering with the eyes of a basilisk, the extraordinary apparition appeared suddenly upon an Irish wake.

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Never in his palmiest days had he produced so starkling an effect. The solemn crowd of poor people was huddled together around the body, and at the first sight of this unexpected visitor each hair stood up, and the flesh began to creep, and each one's tongue clove to the roof of his mouth. Then rose one simultaneous yell, and the family and friends broke for the street and did not return that night. As for Kean, he colly bolted the front door after them, and finding that the lad in the box was generously illuminated with thiricen candles and had a fresh-made pitcher of hot Irish whiskey punch by his side, concluded to make a night of it, with him. And in the morning they found everything as they had left it—Kean asleep in the chair as chief mourner of the wake, and the pitcher drained.

In the House of Commons Mr.
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Mr. Gladatone followed in support of Mr. Bright. He had always found that Protestant ascendancy in the form of religious establishment was the paramount cause of the mode in which the power of the landlord had been used, and by which the relations of the tenants were vitally affected. He concluded by saying that the government was anxious to aubstitute for the present condition of the State confidence in the country and loyalty to the Crown.

Mr. Thorae (conservative), urged the immediate removal of the Mayor of Cork. He considered that the Government were bound to declare a policy on the land question, and thus dissipate the ureasonable expectations of Ireland.

The subject was then dropped.

American Despatches

The Alabama Claims.

New York, May 1.

The Tribune's Washington special says: Minister Motley has had an interview with the President within the last few days, and with other members of the administration, and also with Senator Sumner respecting the Alabama claims, and it is understood that the administration have come to the conclusion that it is better for him to go at once to his post and not wait for information from the British Government respecting the rejection of the treaty.

The Rev. J. Wild, Professor of Hebrew and Ethics in Albert College, Belleville, lectured on the above subject at London on Tuesday night, which was slightly sensational in its character. The Adver-