

addition of excrement should be protected by a new layer of mould. This, as it readily absorbs the volatile gases which are ever striving to escape into the atmosphere, will itself become rich, and may be applied with animal excrement advantageously to most crops requiring the assistance and support of either vegetable or animal manures. Gypsum arrests the ammonia which so copiously escapes from animal excrement while in a putrefactive state, and retains them for the benefit and sustenance of the crops to which it is applied.—*A Practical Farmer.*

## News.

### CANADA.

In the action for libel raised by Col. Gagy against the Proprietor of the *Transcript*, the editor of that paper says, Mr Justice Day charged dead against us, and the jury (listening to his instructions) gave a verdict for the plaintiff, with £10 damages.

**THE WILD LANDS.**—Much disappointment has been felt and expressed in consequence of the alteration of the price of these lands. For our part we would rather see the whole of the wild lands of the crown, in this part of the province, offered for sale at a dollar per acre, than the free grant system carried on.—*Guelph paper.*

**NEW FOUNDRY.**—Some time since we stated that Dr Clarke was erecting a foundry, on an extensive scale, near the Wellington mills. We have now the pleasure of announcing its completion, and that the business will be carried on by the firm of Messrs Robertson & Co.—*Guelph Advertiser*, November 9.

We are assured that there are already disposed of in the new settlements on the Durham Road, on the way from Galt to Owen Sound, upwards of 38,000 acres of land.—*Galt Reporter.*

The *Kingston Whig* states that the whole winter mail line from Montreal to Hamilton will be under the management of Mr Weller.

### GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

The British troops in India have received a check at Moultan. While preparing to attack Moultan, Shere Singh, a native leader, with 5000 Sikhs, went over to the enemy, and the besiegers were obliged to fall back on an entrenched camp about 10 miles from the city. Major Montizambert, a native of Quebec, is amongst the fallen.

The Cholera still continues in London and Edinburgh.

Railway property in which there has been a serious panic is recovering its former value.

**THE NEW BEER ACT.**—The beneficial effects of this measure appear already to be generally felt. On Sunday morning, almost all the beer shops in the town were kept strictly closed till half-past twelve o'clock; and the result was that decency and quiet prevailed where drunkenness and disorder were too often previously to be seen.—*Blackburn Standard.*

In France matters are approaching a crisis. It is uncertain who will be President, the choice lies between Cavaignac and Louis Napoleon.

The harvest in France has been very abundant.

Vienna has been taken by the Imperial troops. The students fought desperately in the streets.

### UNITED STATES.

A Dr Jackson, of Boston, expresses the opinion, founded on the geological character of New England, that cholera will not prevail to any great extent in New England. He thinks

that cities situated on limestone or tertiary soil have suffered most severely.

In Baltimore lately, the will of David Watson, who had bequeathed \$30,000 to his boon companions and cut off his relations with a dollar each, was set aside on the ground, of his having been continually plied with liquor for several weeks previous to his death.

The Directors of the St Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad expect to have the works open from Portland to Mechanic's Falls, a distance of 37 miles, this winter.

A new anti-slavery paper at \$1 is to be published at Washington.

The two coloured girls, Mary and Emily Edmondson, whose case excited much interest, and for whom the sum of \$2000 was collected at a public meeting held in the Broadway Tabernacle, New York, are now free.

A Dr Junius Smith has brought from China about 500 tea plants with the intention of forming a tea plantation in the south.

Large exportations of Indian corn have lately taken place from the United States to England.

A Postal arrangement has at last been made between the English and American Governments. The terms are—1st. Entire reciprocity between the two Governments in the transmission of letters by their respective steamers. 2. Rates of postage uniform by the steamers of both countries. 3d. The British colonial mail to be conveyed through the United States, and by the American as well as the English steamers. 4th. American mails for Europe, Asia, and Africa, to be conveyed by British as well as the American steamers.

The receipts of wheat at Oswego and Buffalo, from the opening of the navigation to November 1848, stood thus—Buffalo, 3,311,352 bushels; Oswego, 3,076,312.

### MON'TREAL PRICES CURRENT.—Nov. 27.

ASHES	Pots, 28s 0d a 28s 3d	BEER, per 200 lbs,
	Pearls, 26s 6d a 00s 0d	Prime Mess, 00s 0d a 00s 0d
FLOUR—		Prime, . . . 00s 0d a 00s 0d
Canada Fine, per brl. 196		PORT, per 200 lbs,
lbs, . . . 00s 0d a 25s 0d		Mess, . . . 00s 0d a 00s 0d
WHEAT, U.C. best, per 69		Prime Mess, 00s 0d a 00s 0d
lbs, . . . 0s 0d a 0s 0a		Prime, . . . 00s 0d a 00s 0d
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## PROSPECTUS.

### OF THE CANADA TEMPERANCE ADVOCATE.

*Fifteenth Volume.*

The readers of the *Advocate* will have observed that the committee of the Montreal Temperance Society have unanimously resolved to discontinue this publication on their own responsibility. The reasons which have led them to adopt this course they have also given, which will, no doubt, be satisfactory. But is the paper itself to cease? Is the aid which the press has hitherto given to this department of philanthropy, in which the Temperance Society has been so long occupied, to be withdrawn? or are the rapidly increasing multitudes of total abstainers, throughout Canada, to be left without an organ to assert and defend their principles? To these questions an answer, we would hope, will be unhesitatingly given in the negative; and the subscriber, fully confident of this, and relying on the support of all the friends of the cause, and of all who have the real welfare of society at heart, has resolved to continue the publication of the *Advocate* on his own responsibility.