LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The ice is getting pretty thin.

Hon. P. A. Landry left for home yesterday.

ONE could almost see the grass bounding out of the soil during the last rain.

A meeting of the Government will take place immediately after Mr. Crawford's election, which will be in about a three weeks.

APOLOGY.—Our compositor across the line must have been "on a drunk" setting up the last paper, which came out dated "May 22."

OUR friends, the Odd Fellows, are making great preparations for Friday evening. There will be a very large number present, and no doubt it will be the best time seen in Fredericton for many months.

"It is freely stated in London society that Dean Stanley, who recently visited this country, is about to join the Church of Rome."—*Ex.*

It is gratifying to read that prodigals are returning to the fold every day.

LICENSES.—The City Council has granted Mr. A. Burchill, of this city, a wholesale license to sell spirituous liquors. Mr. James S. Beek favored the measure, as did Messrs. Vandine and Simmons, who were put in by Mr. George Atherton to prevent such a catastrophe. These men may have a serious reckoning with this intellectual giant.

THE last issue of *Grip* has a cartoon on the National Currency party in Ontario. The beaverback money is represented as a baby elephant—the offspring of the huge elephant the National Policy. Sir John, with a cunning leer, asks Mr. Tilly, who looks like a cute old farmer, "if he is'nt a good 'un, a fine calf." "And," by way of forecasting he says, "at some future day he may be serviceable."

THE ICE.—Last night the ice took the first start opposite the city, going for a few yards, and getting hung up again. It stopped for several hours when it again started, continuing a part of last night, and this morning is again, fast. In a few days the ferry boats will be plying across the river. The rain which come up Tuesday night started the ice or we should have had the May Pole on it.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—"H. P." There is such a word as "objurgation," but it is not used as you use it. The meaning of it is "the act of reproving and rebuking," as you may see by Worcester. The word is from the Latin *objurgatio.*

Nell."—We don't know where the "verse" comes from; don't care, and better it is of little consequence where it does come from.

THE PRINCE OF WALES' SONS WINNING A BOAT RACE.—The cadets of Her Majesty's ship *Britannia* took part recently in their annual regatta, and the crew of one of the four-oared gigs included two sons of the Prince of Wales, Prince Albert Victor pulling bow, and Prince George steering. Six boats competed, and after a keen contest that in which the Princes were came in first by nearly two lengths. The race was rowed in a cold and pelting rain.—*Ex.*

We are glad to see the young lads have some muscle, and it belongs to the race of which the princes are to be strong of hand. William the Conquerer from whom they are descended, could weild a sword or battle axe that it were vain for any one else to try. And Richard Ceour de Lion, some of whose blood historians tell us must course in their veins, could wield a mace with such force and derringdo as to scare the Saracens asleep. The prowess of his arm was so mighty in battle, and the stroke of his war-horse's hoof so fatal that when Infidel Babes cried, their mothers hushed them with the words "Hush, or I'll call English Richard." No wonder then Albert and George took this boat race!

THE GOSPEL IN VERSE.

Several eminent new-fangled divines have lately been translating the Bible and putting convenient constructions on a verse here and mystifying there. A Rev. Elijah Kimball whose muse is bubbling out through every portion of him has undertaken to put the New Testament into verse. After a while no doubt some of the pious folk over in these northern borders will take to the metrical version. It is so nice to change. Why it is enough to tire one to death to read those same scriptures over every day. The commonplace English palls upon the ear. But listen to Minister Kimball in the following strains which are calculated to charm the heart in a wheelbarrow,—

An episode in Herods career is thus described—

Herod, the tetrach having been
Reproved by John for his foul sin—
Taking Herodias to wife
During his brother Philip's life—
And, other evil having done
Now added this peculiar one—
That he sent forth, took John at last
Bound him, and into prison cast
For Herodias' sake: for he
Had married her unlawfully.

The healing of the paralytic at the Pool of Bethsida:—

To him saith Jesus, "Rise, thy bed
Take up and walk," as soon as said
The man was made quite whole and sound,
Took up his bed and walked around.

Without irreverence at all would not it be nice to put the whole into sonnets, varying the [illegible] of each? Then some of the ginger divines could get in some of the parts to the tune of

"Hey diddle diddle,
The cat and the fiddle."

Time will work wonders and it is hard telling what we shall have about these diggings even ere

"We shuffle off this mortal coil."

God's World.

We are of the same opinion as the "Globe." The Chinamen ought to have a clear stage and no gain. If they can outdo the hardy sons of the north, let the fact be proven. If they can do the same amount of work as ourselves, in a given time and live on thin air or rice during the operation, the experiment is worthy of consideration.

If this be a free country to which all are invited without discrimination, why exclude the Chinese? From our earliest youth we have heard and read of Chinese walls and Japan exlusion, and the only reason we have ever seen, assigned, was their ignorance of European and American civilization. Have we gone back on our professions of the past? Are none to be admitted to our shores, unless those of a certain country and a certain class? The Chinese may be excluded to-day, whose lot, it shall be to-morrow, none can tell.

Our boast has hitherto been, that we had only to put our foot on British soil, to declare ourselves free and emancipated citizens of the world in which we live, for a short time in our transit to another, in which we are led to believe that there will be no distinction between Mongolian, Caucasian and all the others, Canadian not excepted—we might perhaps say Canada not excluded; for such is the confusion and disorder in our New Dominion just now, that we are justified in the conclusion; that occupied as they are with the things of earth—goat's wool, by the way that they have no time to think of death, much less of Heaven. Our Dominion Parliament have not apparently lost sight of Heaven, yet they are on the high way to it; unless our senses deceive us.

A Chinese Marriage.

The Chinese, though coming in contact with our higher civilization, are showing much earnestness in perpetuating the customs and religeous rites of their nation. We clip the following sketches of a marriage in San Francisco where one Charles Jamison marries an oblique eyed daughter of the Celestial land, named Miss Ah Quy, which when translated means "Alice the Angel,"

"One hundred and eleven Chinamen made donations, and as the groom had to invite each one of these he had no light task before him.

The groom had selected for his home two rooms prepared expressly for the occasion, and fitted in part with Chinese and American furniture. On the walls were hung a number of large strips of red paper, on which were stamped Chinese proverbs relating to marriage and married life. On a table in the first room were lacquered trays containing Chinese dried fruits and sweetmeats, while on others were tiny cups for tea. There were also on the table Chinese Ornaments and several water pipes."

On the day before her wedding the chaperones conducted Miss Ah Quy to her future home. We quote the following from a San Francisco paper:—

"Before she crossed the threshold of the door they threw a heavy handkerchief over her head and shut out everything from her sight. This, they told her, was to warn her that in entering the married state she was groping in the dark future; but that, placing implicit faith in the husband and relying upon him to guide her, she need not fear of making a misstep. She was then conducted to the first room and then to the room adjoining, where she met the man who was to become her husband. He was standing by a bed in the room, and as she approached the handkerchief was removed from her head and both sat on the edge of the bed. In sitting down he intentionally sat on a portion of the long silken skirt she wore She made no attempt to remove the garme t, and by allowing him to remain seated on it gave proof that she was his captive and willing to submit to his orders. Had she, however, drawn the garment toward her it would have been proof that she would not be submissive, and would not obey him unless she felt inclined to do so. The pair then knelt before a small altar, from which hung ancestral tablets, and each offered a prayer, after which they went into the other room, were they seated themselves,"

The manner of their feasting and the superstitions attached are no less curious—

"One of the chaperones poured tea into two of the cups and offered these to the groom and bride, telling each to take a sip. This being done they took the cups again, mixed the contents, and, returning them to the pair, told them to drink, saying that as their lips had touched the beverage they would draw inspiration from each other by partaking of the mixture. The bride, accompanied by the chaperones, followed by the groom and some relatives, formed a procession and left the house, amid the explosion of firecrackers."

The chaperones then conducted her to the "guest room."

"As the bride entered the room where the guests were assembled she was supported by the two chaperones, and had her face hid from view by a large fan. She was then led around to each of the guests, and as she approached she courteseyed three times. The guest returned the courtesey and then recited a proverb, to which the bride replied. After having gone through this ordeal III times the party sat down to a banquet gotten up in the highest style of Chinese culinery art. The first course, which lasted nearly two hours, being over, the bride was escorted to her home again."

Thus ended the ceremony, but the Chaperones and the Ah Sinds went and had what we call a "square break down."

NORMAL SCHOOL!

The Floor Falling Down!

THE DOCTOR AS A COLOR-JUDGE.

It is somewhat gratifying to know that the Normal School building which cost $60,000 and which has been built now going on three years has not tumbled down yet. Yesterday however, it was reported to the Chief Commissioner that something was wrong with the floor. An examination was made, when it was found that the floor had sunk several inches, and was in imminent danger of falling to the ground. The contractor of that building was not a very honest kind of a man. Had he merely "threw" the work together the whole thing would have tumbled down at once, when a new one, possibly a firm one might be constructed, the cost of which in time would be far less than the bills which will be ever coming in for chronic repairs. Lots of money in the Government till though. A pleasing feature of this case is that Dr. Rand superintended and pronounced—somewhat flatly—on the work as it went ahead. Everything was declared to be perfect, and it strikes us we remember having heard that he received pay for said overseeing. The superintendence by the Doctor reminds us of a story told us when going to this Normal School—under Mr. Creed!!—by the painter.

This said painter who by the way is a gabby sort of person was hard at work painting a wall of the new building when the Doctor approached.

The Doctor shut one eye and took the situation—of colors—in with the other. He reached over his usual way, to the painter whispering, "I don't like that color; you do not use the proper sort of paint," and taking out a note book he read what the painter called "some outlandish term." "You must get that kind of paint," quoth the Doctor to the other "I like the harmony better. The contrast now is alarming.—O don't you see it is distorted."

The painter said amen and promised to do as the Doctor bade him. That evening while the Doctor was "whispering" to some one else, the painter got a new pot and went precisely to the same can from which he had taken the paint that palled on the nice color-judging eye of the Doctor. He poured in about two quarts of the condemned paint, and quietly set his pot behind the door.

After matins the following day the Doctor again appeared, and found the painter laboring away from the new pot.

"Ah, what is this? the new paint?"

"Yes Doctor, I think it is an immense improvement on the old."

A look of pride mantled the cheek of the Doctor as he replied, edging off from the wall. "There now that is something like. How soft the color, and how all olends. Come over here and see for yourself. Look now while you count six, say at this wall, for that time will be required for registering the color on the retina of the eye; now look at where you are painting six seconds longer. Notice the harmony eh? How beautifully they seem to melt as it were into each other?"

"Yes indeed Doctor, fine, fine indeed."

The Doctor left, and the painter putting his thumb on his nose and his little finger on his forehead, took a view of the retreating form as he leered out "you're a nice 'un."

Mr. McIlvaine undertakes to bring the floor into position by means of wedges. The depression is said to be caused by shrinkage of the building material.

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the City Council was held Monday evening last, and among the business transacted was the following:—

Exhibition debentures to the amount of $4,000 were ordered to be issued. A further warrant qt assessment of $500 was issued to pay interest on the exhibition loan and debentures, under the authority of an Act passed at the last session of the Legislature.

The City officers were then appointed. There was no change made from last year either in officers or salaries.

The matter of the salaries of the Police Magistrate and the Police was referred to the police committee.

His Worship reported that he had since the last meeting had an interview with representatives of the St. John relief Society, relative to the grant of $5,000 in aid of the St. John sufferers. No action was taken.

His Worship also stated that he had been negotiating with the Local Government with a view to establishing a line between Normal School building and Phœnix Square. The Mayor was then appointed to arrange said line.

Mr. Carr's petition for the sidewalk on York St. was read and referred to the Road Committee.

License to sell liquor by wholesale was granted to A. Burchill, from 1st May 1879, to May 1st 1880, $100 being the fee for said license.

Several other matters were brought up and disposed of.

His Worship said he thought the present a good opportunity to refer to the manner in which his statements at a previous meeting had been misrepresented by a local paper. He said he did not state that Mr. Parkin was teaching Episcopalian doctrines in the High School, as had been reported in said paper, (the *Reporter*) but what he did say on that occasion was that the Collegiate School was being run in the interests of the University, the Episcopalian denomination and the teacher himself. He said he had already shown why in the interests of the University, and he would now read a report of a speech made by Mr. Parkin at a church meeting held in St. John last summer. His Worship then read the extract in which the teacher had stated he hoped to be able to turn out 40 pupils for the Episcopalion Church. The fact of the way most of the students are boarded went to show that the school was partly run in the interest of the teacher. He did not think it fair his language should be misrepresented.

Ald. Beek said that he had heard Mr. Parkins' speech in St. John, and it was reported correctly as read by his Worship. But Mr. Parkins warmth in the cause led him to say unwise things.

J. B. Gunter said there was an excuse for Mr. Parkin. One who has stuck to his religion through life needs to make no display to prove his sincerity; but he who forsakes the religion in which he was brought up must make a splash to prove his sincerity in the new way.

[NOTE.—Mr. Gunter wished to say that Mr Parkin was a Baptist till a few years ago when he joined the Episcopalian church.]

WANTED.

FIVE WEEKS ago a young woman calling herself NINA, strayed away from the residence of the undersigned. She has been seen since at Beverly Jewetts, Mouth of Nashwaak and in this city. As the undersigned fears that her mind is not sound, she requests anyone who may harbor her to detain her till the undersigned is heard from. Address

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Fredericton, April 21st.

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