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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

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In the matter of George Leslie, late of the village of Acton, an insolvent. The creditors of the insolvent are notified to seet at my office. No. 82 Front Street, Toronto, en the 17th day of February instant, at one wicked, pun, for the public examination of the insolvent and the ordering of hisestate generally.

And the said insolvent is hereby notified to attend the said meeting.

Bated at Toronto this second day of February, 1860.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

of the age.

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Covering the ground with a mantle rare;
The Ice King his joys is quickly in bringing.
The merry sleigh-bells are gally ringing;
And Wachler it be by day, or whether by night, lamp, or candle, or clear moonlight.
The breeze doth whisper. "Tis winter, take care."

care "
And the night wind doth bellow "Beware! Beware!" JAMES CONNER, Hamilton.

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TUESDAY EV'NG, FEB. 16, 1869.

Town Council.

The regular meeting of this body was held last Monday night—the Mayor in the chair. Members all present. Minutes of last meeting read and con irmed.

James Webster, acknowledging receipt of resolutions of sympathy with the famsed by the Council, and conveying thanks therefor; from Mr. James Hume, of Puslinch, directing the attention of the Council to the dangerous condition of asking that a joint committee of the town and Guelph township councils be appointed to investigate the matter, and nominate damages for the loss of property incurred by him in travelling through that portion of the road. Referred to

Road and Bridge Committee Tenders for the supply of coal oil for the town were read from Messrs. John L. Lewis and E. Harvey & Co. Referred

to Fire and Water Committee.

Petitions for the office of Police Court Clerk was read from Mr. R. M. Richardson; for assessor, from Messrs. H. Hatch, D. Kennedy, F. Small, J. Mimmack, J. T. Nichols, R. Ainlay, and J. T. Cun-

Mr. Marriott sent in his resignation as License Inspector.

a temporary wooden building erected by him within the limits proscribed by the tion until the first of July next. Referred to By-law Committee

Mr. Holliday presented a petition from Richard Mahoney, complaining that the Corporation had removed gravel from the street, thereby preventing passage of teams to the back part of his house Referred to Road and Bridge Committee Mr. Mitchell read a petition from S. J. Soden, praying Council to grant him a license for a hotel in the house known as Soden's building, on Wyndham St. Referred to License Committee.

Council went into Committee of the whole on the third reading of the License By-law-Mr. Day in the chair.

Committee rose, reported progress, and asked for leave to sit again. Granted. Mr. McCurry moved, seconded by Mr. Holliday, for leave to introduce a by-law appointing an Assessor, Tavern Inspector and Police Court Clerk.

Leave granted and by:law read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Sayers, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, Committee adjourned for fifteen minutes to the Committee Room. Council resumed; and on motion ad-

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Book Notices.

TRAVEL AND ADVENTURE IN THE TER RITORY OF ALASKA.—By Frederick Whymper.

Now that the dreary expanse of ice and snow formerly called Russian America, has been purchased by Mr. Seward and re-named Alaska, much interest has been awakened regarding this territory and all reliable information concerning is will be read with much pleasure by many We have in the work before us, collected and arranged in the most readable form a very entertaining account of the travels author, an Englishman, through the interior of Alaska, and various other glied, parts of the North Pacific. His discover ies and adventures are given in so lively a manner, that the reader becomes interested at once in their perusal; and we Whymper's work, than in all the dull, agents. The author is evidently not new tivate his readers. The work is beautifully illustrated, and the paper, type, and binding, are excellent in style and quali-ty. We are indebted to Mr. W. E. Tunis, of Clifton, for a copy of "Travel and

CHINA AND THE CHINESE.—By John L. Nevius. New York: Harper & Bros.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

The late snow storm "down east" is said to have entailed an extra expense to the Grand Trunk Railway, of \$100,000.

The severest storm experienced at Que bee this winter, set in late on Sunday night, and raged all day on Monday with unabated violence.

Snow Storm. — The severest storm which has been experienced in Ottaws for years commenced on Sunday at noon The roads are completely blocked up. At a meeting of the shareholders of St. Patrick's Hall, it was decided to issue preference stock to the extent of \$30,000, for the purpose of re-building the Hall.

The members of the Toronto Typo-graphical Society gave a ball in the Music Hall, Toronto, on Friday night. The affair was a complete success, and passed of creditably.

The Jeff. Davis trial has recently been brought to a close by the government ordering a nolle prosequi to be entered at Richmond. Thus ands the great farce of the Jeff. Davis State trial.

"Is your brother-in-law really such a lazy man?" asked one gentleman of another. "Lazy" was the reply, "why, he's so lazy that he has an artist employed by the month to draw his breath with a crayon."

One night last week, James Logie, Esq., of West Flamboro', was aroused from his sleep in time to discover that some person had raised the window of his bed-room, and was preparing to enter.—He at once jumped out of bed, when the scoundrel ran off.

License Inspector.

Mr. McCurry presented a petition from Mr. R. Stewart, praying Council to allow a temporary wooden building erected by him within the limits prescribed by the Corporation to remain in its present position until the first of July party. Position until the first of July party.

Advices from the Lake Superior re-gion show the same mildness existing there that has characterised the winter here. The average of the thermometer for January was 27 deg, above zero up to the 23rd, and at that date the air was balmy and spring like.

A negro danced a jig in a Memphis bar-room with such vigor as to jar a pietel on shelf behind the bar, and explode it. Nobody appeared to be hurt, until it was found that a colored girl, sitting upright in a chair, was stone dead, the bullet having gone through her brain, killing her instantly.

A man named Burgess is pitching into the gaol authorities at Toronto, through the Globe, accusing them of mismanagement, favouritism, and we don't know what else. Being an old gaol bird himself, Burgess' istatements are, of course, worthy of all credence (?) The institution should be made a pleasant retreat for the vagabonds who find their way there, of course.

Velocipies.—In Scotland, many years ago, an ingenious contrivance, on the principle of the velocipedes of the present day, was tried but with indifferent success. Lately in France, and subsequently in the States, the rage for velocipedes has increased marvellously, and every inventive genius is at work to produce something either better or cheaper than his neighbour. It seems that for ladies use the three wheeled instrument is the best, but gentlemen prefer that with two wheels only, and in England one wheeled velocipedes are coming into fashion.

Board of Agriculture.—The following is a list of the gentlemen elected members of the Council of the Agricultural and Aris Associations for Ontario, at the recent elections; Division No. 1, Geo. McDonell, Cornwall; 2, Hon. J. Skead, Ottawa; 3, Andrew Wilson, Maitland; 4 Edwin Mallory, Napanee; 5, John Walton, Peterboro; 6, Geo, Graham, Brampon; 7, Jas. Cowan, Waterloo; 8, J. C. Rykert, M.P.P., St. Catharines; 9, Hon. David Christie, Paris; 10, Robert Gibbons, Goderich; 11, Lionel E. Shipley, Falkirk; 12, Stephen White, Charing Cross, Kent. It will be seen that only two members of the old Board, Messrs. Christie and Rykert, have been re elected.

MILITIA APPOINTMENTS .- We find and that there could be no doubt that the Endowment Scheme would prove a specific minimal provinces. Professor McKerras followed, basing his appeal for aid to the College and Capt. John R. Barber, M. B. Regimental Division, North Riding Wellington—Lieut. Col., John Wilson, Majors, Sydney Smith and Charles Gillespie; No. 1 Co., Minto, to be Captain, Jacob H. Dalmage, Esq.; No. 2 Co., Arthur, to be Captain, Mathew Shaw, Esq.; No. 3 Co., Mount Forest, to be Captain, John Kennedy, Esq. Regimental Division Centre Riding Wellington—To be Lieut. Col., Lieut. Col. Geo. C. Hamilton, from 60th non-service battalion; to be Majors, Major George Morgan, from late Goth non-service battalion.

Tensor of the church of Scotland in Cantant and the Provinces, and stating that more than one half of the ministers of the Church had received their education at that institution. He also spoke of the Scotland in Captain, Matthew Shaw, Esq.; No. 3 Co., Mount Forest, to be Captain, John Kennedy, Esq. Regimental Division Centre Riding Wellington—To be Lieut. Col., Lieut. Col. Geo. C. Hamilton, from 60th non-service battalion; to be Majors, Major George Morgan, from late Sort of the Church for some large belonging to the church for some large difficult nor very valuable.

Public Dinner to the Hon. E. B. Wood is to take a trailion.

A bust of Sir John A. Macdonald is to

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TOWN ITEMS.

Our Guelph Dramatic Amateurs are rehearsing for a new play to be given shortly in the Town Hall.

THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL. — Bullions English Grammar at Thornton's Young Canada Book Store, near the Post Office

Mr. Hudgins, storekeeper, of Arthur Village, is now in gaol here, on a capias is largely indebted.

The number of travellers coming to this town at this season is more than usually large, and some of our hotels are

Our livery-stable proprietors complain that, in consequence of the bad state of the roads—there being neither good sleighing nor wheeling—business is rather dull with them as with many others.

About five hundred Valentines passed day (Monday), and of these some two hundred were ruthlessly consigned to the flames or the Dead Letter office be-cause their envelores were not adorned with one cent likenesses of the Queen.

The Guelph Mercury is now printed on a steam press, and the paper generally shows proof of the energy of its pro-It is one of the best of the country dailies, and we are glad to learn that its business is so steadily increasing as to render such outlay necessary.

Queen's College Endowment.

On Sabbath last Principal Snodgrass and Professor McKerras of Queen's College, Kingston, preached eloquent sermons in St. Andrew's Church. ing of the friends of Queen's College was called for Monday night in the church, when there was a fair attendance. Principal Snodgrass in an able address in-formed the audience that already more than \$40,000 had been paid or subscribed, and that there could be no doubt that the Regimental Division, Halents: Regimental D

TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

MADRID, Feb. 15.—Senor Olozaga has resigned his appointment as Ambassador to France, and also his seat in the Constituent Cortez. Ex-King Ferdinand, of ths reigning family of Portugal, has accepted the candidature, for the throne of Snain.

cepted the candidature, for the throne of Spain.

MADRID, Feb. 14.—The Constituent Cortes organized yesterday by electing Revere President. The Provisional Government continues its efforts to baffle the schemes of the reactionists. Many arrests have been made of members of the Carlist party in this city, and a number of Carlists have been arrested while crossing the frontier from France, with the alleged object of inciting insurrection.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Official information of the surrender to Turkish authority of the insurgent chiefs of Crete, is received.

American Despatches

New York, Feb. 15. — An immense mass meeting of citizens in favor of the freedom of Ireland and liberation of American citizens held prisoners by England, took place this evening at the Cooper Institute. Mayor Hall presided and made an eloquent speech, denouncing the regard of rights of American citizens as shown by England, and claiming that to exhibit any turther apathy on the subject would be disgraceful to the United States as a nation. Resolutions offering the right of foreign born citizens to the protection of the flag were adapted unanimously.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The Exening Star says: Applications having been made for the body of Booth, it is likely that it will be delivered up shortly.

President Grant and his Policy.

An alarm of fire was raised yesterday afternoon, but to the disappointment of many who trudged through the soft snow engerly to get a sight of "where the fire was," it was found that a chiming in a small house had seen fit to raise a blaze which was soon extinguished without the aid of a fire engine.

THE ROUPELL FORGERIES.—In September, 1862, Wm. Roupell, who a few months previously had resigned his seat the Old Bailey for forgery, and sentenced by Mr. Justice Byles to penal servitude for life. Since that date he has occasionally been heard of as a convict of exemplary demeanour and conduct, working in the quarries at Portland. Roupell has now been released on a ticket-of-leave, on the ground that his health has been dangerously affected by his lengthened confinement.

THE LATE ACCIDENT.—We learn from Dr. Clarke that Pringle, one of the three men injured by the accident at Clarke's Coal Oil Refinery, passed a comparatively tranquil night, and appears to be improving; but Smith, who was thrown some fifteen feet perpendieular by the explosion, was very uneasy last night, and it is feared has sustained some internal injuries by his fall, though nothing positive is yet at night, and it is feared has sustained some internal injuries by his fall, though nothing positive is yet at night, and it is feared has sustained some internal injuries by his fall, though nothing positive is yet thrown some fifteen feet perpendieular by the explosion, was very uneasy last night, and it is feared has sustained some internal injuries by his fall, though nothing positive is yet thrown. The other man, Kirkby, will probably be able to resume his employment in a week or so. Dr. McGuire says, Smith is much more seriously burned than at first reported.

On Sabbath last Principal Snodgrass

THE TRCOPS.—The following is the disposition of troops in the Dominion, finally made in accordance with official authority: 78th Highlanders to Toronto; 68th to St. John, N.B.; 69th to Quebec; Rifle Brigade, now at Ottawa and Quebec, go to England; 29th and 58rd regiments at Toronto and Quebec, go to Halifax; 16th and 30th regiments, now in Halifax, go to England; 18th Hussars go to England; the three batteries of artillery, now in Halifax, go to Bermuda; the Grey Battery from Montroal, and two batteries now at Quebec go to Halifax.

Post Office Receives.—The amount