W. A. was in a hurry. So are we, from sunrise till after sunset, and occasionally all night.

H. J. Morgan (compiler of Canadian celebrities,) you will receive a letter by mail, which will explain some matters about three or four of the memoirs which you are, no doubt, unacquainted with. Your very useful book and other of your publications will be commented on in some of our earliest issues, and always acknowledged if referred to for information. The Editor of this paper had, during two years, collected matter for 'Family Annals of Canada' before your work was published. Some memoirs were given to him in similar words as given to you. H. J. MORGAN (compiler of Canadian

#### DEATH OF DR. WOLFRED NELSON.

Montreal papers of Thursday, 25th June, mention the death, in that city, on Wednesday, of the celebrated Dr. Wolfred Nelson. We take the following biographical sketch of the deceased from the Montreal Gazette: We take the following biographical sketch of the deceased from the Montreal Guzette:

- Many of our readers will regret to hear of the death of Dr. Wolfred Nelson, at the ripe age of 71. He had been for some time ill, and not expected to recover. Dr. Nelson was born in this city in July 1792 and was the son of an English commissariat officer. Educated to the medical profession he was admitted to practice in 1811, and established himself at St. Denis, on the Richelieu River. In the war with the United States, which shortly after ensued, he volunteered and served as surgeon of the battalion raised in that district. In 1827 he successfully contested the representation of Sorel with the then Attorney-General, afterwards Chief Justice Stuart, and was after that a prominent man in the political world. Whatever objects others may have proposed to themselves, his was to obtain for British subjects in Canada the rights enjoyed by their fellow subjects in Great Britain. Conceiving those rights to have been unjustly infringed, he took up arms in 1837 to enforce them, and subjects in Great Britain. Conceiving those rights to have been unjustly infringed, he took up arms in 1837 to enforce them, and fought bravely, however rashly, in the cause he had adopted. He won the one victory at St. Denis, which served to gild the desperate fortunes of the insurgents. When the advance of the victorious troops of Col. Wethered rendered further resistance houseless. erall rendered further resistance hopeless, he fled, and sought, by pursuing back roads and traversing forests to make his way to the United States. He was captured upon the United States. He was captured upon the frontier, and in a village there, gaunt, foot-sore and almost famished, the writer first saw frontier, and in a village there, gaunt, footsore and almost famished, the writer first saw
him. Even his adversaries of those days respected him for his bravery and constancy.
His life was spared, and he was sent into
exile. Released from Bermuda, he settled
in the United States, and came to live as near
Canada as possible—at Plattsburg, N. Y.
As soon as the amnesty permitted, he returned to his native country, and has resided in
this city ever since. In the year 1844 he
was elected by his old friends on the Richelieu to represent the County of that name,
and was re-elected to the next Parliament.
He became the ardent friend of the party essaying to work the British constitution in its
fullness here. Declining a third election,
he was appointed in 1851 an inspector of
Prisons—an office for which his professional
career and his carnest philanthropy peculiarly fitted him. In 1859 he became Chairman
of the Board of Inspectors. During the ship
fever of 1847, he had rendered great services
to the poor, sick and dying inmigrants, at
the risk of his own life, and during the cholera years, as Chairman of the Board of
Health, he was also most zealous. He has
been once or twice elected President of the
College of Physicians and Surgeons for Lower Canada. And yesterday, at a ripe old
age, he passed away. Through a life full of er Canada. And yesterday, at a ripe old age, he passed away. Through a life full of adventure as that of a hero of romance, he adventure as that of a hero of romance, he preserved a name unsullicd by any baseness. He carried into politics and official life a heart tender as a child's, excitable and romantic as a woman's. His aim was always high, never sordid or base. Possessed once of wealth he sacrificed it on the altar of (what he esteemed) his duty to his country, and in his later years, when other men were accused of enriching themselves at the expense of the country, his escutcheon ever escaped unstained.

An Irish Highwayman with his Wits anout Him.—An Irishman, driven to desperation by the stringency of the market and the high price of provisions, procured a pistol and took to the road. Meeting a traveller, he stopped him with—'Your money or your life!' Seeing Pat was green, he said: 'I'll tell you what I'll do; I'll give you all my money for that pistol.' 'Agreed.' Pat received the money and handed over the pistol. 'Now,' said the traveller, 'hand back that money or I'll blow your brains out.' 'Blaze away, my hearty,' said Pat, 'never a drop of powther there's in it.'

DEATH OF THE MAYOR OF QUELLE.

The Editor of the Canadian Illustrated News received intelligence, when about to go to press, of the death of that gentleman with profound sorrow. Mr. Pope was genial and kind to him when living at Quebec a stranger, with a family of young children, and their mother suffering under a protracted mortal sickness. The following tracted mortal sickness. The following appeared in the Quebec Daily News of June 30:—We announce with regret this morning, the death of our excellent and worthy mayor, Thomas Pope, Esq., which painful event took place yesterday afternoon. This result has been looked for, for some This result has been looked for, for some time past, as his disease was pronounced incurable by every physician he consulted.—He was quite a young man at the time of his decease, being only in his thirty-seventh year. By his indomitable perseverance, talent and affable d'sposition, he had gained the esteem of the whole of our citizens, and had won his way to the highest civic dignity. Had he been spared for a few years longer, he would have made his mark on the page of Canadian history. His death is deeply regretted by our citizens of all classes.

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