

On the 5th inst. the President of the United States communicated to the two houses of Congress, a Message, requesting that the Executive may be invested with more ample power and authority to prevent the "hostile invasion from the United States of the territory of friendly and neighbouring nations." On the same day, the President issued a Proclamation, of which the following is an extract:—

"I, MARTIN VAN BUREN, do most earnestly exhort all citizens of the United States who have violated their duties, and to return peacefully to their respective homes; and I hereby warn them, that any persons who shall compromise the neutrality of this Government by interfering in an unlawful manner with the affairs of the neighboring British Provinces, will render themselves liable to arrest and punishment under the laws of the United States, which will be rigidly enforced; and, also, that they will receive no aid or countenance from their Government in whatever difficulties they may be thrown by the violation of the laws of the country, and of the territory of a neighboring and friendly nation."

General Scott arrived at Albany on the 9th inst. for the purpose of enforcing the observance of the President's Proclamation.

The Constitutional Association of Montreal has determined on sending an agent to England, with petitions to the Queen and Parliament for a redress of the grievances under which the loyal and constitutional inhabitants of this Province labour.

A public meeting was held at Montreal on Thursday last, for the purpose of making arrangements for raising a subscription to erect a monument to the memory of the late Lieut. Weir, who was so barbarously murdered at St. Denis.

THE ENGLISH ANNUALS FOR 1838.—The number of these interesting, splendid, and popular works, it will be seen by the subsequent list, is this year considerably increased; and they are generally spoken of by the English journals as even surpassing in elegance and taste those of any former year:—

The London Keepsake.—New series, enlarged, 12 engravings.

The Gems of Beauty.—comprising twelve engravings representing the passions and affections; each displayed in a lovely female group, accompanied by some appropriate lines by Lady Blessington.

The Authors of England.—a new annual, containing portraits and memoirs of popular living authors of England.

Oriental Keepsake.—Syria, the Holy Land, and Asia Minor, illustrated by drawings, with descriptions by John Carne, Esq.

Health's Book of Beauty.—Edited by the Comtesse de Blessington.

Health's Picturesque Annual.—Ireland, picturesque and romantic, by Leitch Ritchie, Esq., with 19 landscape plates.

Drawing Room Scrap Book.—28 engravings, with poetical illustrations by L. E. L.

Book of Gems.—Edited by S. C. Hall.

Oriental Annual.—Edited by the Rev. Hobart Caunter, B. D.

Flowers of Loveliness.—Twelve groups of female figures emblematic of flowers, with poetical illustrations by L. E. L.

Sir Thomas Lawrence's Cabinet of Gems.—with biographical and descriptive memorials, by P. G. Fatimore.

Friendship's Offering and Winter's Wreath.—11 engravings.

Ackermann's Forget-me-not.—11 engravings.

Gage d'Amié.—Views in Great Britain.

Finden's Tableaux.—Picturesque scenes of national character, beauty, and costume; edited by Miss Mitford.

Jefferies's Landscape Annual.—Spain and Morocco, by Thomas Roscoe; 21 plates.

Buds and Blossoms.—Portraits of children of the Nobility.

The English Annual.—14 engravings, principally portraits.

Christian Keepsake.—Edited by the Rev. Wm. Ellis.

Literary Souvenir.—Edited by Wm. Burton, Esq.

Parlor Scrap Book.—14 large engravings.

Flora's Gems.—12 bouquets, drawn and coloured from nature, with poetical illustrations by Miss Twamley.

Pictorial Album.—11 designs executed in oil colours.

Juvenile Scrap Book.—by Agnes Strickland and Bernard Barton.

Youth's Keepsake. &c.

LITERARY AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

On the 10th instant, the Annual Meeting for the election of Officers of this Society was held.

The chair was taken at eleven o'clock, A. M. when the President, ANDREW STUART, Esquire,

proceeded to read the Reports of the Council of the Society, for the year 1837. The Reports of the several Officers were then submitted to the meeting, after which the members proceeded to the election of Officers for the current year. The result was as follows:—

Andrew, Stuart, Esquire, President.
Hos. Wm. Sheppard, Esq. Vice-Presidents
Rev. H. D. Sewell, M. A. Vice-Presidents
Wm. Kelly, Esq., M. D. R. N. Vice-Presidents
G. E. Laibault, Esq.
J. C. Fisher, Esq. L. L. D., Recording Secretary
J. Skey, Esq. M. D., L. G. M. H., Corresponding Secretary
W. Henry, Esq. M. D., Council Secretary
R. Spence, Esq. Treasurer.
Rev. D. Wikie, M. A. Librarian.
C. C. Sheppard, Esq. Curator of the Museum.
V. Du Riez, Esq. Curator of Apparatus.

COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS.—Andrew Stuart, Esq. Rev. M. Home, Hon. W. Sheppard, Esq. Rev. E. Q. M. D. G. B. Laibault, Esq. Rev. D. Wikie, Rev. John Cook.

QUARTER SESSIONS OF THE PEACE.

On Saturday the same Magistrates were on the Bench as on the preceding days.

William Cummerford was placed at the bar, charged with having stolen an "outer garment," belonging to Mr. Proudley, of the St. Lawrence Hotel.

Mr. Proudley stated that the prisoner was employed by him as a waiter in November last, and the coat in question was hanging in the hall. The coat was taken away during his absence, and two or three days after missing it he was informed that it was in the possession of a Mrs. Burke, a neighbour of his. Mrs. Burke being sent for, she said that the coat was given to her by Thomas Rippingham, and in return gave him five shillings "as a loan."

William Baker, the "man who cooks the waffles" at Mr. Proudley's was next examined. He said he lived at Mrs. Burke's; saw the coat there, and told her it belonged to "mine host" of the St. Lawrence. Witness knows Thomas Rippingham as a professional beggar, and never saw him sober.

Mrs. Burke—received the coat from Rippingham, to whom she advanced five shillings. He said first that he got it from a gentleman, afterwards that he found it.

Thomas Rippingham, the principal witness in this case, said—that he was a beggar by profession, and that he was following his avocation on the day mentioned in the indictment. Having some "customers" in Sault-au-Matelot street, he had to pass Mr. Proudley's door, and saw the prisoner standing there with the coat hanging on his arm. Being "out at the elbows" himself, he asked the prisoner to give him the one he held in his hand, and he immediately gave it to him, although he had never seen the prisoner before.

Several respectable persons were called, who gave the prisoner an excellent character.

The counsel for the prisoner (Mr. Ahern) then enquired of the Court if it was necessary for the prisoner to enter into any defence after such evidence having been offered on the part of the prosecution. The Court unanimously directed the Jury to acquit the prisoner, and as it appeared very probable that the principal witness, Mr. Thomas Rippingham, was the person who carried off the coat, he was entrusted to Mr. Jeffery's care.

Abraham Monday was charged with keeping a disorderly house. The evidence was rather contradictory, and he was acquitted.

On a representation being made to the Court, the fine imposed on William Ramsay, for non-attendance as a petit-juror, was remitted.

After transacting some routine business the Court adjourned.

Saturday, the same Magistrates as before.

Julia Lassard, indicted for larceny. The evidence produced went only to prove that the prisoner, who was a servant with the prosecutor, had only taken the articles for the purpose of keeping them safe, and she delivered them to the owner immediately on being asked for them. The Jury immediately acquitted the prisoner.

Francois Labbe was pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny, and ordered to be brought up for sentence on the last day of the term. He was then arraigned on another charge of assault, and put in the plea of "not guilty." Trial fixed for this morning.

Michael Doyle retracted the plea of "not guilty" put in on Friday, and substituted that of "guilty," on an indictment for assault and threatening to blow the brains out of Cornelius Burns, with a loaded pistol. Remanded for sentence.

Thomas Rippingham, the principal witness against Cummerford, on Saturday, was placed in the right box, and the evidence being very

conclusive, he was found guilty, without the Jury retiring.

William Spencer and Catherine Lynch, were arraigned on an indictment for keeping a disorderly house, and pleaded not guilty. Trial fixed for to-day.

Eleanor Hoganful pleaded "not guilty" to a charge of larceny. Trial on Thursday.

Two or three other cases were called, and no witnesses appearing for the prosecution, the accused were discharged.
The Court adjourned at twelve o'clock until this morning at ten.

THE ARMY.

The head-quarters division of the 85th Regiment, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Munsell, left Quebec yesterday morning for Sorel. The second division took their departure this morning; and the last division, it is understood, will leave immediately after the arrival of the 34th, who are expected to reach Quebec about Sunday next.

Kingston, Jan. 10th.—The steamer Traveller returned from Prescott on Sunday morning, and proceeded to Niagara on Monday forenoon, having on board three companies of the 24th. Part of Lieutenant-Colonel Cameron's company of Royal Artillery, under the command of Captain Glasgow, also proceeded on the same destination. The Dolphin steamer may be expected hourly at this port from below, with the remaining company of the 24th under Major Townsend, and part of the 32nd Regiment.

Halifax, Jan. 3rd.—Her Majesty's ship Cornwall sailed from Bermuda 26th November; arrived at Barbadoes 6th December; found there Her Majesty's ship Springatam and Skylark (packet). Embarked on the 7th the right wing of the 60th, and left wing of the 70th. Sailed on the evening of the 8th from Barbadoes, and arrived at Grenada on the 10th. Embarked left wing of the 70th and embarked left wing of the 60th on the 10th, and sailed from Grenada on the 11th. No men-of-war there. Officers—Lieutenant Colonel Senior, Major Walker, Captains Bayler, Nokes, Patience, Smith; Lieutenants Whitaker and Sealy; Acting Paymaster Westrupp; Acting Qr. Master Newellman; Lieutenants Norwood and Haining; Ensign Cook & Lieutenants Lorimore and Miller. Strength of the regiment, including officers, 470. Also came passengers—the ladies of Colonel Senior and Captain Bayler; 42 women and 92 children.

A liberal subscription has been raised in St. John, to aid in the support of the wives and children of the 43rd Regiment who belong to that station.

A Portsmouth paper of 4th December states that the 43rd Regiment, intended for Gibraltar, is forthwith to proceed to Halifax, to be ready for Canada, in case of need.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

DREADED SHIPWRECK.—The Russian Ship Dyden, just arrived in Kingwood from Archangel, has just landed six unfortunate men taken off the wreck of the brig Caledonia, Capt. Cook, from Quebec, bound to Glasgow. The sufferers saved are the captain, the first mate, the carpenter, Jas. Damsy, the second mate, and James Rimer, apprentice. The Captain states, that in the late gale (on the 31st Oct.) his ship sprung a leak, and became waterlogged, in lat. 55 deg. N., long. 13 deg. W., and that the crew at first consisted of twelve hands, four of whom died, and two were washed overboard; the remaining six were on the wreck thirteen days, with scarcely any provisions; that two of the crew, when near death from hunger and thirst, had their throats cut, to obtain their blood for the remainder to subsist upon; and had not the Russian ship appeared, it was to have been the lot of the boys to suffer next. The Captain of the Russian ship very kindly conveyed these unfortunate men to St. Peter's Hospital in this city, where they now remain in a most distressing state. We understand their limbs are very much frost-bitten, and the legs of one of them burst in conveying him from the boat to the shore at Bowdoin.—[Bristol Mirror.]

Waterford, Nov. 22nd.—Twenty-five quarter bales of tobacco, and a small quantity of negroes' labour, have been discovered in the ship John Bell, Capt. Black, from Quebec for New Ross. The seizure was made by the Dumore East-Coast Guard, under Mr. Slee, who boarded the vessel at some distance off the harbour, about two o'clock on Monday morning.

Limerick, Nov. 15th.—The Thetis, Scalley, from Quebec, ran aground on the Whelps and Scarlet Rocks, and must be lightened, her keel and bottom damaged.

Falmouth, Nov. 8th.—The British Queen, from Quebec, bound to Newcastle, in 30 days, is off Falmouth: Nov. 1st, encountered a heavy gale of wind from N. W., when a sea struck the ship on the fore-cabin quarter, by which the master was washed over-board and was drowned.

Limerick, Nov. 6th.—Arrived, the brig Ianthe, McKenzie, of Sunderland, after a very severe passage of 20 days, from Quebec. On the 29th Oct. the Ianthe was struck by a heavy sea when scudding, which took away her bulwarks on each side, knocked several spokes out of the wheel, and as the master states, he lost some stowage have been injured, when in lat. 52, long. 30, and has experienced very heavy weather for the last eight or ten

days. Nov. 23d.—The Ocean, Rice, from Quebec, which arrived at this port water-logged (as reported in the Shipping Gazette), proceeded yesterday for London; the weather has been very boisterous during the last night.

Jersey, Nov. 24th.—The brig Argus, Vanstier, arrived yesterday morning from Gajez. She was struck by a heavy sea in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, near the Island of St. Paul, which carried away two of her crew, the mate and one seaman, and stove in her bulwarks.

Snanawa, Nov. 26th.—The Amethyst, Willis from Quebec for this port, got ashore this morning in thick weather, about half a mile from the pier; by prompt assistance she has been got off this afternoon's tide, and towed into this harbour, with four feet of water in her hold.

Kinsale, Nov. 25th.—Put in—The brig Cumberland, Tickle, of Maryport, from Quebec 23 days, and sailed for Bangor.

Glooucester, Nov. 28th.—There is a bark in Slime Road, bound to Gloucester, from Quebec.

At Liverpool previous to the sailing of the last New York packet:—Tam O'Shanter, Sumpton; Magnet, Payne; Syllerie, Hunter; Petrel, Black; Robertson, Neill, and the Glasgow.

At Gravesend.—Braken Moor, Fearson; Elizabeth Bentley, Robinson; Eleutheria, Whealey, and General Hewitt, Sellers.

Off Ramsgate.—Harrison, Nicholas.

In the Clyde—Canada, Allan; Rebecca, Galtay; Cherokee, Wylie, and Rankin, Mitchell.

At Dublin.—Robert Burns, Mitchell; Friends, Duncan; Pomona, Leeds, and the Cherub.

At Belfast.—Agitator, Wilson, and the Eleanor.

APPOINTMENTS.

His Excellency the Governor in Chief has been pleased to make the following appointments:—

Louis Belanger and Charles Smallwood, Esqrs. to be Commissioners for the Summary Trial of Small Causes, in the parish of St. Martin, in the County of Terrebonne.

Charles D. Day, Esq. to be one of Her Majesty's Counsel in the Law, in and for the Province of Lower Canada.

Jean B. Maranda to be a Public Notary for the Province of Lower Canada.

* * * THE LITERARY TRANSCRIPT may be had of Mr. F. PALMER, Bookseller, opposite to M. A. Laurie's store, St. John Street, Upper Town.

VOLUNTEERS.

THE MEMBERS OF CAPT. GILLESPIE'S COMPANY, No. 4, Quebec Light Infantry, are requested to be punctual in their attendance at drill every evening at Half-past Six o'clock, in the Riding House, near the Chateaux 9th January, 1838.

JOSHUA HOBROUGH,

TAILOR,
No. 3, HOPE STREET, NEAR TO MR. J. J. SIMS,

IMPRESSED with a due sense of gratitude for the favours conferred upon him by the gentlemen residing in Quebec, and in its vicinity, and by the public in general, avails himself of the present moment, to return them his most heartfelt thanks; at the same time he assures them, that no effort on his part shall be wanted to insure a similar continuance of their future patronage and support.

J. H. takes this opportunity likewise, of respectfully informing the gentry and the public at large, that he has received his Fall Supply, consisting of—Bearskin Cloth (superior to any in town,) Felt Cloths, Buckskins, Cassimeres, &c. suitable to the season; and he is ready to receive and execute all orders on the lowest terms for cash.
Quebec, 15th January, 1838.

BOOKS FOR SALE,

AT THE OFFICE OF THE QUEBEC GAZETTE,
No. 14, Mountain Street

SCOTT'S WORKS, in seven vols.
Bulwer's Novels, in 1 vol. cloth,
Marryatt's Novels, in 2 vols. cloth,
Cooper's Novels, in 26 vols. sheep,
Henry's Miscellaneous Works.

Dwight's Theology,
Hume and Smollett's History of England, with

Miller's continuation, 4 vols.
Astoria, by Washington Irving,

The Pickwick Papers, by "Boz,"
Midshipmen's Expedients, by the author of Ratan the Reeler,"

Quebec, 13th January, 1838

SAMUEL TOZER,

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STALL No. 1, UPPER TOWN MARKET,

BEGS respectfully to return thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal support he has hitherto received; and takes this opportunity of informing them that he has always on hand Corned Rounds of Beef, Pickled, &c.; also, Mutton for Saddles and Haunches, all of the very best quality.
Quebec, 13th January, 1838.

FIRE-WOOD

FOR SALE, in quantities of from One to Fifty Cord, consisting of Birch and Maple. Apply to Mr. SAMUEL TOZER, Upper Town Market.
Quebec, 13th January, 1838.