

Telegraphic News.

Provincial Legislature.

(Special Despatch to Standard.)

Fredericton, April 5.

A Bill relating to the settlement and support of the poor, and bill in amendment of an act to authorize the appointment of a stipending Magistrate for Gloucester, were passed.

Reading of evidence taken by committee on seizures of Lumber in Gloucester and Restigouche, and the papers and telegrams in connection therewith was concluded. The reading of the paper occupied nearly four hours.

Ryan (Albert) introduced a Bill for the relief of Rev. William McGuire.

Davidson introduced a bill relating to the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

House in Committee agreed to bill introduced by Smith relating to Telish and Barachois Marshes.

A bill was received from the Legislative Council to incorporate the Fredericton Cemetery Co.

House in committee on consolidated statutes agreed to chapter "rates and taxes," after making several amendments, one of which was to reduce the limit of the amount to be paid for the assessing and committing rates from fifteen per cent. to ten per cent.

Rogers moved a section to chapter "election of members" to provide that no liquor should be given or sold within the limits of a polling district, during polling day, under a penalty of \$100 for each offence, or six months imprisonment. This caused considerable discussion, and was opposed on the ground that the legislature had no power to pass such a section as it interfered with trade. The section was withdrawn.

Halifax, April 2.

The sensational discovery of yesterday and today was the discovery that Archibald Patterson, Inspector of Inland Revenue, had forged the name of his brother, W. A. Patterson, M. P., and A. H. Patterson, of Toronto, and Charles Graham & Co., of Halifax, on notes amounting to between eight and ten thousand dollars. He left Halifax on Tuesday last, and is believed to have fled to the United States. The forgeries were committed to carry him through the banks a debt which has been pressing upon him since his failure, some years ago.

He was formerly a member of the Legislative Council, was very well connected, and stood high in religious circles. Much sympathy is expressed for the friends he has disgraced.

In the House of Assembly, yesterday, Mr. Hill introduced a resolution authorizing the Government to co-operate with the New Brunswick Government in seeking a renewal of that portion of the Dominion subsidy which will shortly expire. The resolution passed unanimously.

The House also passed a resolution in favor of prohibition.

The *Austrian*, with the English mail, arrived yesterday.

In St. Mary's Cathedral, this morning, Archbishop Connolly, who has just returned from the West Indies, addressed his people on the Chiniquy riot. While censuring the Presbyterians for encouraging Chiniquy, he strongly condemned the rioters and maintained the right of free speech.

The Black Hills Delusion.

A letter from Cheyenne to the New York Times says the gold-seekers on the way to the Black Hills are terribly swindled at every step. The railroads to Cheyenne swindle them by unfilled promises. They have to ride in filthy cars, are swindled by merchants when purchasing goods, and on the road from Cheyenne to the Black Hills (250 miles) are obliged to ride on the top of luggage and freight cars, but have to pay full prices for freight transportation, and are charged one dollar for every poor meal they may have to buy between Cheyenne and the Hills.

Great profits are taken by certain newspapers in that region to keep up the deception by "frivolous stories of great strikes" in the mines, but not one of the miners has been seen who has made more than his expenses.

The Richest Silver Mine in the World.

The Consolidated Virginia Mine is the most profitable in the world. During 1875 it yielded 169,307 tons of ore worth \$98 per ton, average, the total yield in billion being \$16,731,658.43. Since December 13, last, about six hundred tons of ore have been hoisted daily. As soon, however, as the connection with another shaft is complete, it is computed that this hoisting capacity will be increased to 2,600 tons per day, or ore equivalent in value to \$200,000. The superintendent of the mine says that, even under this great drain, there is enough ore in sight to last for many years. The almost fabulous amount of wealth which still lies buried, and which the drills of the miners have not yet exposed, cannot be conjectured.

Booth, the defaulting Quartermaster's clerk at San Francisco, has made good his

default to the government. The amt was \$60,000, and the amount turned over was valued at \$84,004.

The Standard.

SAINT ANDREWS, APRIL 5, 1876.

The Legislative Session is drawing to a close. Several bills have passed both branches. The Crown Land Committee have presented their Report, the Revised Statutes are passed, and little remains now to be done. It is reported that the House will be prorogued on Friday or Monday next, when no doubt the members will be happy to return to their homes.

INDUCTION.—The Presbytery ordered the induction of the Rev. Wm. Richardson as Pastor of Greenock Church, in this town, to be held on Thursday evening, 29th inst., but it appears that the old charter limits the choice of ministers from the Church of Scotland. It was believed that the late act of union repealed the old act; however the congregations in Fredericton and St. John which are in a similar dilemma, have petitioned the Legislature to amend the Act, in order that congregations can select clergymen from the Presbyterian Church from the Presbyterian Church of Canada, which will obviate any difficulty in future.

The service to be held in Greenock Church on Sabbath next, has been postponed until the 18th instant, when the Rev. Wm. Milen will officiate.

DICKENS'S BROTHER'S CHILDREN.—A strange story comes to us from the United States. From it we learn that two orphan children of Augustus N. Dickens, "Dor" as he was nicknamed when a boy, brother of the celebrated Charles Dickens, are now in Amboy, Illinois. Adrian Charles Dickens, aged 15 years and Amy Dickens aged 13. They are destitute and in want of a home. They are living with a person named Keeling, a very poor man, and were discovered by a Mr. Perkins and were offered to him by Keeling, as he could not support them. They are described as fine, intelligent children, rather good looking and bright. They spoke of their uncle Charles, and said they intended to go to England when they "got big," as the boy expressed himself. It appears that Charles Dickens sent money to his brother up to the time of his death. A gentleman in Portland, Maine, has offered to adopt the children, and promises to clothe and educate them. Mr. Geo. W. Holten, the person who offers to bring up the children is said to be wealthy, and a man of excellent character. Is it not a reproach that these children should be left a charge to strangers in a foreign land. Surely there are many persons in England who would be only too happy to adopt them.

We condense the following notes with reference to the Centennial Exhibition building from the *Scientific American*, whose information may be relied upon; and as the Dominion is furnishing its quota of natural and manufactured products, the description will interest our manufacturers and mechanics.

Progress of the Centennial Exhibition.

The exhibition buildings and grounds are fast approaching completion.

THE MAINE BUILDING.

is completed internally, the paintings and gas pipe connections having just been finished. Show cases are rapidly appearing, that of Devlin, the clothier, being especially notable, both for its style and size. The floor is strewn with packages, prominent among which, on account of their size, are those sent by J. D. Burdell and Co., woolen manufacturers, of Leeds, England, containing woolen goods, and cases of terra cotta from Messrs. Doulton, of England, who are erecting four elegant show cases in which to exhibit pottery and porcelain. Among the exhibits forwarded by the Secretary of State for India, London, England, is a fine muslin into which threads of gold are interwoven. This material is made exclusively for the rajahs in India, and is so fine in its texture that 50 yards of it can be doubled up and passed through a lady's finger ring.

INDIAN COURT.

The exhibits for the Indian court are nearly all in the building, having been transported from the Indian Museum, London, England. The Egyptian, Norwegian, Chinese, Spanish, and other courts are all graceful and nationally characteristic edifices, and are fast approaching completion. They promise to be among the most attractive parts of the exhibition. The Norwegian goods are mostly on the ground.

MACHINERY HALL.

In the Machinery Hall, the workmen are busy erecting the shafting and laying steam pipes for the Corliss engine, all the parts of which are on the spot, and most of them erected.

THE GROUNDS.

Swarms of workmen are busy leveling road ways, removing debris, and laying out the grounds and planting additional shrubs, evergreens, etc., notwithstanding the unpropitious weather. The railroad men, both steam and horse car, are at work in full force, giving

promise that their preparations will be completed in ample time.

AGRICULTURAL HALL.

The above hall is the most backward of all the buildings but the rate of progress is proportionally rapid, every day making a noticeable difference in its appearance. The working force is here exceptionally strong; and there is evidence that it will soon be ready for the reception of entries.

THE FOREIGN EXHIBITORS.

As a rule the foreign exhibitors have more goods upon the ground than is the case with the American entries, a fact to which their representatives point with a feeling of pride.

The editor of the *St. Lawrence Advance* who has been in Fredericton during the sitting of the Legislature, writing of "The Situation" has the following just remarks:—

"The success that has attended the Chief Commissioners management of Board of works stands out prominently, and while the head of next important department, Crown Lands, has perhaps, worked harder than the Chief Commissioner, he has had the misfortune to be called upon to bear the heat and burden of the attacks of opposition during the present Session. There is every reason to believe that he too will come out all right."

PROMOTION.—We learn that our friend J. S. Carney, Esq., has been appointed Agent of the Bank of Commerce at Lacan, Ontario. We congratulate him on his advancement.

The latest item advanced is the following from the *Calais Advertiser*:—"Those harbingers of spring, boys playing marbles, are appearing on the streets." Such an idea could only occur to the fertile brain of its publisher. It is undoubtedly worthy of the writer,—boys fore-runner of spring, or precursors of the season. "Harbingers" must have been used as a homonym.

A notice of the Parish Meeting for election of officers, with some other matters is crowded out today.

In England a violent opposition is growing to the assumption by the Queen of the title Empress of India. The Bill has passed from the House of Commons to the House of Lords, where it is strongly opposed. Should it be carried there, then it is the intention of Lord Shaftesbury in the Lords, and Mr. Fawcett, in the Commons, to move an address to the Queen praying Her Majesty not to assume the title. In the meanwhile public meetings are being held to protest against the title; and the general impression is that the Queen will act wisely in deferring to public opinion rather than in accepting the new dignity offered by her ministers.

The present business outlook of the United States, although far from satisfactory, is rather more cheering than it was a short time since. There is a healthier tone in the money market. Stocks are more freely exchanging hands. The banks are presenting improved statements; the general wholesale and retail trade is considered somewhat more active; and the market returns are generally larger than they were at this period last year. The improvement may be small, the "revival" in business, as it is called, slow; but there are indications of a better state of things, and by economy and prudence, there is little doubt that matters will continue to mend.

Railway property in Scotland is at present yielding a good return. The half-yearly dividend of the Caledonian Railway Company is announced at the rate of 7½ per cent. per annum, with a balance of £8,000, compared with 5½ per cent. for the corresponding period of last year. The North British Railway also reports a net increase of £76,070 for the half year, with £255,108 available for dividends, being an increase of £24,142 on the previous six months. Such reports are satisfactory to shareholders, and a proof of efficient management.

The first flashing effect of Disraeli's recent strokes of policy has, in each case, been succeeded by a different kind of effect. He astonished the British people by his Egyptian manoeuvre in the purchase of the shares of the Suez Canal, but the act has led to complications at home and abroad which furnish cause of apprehension. He got up the programme for the India tour of the heir apparent, and pushed the large appropriation for it through Parliament; but he has now to confront the dissatisfaction over the additional sum needed to meet the Prince's expenditures. He projected the new imperial title for the Queen, and has secured the passage of the bill conferring it; but unexpected public opposition to it has arisen.

HOWA TURNER.—A lady called upon her milliner the other day to get the character of her servant. The respectable appearance of the latter was beyond questioning. "But is she honest?" asked the lady. I am not so certain about that," replied the milliner; "I have sent her to you with my bill a dozen of times, and she has never yet given me the money."

The prospects of Newfoundland at the present times are not very encouraging. In the

revenue for the current year there is an estimated deficiency of \$60,000, the income being \$830,000 and the expenditure \$890,000. The seal fishery, it is thought, will prove a failure, as the whole sealing fleet, is ice-bound off St. John's and trade generally is in a depressed condition.

The flowing example of diligence and study is highly commendable and reflects great credit upon Mr. Atkinson, who, we learn from the *Yarmouth Herald*, (from which we copy) had but very limited educational advantages:—

SELF TAUGHT.—Mr. Atkinson, the author of the poetical contribution published on our fourth page, is a mechanic of this town, whose educational advantages have been very limited. He is a native of Cape Island, Harrington Township, and attended school only about a year in all, mostly when he was between six and seven years of age. When 20 years of age, he could barely read his own language. As soon as he could handle tools he began to assist his father in his trade as a carpenter, and has since worked constantly and diligently at his trade, with no opportunity for intellectual improvement except such as his evening leisure hours afforded. He can now read Spanish and French, and has some knowledge of Latin. His has truly been a "pursuit of knowledge under difficulties." The poem which we insert to-day will compare favorably with much in the same line that appears in print. He has written other pieces, only one of which has been published. Mr. A. is now in his 35th year.

DR. COCKBURN has taken the office recently occupied by Dr. Cameron, adjoining E. Saunders.

Fredericton Notes.

Another concert was given by the children of the Wesleyan Sabbath School on Friday evening last, and as on previous occasions the hall was crowded. The concert was successful in every respect, and the proceeds amounted to about \$70.

The House is expected to prorogue the latter part of this week or first of next. The present Session has not been a very interesting one, as most of the time was occupied in revising the Statutes, but a considerable amount of work has been done. The debate on Supply which was quite lively lasted a week.

The weather is growing milder and an early spring is anticipated. The River will probably open in two or three weeks. Wheels are taking the place of runners as the snow is fast disappearing, but there is enough left to remind us that "Winter still lingers in the lap of Spring."

The M. P. P.'s staying at the Queen Hotel entertained their friends there on Monday night.

CARD.—By a unanimous Resolution passed at a meeting of the "St. Andrews Amateur Band," the thanks of the Band are tendered to Alex. T. Paul, Esq., for the gratuitous use of his Hall, for practice, for the past two years.

E. S. POLLETS,
C. M. LAMB,
T. FINLEY,

Committee.

How THE POSTAL LAW WORKS.—The *Watchman* says:—A city correspondent recently sent us a letter for publication, but dropped it in the Post Office without affixing the one cent stamp on "drop letters." The St. John Postmaster, as required by law, forwarded the same to the Dead Letter Office, Ottawa, where it was duly opened. Had the correspondent's name been attached, the letter would have been returned to him after a week or ten days' delay and postage exacted; but as there was no name, the Dead Letter Office sent the letter to its original address and charged us with the postage—the one cent for drop letters. As Judge Wetmore suggested the other day, they carried the letter from St. John to Ottawa and brought it back, and then did what they might have done, and ought to have done, in the first place—all for one cent!

There is very little doing in commercial circles during the past week, and but for the business which the arrival of two or three vessels have made, the trade of the city would be more dull than for some time past. The present prospect is that the river may open shortly, in which case the spring trade will begin earlier than usual.—*Watchman*.

Two prominent houses in P. E. I. have had to ask time, owing to the great dullness there. Both have willingly been granted the indulgence. Remittances from the Island are very much behind.

In Nova Scotia there has been a number of small failures, but none of importance, and we understand that St. John people do not suffer.

Ex-Min' for Schenck before the foreign affairs committee in explanation of his leaving England without taking leave of the Queen, stated that his resignation did not take place till the appointment of his successor and he came home on leave of absence, without knowing whether he would return. In testimony Schenck said it did not occur to him that Park bestowed fav-

ors to secure his influence as minister. He thought he had a right to invest in stocks so long as it did not compromise his official capacity.

A warehouse with 6000 sacks of corn was destroyed by the caving in of river banks at New Madrid, Missouri. The town of Clarendon, 130 miles from the mouth of the White River is under water. The lower Arkansas River is full to the top of its banks.

A recent marriage ends with the singular expression, and is probably added by a waggish friend: "May their future troubles be little ones."

"Well, neighbor, what is the most Christian news this morning?" said a gentleman to a friend. "I have just bought a barrel of flour for a poor woman." "Just like you! Who is it that you have made happy with your charity this time?" "My wife."

The Prince of Wales is on his return to England, and is expected to arrive about the 20th of April.

Ship News.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

ARRIVED.

Emmett, Harwell, Calais, plaster.
Henry R. Griffin, Eastport, fish.
Julia Church, Chatham, molasses.
Emmett, Harwell, Calais, plaster.
Jane Craig, Boston, gen. cargo.

CLEARED.

H. V. Camell, Maloney, Boston, 3,700 sleepers.
Jane Craig, Boston, boards and laths.
J. A. A. M. Mott, Windsor.
Sarah, Weymouth, Eastport, wood and hay, poles.
Uden, Martin, Eastport, ballast.
Mary Ellen, Britt, S. Stephen, ballast.

CATALOGUE OF FLOWER AND GARDEN SEEDS.

For Sale by

MR. LEE STREET, Druggist and Apothecary, Water Street, St. Andrews.

BEANS.—DUTCH.
Early Calais, Yellow, Six Weeks, Valentine, Fige.

BEANS.—TALL.
Scarlet Runners, London Horticultural, White Cuckoo, Indian Chief.

BEET.
Early Turnip, Long Blood.

CABBAGE.
Early Horn, Long Orange, White Belgian.

CORN.
Crosby's Early, Stowell Evergreen, Sweet Fodder.

CARROTS.
Early York, Flat Dutch, Blood Red, Winningstadt, Mason's Drumhead, Marble Head, Drumhead Savoy, Green Globe do.

CAULIFLOWERS.
Early London.

CELERY.
Giant White Solid, Red do.

PEAS.
Fine Curled, Early Frame, Long Green Prickly, Early Green Cluster, Early Russian.

LETTUCE.
White Curled Selisia, Drumhead, Cress or Cressed Small Early, MASTURBATION.

TURNIPS.
Tall Mixed, Dwarf.

POTATOES.
Blood Red, White Portugal, Silver Skin, Potato.

PEAS.
Dap' O'Rourke, Carter's first Crop, Tom Thumb, McLean's Little Gem, Champion of England, White Marrowfat, Black Eye Marrow.

PARSNIPS.
Long Smooth, Dwarf Curled.

RADISH.
Early Scarlet, Long Salmon, Red Turnip, Prickley Spinach.

SQUASH.
Hubbard, Boston Marrow.

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"ST. ANDREWS Persons wishing to

to apply to E. S. M.

Apr. 6, 1876.

PROBATE COURT.

In the matter of the will of the Parish of St. Andrews, deceased.

WILLIAMS Patrick Will and Testament of re-d, the time of the

the said account. NO NOTICE thereof is all the Creditors are

ceased, and to all persons Estate, and they are he

me a Court of Probate of the Judge of Probate day of May next at the

the Account of the Court, this Fourth day

J. C. COCK

Will practice the Medicine

Office—recently occupied street.

Residence at his father's St. Andrews, Dec. 1.

PROBATE COURT.

In the matter of the late of the Parish of St. Andrews, deceased.

WILLIAMS Patrick Executor of the last said John Don'ty, I

death, hath, this day said Estate, and hath next of kin of the

interested in the said Account.

NO NOTICE thereof is all the Creditors are ceased, and to all persons Estate, and they are he

me a Court of Probate of the Judge of Probate day of May next at the

the Account of the Court, this Twenty-third day of May next at the

Administrator. Given under my hand and seal, this Twenty-third day of May, 1876.

J. C. COCK

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