

THE RAILWAY COLLISION IN OHIO.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 9.—At about 7 o'clock, last evening, a train on the Cleveland and Pittsburg Road ran into an express train on the Ohio and Pennsylvania Road, at Alliance, Ohio, smashing two of the passenger cars of the latter train. One of the cars was thrown into the Rotunda, at the station, and another through a public room, which constitutes part of Sourbeck's Hotel, in which several persons were sitting. Both the rotunda and sitting room were torn down, killing eight persons and wounding several others.

Most of the killed and wounded were not on the cars, but sitting in the public room when the accident occurred.

The train left Pittsburg at 3 p. m. yesterday and arrived at Alliance behind time. The passengers had just got through supper, and the train had barely started and got across the track at the junction when the Cleveland train came dashing along, and before its headway could be stopped a collision occurred. Sourbeck's rotunda, into which the car went, presents the appearance of a total wreck. It is said that the engineer of the Cleveland and Pittsburg train has absconded.

The following despatch from Pittsburg, giving particulars of the accident, is from Mr. Cass, the President of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Road:

"None were killed on our train, and but three wounded, and these not severely. All the other killed and wounded were on the platform at the station, in the house, or near the track. The Pittsburg train struck between the two hindmost cars in such a manner as to throw the two cars off the track, injuring three persons on the next to the last car. The testimony here is that the Cleveland and Pittsburg train was running at a frightful speed, not less than thirty miles per hour, and the visible evidence wreck this morning fully confirms the statement. The Engineer of the Cleveland and Pittsburg train has not been seen since."

NEW BRUNSWICK.

STRANGE PRESENTIMENT.—Drowned from on board the schooner "Bea," of Cape Tormentine, B. Oulton, captain, on the night of the 25th ult., while on the passage from Charlottetown to Bay Verte, Wm. McKenzie, a young man belonging to P. E. Island. The night was very dark and stormy, and it appears that the deceased, while stepping forward to take soundings, slipped overboard. He was a good swimmer, and was heard to call for help three times; but, as the wind blew heavily, and the vessel was under sail, he sank before any assistance could be afforded him. It is somewhat remarkable that, for about a week previous, he labored under a strong impression that he would not live long; and, on one morning, while lying in the same bed with the captain, he asked the latter if he heard that voice, and appeared much surprised on his answering in the negative.—Mackenzie had, he said, distinctly heard the voice of his brother, who had been some time dead, calling him; and he related this circumstance at a Methodist Class Meeting which he attended the same day.—*St. John Courier.*

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.—On Wednesday the 3rd inst. Mr. John C. Hamilton, of Pleasant Valley, came to his death in a most melancholy manner. It appears that whilst in the woods chopping, a large beach tree was cut through and fell against some smaller trees, the top of one of which broke off and fell on Mr. Hamilton's head, which it severed and shattered. In this condition, he was first discovered by his son who ran to give the alarm; and the unfortunate man, speechless, motionless, and presenting a sad spectacle, but still breathing, was conveyed to his residence, where he expired about 7 o'clock the same evening. The accident is supposed to have occurred between 2 and 3 o'clock. Mr. Hamilton was in his 36th year, and has left a widow and six children. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and was much esteemed.—*Yarmouth Herald.*

Our Queen's county correspondent informs us of a sad accident which occurred in the county of Lunenburg, near New Dublin. He says: "Two little boys, sons of William Ramby, were engaged in repairing a fence. One of the lads was holding a stake while the other was driving it with the poll of his axe. In one of his attempts to hit the stake he missed it and the axe descended with increased force upon the head of the brother, killing him instantly. The survivor, on seeing the effect of the blow fainted, and was found by the father, beside the corpse of the killed in that state. He soon after recovered his faculties and explained the circumstances of the sad casualty as above given."—*Bridgetown News.*

Editorial Miscellany.

THE WATER COMPANY.

THE action of the City Council with reference to the Water Company has been published in the papers. The Water Company are willing to sell out, and the Committee of the City Council appointed to confer with them strongly recommend the City to accept of their terms, and thus the matter rests for the present. We hope however, that this is not to be the end of the public agitation upon this important subject. In the meantime the Water Company exact the fifty per cent. additional water rate from all whose necessities oblige them to use their water—and the Civic body take no measures to place the City upon the same footing with respect to the supply of water as before the Water Company went into operation. The whole matter is in the hands of the Corporate body, and they have it in their power to bring it to the desired result, if they will only move in it judiciously. All now that seems to be necessary, is, that the public should give a general sanction to their proceedings, to enable them to close the bargain; and it is for the City Government to bring the matter before them in any way that their powers or their constitution directs. If it can be done by a public meeting, or by an open expression of popular opinion, there need not be much delay; but should this not be the conclusive mode, we trust that all who feel aggrieved by the proceedings of the Water Company, will deem it their duty to keep up the agitation until the next Civic election, and then make the choice of Mayor and Aldermen, depend upon a pledge to effect a transfer to the City of the Water Works, so that every citizen can be insured a full supply of water at an equitable rate.

The Bill to legalize the Synodical action of the Diocese of Toronto, which passed the Canadian Legislature, and was reserved by the Governor General for Her Majesty's sanction, has not received the Royal assent. The reason for this procedure is given in the papers which communicate the information, and will be found in the intention of Her Majesty's Government to introduce a measure into Parliament at its next Session, which shall be applicable to the synodical government of the Church in all the Colonies.

The Bishop requests the Clergy to give particular attention to questions 4 and 5, in the forms for their annual returns, and to enter distinctly the several items according to the best information obtainable.

The Provincial Legislature of this Province has been summoned to meet for despatch of business, on Thursday, the 5th of February next.

There appears to be a very unpleasant state of society in the flourishing little town of Liverpool. Robberies of late have been frequent, even upon a large scale, and minor offences are very numerous in proportion to the population. In a place where every individual must be known, and his character well proven, we should think it would be easy to convict offenders against public morals or the public peace. Why they don't do it, and that with a heavy hand, seems somewhat inexplicable. The *Liverpool Transcript* thus gives a general idea of the state of affairs:—

"It is not pleasant to send forth to the world an account of transactions certainly not creditable to our (ought-to-be) very quiet town, but justice to our patrons and the community at large compels us at times to do so. Night thieving is certainly on the increase. We have recorded two cases of store-breaking, and heavy robbery, and have lately received numerous accounts of petty stealings of all kinds and in all sections of the town. Clothes lines have been denuded of the garments which had been so carefully pinned to them; barn yards have been invaded, and motherly hens awakened from their quiet slumbers, to seek that sleep that knows no waking—unless the carouse around the repast of which they are the bright particular stars, may be called a waking—and all the other peccadillos that are usually rife when such folks are "round" are common at this time. There is a remedy for these things, and this remedy should be applied. What is it? Who knows? Or rather who don't know?"

The Rev. Mr. MAYNARD, having removed from Sackville to Windsor, requests that all Communications to him be addressed in future to Windsor.

All the banks in the city have raised the rate of interest, on sums deposited therein, from 3 to 4 per cent.

FIRE.—A large establishment consisting of mills, manufactory, &c., at Antigonish, and belonging to Mr. R. Trotter of that place, was totally destroyed by fire on the night of the 10th inst. The loss is estimated at £3,000, and there was no insurance on the property.

The inhabitants of Chatham, Miramichi, held a public meeting on the 9th inst. for the purpose of adopting measures to have the town lit with gas. Resolutions were passed in accordance with the object, and a committee named to carry them out.

CAPT. CHEARNLEY IN NEWFOUNDLAND.—The *St. John Times* of 22nd ult. reports the return of Capt. Charnley to town after an absence of several months on a pleasure excursion to the northward of the island. Capt. C. speaks in high terms of the growth of timber for ship-building, and the agricultural capabilities of the country, over which he travelled. The rivers teem with fish, and game is abundant. Large numbers of deer were killed by the unerring aim of the Captain. He reports having seen a variety of valuable ore which could be turned to good account. The recent storm to the northward was very severe—more so than any previously on record. The gale caused great destruction to property at Twillingate;—making a clean sweep of wharves, stages, &c., and sinking several vessels with cargoes ready for market. Snow fell in great quantities.—Capt. C. returned to Halifax in the *R. M. S. Curlew*.—*Chron.*

There will be a Lovee at Government House on Thursday, the first day of January next, at One o'clock. The Gentlemen who attend will each be pleased to bring two Cards, one to be given to the person appointed to receive it, and the other to the A. D. C. in waiting.—*Ibid.*

Inquests were held on Tuesday and Wednesday the 10th and 11th inst.—at Campdown, Lunenburg Co., before Aaron Morse, Esq., Coroner—upon the view of the bodies of Alexander Bohannan and Jacob Zwicker, senr., who were drowned on Sunday the 7th inst., while crossing the ice on the "Crooked Lake" at that place. This melancholy accident has thrown a large circle of relations and friends in mourning, and should be a warning to others not to attempt crossing the ice until it is sufficiently strong.—*Com. to Chris. Mess.*

ANNAPOLIS, DEC. 9.

The gale of Wednesday, Dec. 3rd, was very disastrous.

Schr. Washington, from Clementsport for Boston, struck Cow Lodge, Brier Island—parted amidships; total loss. Captain and two of the crew saved—four saved.

Schr. Pomona, from Granville for Boston, ashore near Sandy Cove. Crew and rigging saved.

Several other vessels ashore at St. Mary's Bay. Names and extent damage unknown.

Schr. Lunnet, from St. John for Granville, lost three miles from the Gut; three bodies have been found on Bay shore.

Schr. Dongola, from Granville for Boston, 14 days out, returned with loss of deckload and boat.

Schr. George Prescott, from Granville for Boston, in Brier Island, with loss of sails.

Schr. Lynnfield, from Clementsport for Boston, has returned waterlogged.

Schr. Hebe from New York for St. John, put in here;—lost deckload and jibs.

Many other vessels belonging to this river out in same gale. Fears are entertained for their safety.—*Telegraph to Yarmouth Herald.*

LATER FROM EUROPE.

Per telegraph to Exchange Reading Room.

The Steamship City of Baltimore arrived at Cape May last night. She brings Liverpool dates to the 3d inst. Four days later.

Cotton market steady, with average sales.

Flour market has a declining tendency.

Wheat market firm, but prices unchanged from previous quotations.

Corn market dull.

Consols for money closed at 94 to 94 1/4.

An insurrection has broken out in Sicily.

It is rumored that dissension has taken place in the British Ministry.

The following appointments have been gazetted:—

To be High Sheriff of the County of Cape Breton, for the ensuing year—Richard Gibbons, Jr. Esq.

To be the Commissioners for Indian Affairs, for the Western District of the Province—the Rev. Edward Butler, in the place of W. Charnley, Esq.

To be a Justice of the Peace in the County of Annapolis—Francis W. Pickman, Esq.

To be Justices of the Peace for the County of Lunenburg—James D. Selig, Lewis Knaut, Edward Morgan, George Mills, David Crandell, Peter Corkum, and Wm. Drew, Esqrs.

To be a Master in the Supreme Court, for the County of Lunenburg—James Dowling, Esqr.

To be Collector of Colonial Duties and Controller of Customs at La Have—Wm. Geidert, Esq.

Holloway's Pills.—The immense sale of these invaluable Pills, in all parts of Canada, are a sufficient guarantee of their numerous virtues, as well as the talent of their inventor, indeed, many of the cures worked by their use alone, appear as if were a miracle. In cases of derangement of the liver, the stomach and bowels, bilious disorders, and irregularities of the system, their effect is miraculous, while in female complaints, and dropsy they are equally invaluable. The thousands of cures performed annually in Canada, by these invaluable Pills, render them indeed, a blessing to the afflicted, and, therefore, no family should ever be without them.