

Arrival of the "Baltic."

SEVEN DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

NEW YORK, May 18.

The Baltic from Liverpool, arrived to-day, dates from the Crimea are to May the 4th.

The bombardment of Sebastopol had slackened—the Allies getting short of ammunition. Some Russian outworks had been taken, but the main defences remained impregnable.

Lord Raglan admits that the bombardment is not so effective as was anticipated.

The impression in England is, that active siege operations will be abandoned for the present.

One Hundred Thousand Russians are reported to be concentrating outside of Sebastopol.

Several indignation meetings had been held in England relative to the way in which the war had been conducted.

An unsuccessful attempt had been made to assassinate the Emperor of the French.

Consols, 88½. Breadstuffs—market animated: Flour advanced, 1s. per barrel; Corn 1s. 6d. per quarter.

THE CROPS.

We have already published encouraging accounts of the growing crops, from the South and West. Our exchanges continue to bring similar accounts from their respective regions of country. The Nashville (Tenn.) Banner, announces that the fruit crop in that county was never more promising than at the present time. Peaches and strawberries are particularly promising, the latter being already nearly ready for use. The famous prices of everything eatable, which have prevailed during the past year, have had the effect to wake up farmers to more extended cultivation of the soil, and in the grain growing regions of the West, particularly, great efforts are said to have been put forth to produce a large crop. And to the success of their efforts, the deep snows of the winter grain having been carefully covered and preserved from the frost during the cold season, and brought forth this spring in the best condition; so that with the ordinary smiles of Providence, considerably more than an average crop may be reasonably expected. This with the diminution of our imports, and the spirit of carefulness in trade and of economy in families, may secure to our people—the laboring and poor classes especially—during the approaching year, a season of less anxiety and suffering than has been their lot to endure the past year.—Boston Traveller.

Gold Mine in Boston.

The laborers engaged in digging a drain in Hanover street yesterday, discovered what appeared to be gold dust. Of these Philbrick being in the vicinity, took several lumps to a jeweller for analysis, and it was ascertained that the clay contained gold dust of the purest quality, and equal to any ever brought from California.—Boston Rec.

Interesting Decision.

We think we are serving the public in calling attention to the Court of Common Pleas, in Baltimore, October, 1854. The case was one of more than usual importance, especially to all who use platform scales, as the decision of the Court established the fact, that in all matters of dispute, as to weight, the scales manufactured by the Messrs. Fairbanks & Co., of Vermont, are the standard.

The suit arose from a discrepancy of weight between one of Fairbanks' scales in use by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and one of another manufacturer.

The case occupied the Court two days—Judge Marshall delivering his decision, stated as the result of the evidence, that the accuracy of Fairbanks' scales was established beyond all question.—Daily (Phila.) Pennsylvanian.

An emigrant train went over the suspension bridge at Niagara Falls a few days since. The cars moved very slowly. A German woman in the transit over the bridge gave birth to a pair of twins. One was named *Suspension Bridge* and the other *Niagara Falls*.

The increase of all kinds of business between this Province and the States, is evidenced by the number of business advertisements forwarded from the United States for publication in our City papers. To one of these, which appears in our columns for the first time to-day, that of Messrs. Christopher Robinson & Co., we would refer the Shoe dealers in this Province. Mr. Robinson, the senior partner in the firm, is a native of this Province, having removed from St. Andrews twenty one years ago, and by his intelligence, has succeeded in placing himself at the head of one of the most extensive Ladies' Shoe factories in Lynn. He is a practical workman, oversees his work, and takes pride in filling orders for his native Province.—Courier.

Monroton.—On Monday last, the election, under the Act passed at the last Session of the Legislature, took place, and resulted in the choice of Joseph Salter, as Mayor; Messrs. J. H. Beatty, J. S. Barnaby, J. Robertson, J. Wortman, D. Robertson, and T. M. Brown, as Councilors; and Messrs. E. L. Cowling, A. Weldon, Jr., and Thomas Trueman, as Assessors. The voting was by

ballot,—the system, as usual, worked very well.

At a meeting of the Council, next day, Mr. James Robertson, lately of St. John, was chosen Common Clerk.

The Canada Supply of Breadstuffs.

Of this score the Oswego (N. Y.) Times of the 28th ult. remarks:—"Scarcely two weeks ago one of our most prominent flour dealers insisted to us that not to exceed 100,000 barrels of flour would be received in the United States from Canada, this season before harvest. Over 250,000 barrels have been received already, and on the 25th there were in the several warehouses in Toronto, awaiting shipment, 59,000 barrels of flour and about 200,000 bushels of corn. There were afloat at the same time about 10,000 bushels of wheat and 9000 barrels of flour."

Montreal Flour Market.

The receipt of some small lots from Canada West has reduced the rate from 55s. to 52s. 6d. per barrel for superfine. For delivery within three weeks sales have been made at 48s. to 50s. For all June delivery, 43s. 9d. is asked.

New York, May 16—6 P. M. Flour 12½ cents lower and prices unsettled; sales 6500 bbls; common to straight State \$10 12½ a 10 31.

A WORD OR TWO ABOUT NEWSPAPERS.—Rev. Abel Stevens, the editor of the National Magazine, an issue which stands nearly in the first place among the periodicals of the United States, says in his "table," speaking of the independence of the true editor:—

"We do not, in our editorials, hold ourselves responsible to the personal views of any individual patron. For ourselves, personally, we would not subscribe a sixpence to a periodical which should hold itself bound to recede only received views, or to bring to us from month to month, such opinions only as are admitted by common consent, or are a repetition—a rehash of our own individual thinking. We prefer something independent—something provocative of new and progressive thought—even if it challenge sometimes, our dissent. This is one of the prime rules of good editing, and he that don't like it had better clear our track as soon as possible."

Extraordinary case of Drowning.—Towards the end of last month, Mr. J. Smith, his son, and some men were engaged stream driving on the Otter brook, a little stream which runs into the north branch of the Ottawa. A head-spike which young Smith was using slipped from his grasp and he fell into the stream just below a rapid, or fall, as it is usually called. The stream at this spot was very narrow and so shallow that when his father and another man ran up, the father was able to take the son's hand and grasp his hair; but strange to say such strength had the under tow that both men were unable to lift him up hard as they strove, and there the young man was drowned, his hand holding his father's, and gradually relaxing his grasp as he grew fainter, until life being extinct, the body floated on the surface, and was drawn on shore. We could hardly believe this story to be true, so strange and incredible does it seem, but that we heard it from the lips of the unfortunate father himself.—Freeman.

IMITATION PORCELAIN.—Among the novelties of the day, we have observed in the various publications devoted to the arts, in England and on the Continent, notices of a tasteful and elegant amusement for the ladies called 'Potichomanie,' or the art of converting glass into ornamental Porcelain. We have inspected several specimens of this work done at the establishment of Messrs. Potter & Co. in Gormale-street, and we are much struck at the close resemblance they bear to the finest Porcelain. Messrs. Potter & Co. furnish to their customers printed instructions, gratis, and have for sale all the materials required for this elegant art.—(Ibid.)

FIRE.—Between 11 and 12 o'clock Wednesday evening, a fire broke out in a barn in the vicinity of Peters Street, which contained a quantity of hay, and was consumed, together with a shed and cow, the names of the owners of which we have not ascertained. A house in the vicinity owned by Mr. Duffy, shoemaker, caught fire and was some what injured.

About 4 o'clock, Thursday morning, another fire occurred in the vicinity of the S one Church. This fire, which was supposed to be the work of an incendiary, originated in a barn, and was immediately communicated to a house owned and occupied by Mr. John R. Marshall, which was totally destroyed, the house adjoining owned by Mr. Holt, was also destroyed, together with a building owned by Mr. James McCaskey, which was damaged to such an extent as to be almost useless. The Church being of less perishable material was thus prevented from falling a prey to the devouring element.—Morn. News.

AN INDIAN PRINCE AND HIS RETINUE.—The Rajah of Patna, one of the protected Sikh chiefs, is about to visit England. He wanted to bring a retinue of 500 people and 8 elephants! but the British authorities reasoned him out of that natural desire. He will be well supplied with cash: he is a notable money lender. At a state ball at Calcutta he was asked how he liked the English ladies; he answered—"My heart does not incline to them."

When the Allies entered Paris after the fall of the first Napoleon, the first thing the Cossacks did was to skin up the lamp posts

and swallow the oil. The French theatre was saved from plunder by allowing them a free range of the lamp room.

The Standard.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 1855.

European News.

Elsewhere we have given the telegraphic news by the Steamship Baltic at New York. Dates from the seat of War are to the 4th inst., and we regret are anything but encouraging, if we except the taking of some of the Russian outworks. The bombardment of Sebastopol had slackened, from it is said shortness of ammunition. The brave Allies nevertheless held good their position, notwithstanding the main defences of the Crimean City, are considered almost impregnable.

An attempt had been made to assassinate the Emperor of the French, but happily with out success.

ST. ANDREWS & QUEBEC RAILROAD.—It is now some weeks since a notice appeared in our advertising columns by order of the Directors of the Railway, announcing that a train would run daily for the transportation of merchandise and the accommodation of passengers; and although we felt a very lively satisfaction in learning that arrangements had been made to effect so desirable an object, we purposely abstained from making any comment on the subject, fearing that it might be found impossible in face of the position of affairs between the Company and the Contractors, and the difficulty, under the existing state of pecuniary matters, to make such necessary repairs on the road, as were well known to be required; in order to put it in working condition. It was therefore with no ordinary gratification that, on Saturday last, we enjoyed the opportunity, courtesy afforded us by the Railway authorities, of joining the few friends who accompanied Mr. Whitlock the Secretary as far as the Fredericton Road Store on his way to Head Quarters, whither he had been summoned to attend the Executive Council;—

personally witnessing how much has been effected towards the removal of those difficulties, considering the means at the disposal of the Board, and we earnestly hope not only for the sake of the inhabitants of this town and surrounding neighbourhood but also for the welfare of the whole Province,—what ever measures may be in contemplation in order to resume the further progress of the works;—that the Directors will be able to continue the traffic over the distance which the trains now traverse.

That many parts of the road still require ballasting and otherwise repairing was apparent enough, but still we consider it no small matter of congratulation to the town and county as well as of credit to the energy of those to whose exertions we owe the benefit that the line is, and has been really working for some weeks past bringing down large quantities of cordwood & other timber and thus affording incontestable evidence of what would be the paying qualities of the road, were it completed and furnished in an efficient manner.

The cars on their return trip were laden with several thousand feet of pine and spruce ship plank, seen at Smart's mill, Rolling Dam, for a vessel building in St. Andrews for W. Whitlock. While recording these facts we may state that had common justice been done to the Company, by the Legislature at its last Session by passing a simple act empowering class B. stockholders to transfer their facilities over to Class A. in England, we would now have been in a much more favourable position. Communications from time to time received from the English Board, we understand say, they only wait to hear of the passage of the Bill. Had it passed there would now be a large number of laborers on their way out to proceed with the work. We cannot help in this case blaming the Government, calling themselves a progressive Government, we think they should have taken the initiative and carried the Bill through, all-powerful as they are, it could have been accomplished. This being the first great public work of the kind in the Province, has an extra claim on Executive patronage.

The weather for a few days has been bleak and stormy, with heavy rain retarding in some measure farming operations; but we are happy to state that many farmers have the greater part of their sowing and planting done, and in some districts, potatoes are making their appearance above the ground.

MAIL CONTRACTOR.—We omitted to notice that our old friend Winters, of St. John has taken the contract for the conveyance of the mail daily between St. Andrews and St. John. His carriages are well fitted up, strong, and comfortable and it is unnecessary to say anything with respect to his Horses—as he is well and favourably known to have the best

horses that can be purchased. John, has long been a favorite with the travelling public, for his obliging and happy disposition, punctuality and attention. His drivers are experienced men, civil and obliging. The Stage books are kept at Bradford's hotel.

ERRATA.—In Mr. Gillmor's letter published in our last week's impression, a mistake occurred, which we exceedingly regret, the error is ours, not Mr. Gillmor's. In the 36th line from the commencement of his letter, the word "road" was printed instead of "bridge." The sentence should read "he carefully avoided making appropriations sufficient to keep the bridge in repair &c." We make the correction as an act of justice to Mr. Gillmor.

SHOULDER ARMS.—From a circular which has been received by the Colonels of Militia, it is generally believed that the Militia in this Province, will at no distant day be called out to perform garrison duty. "Brush up your swords, clean your guns, buckle on your armor, and prepare to—shoulder your crutch, and show how fields were won!"

Snow.—A considerable quantity of snow fell on Monday, but disappeared on Tuesday morning under the influence of a heavy shower of rain. The tops of the hills however still present a wintry aspect.

The paper we imported is of so thin a texture that it is difficult to print on it. We hope to remedy this shortly, and in order to enable us to do so, request delinquents to liquidate their accounts. Our bills for advertising, subscriptions, &c. are made out, and we trust that they will be paid promptly;—we do not know of any good reason why the publisher of a newspaper, should be obliged to wait for years for payment of his accounts, any more than the trader or the merchant.—To the few who have paid promptly we tender our thanks.

We understand Mr. Boyd has been in possession of that portion of the Legislative grant for the purchase of seed allotted to the County of Charlotte, (\$50) and that he has furnished those parties who have applied to him, with sums to purchase seed. This announcement is made that those persons requiring seed may apply to him.

The Packet ship "Eudocia," Spurr, of the Black Ball Line, arrived at St. John on the 15th inst., with 175 steerage and 6 cabin passengers. As customary, the ship made a quick run, and no serious case of illness on board. The passengers have published a complimentary card, thanking Capt. Spurr and officers of the ship, for their kind treatment, and attention to them.

INCOME TAX ON COLONIAL STOCKS.—It will be seen from the following extract that Colonial Stocks will in future be exempt from the income tax:—

The London Times contains a statement to the effect that Monsieur Leger, Esq., solicitor of a French gentleman, entitled to dividends in Canadian stocks has succeeded in a correspondence with the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, in obtaining an exemption of all Foreign and Colonial Stocks from the operation of the income tax, although the dividends or interest be payable through an agency in the United Kingdom.—The practice of Baring, Bros. and most other agencies, has heretofore been to deduct the tax on income passing through their hands.

ACCIDENT TO MR. HICKS. The Quebec Morning Chronicle, of the 12th inst. says:—"We regret to learn that as the Hon. Mr. Hicks was on his way to town yesterday morning, in his carriage, the horse became unmanageable and ran away, throwing him out, but he fortunately escaped with some slight injury. His son however, aged about 19, who was also in the carriage, attempted to get out of it, and, being thrown with great violence to the ground, had both his legs broken. The news of this serious accident to a promising member of the ex Premier's family, has produced universal sympathy in this city.—[Quebec Chron.]

EMIGRATION.—The Limerick Chronicle thus shows to what the Exodus has been reduced in the case of the principal emigration ports.—The tide of emigration from this port has at length been stayed. The vessels announced to sail this month for Quebec, for want of the enormous number of passengers who were wont to secure berths in the spring ships from our quays, were each delayed a week behind the time mentioned for their departure but without success. On Saturday, the Jersey, capable of accommodating 300, cleared out with only 66 passengers. Last evening, the Jane Black, with accommodation for 350, sailed from the docks with only 136; and this afternoon the Triumph left with 78 adult passengers—all for Quebec."

The cholera appears to be on the increase at St. Petersburg. The cases for several weeks have averaged 150 a day, but from the Journal of St. Petersburg of the 17th, it appears that on the 13th inst., there were as many as 220 cases recorded.

Gratuities by the Emperor of the French.

The Emperor of the French before leaving Windsor, caused to be placed in the hands of the mayor, the munificent sum of £400 for the relief of the poor of the borough. His Imperial Majesty gave £100 for the poor of Dover; and on the part of the Empress and himself, his Imperial Majesty presented the liberal sum of £500 in aid of the Societe Francaise de Secours, of which the French ambassador is president. The Lord Mayor of London and the Mayor of Dover have also received very valuable contributions from the Emperor, in remembrance of his auspicious visit to England.

FIRST ARRIVAL.—The ship Albion, Toronto, Quana and St. Lawrence, the first instalment of our Spring Fleet, came into port in the course of yesterday. Their cargoes are principally for Montreal.

The first of the steamers of the season from Montreal is the "Quebec" commanded by Capt. Rodolf, bringing down 200 passengers and a large freight.

The English and French squadrons in the Pacific are preparing for another attack on Tootopaulovski, the Sebastopol of the Pacific.

The cholera seems to have become completely domiciled in the United States. Ninety cases have occurred at St. Louis and on the Mississippi river.

Halloway's Pills, an undoubted Remedy for Asthma.—Mr. Ellis Wilson, of Fredericton, N. B., had for five years very severe attacks of Asthma, which deprived him of bodily rest night and day; the cough at times almost choked him, and caused him continually to spit blood, he was never safe either eating or drinking, and his family were distressed beyond measure to see him gradually reduced to almost a skeleton. Halloway's Pills, in his case, were as usual efficacious. This gentleman used them for eleven weeks.

Married.

At St. Stephen, on the 14th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Thomson, Mr. James Dow, Teacher, to Kate, eldest daughter of Duncan Stewart, Esq., of that town.

Died.

At St. John on the 19th inst., William Hutchinson, Esq., Watchmaker, in the 68th year of his age.

In Fredericton, on 22nd inst., in the 44th year of his age, Mr. William Grigor, a native of Abercromby, formerly editor of the *Head Quarters*, and lately a Reporter of the Debates of the House of Assembly.

Died, in the Parish of Saint David, on the 22d inst. Mr. Wm. Connick, aged 52,—leaving a wife and ten children to mourn their bereavement.

At Pownfield on the 19th March, Mr. James Jastison, aged 78. And on the 7th inst. Susan, widow of the above, aged 80.

Shipping List.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

ARRIVED.—May 18th.—Schr. Borcas, Snell, Boston, ballast. Schr. Spray, B. Leon, St. John, merchandise. Cleared at St. Stephen. 19th.—Ship Homeward Bound, Coe, Liverpool, deals.—Chippman & Bolton.

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May 23 1855

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