

ey, agreeing with the relation in which they stand to God. On these grounds we affectionately exhort you to place your beloved offspring within the "courts of the house of our God," and amongst the number of his family, by strictly attending to this divinely appointed ordinance of the Saviour. We say nothing on the act of legislation itself, by which registration without baptism is secured; but as that act placed baptism more completely under the supervision of the Christian ministry than previously obtained, and as some of you may be tempted to disregard it altogether, we judge it right to bring this subject before your attention; and we feel confident that the suggestions submitted to your consideration will be sufficient to guard you against substituting a secular registration of the names of your children in the national records in the place of their consecration to the adorable Trinity.

[To be continued.]

RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

Halifax, March 14, 1838.

THE only arrivals of importance, since our last number, have been H. M. Frigate "La Pique", Captain Boxer, 42 days from Cork, and Ship Joseph Porter, 30 days from Liverpool, G. B. By the former, we have London dates to the 29th January; and by the latter, Liverpool dates to Feb. 4.

The January and February Packets are both due, and are daily expected.

The following are some items of importance, gathered from Home papers:—

The Hercules and Vestal were to sail in a few days with troops for Halifax. The Malabar 74, was under orders to convey troops to Canada.

Sir George Arthur and a number of military officers sailed from Portsmouth for New York, on the 4th January. Major General Sir J. Macdonnell, commanding one of the districts in Ireland, has been offered the command of one of the divisions of the army to be sent to Canada, and it is understood, has accepted it. Col. Campbell has been appointed to command the artillery in Canada—two companies of field batteries, one troop of horse artillery, with the rocket troops, will form the brigade, and expect shortly to embark. The Board of Ordnance had issued tenders to supply 2,000 shells at the shortest time possible.

The news of McKenzie's attempt on Toronto, had reached England prior to the 5th of January.

The London Royal Exchange has been destroyed by fire.

The winter has been very severe in Europe—the following paragraphs will afford our readers some idea of the amount of cold in England and on the Continent.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

EXTREME COLD.—The thermometer on Saturday morning at daybreak outside a second floor window in Coldbath Fields, was as low as 7°, or 25 degrees below the freezing point. As the temperature of the country is hard frosts, is nearly 4 or 5 below that of London, and as it decreases still more rapidly in elevated situations, there is good reason to infer that a thermometer, on Hampstead Heath that morning would have marked zero—a degree of cold, we believe, unprecedented in England, at least in the memory of man.

SERPENTINE RIVER: HYDE PARK.—The immense throng of persons who crowded the ice yesterday far exceeded that of previous days. From an early hour in the morning every inlet to the park was crowded by persons hastening to the animating scene, and before twelve o'clock there could not be less than 10,000 persons assembled on the ice. From that time to three o'clock the number kept increasing, and between that hour and four o'clock it is estimated that there were full 15,000 persons, male and female, either skating sliding or walking on the ice.

The Thames is now completely blockaded, the navigation is stopped in toto.

PARIS, JAN. 30.—The weather has now become so severe that few persons venture out even in the day. At night the shops are nearly all closed at an early hour; the theatres are not half filled. The poor are great sufferers; all out door work is suspended, and in many of the manufactories the workmen are put on half labour, owing to the want of materials, the communication with the country being interrupted by the frost. Collections are making for the relief of the poor but from the want of proper organization little is effected, and we fear that hundreds are perishing from cold and famine. In some parts of France the cold has reached 18 degrees of Reaumur.

PROVINCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

An express arrived on Friday last in 5½ days from Quebec. Mr. Bowen, son of Judge Bowen, of Lower Canada, who came from Quebec, in the short space of five days, started again on Saturday last at about 2 p. m. He expects to be in Quebec on the 10th inst.

Lord Gosford left for New York on the 28th.

From the Boston Atlas, February 28.

IMPORTANT FROM UPPER CANADA.

By the concurrent reports contained in the Western papers it is evident that a simultaneous movement was made upon Canada by the revolutionists on the 22nd inst. The papers from the St. Lawrence frontier and Montreal teem with rumors. It would seem that it was in contemplation to make a simultaneous attack upon Montreal, Kingston, Toronto and Malden, on Tuesday the 22d. Phipps commands the Patriot forces at Montreal, Van Rensselaer at Kingston, McKenzie at Toronto, and Sutherland at Malden. That the insurgents are in considerable force, there can be little doubt.

By a letter from Watertown N. Y. reports have reached that place that the insurgents have taken possession of Brookville, U. Canada with the view of making a descent upon Kingston.

Van Rensselaer and McKenzie appear to have been dodging about on the frontier quite unmolested in their movements.

Cannon and loads of small arms were passing through the northern part of the State in the direction of Kingston.

Mechanics' Institute.—On Wednesday week Doctor Sawers delivered a most interesting lecture on Chemistry, illustrated by a series of unusually beautiful experiments. On Tuesday last, the Rev. Dr. McCulloch lectured on Education. The list of lectures for the remainder of the present session, is subjoined:

March 14 On Creation, by Mr. P. Lynch, jr.

" 21. Anatomy of the Eye, Dr. R. Black.

" 28. Physiology, by Dr. Teulon.

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" 11. Memory, by Rev. Mr. Martin.

" 18. Use of the Globes, by Mr. G. L. O'Brien.

" 25. Education, by Mr. Donald.

May 1. A general Meeting will be held for the election of officers and committee for the ensuing year, conformably to a code of rules passed on the evening of Feb. 23, 1838.

We would particularly request our Agents, both Clerical and Lay, to solicit subscribers, and forward a list of names without delay. A little exertion, on the part of each of our Agents, will procure us a respectable Subscription list.

MARRIED.

On the 16th Jan. last, at Kempt County Hants, by the Rev. William Wilson, John N. Grant Esq. to Margaret daughter of Mr. M. Allan, of the place first mentioned.

DIED.

Suddenly, from the effects of an accident, at Windsor, on the 24th ult., Mr. John Harris, aged 45 years.

On Thursday evening last inst. in the 55th year of his age, after a lingering illness, which he bore with christian fortitude, William Handfield Snelling, Esq., Deputy Commissary General in her Majesty's Service.

On Sunday, 4th inst., Scott Henry, only son of William Clarke, aged 11 months.

On Friday evening last, in the 42d year of his age, Mr. George Ritchie, a Native of Aberdeenshire, North Britain.

On Friday morning last, of measles, Matilda, only daughter of Mr. James Hagar, in the seventh year of her age.

Tuesday morning, at one o'clock, Mr. James Cruickshank, in the 52d year of his age, a native of Banffshire, North Britain, an old and respectable inhabitant of this town, leaving a large number of acquaintances to lament the loss of a kind husband and faithful friend.

On Saturday afternoon, after a short and severe illness, William Leric, in the 36th year of his age, leaving a widow and 3 small children to lament their loss.

Monday morning, Laura, only daughter of Captain Pengilly, of this town, aged three months.

Monday morning, Mr. Francis Flood, aged 32 years, a native of Kells, Ireland. Funeral, this day, at 1 o'clock, when the friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend.

At the Poor's Asylum, on Thursday last, Mary Henry, aged 23 years, a native of Ireland.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Arrivals.

Wednesday, 28th ult.—Am. brig Roxanna, Jones, Boston, 3 days—(arrived), and, &c. to J. Clark, D. & E. Starr & Co. and others.

Tuesday, 1st inst., ship Joseph Porter, Porter, Liverpool, G. B. 20 days—wheat, goods, &c. to W. A. Black & Son and others.

Monday, March 12.—Schr. Endeavour, Houghton, Liverpool, N. B. 1 day, saw a brig going in, supposed her to be the Union, from Demerara.

Tuesday, March 13.—Brig Ambassador, Clark, Barbice, 43 days—rum and molasses, to D. & E. Starr & Co.

Clearences.

27th ult.—Brig Victory, Ernest, Jamaica—exported cargo, by J. A. Hays & Co. 18th, sch. Mary Jane, McGrath, Bermuda—do. by Frith, Smith & Co. and J. W. Young; Eliza, Downs, Demerara—dry and pickled fish, by T. C. Kincaid. 2d inst., brig Sarah, Downs, West India—do. by J. Leithman & Co.; Edward, Lyle, do. dry fish, &c., by J. A. Hays. 3th, brig, Pearl, West, do.—dry and pickled fish, &c. by C. West & Son; Am. packet brig Roxanna, Jones, Boston—wheat, gypsum, &c. by J. Clark, and T. L. Flett & Co. 16th, sch. Annapolis, do. sailing voyage, by J. Handley, barque Granville, Ellis, St. John, N. B.—molasses, pork, harrings, &c. by J. L. Pratt.