

President the Bishop, and for the Committee eight noblemen and thirty other gentlemen, the dean and chapter of the cathedral, the four archdeacons, and forty other clergymen, has been particularly active.—A training school has been established, and commercial schools formed at Barnstaple, Honiton, Holsworthy, Liskeard, Plymouth, South Moulton, Teignmouth, Tavistock, Tiverton, Torrington, and Tones. Local Boards have been formed, and have been numerously and respectfully attended by persons of all classes. In Chester the proceedings have been of a very satisfactory nature. A training school has been established, and many students admitted. Other schools have also been formed in various parts of the diocese, and some received into union. The same remarks apply to Salisbury, Bath and Wells, Gloucester and Bristol, and Rochester. The Report of the Oxford Board is not yet printed, but great success has attended its operations. The school at Newbury, which was opened in January, is proceeding prosperously; the course of education is admirable, and has been adopted by several other diocesan schools. The subject cannot be too earnestly pressed upon the consideration of those, who duly appreciate the advantages of a sound scriptural education, combined with the usual course of secular instruction.—*Morning Paper.*

Buonaparte's house at Longwood is now a barn—the room he died in a stable—and where the Imperial corpse lay in state may be seen a machine for grinding corn. The walls are covered with multitudinous names. The oak he planted now shadows the Library. His bath is still in the new house, which he never lived to enter. His chessboard is in the possession of the officers of the 91st, which regiment is stationed on the Island.

## SUMMARY OF NEWS.

### LATEST FROM EUROPE.

The Liverpool Mail of the 30th says: We learn from the manufacturing districts, that the cotton trade is gradually, though slowly recovering from the state of extreme depression under which it has so long suffered.

Intelligence had been received of the death of Sir Henry Fane, recently Commander-in-Chief of the British Forces in India. He died on board the Malabar, on the 24th March.

The London papers announce the death of the Countess of Burlington, first Lady of the Bed Chamber to the Queen. The Countess was 28 years of age. She was the fourth daughter of the Earl of Carlisle, and sister of Lord Morpeth, Lady Dover, and the Duchess of Sutherland.

The Princess Mary of Hesse Darmstadt is betrothed to the heir to the Russian throne.

THE GENERAL ANTI-SLAVERY CONFERENCE.—The venerable T. Clarkson has announced his intention of being present at the approaching meeting of the Anti-Slavery Convention, which commences its sittings at Freemasons' hall, London, on the 12th of June next, in a letter to Mr. Sturge, in the following terms:—"I had a hope, and still cherish it, that, by nursing myself and incessant care, I might so patch myself up as to be able to attend for an hour your great meeting on the 12th of June, just to show myself as the humble originator of the abolition of slavery in this country, and as one who, though he has kept at work in it for fifty-six years, is not only not tired of the pursuit, but that his heart now beats as warmly as ever in the cause. At the same time that I cherish such a hope, it is extremely doubtful whether I shall be alive at the time of the meeting."

The removal of the remains of Napoleon from St. Helena to Paris is said to be the subject of a negotiation between M. Thiers and Lord Palmerston.

CIRCASSIA.—The accounts of the utter failure of the Russian expedition upon Chiva are confirmed.—The troops were so diminished by cold, sickness and famine that it was found impossible to proceed. This is not the only disgrace which the Russian arms have experienced. The brave Circassians have captured one of their forts, defended by twenty pieces of artillery, and taken many prisoners. Very large reinforcements would be sent from Sebastopol to the Russian Commander in Circassia.

Prince Castelcicala, Ambassador extraordinary from the King of the Two Sicilies, arrived in London on the 26th of April. He is on a special mission relating to the sulphur difficulties.

The latest intelligence from Algiers was to the 18th of April. The Duke of Orleans and Annade had arrived, and, with Marshal Valée, reviewed the troops. On the 17th the Duke of Orleans set off for the camp at Bouffarick, the head quarters of his division. There was a report that a daring attempt had been made by the Kabyles to recover possession of Cherchell, but the Arrisong beat them off with considerable loss.

Our Post Office functionaries were not a little nonplussed last Monday at the appearance in the receiv-

ing box of a stranger—a newspaper in the Celtic language, and regularly stamped! This we are informed is the first thing of the kind ever known. A medium of the sort was certainly much wanted, and it is to be hoped the conductors, whoever they may be, will make it as much a vehicle of general useful information as possible. The editorial articles, we are well assured, are so able as to be on every hand attributed to the Rev. Dr. McLeod of our own city.—We wish our fellow-labourer much success.—*Constitutional, Glasgow Paper.*

SWITZERLAND.—Serious difficulties exist in Switzerland. On the 3d ult. the Cantons of Upper and Lower Valois were at open war, and in one encounter several lives were lost. The village of Gremsian was taken and retaken on the 1st ult. at the point of the bayonet, after a very severe conflict. More than twelve thousand men were under arms. The cause of the quarrel was an attempt, on the part of the Upper Canton, to occupy the villages of Evolenoz and Hendaz, which had adopted the constitution of the Lower. Letters from Geneva state that the Federal Directory of Switzerland has called an extraordinary meeting of the Diet at Zurich, on the 20th, to take into consideration the present state of the Upper and Lower Valois. The Federal Directory has also required the states of Berne, Fribourg, Vaud and Geneva, to exercise a strict surveillance, and prevent the extension of the late disasters.

PARLIAMENT OF THE IONIAN ISLANDS.—The Corfu extraordinary Gazette of the 7th of Feb. contains the speech of his Excellency the Lord High Commissioner of Her Majesty the protecting Sovereign of the United States of the Ionian Islands to the Legislative Assembly, on its seventh Parliament.

### UNITED STATES.

A great Political Convention was held at Baltimore early in May at which General William H. Harrison, of Ohio, was nominated for the office of President of the United States, in opposition to M. Van Buren. The election is to take place in November next. About 20,000 delegates it is stated were present, from the several states of the Union.

An opposition Convention has also been held, at which M. Van Buren was nominated for re-election to the Presidency.

Tornado at Natchez.—The New Orleans Picayune of the 10th inst. gives some particulars of a frightful storm which burst upon the city of Natchez on the 7th inst. It began at 2 o'clock, and continued about 40 minutes. Many houses were blown down, steeples were prostrated, houses in every part of the city were unroofed, boats were torn to pieces, and their scattered planks flew about in the wind like feathers. The greatest loss of life was among the flat boats, which were swamped and destroyed before the unhappy men could escape to the shore. It is stated that upwards of 200 lives were lost. The Steamboat Prairie was destroyed, the Captain and clerk narrowly escaped, and were unable to tell how many persons were lost in the boat. The steamboat St. Lawrence sunk. Many persons were killed and mangled beneath the fallen buildings. Nine dead bodies had been dug out from the ruins of the Steamboat Hotel. There were about 50 burials on the 8th, and many of the wounded were in a dangerous and dying condition. A boy was said to have been taken up in the air and lodged in a tree half a mile from his father's house. The destruction of property was estimated at \$1,250,000.—*Boston Paper.*

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Clarence half-time Dock, taking in her stores for her voyage to Halifax. She is the first of a series of vessels about to run regularly with letters and government dispatches to and from our North American colonies, and amongst which will be the new steamships Caledonia, Britannia, Acadia, (we believe,) and probably the Achilles,—all the property of the British North American Royal Mail Steam Packet Company. She is commanded by Captain Douglas, a gentleman of great experience, and has engines of three hundred horse power. The accommodations of the Unicorn are of the same splendid description as those that characterise the Glasgow steam ships generally. Her saloon is spacious, and finished in the style of the days of "Good Queen Bess," in solid rosewood, with panels, or centre pieces, in each compartment, formed by richly gilded antique foliage view, on a bright green ground, in the finest Japan.—The furniture corresponds, and the smaller cabins and sleeping-rooms are finished in corresponding style, and fitted with every possible convenience. The stock of provisions and liquors, consisting of live stock, fresh and preserved meats, choice wines and other liquors, fruit, preserves, &c. exceeds what

we should have conceived necessary for an East India voyage, so that those on board who are fond of the good things of this life, will have rare doings of it: We understand the Unicorn will take out a considerable number of passengers.—They will, we learn, embark at the Clarence pier-head at nine o'clock to-morrow morning, and the vessel will sail as soon after as the London Mailbag is received on board.

The Earl of Haddington presented petitions from the Synods of Glasgow, Ayr, and Aberdeen, praying that the rights of the Scottish Church might be preserved in regard to the Canadian-Clergy Reserve.

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Much speculation is exercised at the Stock Exchange, respecting the new financial measures to be brought forward on the presentation of the budget, but no one appears to be at all in the secret of the chancellor of the Exchequer's intention.

GREAT WESTERN.—The last year's profits of the Steam Ship Great Western, are stated at \$50,000. She conveyed 1,036 passengers, 1,214 tons of goods, 96,578 letters, and 19,571 newspapers, besides parcels. Her shortest outward passage was thirteen days and a half—homeward, twelve and a half.

### PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE. Halifax 19th May, 1840.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to appoint the following Gentlemen to be Health Wardens for the Town of Halifax:—

1st, South Ward—Doctor Grigor, Messrs. Edward Wallace, Lewis Bliss, William Adams, William Stairs, and Jonathan Allison.

2d, St. Peter's Ward—Messrs. John Ferguson, Dr. J. C. Hume, Charles Twining, Robert Brown, Francis Stevens, Junr.

3d, St. Matthew's Ward—Doctor Hume, Messrs. M. B. Almon, Thomas Forrester, Joshua Lee, James Donaldson, Henry Pryor.

4th, St. Paul's Ward—Messrs. G. N. Russell, Doctor Hoffman, Joseph Howe, Adam Esson, W. K. Milward, B. E. Black.

5th, County Court House Ward—John Smith, W. M. Howe, Doctor Sterling, Adam DeChezeau, Joseph Mundell.

6th, St. John's Ward—Messrs. William Murdoch, John Duffus, David Starr, Doctor Sawers, Robert Romans.

7th, North Barrack Ward—Messrs. Hugh Bell, J. G. Creighton, John Morrow, Doctor Black.

8th, Jacob's Street to Cornwallis Street—Messrs. Thomas Tobin, T. C. Kinnear, Andrew Richardson, Junr. Doctor W. Almon.

9th, Cornwallis to Gerrish Street—Messrs. Edward Cunard, senr. P. P. James, A. G. Fraser, James Cogswell, Doctor Cogswell.

10th, North Suburbs—Messrs. Robert Gruber, W. N. Silver, C. H. Rigby.

### PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, 25th May, 1840.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments, viz. Mr. John Hood, of New Edinburgh, in the County of Digby, to be a Seizing Officer for the protection of the Revenue, and Surveyor and Measurer of Vessels, at the said Port; and Mr. Noonan to be Surveyor and Measurer of Vessels at the Port of Pictou.

PICTOU LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.—The sixth Session of this institution terminated on the evening of the 6th inst. when the undermentioned gentlemen were elected Office-Bearers for the ensuing year:—Robert McKay, Esq. President; Dr. Anderson, and Dr. Martin, Vice Presidents; Mr. J. McKinlay, Jr. Secretary and Treasurer; James Fogo, Esq. James Primrose, Esq. Dr. Johnston, and Mr. A. McPhail, Committee; Mr. Jas. Hogue, Librarian.—*Mechanic & Farmer.*

The Colonial Parliament of Bermuda, met on Wednesday, the 20th of May, in the Town of Hamilton, for the Despatch of Public Business.

THE ARMY.—The Stakesby, freight ship, having on board drafts from the depot companies of the 23d, 36th, 37th and 69th Regiments, destined to join the service companies of those corps, sailed from Cork harbour on the 25th April, for Halifax, Nova-Scotia. The following are the names of the officers and numbers composing those drafts, viz:—23d Ft.—First Lieut. Baker, 1 sergeant and 60 rank and file, 36th Ft.—Captain Ross, Lieutenant Fleury, 1 sergeant and 60 rank and file. 37th Ft.—Captain Clay, Ensigns Lawrence and Lambert, 2 sergeants 80 rank and file. 69th Ft.—Ensign Fenwick, 3 sergeants and 50 rank and file. Staff Assistant Surgeon Dammatine has also embarked in the above vessel.