

THE QUEBEC TRANSCRIPT.

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From the New-York Mirror. THE QUEEN OF ENGLAND.

Lady of England—over the seas Thy name was borne by every breeze, Till all this sunset clime became Familiar with Victoria's name!

MISCELLANEOUS SELECTIONS.

To-morrow.—Who can tell how much is embraced in this expression? Though but few hours intervene between it and us, though it will soon commence its course, who is there that can read its single page and pronounce the character of its events?

To-morrow! Those who are now gay may be sad—those who are now walking the avenues of pleasure, led by the hand of Hope, may be the subjects of immense sorrow.—Prosperity may be changed into adversity.—Those who are on the summit may be in the valley. That rosy cheek may be overcast with paleness—the strong step may falter. Death may have overtaken us.

To-morrow! it may entirely change the course of our lives. It may form a new era in our existence. What we little expect may occur. What we fear, may not happen.

To-morrow! Away with anxiety. Let us lean upon Providence. There is a Being, to whom all the distinctions of time are the same, and who is able to dispose every thing for our wise improvement.

A Small Present.—"I will give you my head," exclaimed a person to Montaigne, "if every word of the story I have related is not true."—"I accept your offer," said the president; " presents of small value strengthen the bond of friendship, and should never be refused."

The fate of Racing Horses.—Amha, the fastest mile horse of his day, and that won the Holywell Mostyn Stakes three years in succession, was consigned to drag an opposition coach that ran through Shrewsbury. When no longer capable of that, he was degraded to yet lower labour, and was at length found dead in a ditch from absolute starvation. Hit-or-Miss, a good racer, was, during the last years of his life, seen drawing coal in a higgler's cart in the same town. Mameluke is at this time drawing a cab in the streets of the metropolis. And Guildford, after having won for his proprietor some seven years, was afflicted with incurable strabismus, and sold at a repository for less than £4! Thence the hero of the turf was doomed to an omnibus; there he was cruelly used, the spasmodic convulsion that characterises strabismus sadly aggravating his torture. The skin was rubbed from his shoulders, his hips and haunches were bruised in every part, and his stifles were continually and painfully coming in contact with the pole. In this situation, he was sent by the veterinary surgeon to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and bought in order to be slaughtered.

Extraordinary Will and Discovery of Property.—An individual, named Wright, formerly a door-keeper in the House of Commons, expired at his residence in Beaumont-street, Marylebone, leaving, it is said, property to the amount of between £150,000 and £200,000, a great portion of which he had divided among his wife (the third), his friends, and servants. The remainder is bequeathed to the children of his only daughter, who is now but three years of age, "if she have any," with the restriction, however, that none of them be permitted to "keep a carriage." Since the death of the testator, on cleansing some of the rooms of useless lumber, one of the servants discovered a small box of antiquated appearance, and on being opened, it was found to contain nothing but ten pound notes, to the amount of nearly £2,000.

Thieves.—A German writer observes that in England there is such a scarcity of thieves, they are obliged to offer a reward for their discovery. A grocer advertises Muscovado molasses, "as sweet as the first whispering of a spring morning!" A man with such a poetical turn of mind, ought not to cram his genius into the bung hole of a molasses hogshead.

A recent girl up town left her situation recently, because she was incapable of "reconciling her feelings to the very bad grammar spoken by her mistress."

A Female Prisoner of Rank.—A singular instance of worldly vicissitude is mentioned in a case lately reported in the London papers. It was a prosecution for perjury, in the course of which it was given in evidence that the prosecutrix, Lady Parker, becoming sick for her sister, Lady Lake, for the sum of nine thousand pounds, in consequence of legal proceedings for its recovery, became an inmate of the King's Bench prison, where she officiated as cook to the more wealthy portion of the prisoners.

Mind your Step.—A writer in describing Aaron Burr says—"He glided rather than walked; his foot had that quiet, stealthy movement, which involuntarily makes one think of treachery, and in the course of a long life I have never met with a frank and honorable man to whom such a step was habitual."

UNITED STATES.

Corporal Punishment in the U. S. Army.—Two U. S. soldiers, convicted of desertion, at Detroit, received 50 lashes apiece, had their heads shaved and their bodies branded, and were then drummed out of the garrison.

Case of Suicide.—Mr. Woodman Wheeler, of Peterham, (Vt.) was found hanging dead in his barn on Tuesday last week. The cause of this suicide, as it has been told us, is somewhat singular. Mr. Wheeler, a month since, was a hearty old bachelor verging on three score and ten. But though old his heart was not insensible to the "tender office and affairs of love," in an unguarded hour, as it seems he pledged his troth to a lady—we cannot exactly say how far. In another moment "he did repent him of the rash act," and earnestly sought a release from the galling though silken chain. The lady was tenacious, and our bachelor generously offered one hundred dollars for a discharge. The lady pleaded plighted hopes, and, fearful as became her sex, would only accept twice that sum. The repentant lover thought this extortion, and refused; the pertinacious angel called him a tit-bit, and threatened a suit for breach of promise. He took counsel legal, then of his purse, and—mourned her. On the day of the wedding he left her, and never saw her more. The day of his suicide was the day fixed for her removal to his house. "Liberty or death," thought the s'gling husband, and debarred of the former, he embraced the latter. The means were emblematic of his fate: to escape the chafing of a silken cord, he hung himself with a log chain.

Forty applications for divorce were made at the last term of the Supreme Court of Ohio. A young lady named Mariette Washburn, of Huron County, Ohio, has obtained a verdict of \$1,145 against Mr. Hiram Wells, for certain expressions used by him touching her fair fame. Joe Smith and several other Mormon prisoners, have broken Gaol, and effected their escape into Illinois.

LOWER PROVINCES.

Fredericton, May 24.—We observe by the American Papers, that proposals are making to carry a Rail Road through Bangor to the Aroostook. Altho' the remark of Mrs. Glass, in her work on Cookery, may here apply—"First catch your bird;" yet the mere proposal, connected with other improvements that are contemplated; shows that were the territory in dispute possessed by our enterprising neighbours, the wealth and resources of that fine extent of country, would be speedily brought into active operation.—Sentinel.

UPPER CANADA.

Toronto, 24th May.—The assizes have commenced here, and we understand the calendar of crime is unusually heavy. Brockville, May 25.—We understand from un doubted authority, that the sympathisers on the opposite side, are at this moment most actively engaged in organizing their Forces; and that the Johnston frontier may very soon be looked to as the scene of active operations. That they are preparing to give us further annoyance our readers may depend on as certain.—Statesman.

The inhabitants of Toronto have on foot a petition to Her Majesty for a plate to be run for, as an encouragement towards improving the breed of horses in Upper Canada.

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QUEBEC, SATURDAY, JUNE 1st 1839.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

By the steamer Canada, arrived yesterday, about noon, we received ships from the Montreal Herald office, furnishing later European intelligence, brought to New-York by the packet ship Louis Philippe, in 24 days from Havre, Paris dates are to the 1st May, and London to the 29th ult.

LONDON, April 27th.—Rumours of Ministerial changes are rife in Wig Radical coteries, and are seriously discussed in Conservative newspapers. Another great political struggle in the House of Commons is looked forward to, on the discussion of the bill for suspending the Constitution of Jamaica, although Sir Robert Peel has declared that he does not wish to treat it as a party question.

Orders have been issued by the Honorable East India Company to their recruiting sergeants in the Metropolis, to commence enlisting with all speed young men for the service.

RUSSIAN VISIT TO THE QUEEN OF ENGLAND.—A letter of the 26th April, from the Hague, says:—"A third courier from St. Petersburg has just arrived, again changing the destination of the Grand Duke of Russia, who, instead of proceeding on May 2d back to St. Petersburg, will, on the 3d, embark for London."

Extract of a letter from Odessa, dated April, 8th:—"The Black Sea fleet, composed of 30 ships completely manned and equipped, has assembled in our roads, and to-morrow or the day after, under the command of Admiral Prince Gortschakof, will sail to join the division of Admiral Oumantes, which had been three weeks off Sinope, watching the Bosphorus."

Lord John Russell has postponed the Jamaica Bill. He was to bring forward his Canada Bill, May 6.

The case of the Canadian prisoners, Messrs Parker, Ayres, Brown and Walker, was again argued in the Court of Exchequer on the 25th. The Court took time to consider its judgment.

An order has been received at Woolwich Arsenal for four millions of musket balls for Canada.

At the Queen's Levee, on the 25th April, the following presentations took place:—

Lieut. Col. Hay, Coldstream Guards, on his departure for Canada, by Col. Freemantle. Major Dwyer, Royal Artillery, by the Master General of the Ordnance, on his return to Canada.

Capt. Villiers, Coldstream Guards, on promotion, by Col. Walton.

At the Levee of the previous week:—

Lieut. Col. Henry Buntinck, Coldstream Guards, on his return from the West Indies, by Col. Walton, Coldstream Guards.

The Queen Adelaide was to return to England on the 8th of May.

At the annual grand festival of the English masonic fraternity, which took place on the 25th April, in London, Lord Durham was appointed Pro-Grand Master.

Miss E. Blair was thrown from her horse, while riding in Hyde Park on Monday: being much hurt, she was taken to St. George's Hospital, and on Wednesday died there.

Mr. Frank Sheridan, brother to the "honourable Mrs. Norton and the Lady St. Maur, has been appointed Clerk to the Council and Secretary of the Court of Exchequer in the Island of Barbadoes.

The Duke of Newcastle has been removed from the Lord Lieutenantcy of the County of Nottingham: His Grace is of high conservative, or rather ultra-tory principles.

Paganini it is stated in the Morning papers has recovered his health.

We have great pleasure in stating that the contributions to the Wesleyan Centenary Fund have now reached £200,000.

It has been discovered that some of the best black tea imported into this country from China, is the growth of a district much colder than England, and experiments are now making in the neighbourhood of Birmingham to introduce the cultivation.

The Admiralty have issued an order that seamen be supplied with tobacco at the reduced price of one shilling the pound.

Lord John Russell is about to state his real views on reform to the country, by the publication in a few days of "a Letter to the Electors of Stroud, on the principles of the Reform Act."

The death of the Earl of Essex is announced. He went to his rest on the 23rd of April, in the 82nd year of his age. Last year on the death of his first countess, he married Mr. Stephens, the vocalist, between whom and himself it was understood that an engagement had subsisted for many years, the completion of which was waiting the death of the first Lady Essex, who had long been separated from her lord, on account of incompatibility of temper. The Earl is succeeded by his nephew Mr. Algernon Capel.

The different tribes of Circassia have all united with a determination to carry on the war against Russia with still greater vigour. They talk of choosing a Sultan of Circassia. A Society has been formed in England, under the title of the Agricultural and Commercial Loan Association, of which the design is to employ its capital and assets in loans to farmers and tradesmen, payable by instalments, as a system by which, "we are told, " money is invested with perfect safety and at a remunerating rate of interest."

A polacca, bearing the flag of the Pope, laden with corn from Ancona, entered the Clyde on Sunday, the 30th April, the first appearance of that flag in the river since the Restoration.

Three thousand Chartist met by moonlight, at Bristol, on the 26th of April, all armed and organized.

The Shakespeare Anniversary.—The anniversary of Shakespeare's birth, which, by a curious coincidence, is that of St. George, and also the day on which the first steam ship, the Great Western and Sirius, crossed the Atlantic and arrived at New York, was celebrated with great ceremony at Stratford-on-Avon, by the Shakespeare Club. It may here be remarked, as another and singular coincidence, that the 23d of April, which was the day of the bard's death, proved also, like Petrarch's the day of his death. On the same day expired, in Spain, Cervantes—the world being thus deprived of two of the most original writers of Europe.

The Great Western steamer, in her last trip from New York, took out seven thousand seven hundred and twenty-three letters, and one thousand one hundred and fifty-three newspapers—being the largest number she has yet had intrusted to her care.

Paris, May 1.—The attempts of M. Passy, to form a Cabinet of the leading men of the Centre Gauche has failed.

Halifax papers of the 22d inst. were received yesterday, by mail, which also brought on the letters by the Falmouth packet of the 4th May, arrived at Halifax.

H. M. ship Instantant, Vice-Admiral Sir Thomas Harvey, K. C. B., Capt. Pring, from Bermuda, arrived at Halifax on the 21st.

It is said that the Venerable Archdeacon Strachan, is going home for the purpose of being consecrated Bishop of Upper Canada.

It is stated by some Upper Canada papers, that Bishop Macdonnell is about to leave for Europe, on affairs connected with the Catholic Church of that Province. The U. C. Celtic Society, of which he is both President and Founder, have invited him to a public dinner.

The Executive Council is summoned to meet at Montreal on Monday next.

Mr. Attorney General Ogden has been summoned to Montreal by His Excellency the Governor-General, and he was a passenger in the steamer British America, which left yesterday afternoon.

By permission of Commander Tryon, a letter bag has been opened at the Quebec Exchange, for H. M. brig Pantaloon, for Portsmouth, which will close on Wednesday next, the 5th instant, at noon.

We are glad to see that a public meeting was to be held in Toronto on the 22nd May, with the view of adopting measures for the promotion of British emigration to this Province. We sincerely hope that something more than mere resolutions will arise out of this. If some practicable plan is devised the whole energies of the Province will be put forth to support it.

Since Sunday last, the 26th, the wind has blown hard from the East and North-East, and rain has continued to fall almost incessantly. Much damage, it is feared, has been occasioned by the rise of the river, and inundations of different parts of the country. The bridge above the Falls of Montmorency has been carried away, and there are rumours of numerous other bridges and buildings having sustained damage.

The prospectus of the Liberator, in this journal, to be called It is to be published the editorial direct of the Liberator.

The launch of Munn, which was morning, has been the unfavorable state

The Hull, Riggs line, stranded on Saturday by auction

We have received next, a plan proposed formerly one of Searchers in the removal of the lessees ship-masters and projected, and the se commerce experienced irregular conduct of peats to be every effectively to remedy as any that could be the sanction of the unqualified ap Trade, and of many influential gentlemen

The Florida war is the Indians are pleased, killing the Spaniards the spoils of War v them went into Ta brethren who wen They won't come i General Macon w them. This is ab strangest war that v

To the Editor of Sir.—In consequence it is required I entry be presented a paying duty on Goods tory. Now I have that the importer is a copy, and that giving rally done with a vi But when we are t in triplicate it is big if it is compulsory least be considered of courtesy if done. I believe, a single e and I do not see v to England—three e here. That it should lose of time to the 1st June, 1839.

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