

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

New York, April 28.
It is understood in Washington that Gen. Robert E. Lee has been invited to call upon President Grant at the White House in order to confer in reference to the reconstruction of Virginia. General Lee is now in Virginia, interested in the Valley Railroad, but intends visiting Washington when he will be the guest of Montgomery Blair.

Quebec, April 28.
The Grand Jury have found a true bill against Chabert for the murder of enigma Whitaker. The trial is fixed for Saturday next.

The river is still covered with floating ice, and ships which have arrived for Montreal are leaving for their destination.

London, April 30.
Advices from New Zealand to Feb. 15, state that a terrible massacre occurred there, during which Lieut. Gossyne, wife and family and six settlers were killed. The settlers arriving in the town report that the stores are closed and enigma flying at full mast.

New York, April 29.
Money continues plenty on good business paper. Gold closed at 134.

London, April 30.
The speech of the Mayor of Cork at the recent banquet in that city was the subject of debates in both houses of parliament this evening. The attention of members being called especially to the Mayor's language regarding O'Farrell, who attempted to assassinate Prince Alfred in Sydney as well as to his reference to the Prince himself. The Tories upbraid the Government with being the indirect cause of the state of Ireland.

New York, May 1.
The Great Western Railway freight house at Chatham, Canada, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning; also six cars loaded with a large quantity of freight stored in the warehouse and on the platforms. Loss will probably reach \$100,000. Supposed to be work of incendiary.

Ottawa, April 30.
The estimates in part for 1890-70 were brought down to day. Interest charges and public debt \$5,282,562. Civil Government \$79,051. Administration of Justice \$313,806. Police \$13,410. Legislation \$443,862. Geological survey observatory \$39,700. Agriculture, and statistics \$5,102. Immigration and Quarantine \$55,279. Public Marine Hospital \$34,500. Pensions \$55,072. Public Works and Building \$3,638,385. Ocean and River Steam Packet Service \$352,911. Expenditure under these heads is nearly \$450,000 less than 1889-90. Salaries of Clerk Justice and Justice Parker are made \$8,000 each, Police Judges in New Brunswick \$2,200 each. \$750 for Observers New Brunswick. \$4,000 for Emigration Agent at Miramichi.

Ottawa, May 1.
After recess on motion of Rose, House went into Committee on Estimates. The items of salaries of staff of five of the departments were adopted.

London, May 1.
The London Stock Board closed. Breadstuffs firm. THE BRITISH PRESS AND CABINET ON THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

The rejection of the Alabama treaty and Senator Sumner's speech cause considerable feeling in England.

The Press generally treat Sumner's view as extraordinary and inadmissible.

At a Cabinet meeting the subject had been informally discussed.

Mr. Bright declared that this embarrassment need England right, but he argued that he would not consent to entertain the terms forwarded in Mr. Sumner's speech.

Lord Carden expressed his belief that the actual negotiations on the part of the American Government would be far less than the speeches of Senators and articles in the Press.

Mr. Gladstone professed to have good assurances from reliable quarters that the rejection of the Alabama treaty was purely a political stroke. He said the present administration will endeavor to settle the question on liberal and honorable terms.

New York, May 1.
Gold at 135.

London, May 2.
Instructions have been sent to Commodore Philpott, commanding the British West India Squadron to demand of the Spanish authorities in Cuba the restoration of the brig Mary Louisa, and apology for her seizure.

The debate in the Spanish Cortes on the new constitution has ended, and all amendments have been rejected.

All insurrectionists, except those implicated in the Carlist movement, have been pardoned.

Some trouble among the troops at Saragossa is apprehended.

The Russian Government proposes to grant several new and important political privileges to the people.

New York, May 3.
Gold opened at 135½.

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A NEAT SWINDLE.—Some few days ago a respectable-looking young man went to a well-known hotel in Kingston (Ont.) and took a room. After getting the key he deposited an open satchel with the book-keeper for safe keeping, having in it twenty 10 dollar bills of silver. After remaining about a week at the house he went for a day's travel in the country, taking his trunk with him, asking the book-keeper to retain his silver and his room for him. As he did not turn up at the end of three days, the book-keeper became anxious, and searched the contents of the satchel, when he discovered that he had been acting guardian angel to a score of small pieces of broom-handle neatly put up in paper, and loaded with lead. He is very anxious to have an interview with the owner, who so far has neglected to come after his property.

There are now four Presidents in what Mr. Banks would like to call the Territory of Hayti.—Salvador, whom everybody has heard of; Domingue, President of the South; Saget, President of the North; and Servidion, who is a new pretender and offers to compromise with Salvador if the other two can be put down. Salvadore, it is said, is not well pleased with the appointment of a black minister from Washington. He says he considers the black race equal to the white, but would like to know, if the United States government holds the same opinion, why black representatives are not sent to England or France, as well as to Hayti.

DISTRESS IN BOSTON.—A meeting of working women was held at Boston, on the 21st ult., to consult over their affairs, and to devise measures of relief in their present most distressed and deplorable condition. At the meeting it was stated that there were 20,000 working women in Boston, and that numerous shops where upwards of a hundred were not more than from sixty to seventy five cents per week—that many have to live on one meal a day, and to secure even that have in many cases to resort to prostitution.

NEW SCHOOL BILL.—We have not seen the Bill submitted by Mr. King, and therefore cannot speak of it. But we learn from those who heard Mr. King's explanations of the proposed measure, that it is at all events, an improvement upon the present School Law. Its prominent points are the system of inspection and superintendence, and the manner of raising the school money. It proposes five Inspectors and fourteen County Inspectors at \$200 each per annum. It also provides for a system of inspection, and the manner of raising the school money. It proposes five Inspectors and fourteen County Inspectors at \$200 each per annum. It also provides for a system of inspection, and the manner of raising the school money.

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SAD ACCIDENT.—At about noon on Saturday a sad accident occurred. Mr. William Beattie of Portland who was on the wagon with his furniture which was being removed, fell off, owing to the horse running away, and was very severely injured. He was taken in to the house of Mr. McIntyre, druggist, where he is attended by Dr. Stockton. We are glad to hear that hopes of his recovery are entertained. He has been taken to his own residence.—Journal.

It is known that the 22nd Regiment in the course of a few days at latest, will take their departure, destination Dublin. The precise day is not fixed as the vessel which is to take them home has not arrived at St. John. Our citizens generally will regret the departure of one of the finest regiments ever stationed at this garrison.—[Reporter.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.—Walter M. Buck, Esq., C. E., has been appointed Engineer of Surveys, Miramichi District. This information will afford his many friends much gratification.

TRAVELLERS who visit St. John will find excellent accommodation and fare at that favorite hotel the "WATERLEY HOUSE," John Guthrie, proprietor. If attention, good fare, politeness and a "home" at reasonable rates,