

Shipping Notes.
Messrs. James N. Knapp & Co.'s (of Newport, R.) circular of the 1st inst., has the following:—It is again painful to us to have to record a further decline in the number of ships bearing the American flag; at present it stands at least fifth in point of numbers and tonnage, and, until some decided step has been taken by the American Congress in abolishing altogether or reducing the "protective impost" on ship-building material to a minimum, we cannot expect any improvement to take place, in fact we may look forward to a gradual decline until it eventually becomes a curiosity. We hope President Grant's remarks respecting the impost on ship-building materials may be productive of some speedy action in the matter, and at once place American citizens in a position to obtain some of the profits of the remunerative freights being now paid.

The bark *Water Scammell*, Hjaldstrom, master, has made one of the fastest passages on record from Valparaiso to San Francisco, viz. 26 days and 16 hours sailing time, and not 46 days as incorrectly reported elsewhere.

The fine new bark *Maud Seammell*, registered 563 tons, just completed by Mr. Bailey for Messrs Seammell Bros., is a handsomely modelled vessel. She classes A 1 English Lloyd's, 9 years, is thoroughly iron keeled and copper fastened, and measures 172 feet 6 inches length of keel, 30 feet breadth of beam, and 18 feet depth of hold. She has every appearance of being a fast sailor.

The brigantine *Golden Light*, reported by a morning contemporary as having arrived at the island, turns out to be the *Chimborazo*. The *Golden Light*, therefore, is still overdue, and fears are entertained for her safety.

The bark *Magpie M.*, Mitchell, master, has arrived at King's Ferry, St. Mary's River, Florida, making the passage from Providence, R. I., in 8 days. She makes a cargo of lumber for River Plant.

The bark *Abbie Thomas*, now in port, has been chartered to load lumber for the Messrs. Foy at St. Mary's River, Florida, making the passage from Providence, R. I., in 8 days. She makes a cargo of lumber for River Plant.

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By Telegraph.
British and Foreign.
New York, Jan. 20. P. M.
Gold 115 1/8; eight exchange 110 1/4.

It is reported that the differences between Great Britain and Russia on the Khivan question, instead of being in a fair way of adjustment, are increasing and that the Government of France, Austria, Italy, Turkey, Denmark and Sweden have determined to support the British Government in the position assumed by them.

The steamship *Britannia* is ashore on the island of Arran, Fifth of Clyde, and will probably become a total wreck. The *Britannia* sailed from Glasgow on the 27th November for the Mediterranean whither she would return to Glasgow. She probably had passengers.

The report that President Thiers intended visiting the Vienna Exhibition is contradicted on authority.

The police last night arrested 24 internationalists on Montmartre.

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