

week, having 39 emigrants on board, had been placed in quarantine at Pictou, having several cases of small-pox on board.

The ship "Miracle," Elliott, master, from Liverpool, bound to Quebec, 34 days out, with 408 passengers, was cast away at Magdalen Islands on the 19th May. Sixty-four were drowned, and 30 others had died of fever and exposure, &c. Two hundred and eight of the survivors had been landed under the shelter of sheds.

Dr. Gesner, of Cornwallis, has been appointed a commissioner for Indian affairs in Nova Scotia.

The *Bermuda Gazette* announces that the West India mail steamers are to go direct there from England; that the Government has given notice that the services of the mail-boats between Halifax and the Bermudas will no longer be required.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK.

We have St. John papers to the 14th June, but we have been able to glean very little information from them. The Province was in a healthy and flourishing condition; all its institutions were in a prosperous state. The Bank of New Brunswick, the Commercial Bank, the St. John Gas Light Company, the Omnibus and Transit Company, and others, which had been holding their meetings, had declared good dividends.

An Act for the incorporation of the Chignecto Railway Company, has passed the New Brunswick Legislature. The Act contemplates and provides for the construction of a railway across the isthmus which joins Nova Scotia to New Brunswick. The proposed capital is £50,000, and it is thought to be amply sufficient; the ground is level, and the work quite feasible.

Several fine new vessels had been launched in the Province.

Ground had been broken for the foundation of the nave and side aisles of

the Fredericton Cathedral, and the workmen were in full operation upon it.

Large numbers of emigrants are arriving at St. John, and typhus fever to an alarming extent is prevailing among them.

The *Miranichi Gleaner* gives a shocking account of mortality on board the emigrant ship "Looschock," from Dublin, bound to Quebec. She had been out seven weeks, and put into that port for fresh provisions and medical attendance. When she left Dublin there were 467 passengers on board, 117 of whom died on the passage; and at the time she arrived at Miramichi one hundred were not able to help themselves, and the crew, from exhaustion, unable to work the ship. The passengers were landed and placed under sheds on Middle Island, and in the period of five days forty more died of typhus fever. There were eleven births on the passage.

We learn from Newfoundland that the seal fishery for the present year has, on the whole, turned out well.

#### PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND.

We have received papers from this Colony to the 15th June.

A resolution, submitted to the Legislature, to make the Executive responsible to the Legislature, had passed after a very long and violent debate. There had been riots consequent on elections. The Assembly passed, on the 23rd of March, a resolution declaring it expedient to establish a bounty on the seal fisheries.

*Revenue and Expenditure.*—Receipts for the year ending 20th January, 1847, £19,147 18s. 6d.; expenditure, £15,142 18s. 8d., leaving a balance in favour of the Colony of £4,004 19s. 10d. The general balance against the Colony, taking credit for bonds and cash in hand, was £26,933 15s. 6d. The increase of revenue for 1846, over the preceding year, was £2,228 11s. 10d., being £1,566 16s. 4d. beyond any preceding year.