

RUSSIA.

It has been stated that the Russian government has sent a commission to explore the coast of the North Sea in its own possessions and in Norway in order to ascertain the best position for establishing a formidable military post similar to Sebastopol. A Stockholm letter in one of our papers, says that its object is to get such a port into its possession in the hope of being able, in the event of war with England, to disembark suddenly a large body of troops in the north of Scotland.

St. Petersburg letters say that the Emperor Alexander intends making an excursion in the southern provinces before his coronation, and that he intends to invite Count de Morny, the French minister, to accompany him.

RECREATIONS OF THE CZAR.

A St. Petersburg letter of the 6th says:—Many persons in England will be interested and edified, not to say surprised, on learning the nature of those rural employments or recreations which, in Alexander II.'s case, are beguiling the retirement so usual with the Czars at this season. Just behind the green woods of Peterhoff, and visible from a deck in Cronstadt Roads, rise beyond the golden towers of the Summer palace the hills where the late Emperor Nicholas used to delight to exercise numerous hosts in mimic warfare; there, extend, at Krasnoe Selo, or the Red Village, the great summer camps, where the Guards, the army of the north, detachments from "the army of Finland," and detachments from all the other corps stationed throughout the empire, were wont to be marshalled, reviewed, marched, counter-marched, and manoeuvred. Doubtless such exercises will not be much intermitted, far less will they be altogether abandoned. But in a despotic state, the heart, the devotion which the sovereign throws into his several occupations is everything; and Alexander, while passing the interval before his departure for Moscow to receive the crown of his immense realm, amidst such solemnities as never before signalled a Russian monarch's coronation, is busy with all his soul—doing what? Why attending to, and perfecting a model farm which he has got, and with which he means to beat Mr. Mechi, giving him nine degrees of latitude as odds in climate, and about the same number of years I suppose, as a start, in the race of time. It is amidst such scenes and such cares that the little Czarevitch and the Emperor's three other children are opening their eyes upon the new politics of Europe, the close of a terrible war in their country's history, and the inauguration of an era unprecedented for the direction and the activity of its industrial hopes. The coronation will not take place till the end of August, old style (which will carry us into the second week of September). The Emperor is not yet gone to Moscow, though every day the railway groans with tons of curiosity in the shape of passengers hurrying to lodge themselves cheaply, and therefore, early; and tons of splendor in the shape of furniture, housings, blood horses, plate, &c. His Majesty is at Peterhoff in the summer palace. Lord Wodehouse is in his pretty country house along the same coast. Lord Granville has not arrived, but was supposed yesterday to be off Cronstadt. Splendid preparations are made for his brief sojourn here at Demonth's Hotel, near Politzeusky Most, or Police Bridge, off the Nevsky. M. de Moray is still also waited for. Their horses have come (two of M. de Morny's which died at sea, excepted), and have unspeakably affected Russian enthusiasm. I don't think the ambassadors will be better appreciated. Sir Charles Napier was at the review with the Grand Duke Constantine and the Emperor.

The Municipal Council of Ravens has taken another step in the dignified course of legal and pacific resistance to the misgovernment of the Papal States. An address has been signed by the municipal councillors in reply to the notification of Monsignor Amici, prolegate, and commissary for the Legations, and refusing to concur with him in the restrictive regulations on the sale of corn, which he had proposed to enforce. It should be observed that these municipal councils are nominated by the Government, whose act they now disapprove.

The Boundless West towed to the Atlantic.—There appears to be a new branch of business springing up in the boundless West, which the ever active spirit of "Young America" is directing to the Atlantic Shore. We find the commercial men of the West entering with great spirit and activity into this new branch of trade, out of which, important results may be anticipated. Away off in the interior of the country at the distance of more than one thousand miles from the sea-port but connected with the Atlantic by a chain of lakes; the Welland Canal which is 35 miles long, and the St. Lawrence River are situated the thriving cities of Chicago and Milwaukee. These places have had a growth, as if by magic, and their trade is already immense. The first named doubles its population every four years, while the latter increased its population from 1750 in the year 1840 to 89,000 in 1854. Vessels have been or are about to be dispatched from Chicago to the Atlantic sea-board, laden with produce. A Milwaukee paper of the 21st ult., states that the experiment of opening up a direct trade with Europe by way of the lakes and the river St. Lawrence has been instituted. The Schooner Dean Richmond, has already cleared from that port to Liverpool, direct, with a cargo of 40,000 bushels of wheat. The vessel belongs to Chicago, the cargo is owned by parties in Montreal, and the vessel is commanded by one of the most efficient masters on the lakes. The sailing of this pioneer craft was observed with suitable ceremonies. A great number of appropriate presents were sent to Liverpool houses, by merchants, &c., of the West. The D. R. should spend a few days at Montreal, making ready for the voyage, which it is expected will be accomplished in fifty days from Milwaukee. The arrival of the little vessel at Liverpool will be a truly great event, coming as she will from a location that was only a few short years ago the heart of the American wilderness, but which is now the natural reservoir and outlet for the granary of the world.—Halifax Novascotian.

HASZARD'S GAZETTE.

Wednesday, September 3, 1856.

Some time since, a Mr. Cole a carpenter, one of those intelligent men that we sometimes meet with amongst the industrial class and often when least expected informed us that one day walking on the farm belonging to Mrs. Davies situate in the Royalty of Charlottetown he picked up a piece of a mineral with the impression of leaves upon it stating at the same time that he considered it a sure indication of a coal formation in the neighborhood. We have since seen some large specimens furnished by him to the Legislative Library and a small specimen termed by Lyall *astrophyllites foliosa* now lies on the table before us. It is called "shale" and is a species of clay slate. These specimens are remarkably curious and suggest to the inquisitive mind matter for much reflection. One of them presents the figure of a fern completely developed. It is however as indicative of coal being to be found within a reasonable distance of the surface that its consequence in an utilitarian point of view consists. We were much gratified at the vote of the Assembly for placing a sum of money at the disposal of the Executive for the purpose of boring the shaft in order to ascertain the fact whether coal was to be had and considerably disappointed at not finding persons ready to tender for the same. We have been since informed by the Hon. Colonial Secretary, that a tender in fact had been put in, but that the parties tendering required that the Government should find the apparatus. Any one who knows any thing of the matter is aware, that this is by no means an expensive affair and as this is a matter of some moment we would respectfully suggest that proper and searching inquiries should be in the first place made as to the fact of the shale having been found on the spot indicated, this having been clearly ascertained we would recommend that specimens of the shale together with that of the soil and rock near to the place should be sent to some distinguished mineralogist and geologist in the United States, as well as to William Dawson, Esq. Principal of McGill College and their opinion solicited, as to whether it would be worth the governments while to go to any expense in the matter. If the opinions were favorable no time should be lost in making the trial. A coal mine within so short a distance of the city would be one of the greatest blessings that could be conferred upon it and there is no saying what effect it might have upon its future fortunes, as well as giving a hope that other parts of the Island may be equally fortunate. A couple of hundred pounds or twice that amount would be money well laid out even in ascertaining the facts, let the result be what it would.

The examination of the Kent District School will be noticed in our next.

Married.

On the 27th August, at the Bible Christian Chapel, New Bedford, by the Rev. J. Gale, Mr. William Barlow, of Lot 12, to Miss Jane M'Avlane, of Lot 13.

Died.

At Cascopec, on Friday 23d August, of Dysentery, Susan Garrude, youngest daughter of Mr. S. Davidson, aged eighteen months and seven days. This morning at 2 o'clock, John James, son of Henry J. Calbeck, of this City, aged 5 months. Yesterday, Mr. James Witter, aged 64 years. Funeral will take place on Friday next, at 12 o'clock, from the residence of Mr. Thomas Abbot, Union Road. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend.

Choice Farm for Sale!

FOR SALE by Auction, on FRIDAY the 12th day of this month, (September), at 12 o'clock, on the Premises, that splendid Farm "MOUNT LEGEY," on the Malpeque Road, Five and a half miles out, the Property of Mr. W. M. LEGEY. It consists of One hundred acres, with a large, commodious DWELLING HOUSE, spacious Barn, Brooks of Water, (permanent), two well-laid out Gardens, with every convenience and comfort. It is subject to the annual rent of One shilling per acre per annum. Half the purchase money may remain on interest for four years. JAS. N. HARRIS, Auctioneer. Ch. Town, Sept. 1, 1856.

Greatly Reduced Prices!!

THE large STOCK of DRY GOODS at the "Manchester House," Queen Street, will be offered During this Month, at Prices very much Reduced!! to make room for HEAVY IMPORTATIONS, expected by first Fall vessels from LONDON and LIVERPOOL. Those wishing BARGAINS, will find it to their advantage to call at this Establishment. SAMUEL W. McMURRAY. Sept. 3, 1856.

FOR SALE!

THE HULL & SPARS of a BRIGANTINE now nearly finished, lying at Orwell, built for the Newfoundland market, of 82 tons new measurement, and 142 tons old; length about 79 feet, 20 ft. 6 in. beam, and 9 ft. 8 in. deep. Apply to the builder, ALEX. McKAY, or to BENJAMIN DAVIES, Broker, Ch. Town. Sept. 2, 1856.—41

Masonic Hall Company.

A GENERAL SPECIAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above company, will be held in the Masonic Hall (McDonald's buildings) Queen's Square, on Monday the 15th inst. at 8 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of selling the Real Estate of said Company in terms of the act of Incorporation. By Order, J. W. MORRISON, Secretary. Charlottetown, Sept. 24, 1856.

FAIRBANKS' CELEBRATED SCALES, OF ALL VARIETIES. Warehouse, 34 Kilby Street, BOSTON. GREENLEAF & BROWN, GENERAL MANAGERS.

TO LET, THREE or four Rooms in a respectable part of the city, suitable for a general family. Enquire at the office of this paper. Aug. 15, 1856.

FIREWOOD. 40 Cords of Firewood, ready cut and split, of various lengths and sizes to suit customers. Apply to—JAS. N. HARRIS. August 25 1856.—1st & Adv 5w

Fresh Supply of Shingles. ANOTHER cargo of Bay Chaleux, the best yet received this year.—PINE & CEDAR. JAS. N. HARRIS. August 25, 1856.—1st 5w

FOR SALE! THE Shallop "SARAH," of Belfast, two years old, about 26 tons, carries 16 chaldrons of Coal. This vessel is well found, in good order, and is well adapted for carrying Coal between this port and Pictou. Terms liberal. Apply to BENJAMIN DAVIES, Broker, Charlottetown, or to PATRICK STEPHENS, Orwell. August 18, 1856.—4w

Feathers Feather Beds! JUST ARRIVED, per Schr. Ornament and other importations—good quality. JAMES N. HARRIS. August 11, 1856.—3i

NOTICE. ALL Persons indebted to the Subscriber, either by Bond, Promissory note or otherwise are desired forthwith to make payment of the respective sums to Mr George Anderson, New London, who is duly authorized by power of Attorney to receive and give the necessary discharge for the same. JAMES SEARLE MANN.

A Beautiful Farm for Sale. TO BE SOLD by private contract, that beautiful Farm situated on the Malpeque Road, distant from Charlottetown about 5 and a half miles the Property of W. E. Legyt. It contains one hundred acres, of which about 72 acres are in a good state of cultivation, the residue covered with a mixed growth of wood; on the premises are a comfortable dwelling House, with a Barn 62x44 feet. The premises are enhanced by a permanent Stream of Water which flows throughout it. There are two fine Gardens with an abundance of fruit, 24 acres of grass, 18 acres of Oats, 3 acres of Barley, 1 1/2 acres of Buckwheat, 3 acres of Potatoes, 2 acres of Turnips, the Crop will be sold with or without the property. For further particulars apply to W. E. Legyt on the premises, or Henry Palmer Esq. Notary Public, Charlottetown.

ROCKLIN CLOTH MILLS. Middle River, Pictou, N. S. The Subscribers having lately increased their business facilities, are prepared to execute any amount of Work in their line, at the shortest notice, and in the best style. In returning thanks for the liberal patronage hitherto afforded by the public of P. E. Island, they respectfully solicit a continuance thereof. The following gentlemen are Agents for the "Rocklin Cloth Mills," who will be responsible for all property delivered to them:— DAVID STEWART, Esq., Charlottetown, N. J. BROWN, Esq., St. Eleanor's, DANIEL GANNON, Esq., Georgetown, JOHN E. McDONALD, Esq., Cd. River, Lot 56, Mr. HECTOR GRILLIS, White Sands, JOHN HYDE, Esq., Murray Harbour, JOHN DALRIEL, Esq., North Side, Murray Harbour. R. & A. FRASER. July 25, 1856. 2m

Bank of P. E. Island. THE Bank of Prince Edward Island, is now open for the transaction of business, at the office in the Dwelling house of Wm. H. Pope, Esq. Grafton Street. Hours from 10 to 3. Discount days—Monday and Thursday in each week. Wm. CUNDALL, Cashier. Charlottetown, 13th August, 1856. R. Gaz.

TO CAPITALISTS. WANTED to borrow by the Charlottetown Gas Light Company upon transferable Debentures the sum of £1000 at 6 per cent per annum, for three or any greater number of years, the Debentures not to be less than fifty pounds each. Persons wishing to purchase one or any greater number, can obtain the same with any particulars they may desire, upon making a written application to me at the Gas Company's Works. Wm. MURPHY, Manager. July 22, 1856.

Prize Stallion "Prince Edward." WILL be offered for SALE by Auction at 12 o'clock noon, on WEDNESDAY September 24th, and sold to the highest bidder. He was four years old the 1st day of July last; he is by Salsin out of a Mare by Woolmer's Horse, from a Roumaville Mare. He shows a great deal of Blood, and has great strength; his stock is much admired; his action and temper is very good, he was used last winter in harness and was very gentle. WILLIAM HODGES, owner. Cymbria Lodge, Rampton; up till noon and 20th August, 1856.