

THE TRANSCRIPT.

QUEBEC, SATURDAY 18th MAY 1839.

UNITED STATES.
It is supposed the census of 1840 will show a population in the United States of between 17,000,000 and 18,000,000. In 1820, it was 12,000,000.

In the months of June, July and August, the Rev. M. Merrill, missionary to the Ottos, accompanied that tribe of Indians on their buffalo hunt, which lasted more than two months. This party consisted of 800 souls, men, women and children. They killed 1,500 buffaloes.

From the quarterly report of the New-York fire companies, it appears that the number of fires at that city during the three months ending on the 30th ultimo, was 64. The property destroyed is valued at \$69,186, of which \$34,434 were covered by insurance. Nineteen of the fires were occasioned by incendiaries, and seventeen by defects in the construction of chimneys, &c.

Strawberries have made their appearance in the New Orleans market, and can be had at the moderate rate of thirteen piastres per quart, or four cents a piece by retail.

The Editor of the Salem Gazette, speaking of the promise of a communication from a correspondent, says, "We must beg of him to take time enough to make it short. Brevity is the most attractive feature of a newspaper article."

It is better to judge men by their little than their great acts. Great acts are the result of strong feelings, and depend more upon passion, but simple ones are from principle.

THE PATRIOTS ON THE FRONTIER.

Detroit is now the abiding place of a brigade of distinguished characters, or, to use a figure better suited to the occasion, it is a regular patriotic menagerie, where the curious in such matters, may have an opportunity of seeing some of the queerest animals which have ever attracted attention in this queer world. There at this time, is vegetating the renowned General Theller, of which worthy our correspondent writes thus, under the date of the 21st ult. — "Dr. Theller has quarrelled with the 'patriots' of this city, because at the late election they refused to nominate him for Mayor. The war-loving doctor has an uncommon fondness for fingering public money, but our 'free and enlightened' have had enough of him in an 'official capacity.' Before he turned his pelt into a musket, himself into a liberating general, he was elected collector of the Water Works, in which responsible situation he manifested his patriotism by siphoning their majesties to the tune of three thousand dollars. At the present time people wonder how he manages to support himself and family, for being considered a very paltzy person nobody likes to be physiced by him. When he set out to 'take Canada,' he left his wife and children without food, and with scarcely a rag to their backs; and they had to be supported by occasional benefits at the Theatre. It was nothing but sheer want that made a 'patriot' of Theller."

There, also, is the illustrious General McLeod, whose skill in war, according to his own version, is of as thronical a cast as that of the first bald Casar. There, likewise, are those thunderbolts of battle, Col. Dodge of the shirt-less infantry, Col. Brophy of the shoeless engineers, Major Handy of the cost-less artillery, Col. Mack of the invisible invincibles, Col. Conger (an eel with a slippery tail) of the colored regiment, and numbers more of the worthy regenerations of Canada, are huddled together like free and equal pigs in the straw, to be shown at a fippeny bit per head. At present they seem to be busily employed in reposing on the laurels they have already gained, an occupation which is doubtless varied by planning the ways and means for securing further fame.

LOWER CANADA.

Montreal, May 14.—On Saturday evening a melancholy accident took place in consequence of the Gas Company having left one of their yawning graves open in the Quebec suburb. Mr. Proud, the miller, was proceeding home on horseback, and both were precipitated into it with much violence, when the horse was killed instantaneously, and his rider has been most severely bruised; indeed, it is only astonishing that he escaped with his life.—*Herald.*

On Monday, a young English girl named Elizabeth Montgomery, committed suicide in a lodging-house in Sanguinet Street. She had been for some time in very low spirits, occasioned, as she said, by her conscience reproving her for running away from her parents last year. A coroner's jury was summoned, who gave in a verdict of "temporary insanity."

The session of the Legislature of Upper Canada was closed on Saturday last, after a protracted sitting, which is not regarded as having been productive of much good. The speech of His Excellency the Sir George Arthur comments on the principal Acts which have been passed, several of which are reserved for Her Majesty's approbation. The Act continuing the suspension of specie payments by the Banks until the 1st November, is sanctioned, although His Excellency remarks— "In sustaining the great interests of the Country, no object of legislation requires more care and precaution than the due regulation of its system of Banking; and nothing is more hazardous to those interests than a prolonged issue of inconvertible Bank paper. Impressed with this truth, I consider it would have been better to fix a much earlier day, for the return to a sound system of Banking."

St. John, May 7.—At a general meeting of the City Bank, held on Friday last, the 3d instant, it was resolved that the capital stock of that Bank should be merged in the Bank of New Brunswick, which we learn has since been done in accordance with the resolution. The Lt. Governor has received despatches from the Secretary of State by the April mail; communicating the most entire approval on the part of Her Majesty's government, of the views and measures of His Excellency, as respect the dispute with the state of Maine.

It is now ascertained that the persons who robbed the Upper Canada mail were three in number, (and not twelve as first reported.) They are all three Americans, their names are Robert Smith, otherwise Washington Mills, (one of the Sir Robert Peel Pirates,) Deacon Johnson, (son to the celebrated Bill Johnston, late Pirate leader,) and John Farrow, (another of the "Peel" gang.)

The desertion of seamen, which of late years has been a source of much inconvenience and detriment to the shipping interests of this port, has already commenced pretty extensively; but the police are on the alert, and have succeeded in capturing a considerable number of them. On Thursday last, twelve seamen were apprehended, who had deserted in a body from the ship *Dorchester*.

The first of a course of lectures on the principles and practice of surgery, will be given at the Marine Hospital, on Thursday morning next, at eight o'clock.

The following appointments appear in the Official Gazette of Thursday last:— William Ryan Esq. to be Clerk of the Court of Requests at St. Anne's, in the District of Three Rivers.

Theodore Doucet, Esq. to be ditto ditto, at Chambly, in the District of Montreal.
Phillippe Chalou, Esq. to be ditto ditto, at Kamouraska, in the District of Quebec.
Robert Chevalier A. D'Estimauville, Esq. to be ditto ditto, at L'Islet, in the District of Quebec.

Thomas Jacques Taschereau, Esquire, to be do. do. at St. Joseph de Beauce, in the district of Quebec.
Frederick Andrews, Esq., to be do. do. at Leeds, in the District of Quebec.
Pierre Antoine Doucet, Esq., to be do. do. at Lotbiniere, in the District of Quebec.

The tide of emigration on a large scale has fairly set in from Great Britain for South Australia. On the 9th April, the bark *Atland* sailed from Greenock with 134 passengers. A great number of emigrants who had embarked on board the vessel were turned on shore by the Government superintendent of emigrants, there being a greater number on board than allowed by the law. The emigrants by this vessel are taking out a vast deal of money, besides goods, plants of useful shrubs, osiers, hawthorn, &c., and one or two wooden houses in frame, ready to be put up immediately on landing.

At Glasgow, three or four vessels are fitting out for the purpose of conveying emigrants to the same destination.

The *Franklin (Vt.) Messenger* of Thursday last, states, that "on Wednesday, the 1st instant, James W. Grogan was arrested by the Deputy-Marshal, on a charge of violating the Neutrality Laws, and lodged in Jail at North Hero, Grand Isle Co. It appears that a friend or two of his did not like the idea of his being carried off, and went, in the night time,

and, by some means or other, unlocked the door, and permitted Grogan to escape. We suspect there was some slack work somewhere, though we are aware that sacking 'leg-bail' is not an uncommon thing when there is no greater preventive than most of our jails afford."

The Louisville Journal gives the following appalling account of the state of distress in Mississippi:— "There are about 200 negroes in jail in Benton, Miss., to be sold for their masters' debts, and 300 more levied on. The greater portion of the lands is also under execution. Several of the oldest and lately the most substantial merchants are in the hands of the marshal and sheriff."

The Legislature of nine States in the Union have decided the cultivation of sufficient importance to induce them to offer a bounty to their citizens for its production.

Texas, it is calculated, will have a surplus revenue of One million dollars over expenses. The sources of her revenue are from taxes and sale of Lands.

Pickpockets from the Old Countries are, it is said, visiting the United States in shoals, on speculation; and are doing a capital business at most of the large cities of the Union.

All the great Religious and Philanthropic Societies of the Union are holding their Anniversary Meetings in New York.

The Bytown Gazette says that the value of timber prepared this year on the Ottawa and its tributary streams is about £200,000.

The steamer *British America* leaves at 11 o'clock to-day, for Grosse-Isle, on a pleasure trip, and also to ascertain what shipping may be there. She is expected to return about 5. The fare is one dollar, including lunch.

We regret to perceive that the *Missisquoi Standard*, which has just concluded its fourth volume, is to be discontinued for a few weeks, until the arrears of the past year are collected, when it will be resumed.

The *Fantasia*, whose return to life we recently announced, is again gathered to its fathers."

We are requested to state that Divine Service will be performed every Sunday at Pointe au Pizeau, by the Rev. Mr. Chadder-ton, at half-past two o'clock.

Consignees of vessels will confer a favour, if they will make this generally known to masters.

Commercial.

IMPORTS.

11th May.

Per *Canada*, from Montreal:—50 bags tobacco, to Pratt & Brothers—4 tierces rice, to James Gibb & Co.—1 case brushes to Poston—1 bbl. do. to Bickell—1 do. do. to Scott—2 kegs merchandise to Begg & Uquhart—9 kegs lard, 1 bbl. coffee to James Gibb & Co.—2 boxes accounts, to the Commissary General—5 tierces rice, 52 boxes raisins, 2 cases champagne cider, 1 case Jamaica pepper, to Le Mesurier, Tiltstone & Co.—10 punchons rum, 2 tierces rice, 6 boxes oranges, 15 bags meal, 5 doz. corn brooms, 5 bags coffee, to Gibb & Shaw—51 bls. pork, to Leaycraft, Sims & Co.—5 blbs logwood, to J. J. Duncombe—42 bags wheat, to John Gordon & Co.—5 guns, whiskey, to John Young—68 blbs. flour, 33 blbs. beef, 10 blbs. pork, 30 kegs lard, Latham & Ruston—1 patent weighing machine, to John Shaw—12 boxes mineral waters, Begg and Uquhart—58 bags potatoes, to Mrs. Laperte—5 bags 4 blbs. barley to Gardner—12 boxes salin waters, to Munson and Savage—1 bundle trees, to J. Smith—10 bags pease, to W. H. Roy—14 do. Mrs. Laporte.

Per barge *Aleuts*, in tow of *Canada*:—763 blbs. Flour, to Gillespie, Jamieson and Co.—245 do. to Murison and Tobin—190 do. to Forsyth, Walker and Co.—100 do. to H. J. Noad—91 do. to Latham and Ruston—73 blbs. do. and 100 blbs. provisions, to C. A. Holt and Co.—100 blbs. provisions, J. B. Forsyth.

Per *John Bull*, from Montreal:—120 blbs. flour, to D. Burnett—72 blbs. flour, and 47 blbs. pork, to Latham and Ruston—50 blbs. pork, to Forsyth, Walker and Co.—34 blbs. beef, to Leaycraft & Co.—50 bags grain, to

W. H. Roy.—23 bags pease, to J. Gordon.—22 bags grain, to Saunders.—50 kegs tobacco, to Henderson and Co.—3 pipes cider, to John Young.—25 doz. corn brooms, to F. Langlis.—22 sets harness and 23 addles, to Lantier.—12 sets harness, to J. B. Tickard.—20 colars, to J. Cadotte.—11 eggs, 4 oxen and 1 horse, to passengers.

Per barge *Neptune*, in tow of the *John Bull*:—397 blbs. flour, to Murison & Tobin.—271 do. to John Young.—244 do. to Gillespie, Jamieson & Co.

Per barge *Jolas*, in tow of the *St. George*:—6114 minots wheat, to John Gordon & Co.

Per *British America*, from Montreal:—200 blbs. flour and 12 blbs. pork, to C. A. Holt & Co.—177 blbs. flour and 48 blbs. pork, to Lemestrier, Tiltstone & Co.—106 blbs. flour, 6 blbs. oatmeal, 20 quintals biscuit, 8 boxes candles, to W. Price & Co.—100 blbs. flour, to J. B. Forsyth.—77 blbs. pork, 14 blbs. flour, 14 kegs lard, 2 coaks hams, to Latham & Ruston.—63 blbs. pork, to John Young.—90 blbs. ashes, to G. H. Parke.—17 bags oatmeal, to Gibb & Shaw.—25 quintals biscuit, to F. Buteau.—8 blbs. pork, 1 case, to Tremain, White & Co.—15 cattys tea, to J. H. Joseph.—2 blbs. brushes, to Lecheminant.—1 case cigars, 1 tierce, to P. Langlis.—2 cases, to J. H. Orkney.—4 cases, 2 Joles, to H. & W. Moodie.

RATES OF FREIGHT AT NEWCASTLE.—April 5, 1838. *Freights Home*.—Quebec and Hull, 4s. timber, 4s. 12s. deals; ditto and London, 4s. timber, 4s. 12s. deals. Low Ports and do. do., 3s. to 40s. Petersburg and East Coast, 30s. tallow, 52s. 6d. hemp, 75s. deals. Rice and do., 24s. timber, 72s. deals; do. and Newcastle, 5s. wheat, Archangel and Bzait Channel, £5 10s. to £5 15s.; do. and East Coast, £5 deals.

* * * The sarcasm of "D. C. B. A." respecting the recent appointment of a Collector of the Fin Society, is strongly pointed, and may for aught we know be well merited by the parties against whom it is directed, but we do not think it in its great form fit for the press, to say nothing of some slight mis-statement of facts which it contains.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

The steam frigate *Medea* arrived at Hamilton on the 18th April from Jamaica, having on board Commodore Douglas. When the *Medea* left Jamaica, the *Pique* and the *Andromeda* were on the eve of sailing, with the 8th Regt. on board for Halifax—*Bermuda paper*.

H. M. S. *Cleopatra* arrived at St. John on the 4th May, in 27 days from Plymouth, having on board a reinforcement for the 30th Regt., consisting of 134 non-commissioned officers, rank and file, with a due proportion of women and 400 lbs. responsibilities; under the command of Captain Reeve. The other officers who came passengers in the *Cleopatra*, are Lieut. Rothe, Ensign Jennings and Butler, and Dr. Lloyd, surgeon; all of the 30th Regt.

New-York, May 11th.—Her Britannic Majesty's Sloop of War *Ringdoe*, Captain Stewart, sent days from Bermuda, anchored in Hampton Roads on Wednesday, with despatches for the British Minister at Washington. Capt. Stewart went to Baltimore in the steam-packet *Jewett*, and proceeded to Washington city yesterday morning.

The British Government ship *Mosade*, recently at Norfolk, arrived at Bermuda on the 28th April, as we learn by the British Bark *Osprey* which has arrived at this port. The *Osprey* goes to Halifax. Sir S. R. Chapman, Ex-Governor of Bermuda and lady, were passengers in the *Osprey*.

PERRY'S STEEL PENS.

JUST RECEIVED, a lot of the above, of superior quality; ALSO, Rodgers' Penknives, Riddle's Pen and Pencil Holders. W. COWAN & SON, St. Peter Street, Lower Town, and St. John Street, Upper Town. Quebec, 18th May, 1839.

The subscribers have received, per *Eleutheris* & Royal Tar, their usual supply of LONDON STATIONARY, Comprising a very general assortment; ALSO, A FEW BOOKS, Among which are the following:

THE Cabinet of Paintings, very elegant, Fisher's Drawing-Room Scrap Book, Scrap Books and Albums, various bindings, Miniature Classical Library, 62 vols. bound in silk, in a case, Bibles, Prayer Books, Testaments, and Church Services, in great variety. W. COWAN & CO. St. Peter Street, Lower Town, and St. John Street, Upper Town. Quebec, 18th May, 1839.

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PORT OF ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

| NAMES | ARRIVED |
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| John Bull | |
| Canada | |
| B. America | Thurs. 2 P.M. |
| St. George | Tues. 9 P.M. |
| Charlevoix | |

Agent for the St. Lawrence Companies.—H. E. SCOTT, G

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- 38 Ship *Bellona*, 4th A general cargo.
 - 39 Bark *Baltic* Merchant London, Price & Co.
 - 40 Bark *Fanny*, Farrey Atkinson & Co., 1
 - 41 Bark *Bee*, Mitchell, moor & Co., balla
 - 42 Bark *Tweed*, Lakem Pemberton, balla
 - 43 Bark *Hever*, Lawson Price & Co., balla
 - 44 Brig *Devon*, Ball Chapman & Co., 1
 - 45 Brig *Briton*, Hullay Price & Co., balla
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- 46 Ship *Borneo*, Gorman Price & Co. ballast passengers.
 - 47 Ship *Edmund*, Dabs Pemberton, Brother Bark Comberton, Rearer Gilmour & Co. ball Bark *Isabella*, Meridith, man & Co.
 - 50 Bark *Recovery*, Shea port, Curry & Co.
 - 51 Bark *Dan*, Thompson Atkinson & Co., balla
 - 52 Bark *Centaurion*, He London, Atkinson &
 - 53 Bark *Nc*, Brunswick London, to order,
 - 54 Bark *Cato*, Taylor, vey & Co. ballast.
 - 55 Bark *Lloyd*, Handford Messurier & Co. bal
 - 56 Bark *Bretania*, Lacey Pemberton, ballast
 - 57 Brig *John Thompson*, Le Mesurier & Co.
 - 58 Brig *Alonzo*, Hook, I man & Co. ballast.
 - 59 Brig *Marion*, Taylor Gilmour & Co. balla
 - 60 Brig *Trade*, Pewis, Atkinson & Co. balla
 - 61 Brig *George Locks* March, London, Le
 - 62 Brig *Eleonor*, Downi mouth, Mastland &
 - 63 Brig *Alarm*, Stewart, Pemberton, ballast
 - 64 Brig *Ann*, Sharp, 6th bertons, ballast.

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