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### European Intelligence.

#### ONE WEEK LATER.

The steamship "NIAGARA," arrived at Halifax on the 15th inst., with dates to the 5th, and 99 passengers for Boston.  
The Chester 567 tons, 100 horse power, the first ship of the London and Montreal line, will sail on the 31st.  
Mr. Moore's motion for a vote of censure on the Government for the American enlistment was debated two nights in the House of Commons, and was eventually thrown out.  
Mr. Crumpton has written a letter dated Foreign Office, London, complaining that the United States have treated him shabbily.  
It is believed that Parliament will be prorogued on the 31st inst., and that no further party motions will be made this Session.  
The following is the only reference made to America since the Fulton sailed: Mr. Baillie asked Lord Palmerston whether Mr. Dallas, as U. S. Representative to Her Majesty's Government, had full power to settle the Central American dispute, or whether he had any other powers than those of his predecessor, Mr. Buchanan. Lord Palmerston said it was understood Mr. Dallas had full power to discuss with Her Majesty's Government the Central American question. Mr. Buchanan had no instructions whatever to enter on this subject.  
A Bill is introduced by the Government into the Commons to permit distillation from Rice.  
The Sunday Music controversy continues to expand.  
Sir Colin Campbell has been entertained by the City of Glasgow.  
The King of the Belgians and family are visiting Her Majesty.  
The Queen and the people of London are to give the Guards from the Crimea a public reception.  
A prospectus is issued of the New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company to purchase and complete the St. Andrews and Quebec Railroad.  
It is reported that Perry Doyle, the British Minister to Mexico, will be removed to Havana.  
The Directors of the Bank of England at their weekly meeting on Thursday the 2d, did not alter the rate of discount. The general impression had been that the rate would be lowered. It is now thought that it must be reduced, either on Thursday next, or not later than the week after. The Directors, however, do not like to lower in dividend week.  
The Bank return shows considerable increase in bullion.  
The India Mail takes out an unusually large amount of silver for the East, and the shipment of gold to the Continent increases with augmented inquiry for silver to export. There is also further reason for shipment in the shape of investments in French securities on English account.  
The weather continues magnificent for the harvest, and another fortnight of the same will secure the farmers from all danger of a change of prospects; but in consequence of the supply on hand being so short, holders of wheat show great caution, and still demand firm rates.  
There is an increasing demand for American securities since the political aspect of affairs between England and the United States has improved. Tonnage is in better demand for Archangel, Australian, Indian, and Danube and Black Sea trades.  
The upward tendency of the English funds continues.  
The Earl of Shelburne is appointed Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and will be raised to the peerage by his present title. Sir W. Williams, of Kars, will succeed him as representative of Coler.

FRANCE.  
Reports have been some time current (that unpleasantness existed between the Courts of France and Russia, and that Count Morny's departure for St. Petersburg was delayed in consequence. As Morny is now about ready to embark, the difference is probably arranged. The report of the Committee of the Corps Legislatif, refusing to accord to the Emperor the power of granting pensions, is published: It is respectful but firm, and is considered the severest check Napoleon has yet met from his Government.  
The Bill granting pensions to the Orleans Princesses was voted unanimously, although Count Montalembert wrote a strong letter against it, and the Duchess of Saxe Cobourg indignantly refused the money.  
The Juvenile Court of Paris has written a letter to M. Roger, repudiating the fables and saying that himself, his mother and brother do not recognize the interference of the other members of the Orleans family, but that he reserves himself for the future. These letters have made considerable sensation in Orleansist circles, and the Orleans Princess have written angry letters respecting the Juvenile's interference.

At the close of the Legislative session on the 2d, it was announced that the bill for the repeal of the prohibitory Customs duties is deferred till next session. A measure for consolidating the decrees relating to Customs duties into laws, is also postponed.  
The Emperor had arrived at Plombieres. The projected meeting between the Emperors of France and Austria confirmed. A Frankfurt journal says positively that a meeting will take place at Meunheim about the end of July. Napoleon will reside at the place, and the Emperor of Austria at the Hotel Europe. The kings of Wirttemberg and Saxony, and the Dukes of Hesse and Nassau, will also assist. Another account says they will meet at the Castle of Apenberg.  
New docks for the steam navy are to be built at Trest. The accounts of the weather and crops throughout the country, even in the lately inundated districts, are favourable. The harvest has commenced in the South. The vineyards also look well.  
SPAIN.  
Papers begin to bring accounts of the recent riots at Badajoz, Valladolid, and other cities. They seem to have been serious, and of the magnitude of an insurrection. The high price of food was the ostensible cause, but they were really excited by political emigration. Numerous arrests were made, and prisoners shot. The riots set fire to the corn stores, and growing crops. Tranquility is now restored, and the government announces that the crops present a good prospect, besides there being sufficient in store for an ample supply until the harvest.  
It is announced that a second squadron of eight ships of war, with troops for disembarkation in Mexico, was ready to sail from Havana, should Mexico refuse to satisfy the Spanish demands.

GERMANY.  
The ministerial journal Zeitung, publishes the Customs proposition submitted by Prussia to the Zollverein.  
The following was proposed respecting breadstuffs:—Wheat, beans, peas, garbils, and millet 24 per Prussian bushel; rice, barley, mah, oats and buckwheat, 3s. 4d. with provision that the Zollverein shall renounce the demand for the free entry of rice, unless the price of rye shall attain the price of two and a half to four dollars the Prussian bushel.  
RUSSIA.  
An Imperial ukase orders the issue of Government bonds to the value of twelve millions of silver roubles.  
Immense preparations are making at Moscow for the Czar's coronation.  
The Emperor continues his severity against defaulters and contrabandists.  
Letters say that the Government seems inclined to modify its Customs Tariff, particularly as regards its raw produce employed by foreign manufacturers.

THE EAST.  
Crimes letters to June 14th mention nothing but the continued embarkation of the troops.  
General Rudiger is dead.  
The Moldavia-Wallachian frontier commission advances but slowly. Topographical difficulties completely neutralized the intention of the treaty. Ali Pacha during his stay at Vienna succeeded in settling that the Danubian principalities shall remain separated.

THE DUTIES OF READERS.—Every reading man has his duties to the world of letters as well as every writing man. He owes it to himself to see that his reading is something more than a mere murder of time, an amusement; he owes it to himself to see that his reading will serve, by delight or by instruction, by beauty or by use to ripen his faculties, to ameliorate his temper, to elevate his character.

Ant Little's Courtship.  
Why you see, when my man came a courting me, I hadn't the least thought of what he was after—not I. Jobie came to our house one night after dark, and rapped at the door. I opened it and sure enough there was Jobie.  
Come in, sez I, take a cheer.  
No Lizzie, sez he, I've come of an errand, and I always do my errands first.  
But you had better come in and take a cheer, Mr. W.  
No I can't. The fact is Lizzie, I've come on this errand to-day. My wife's been dead these three weeks, and everything's got to rack and ruin right long. Now, if you've a mind to have me, and take care of my house, and my children, and my things, tell me, and I'll come in and take a cheer, if not, I'll get some one else to do it.  
Why I was skered, and sez—  
If you come on this courting business, come in. I must think on a little.  
No, I can't tell I know. That's my errand. And I can't get down until my errand's done. I should like to think on it a day or two. No you needn't Lizzie.

Well Jobie if I must, I must—so here's to ye then.  
So Mr. W. came in. Then he went after the squire, and he married us right off, and I went home with Jobie that very night.  
I tell you what it is, those long courtings don't amount to nothing at all.

### YANKEE DOODLE IN 1856.

BY A NEW ENGLANDER.

Yankee Doodle's a most wild,  
And drove to desperation;  
But 'twas with England he's so riled,  
But with his own free nation.  
He guesses Pierce must be a fool  
If to himself he figgers  
We're goin' to war with old John Bull  
That Kansas may keep niggers.

Oh, Pierce! you are a darn bad lot,  
We didn't ought to have chose you;  
But the Whigs stuck up that critter Scott  
In their Caucus to oppose you.  
We weren't I guess, so pesky smart!  
To snub the Gin'ral neither;  
If fighting is the game you'd start,  
He'd ne'er show the white feather.

Pierce best be mindin' what he's at,  
And where his Oglethorpe's rushing;  
We ain't a goin' to war—that's flat—  
For him nor Caleb Cushing.

One 'eom may write, and 'olter talk,  
But Johnny, don't you funk 'em;  
Their stupid brag, I guess, we'll balk,  
And they'll only sport to Buncombe.

In seventy-six we didn't shrink  
To face the cannon's rattle;  
And I guess New England did her work  
On many a field of battle.

We fight for Right; but tis a pin  
Brethren to part sunder,  
To keep a set of Knowsies in  
Poor Uncle Sam to plunder.

Then let them prate to German tools  
And Irish agitators;  
We Yankees folk are neither fools,  
Nor to the Union traitors.

We will maintain our free-born laws  
Against intimidation,  
And fight when we're a righteous cause,  
But not on speculation.

\*General Scott is not a wise man, but he is a respectable citizen and a gallant soldier. Mr. Pierce is neither. He called himself General (he being a New Hampshire attorney), and went to the Mexican war; but only distinguished himself by fainting and falling off his horse in his first action.

BUNYAN IN PRISON.—The respectability of Bunyan's character and the propriety of his conduct while in prison at Bedford, appear to have operated very powerfully on the mind of the jailer, who showed him much kindness in permitting him to go out and visit his friends occasionally, and once to take a journey to London.

The following anecdote is told respecting the jailer and Mr. Bunyan:  
It being known to some of his persecutors in London, that he was often out of prison, they sent an officer to talk with the jailer on the subject; and in order to discover the fact he was to get there in the middle of the night. Bunyan was at home with his family, but so restless that he could not sleep; he therefore acquainted his wife that though the jailer had given him liberty to stay till the morning, yet, from his uneasiness, he must immediately return.

He did so, and the jailer blamed him for coming at such an unreasonable hour. Early in the morning the messenger came, and interrogated the jailer, said:  
Are all the prisoners safe?  
Yes.  
Is John Bunyan safe?  
Yes.  
Let me see him.  
He was called, and appeared, and all was well.

After the messenger was gone, the jailer, addressing Mr. Bunyan said:  
Well you may go in and out whenever you think proper, for you know when to return better than I can tell you.

A person out West is offering for sale grass seed gathered from "the path of rectitude."—A religious contemporary fears that the path must be so easily strewn with grass, as it is so little travelled now a days.

Nat, what are you leaning over that creek for?  
I am mourning over departed spirits.  
A young lady at school, engaged in the study of grammar, was asked if a kiss was a common or proper noun. After some hesitation she replied, it is both.

Miss Teiup, speaking of old bachelors,

says they are frozen out old gardeners in the flower bed of love. As they are useless as weeds, they should be scyred in the same manner—choked.

### THE PRATE.

Scarcely had the Gascon given utterance to his discontent, when the man at the mast-head sang out "Deck a-hoy—a sail to wind-ward!"  
Stamar went aloft with his glass, and in a few seconds returned and said—"Every one to his post, we're in luck at last!"  
Cardie's whistle responded to his order.—Every man took his arms, and we bore up towards the stranger under all the sail we could carry. It was truly a horrible thing to observe the sinister expression worn by the hideous countenances of our lawless crew. Dirty, bearded, and already scenting blood, their eyes flashing with the fires of cupidity and cruelty, the wretches all gazed in the direction of their prey, as though they wished to annihilate the distance which separated them from it. In a very brief space we neared our victim, a large merchantman, whose appearance promised at once an easy conquest and a rich booty. At a signal from Stamar, a shot was fired across her bows to bring her to.

She immediately hoisted a white flag, and began to take in her sail; but this obviously pacific inclination was quite thrown away upon the commander of the Shark. "Give that fellow a shot between wind and water," cried he; "it will perhaps teach him to be quicker in his manoeuvres, and not keep worthy fellows so long waiting."

We were now within pistol shot of the stranger, and Peters, bringing his musket to bear upon one of the crew, fired, and knocked the man's straw hat from his head, frightening him a good deal, no doubt, but doing him no further injury.

Pretty fair, that I said Stamar; but another time level lower. Holloa, you sugar-hog-head! send a boat aboard of us!"

The order was obeyed on the instant, and the boat coming along side, a young and handsome man leaped upon our deck without the slightest appearance of fear or suspicion.

Who the devil are you? demanded Stamar, lookingly boy of your craft, or cockswain's second mate?"

I am neither one nor the other, sir, replied the young man firmly, I am her lieutenant.

Oh well! Mr. Lieutenant, you see my flag? It's red, as perhaps you can perceive. Go back and send your captain hither; I am not in the habit of treating with swabs of lower rank.

Pale with anger, and knitting his brows, the young man preserved, however, sufficient mastery over his temper to depart without reply; and in a few minutes the boat returned, bringing the Captain.

Where are you bound from? demanded Stamar.  
From Martinique.  
What's your trading?

As usual from that port—sugar and coffee. But how about specie? Have you none of that?

The French captain made no reply. The sound of his voice when he first spoke, had struck me as being very familiar to me; and the more I pondered, the more certain I became, this captain, who had so unhappily fallen into our power, was well known to me, Stamar, guessing the truth from the captain's silence, resumed—I see how it is—you have specie on board! Well, your boat will just do to bring so much of your freight as we may find it convenient to accept of.

There is no help for it, replied the unfortunate captain, and falsehood would be disgraceful, without being of any service. I frankly confess then, that I have specie on board. To it, and to everything else that we have, you are welcome, but I trust that, in return for my giving you no trouble, you will allow me and my crew to depart without experiencing any personal ill-treatment.

For whom do you take me messmate?—For upon your suspicions! You may go as soon as your visit is paid. My lieutenant will accompany you.

The captain of the merchantman bowed, and returned to his boat, accompanied by Lorenzo.

Five or six times the merchantman's boat went and came, bringing off to us all that the pirates judged to be worth taking.

All this time the captain of the luckless merchantman had been standing in silent expectation of the final orders of Stamar, who now said to him, You can go on your way now my friend; and of a surety you cannot say that we are so very wicked.

The captain thus addressed bowed in silence, hauled up his boat, and commenced veering to proceed on his voyage. The Shark then gently laid herself broadside to Stamar gave a signal to the infamous Lorenzo, and exclaimed at the same time to the

merchantman's captain, Adieu! a pleasant voyage to you.

Scarcely were the hypocrite's words uttered, when a fearful explosion of our whole range of guns shook every plank of the Shark and for a few moments both vessels were completely hidden in the thick black clouds of smoke. Stamar now gave the word, the Shark darted forward under all sail, and when the smoke had somewhat dispersed, we could see the unfortunate merchantman dreadfully torn by our shot, her deck covered with wounded men, whose cries and groans were truly dreadful.

On perceiving that our broadside had merely crippled the merchantman, instead of sinking her, Stamar flew into one of his fiercest paroxysms of rage.

Fools, brute beasts, he exclaimed, stamping on the deck; why did they not give it to her between wind and water? It's only a mere waste of powder and shot. Master, start me all these novices, put the very best men on board at the guns; above all, see that they ram home well, and level low.

Scarcely two minutes had elapsed from the giving of the ferocious order, when the new broadside of the Shark vomited death and destruction upon the crippled and helpless merchantman. Again for a few minutes the horizon was obscured by dark and heavy clouds of smoke; and some minutes elapsed before they cleared away sufficiently to enable us to see the effect of our volley.

Frightful but impotent imprecations reached us through the livid atmosphere; and at length could be distinguished the aged and unfortunate captain mounted on the bulwarks of his shattered vessel, now tearing his hair, and anon extending his clenched fist towards us in vain menacing and detestation. Traversed as his ship had been in every direction by our balls, she was rapidly sinking; and just as she was finally settling down, some of her crew sought shelter in her tops, while others plunged into the sea, and swam towards us.

Alas! the case of those who still clung to the masts of their sinking ship was not so joyful more hopeless than that of the unhappy crew, who looked for safety in the mercy of Stamar.

Seeing that they were swimming vigorously towards us, he shouted, Shoot me off a few of those fellows, they seem marvellously inclined to aid in the consumption of our grog and biscuit. Take good aim, I say, here, some of you, and shoot me them off!

His orders were obeyed to the very letter. Shot followed shot in quick succession, and man after man fell beneath the murderous aim of the ferocious pirates. Now and then a cap or straw hat rose to the surface, and floated around the shattered vessel which the foaming waves were now fast engulfing.

THE GASCON'S MANNER.—A gentleman from one of the Provinces, went to a fashionable establishment in Paris, to purchase a bonnet for his wife, which he requested the mistress of the establishment to select. The lady selected a very elegant hat, and when the gentleman inquired the price, she answered that it had been paid for. The gentleman was much surprised, and desired an explanation. "Sir," said the lady, "ten years ago, you bought some apples of a little girl in the streets of Paris. The poor child had not enough to change a gold piece which you gave her, and she mentioned that her mother was sick at home; you told her to keep the money till she had enough to change it. The little apple merchant now stands before you. I have married a rich man, and I must beg of you to accept that hat as a testimony of my gratitude for the gift which saved my poor mother from much suffering."

NOTICE  
HAVING transmitted to the different By Road Commissioners, the Bonds to be signed for the various By Road services, in the County of Charlotte, I have to inform all concerned, that arrangements have been made with the Charlotte County Bank for the payment of the Bonds, one month after the Bonds have been duly executed, and the similar arrangements will be made with the St. Stephen Bank, or the different Deputy Treasurers within the County; Bonds are also ready for the Commissioners to expend Special Grants, on application to the subscriber.

JAMES BOYD.  
St. Andrews, June 17, 1856.

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THO. TURNER ODELL,  
M. S. HANNAH,  
Commissioners.

St. Andrews, June 30, 1856.