

sharply outlined—the stalks equally graceful in their varied green, and the roseate bells of the one contrasting and harmonising so finely with the rich violet flowers of the other, might really form a study for a painter. I never saw any thing more graceful in quaint and cunning art, than this bit of simple nature. But nature often takes a fancy to outvie her skilful and ambitious handmaid, and is always certain to succeed in her competition."

You may be discouraged by an array of flowers new to you, and of others, the myrtle and passion-flower for instance, which will not endure the rigor of our climate. But there are beautiful plants enough that will, exotics and natives

If there is no cultivator within your reach who will give you seeds, and slips, go to the woods and get the flowers that nature has so profusely sown there. The laurel (calmia,) the wild honeysuckle, (azalia,) and the sweet brier grow all over our hills. The most beautiful species of the clematis grows like a common weed along our river-courses, and all the varieties of the orchis, the brilliant cardinal, (lobelia,) and flowers, more than I can name, are scattered over even our cold northern states.

Girls of fourteen, some girls of twelve years, are perfectly competent to the weeding of straw-berry beds, training grape-vines, tying up lettuces, transplanting tomatos and cauliflowers, and the entire culture of flowers and shrubs.

A basket of strawberries is a gift fit to offer a princess, a benefaction to bestow on an invalid, and a resource for hospitality in a frugal household. How cheaply earned is such a luxury?—cheaply! the labor that produces it is paid ten-fold in the health and cheerfulness of the labourer.

The time spent in embroidering pocket-hankerchiefs and handkerchiefs, will cover your gardenbeds with strawberries, and fill them with flowers, and adornment of paradise—then, my dear young friends, estimate the worth of each, and choose your occupation.

WHITE CARROTS.—The *N. E. Farmer* informs us that B. V. French, Esq. of Braintree, Mass, raised the past season, over 22 tons per acre of White Carrots, on ground not particularly well prepared for roots. He attributes this great crop principally to the use of the subsoil plow on the land the previous season.

NEWS.

PROGRESS.—The Free Scotch church receives the hearty sympathy of the friends of religious freedom in England. The Independents and Wesleyans have congratulated them, and contributed liberally to sustain the enterprise. Upwards of a million of dollars are said to have been subscribed already, to enable them to build churches, found seminaries, &c. The number of clergymen who have given in their adherence, is now 470; and the prospects are, that this will be increased to at least 700. Eighty young men have commenced preparatory studies for the ministry. It is also said that the church is about to send a deputation to America, to solicit aid. They will meet with a most cheerful reception, and receive the sympathy and assistance of all evangelical Christians and lovers of freedom.—*Evangelist.*

The Canada Wheat Bill has passed both Houses of Parliament and received the Royal Assent.

Notwithstanding the favourable appearance of the crops, a sudden rise of near 10s. per quarter had taken place in wheat.

The Revenue for the quarter exhibited a trifling improvement in the Customs and Excise—together, about a quarter of a million. The effect of the Income Tax was shewn in an increase of a million and three quarters on the quarter.

Puseyism continues to excite the greatest interest, and publications for and against it appear in great numbers.

A considerable number of Orangemen in Ireland have sent a friendly address to Daniel O'Connell. Repeal meetings and Repeal rent still go on briskly; but all fears of collision with Government appears to have subsided.

The crops are stated to be very fine in all parts of Canada, and in several, harvest has commenced.

Murders of the most cruel and atrocious kind have been committed on Thomas Kinnear, Esq., of Thornhill, near Toronto, and his house-keeper, the servant man and servant girl of the deceased are in custody for the crime.

Pardons have been granted to several more of the exiles implicated in the disturbances of 1837.

It is said that the Provincial Parliament is to meet next month. The Immigrants arrived, to 5th instant, are this year 16,741, against 36,603 to the corresponding period of last year.

FUGITIVE SLAVES.—There existed some apprehension at the time of the meeting of the Anti-Slavery Society, that the article providing for the surrender of runaway slaves, might be observed in reference to slaves escaping from the United States to Canada, but this has been set aside by Lord Ashburton publicly declaring that "a slave arriving in the British territories never can be claimed, or rendered liable to any personal service."

CANAL ACROSS THE ISTHMUS.—The project which has been so long mooted, and which ought long since to have been carried out, of joining the Atlantic and the Pacific, by a canal across the Isthmus of Darien, has been at length undertaken by a firm whose ample resources and public spirit afford a guaranty for its speedy and practical completion—Messrs. Barings, of London. The Canal, it is stated, will be completed in five years.

PRESBYTERIAN MARRIAGES.—It will be remembered that the courts of England decided that mixed marriages, performed by Presbyterian ministers, were invalid. This decision has produced the expected consternation in the North of Ireland, where Presbyterians are numerous. In the General Assembly, a committee was appointed to draw up a series of resolutions and petitions to both Houses of Parliament, on the subject. The resolutions were presented and adopted, and a deputation was appointed to proceed to London, and take active steps to procure redress.

Monies Received on Account of

Advocate.—P. M'Ilroy, Bytown, 3s 6d; W. Biggar, Huntingdon, 1s; R. Hutchison, New Edinburgh, 3s 6d; J. L. Greene, Waterford, 10s; D. Matheson, Embro, 10s; W. Brough, Brockville, 10s 6d; J. Lockwood, Brighton, 3s 1½d; J. G. Freel, Newmarket, 10s; W. L. Copeland, St. Catharines, 10s.; Sundries, Montreal, £1 2 6d.

Arrears.—J. Chamberlain, Abbotsford, £2; Mr. Dunbar, Montreal, 2s 6d.

MONTREAL PRICES CURRENT.—Aug. 14.

ASHES—Pot	23s 6d	LARD—	4½d a 5½d p. lb.
Pearl	25s ½d	BEEF—Mess	\$12
FLOUR—Fine	26s 6d	Prime Mess	\$9½
U. States	27s 6d	Prime	\$7½
WHEAT—	5s 6d	TALLOW—	5½d
PEASE—	2s 3d per minot.	BUTTER—Salt	4½d a 5½d
OAT-MEAL	8s per cwt.	CHEESE—	3d a 5½d
PORK—Mess	\$14	EXCHANGE—London ½ prem.	
P. Mess	\$11½	N. York	¾
Prime	\$10	Canada W. ½ a 1	

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