

COLONIAL.

New Brunswick.

NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTION.—The polling commenced in the several Districts this morning at eight o'clock, and will close at four this afternoon. We subjoin a statement of the votes at the several polling-places heard from before our paper went to press.

Table with columns for Wilmot, McLean, and various wards (King's, Queen's, Duke's, Sidney, Carleton, etc.) with corresponding vote counts.

The several polls will be summed up, and the member elect declared at the Court House, by the High Sheriff, on Monday next, at eleven o'clock.—Courier, 18th.

At a public meeting at Woodstock on the 3rd inst., at which Resolutions were passed approving of the objects of the New Brunswick Society for the promotion of Agriculture, Home Manufactures and Commerce; it was also resolved on motion of Charles Ferley, Esq., seconded by H. E. Dibblee, Esq., to request Dr. Holmes, the celebrated American lecturer, to visit the County of Carleton, and deliver a course of lectures on the subject of Agriculture.—lb.

Fairs were held on Tuesday and Thursday of last week, at Golden Grove and Loch Lomond, both in the Parish of Simonds. We are informed that the grain, roots and cattle exhibited were highly creditable to that part of the County, and show a very decided improvement within the last few years. Wheat was shewn weighing 65 lbs. per bushel, a sample from two acres, of similar quality, and various samples of oats were shewn weighing 46, 43, 50 and 51 pounds per bushel.—This latter weight is the heaviest we have ever heard of, and is a striking proof of the Agricultural capabilities of the country. Such oats will readily sell for three shillings or more per bushel, and as they are a crop subject to no diseases or casualties, and as a yield of 30 to 40 bushels per acre can with ordinary care be always ensured, we do not see why farming should not be more certain and profitable here than in Illinois or Wisconsin, where their chief business is to raise 15 to 25 bushels of wheat per acre, which on an average of seasons will not command over half a dollar per bushel in those States.—St. John Observer, 14th.

THE REVENUE.—The Freeman says that "the sum received at the Treasury Office for the port of St. John alone on the 31st of last month, was 3,250; on the 3d of the present month the receipts reached a still higher point, the amount being 23,350. From the 1st September to Saturday the 11th inst. inclusive, the duties paid at this port amounted to 28,500.

The Morning News states that "steps are being taken to have a Bill prepared to be laid before the Legislature next winter, praying for an Act of Incorporation for a Joint Stock Company, to build a Bridge across the Flats. The Bridge, it is supposed, will cost about £3000."

Canada.

QUEBEC.—Lord Elgin may shortly be expected in Quebec, and great preparations are being made to receive him, in a manner befitting his exalted position as Governor General of the British North American Provinces. This is as it should be. Apart from his position as Governor General, Lord Elgin is no ordinary man. As a public speaker he is far in advance of most of the inhabitants of this province, and unlike his countrymen he is neither slow nor stammering in his speech. As the representative of our Sovereign he is entitled to the highest respect; but care should be taken not to indulge too much in expressions of personal regard. Yet even in this respect it may be difficult to err. As the patron of literary institutions, as the friend of internal improvements, His Excellency commands our admiration. And his respect for constitutional rule should not be overlooked.—Quebec Morn. Chron.

About 40 tons of rock, projecting from the brink of Niagara Falls, near the centre, fell into the basin below on Thursday evening last; the concussion was heard for a considerable distance.—lb.

The St. Francis Telegraph says:—The track of the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad is laid to within a short distance of the village of Richmond, which it is expected to reach this evening or to-morrow morning. We are authorized to say that the celebration will take place at Richmond on the 15th inst., and the road will be open to the public on the 20th.

His Excellency and the Countess of Elgin had signified their intention of being present on the occasion of breaking ground by the Ontario and Simcoe and Huron Railroad Union Company on the 15th inst.—the day on which the Railroad is to be opened between St. Hyacinthe and Melbourne.

CANADIAN MINISTRY.—We learn from Toronto, that the new Canadian Ministry, as far as announced, is composed as follows: Mr. Hincks, Inspector General; Dr. Ralph, President of the

Council; Malcolm Cameron, Post Master General; W. Morris, Commissioner of Crown Lands; W. B. Richards, Attorney General for the Western Province; Mr. Drummond, Attorney General for the Eastern Province, and Mr. Moran, Provincial Secretary. Three other members of the Cabinet have yet to be appointed.

CHOLERA AT QUEBEC.—We learn from the Canada papers that the cholera has been prevalent at Quebec during the present season. It made its appearance about the 25th of August, and continued until early in the present month. The whole number of deaths by it was 236.—N. Y. Com. Advertiser.

In Canada West, there are now 3059 public schools, with 151,891 children connected therewith. In 1847 a Provincial Normal School was established at Toronto, in which 618 teachers have since been trained. A new building for its accommodation will be finished this season.

Prince Edward Island.

We are pleased to be informed that a gentleman in England, Captain Sleight, has purchased Mr. Charles Worell's large estate on this island for £17,000 sterling, and that he has written that he will be on the island in the beginning of November next. He intends to reside on the property, and to locate upon the lands a large number of settlers of capital, from Gloucester, in England.—Charlottetown, P. E. I. Islander.

Newfoundland.

DAUGHTERS OF TEMPERANCE.—A paragraph in a late number of the Courier announces the pleasing intelligence that a branch of the Daughters of Temperance has been established in Saint John's, under auspices which we cannot but think will greatly strengthen the cause of total abstinence in the metropolis of our island. The gifted Mrs. PEACE takes a prominent part in the movement, from whose mental energy and singleness of purpose we anticipate much good. We hope that this estimable and heroic band, who have thus nobly come forth to wage war against the fashionable vices of society, may speedily diffuse their leaven through the whole colony, until all those who rejoice in the name of wife shall become, what from the beginning they were intended to be, not hinderances but help-mates to their affianced lords. It is woman, after all, that has the deeper stake in this momentous struggle. The silent tear and lacerated bosom fall to her lot. Shall this humiliating state of things continue? We fear it must unless some such effort as the foregoing be made to remedy it. Let us then encourage the sex in this their most praiseworthy attempt to co-operate with us in reorganizing society; even self-interest obliges us thereunto; for it is to woman that childhood looks for support, manhood for happiness, age and infirmity for consolation, and oftimes expiring nature for that strength (under God) which enables us to enter upon our last and fearful journey whence there is no return.—Harbour Grace Herald.

The Rev. E. Butterell, Chairman of the Wesleyan Missions, has recently visited this and the neighbouring localities. He preached to large and attentive congregations in this place and in Perlican on Sabbath last; he expressed himself much pleased with the appearance of our Chapel and the school conducted here under the superintendence of Mr. John Lewis (which he examined) was far beyond what he had anticipated in point of order and efficiency.—Conn to Harbour Grace Herald.

The Wesleyan Ministers of this District held a synod here on the 17th and 18th inst. The meetings were presided over by the General Superintendent of the mission, (the Rev. E. Butterell), who delivered an interesting discourse in the Wesleyan Church on Wednesday evening, on which occasion there was a godly attendance.—lb.

The wires intended for the Electric Telegraph between this Bay and St. John's, arrived here last week in the Victoria, to Messrs Ridley & Sons.—We perceive they are about one eighth of an inch thick. The poles are nearly all erected. Mr. Miller (Mr. Gasborne's assistant) is now here.—lb.

INFORMATION reached town last evening, by persons from Trepassay, of the total loss, at St. Shott's, on Wednesday or Thursday last, of the brig Mary, of this port, owned by Mr. Maurice Cummins, on her passage from Sydney hither.—We are happy to be enabled to state that the Captain and crew had escaped, and had arrived safely and well at Trepassay, on Sunday. They were expected here last night.—St. John's, N. F. Morning Courier, 5th.

AMERICA.

United States.

THE LATE GALE.—In Gloucester, Newburyport, and other sea-ports, the greatest excitement prevails, and the families of those who are on board the various vessels are in a state of suspense which is truly agonizing, fearful as they are that the next hour will bring them sad tidings of fathers, husbands and brothers who have found a watery grave. In the town of Gloucester every one is more or less interested in the fishery, and it is estimated that there was property in the bay, belonging to that town alone, to the value of \$600,000—there being 140 sail of fishing vessels out, manned by 800 men. The Mutual Office in that place has risks amounting to over \$400,000 on the vessels alone; and 40 first class schooners,

averaging \$400 each, were added to the fleet this year. The office being conducted on the mutual principle, the loss will fall heavily on those who escape with their lives, or who escape the gale, and will seriously check the prosperity of this sea-port. Most of the vessels were also full of fish, and were about returning home.

Last week a most disastrous gale swept over Lake Erie, in which a number of lives were lost. The brig Christiana, of Port Sarina, was thrown on her beam ends, and when boarded off Wellington, the corpse of Capt. Lang was found lashed to the mast—her crew, nine in number, having met a watery grave. The Kentuckian is also reported to have been lost, with all hands. The brig Orner, and Kingston, and schrs. Everett, Courtland, and Oswego, went ashore at Cleveland; but it was expected they would be got off without much difficulty.

ANOTHER RAILROAD OPENED.—The Hudson River Railroad was opened on Wednesday last, and trains of cars, conveying the Directors, Stockholders, and their friends, arrived at Albany from New York city in three hours and fifty-five minutes, running time. They were saluted with cannons, &c., all along the line, and about 1000 persons sat down to a grand banquet at Albany.—The party returned to New York in the afternoon, and had a superb entertainment at the Astor House in the evening, to commemorate the opening. They thus passed twice over the entire length of the road, taking breakfast in New York, dining at Albany, and returning to the city in time for supper, all within about twelve hours, and by daylight.

FREIGHT FOR CANADA.—It is stated that the various railway lines which connect with the road to Canada, are now doing an immense business in forwarding freight. The utmost capacity of all the roads, in furnishing cars, and room to receive freight, is called in requisition, and the receipts for the month will greatly exceed the returns. We learn that a train of eighty cars left the Lowell Railroad station yesterday, for the Vermont Central Railroad, the freight being principally destined for Canada and the West. The cars now run through to Ogdensburg and Montreal, without breaking bulk, the boat used for crossing Lake Champlain fully answering all the purposes of a bridge.—Boston paper.

CANADA TRADE.—One commission house in Milk street, Boston, sold domestic woollen goods last month to the Canada trade, to the amount of \$52,000. The sales of upwards of \$40,000 of these domestic manufactures were made to parties of the first mercantile standing, who had never before visited the Boston market. This statement is from but one of our business firms. We have no doubt that there are other commission houses in our city whose books for the last month would exhibit a much larger aggregate of sales to new customers in Canada, than the one above given.—Traveller.

PROPOSED FUND FOR KOSUTH.—In expectation of the arrival of the Hungarian patriot, Mr. John F. Genin, the celebrated New York harter, (the purchaser of the "Jenny Lind" ticket), has addressed a letter to Mayor Kingsland, proposing the raising of a "Kossuth Fund" of \$100,000, and asking His Honour to act as Treasurer, to which request the Mayor has acceded. Mr. Genin heads the list with \$1000.

NEW YORK FINANCES.—The amount of tax levied in New York city for the present year, is within a fraction of \$1,000,000. The appropriation for the almshouse is nearly \$100,000, and for police upwards of \$500,000.

The new and splendid steamship S S Lewis, the first of the American line of Ocean Steamships from Boston to Liverpool, took her departure from the former port on Saturday forenoon 4th inst. She goes out heavily laden—so full indeed of freight was she, that it was impossible to take more, notwithstanding the numerous applications for the purpose. She is said to be the noblest propeller ever constructed in the United States, and the most costly vessel ever owned by Boston merchants.

FIRE AND LOSS OF LIFE.—At Cincinnati on Wednesday, the Queen Assin was entirely destroyed by fire. There were 106 boys in the asylum, and 100 of them escaped. Three dead bodies have been taken from the ruins. Many were bruised by jumping from windows.

Fifty persons are digging for gold at Stratford, Conn., in the expectation of finding from \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000, said to have been buried there by a Spanish captain.

The death of James Buchanan, Esq., formerly the British Consul in New York, is recorded in the Montreal papers. He died at Elmwood, near that city, in the 81st year of his age.

FROM MEXICO.—Dates to the 9th inst., from Brazos, bring interesting intelligence respecting the Sierra Madre war, and the onward march of the revolutionists. The liberating army was still on a successful move, and had taken the town of Roynosa, meeting with but little resistance. One field-piece and a quantity of other arms fell into their hands.

FLORIDA SALT.—It is estimated that from 20,000 to 40,000 bushels of salt are made annually at Key West by solar evaporation. The salt is said to possess superior qualities for saving meat, and is much sought after. The business is now carried on to a small extent, but can easily be extended a thousand fold, as the natural salt ponds are very extensive. It is predicted that it will become a very important trade in a few years at Key West.

MISCELLANEOUS.

REMOURED MINISTERIAL CHANGES.—The Morning Advertiser asserts that the Marquis of Lansdowne has fixedly determined to withdraw from official life before next session, in consequence of the infirmities incident to old age, and the discharge of public duties occasioned by the death of the Marchioness. The Advertiser also affirms that Sir George Grey's return to official duty is entirely dependent upon the state of his health, which is still far from being satisfactory. The loss of these two ministers will be a heavy blow to the Russell cabinet. Lord Lansdowne lent it the prestige of respectability, and Sir George Grey that of official tact and diligence, and the services of a cool, steady, and formidable debater. Upon the character of their successors will greatly depend, not merely the existence of the present administration, but the class of measures it is likely to introduce next session.

FROM THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—An arrival at Boston on Wednesday brings accounts from the Cape of Good Hope to the 3rd September—upwards of a month later than our previous advices.

The accounts are more favourable for peace. The Cape Town Mail of the 2nd says, that they have at length encouraging news from the frontier. The Government has been reinforced by two fine regiments, and 100 artillerymen, in all 1500 men. The Governor, Sir Harry Smith, was in high spirits at the more favourable prospects, and said he would conclude no treaty of peace short of the unconditional submission of the Caffirs.

THE NAVIGATION OF SHIPS AT SEA.—It has long been the practice of vessels upon a wind meeting each other to pass in the port side, the vessel on the starboard tack keeping her course, and the one on the larboard tack giving way. But this rule was not till recently embodied in our statute law. Steam vessels were, by a former act, required to exhibit lights, and pass on the larboard tack; but by the 14th and 15th Vic., cap. 79, ss. 26, 27, and 28, the law formerly applicable only to steam-vessels, is now extended to sailing-vessels. The new act received the royal assent so lately as the 7th of August last, and will come into operation on the 31st December next.

The scarcity of volunteers for the navy is felt now, not only by the large ships, but by small vessels, which were wont to be manned in a few hours. There is scarcely a ship at the ports that has her complement, whether flag ship, harbour ship, advanced ship, or full seagoing vessel.—United Service Gazette.

SINGULAR CASE.—The Round Courier records the following singular case:—About a month ago, the daughter of a citizen of Napanoch, Ulster county, fell into a deep sleep, at about midnight, without any previous monition, lasting an unusual time; and since then recurrent attacks have to be feared at intervals, one of which, an apparently profound slumber, lasted within a few hours of six days! During all this period of sleep, about a wine-glass full of milk was the nutriment that could be administered. Every effort to arouse her from these torporous fits, save with a remarkable exception. The voice of a former pastor of the church at N appears to arouse consciousness, and with some exertion on his part, the spell is broken for a time. The case seems to baffle all medical skill thus far. The girl is about fifteen years of age.

SIR JOHN FRANKLIN AND THE CLAIRVOYANT.—The Edinburgh Advertiser calls attention to the following singular circumstance connected with the search for Sir John Franklin:—

"On the 17th of February last a clairvoyant, whose revelations are given in Dr. Gregory's late work, stated that Capt. Austin was at that moment in lon 95 deg. 45 min. west, which corresponds exactly with the actual position of the place where he is now found to have perished the winter. According to her statement, Sir John Franklin was at the same time in lon. 191 deg. 45 min. of about 400 miles to the westward; he had been previously relieved, and a third ship was then frozen up along with his two."

THE QUICKEST VOYAGE TO CHINA.—The Chrysolite, a clipper ship, built at Aberdeen by the Messrs. Hall, for the Liverpool and China trade, has recently made the voyage from Liverpool to Anjer in eighty days. This is the quickest trip on record. The C. was built to contest the voyage with the Oriental, a ship which had previously gone the distance in eighty nine days.

A SPANISH PRINCESS.—The infant Princess of the Duke and Duchess of Montpensier, was baptised at the palace of Santelmo, at Seville, by the cardinal archbishop, and received the names of—Maria Amelia Luisa Henriqueta Felipa Antonia Fernanda Christina Isabella Adelaida Justa Josefa Joaquina Ana Francisca de Asia Justa Rufina Francisca de Paula Ramona Elena Carolina Babiana Polonia Gaspara Melchora Baltasara Augustina Sabina.

A LITERARY DISCOVERY.—We learn from Hanover that, in the course of a revision of the archives of Celli, a box has been found containing a collection of important documents from the thirty years' war—viz., part of the private correspondence of Duke George of Brunswick-Luneburg, with drafts of his own epistles, and original letters from Pappenheim, Gustavus Adolphus, and Piccolomini.—Literary Gazette.

The venerable John Philips, Superintendent of the London Missions in South Africa, died on the 27th August.

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