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extraordinary attempts to subdue the temper and natural propensities of his ferocious pupils. In this singular species of apprenticeship which...

A singular proof of his confidence in his powers of control over the brute creation, and of the almost presumptuous hubbub of the experiments he exhibited, is afforded by details of the feats which were so attractive at New York.

On another occasion he introduced a child about seven years old, and a lamb, into a cage of lions, tigers, and other fierce and powerful brutes, and the rehearsal of this exhibition was attended by a remarkable incident.

The animals I have now with me, resumed our interlocutor, came into my hands direct from Africa; I tamed them, and brought them to their present docile state.

and over, biting and roaring, while I was employed in beating them both with a heavy hickory club over face, legs and back. After some time I managed to separate them, and drove them into opposite corners, where they crouched, glaring at one another, and uttering a short, sharp and angry growl.

GRAND SPECIMEN OF REPUBLICAN FEROCITY. The Vicksburg Duel.—We copy the following account of the recent duel at Vicksburg, from the Southern Marksman, the editor of which received it from a gentleman on the ground:

"They were to have fought at 11 o'clock, A. M. and many started across the river as early as day break, thinking that the time reported was to evade the militia that would be assembled, & that the fight would take place at sunrise, and boats were continually crossing from that time until the parties met on the ground for combat.

Having struck the extra guard that protects the tube of Menifee's rifle, broke it off, knocked off the cap, and broke the hollow part of the hammer that presses on the tube, thereby glancing and striking as above stated, the ball being split.

"MACKENZIE'S GAZETTE.—Sure this is a free country—a very free country; and the press is free almost to licentiousness; and tolerance of speech and opinion, and even of misrepresentation and abuse—shall we add of slander and falsehood—prevails here as it does

nowhere else on the face of the earth. If any one doubts this, let him read the following paragraph from McKenzie's Gazette of last Saturday:

"Surely the whies of New York and of Ogleburg are a different race! The former, as I have seen them, seem to regard this great city not as an American republican city, but as an English toy outpost—not a christian city, but a worse than heathen one.

"Would any dream that this gross libel upon our citizens was penned by a foreigner of scarcely a year's residence among us, and who owes the safety of his own dear neck to the people whom he calumniate?"—Journal of Commerce.

Mr. John Ayretein lately led to the altar in Philadelphia, Miss Rhoda Grayson, after a continued courtship of thirty-four years.

A Bill has passed the New York Senate, and is now before the Assembly, for the incorporation of a Company in this city with a capital of not less than 500,000 dollars, nor more than 2,000,000 dollars, to be denominated "American Atlantic Steam Navigation Company."

Rents in Wall Street, New-York have advanced for the next year about one hundred per cent, in consequence of intended improvements.

STRANGE NOTICE.—The New Orleans Sun says:—"The Graphic is on exhibition, at the Methodist Church, Boydras street. There will be no service during the exhibition."

A farmer going to get his grist ground at a mill, borrowed a bag of one of his neighbours. The poor man was somehow or other knocked into the water by the water wheel, and the bag went with him.

"Why is the Atlas like the celebrated poet? D'ye give it up?—Because it strikes the trembling lyre."—Boston Atlas.

The London papers give long accounts of two highly successful first appearances in opera—at Paris, of Mademoiselle Pauline Garcia, sister of Madame Mallion, and at Venice of Miss Adelaide Kemble, sister of Mrs. Butler.

The boy who proclaimed that he had been concealed a year in the Queen's Palace, on his final examination confessed that he got in only the day before he was arrested.

Mr. Clement Hoare, author of a treatise on the cultivation of the vine, is about to establish a vineyard on Shirley Common, Hampshire.

The rage for tartan dresses appears to be on the increase, and offers from all parts of the Continent, from the Empress of Russia, and from the Court Nobility of England, for the various sets and patterns of the Clan tartans, have been received at Inverness.

The Corporation of Hull intend to give a public dinner to I. J. Durham.

The Rev. John Peel, brother of Sir Robert Peel, is appointed Dean of Canterbury.

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QUEBEC, SATURDAY, 16th FEBY. 1839.

Table with columns: LATEST DATES, From London, From Liverpool, From Paris, From New York, From Halifax, From Toronto.

No later European intelligence has yet been received. The New-York Commercial Advertiser states on the authority of a passenger by the Philadelphia, who had previous to his leaving England, a conversation with Captain Hoskin of the Great Western, to the effect that that steam-vessel would not probably be ready to leave Bristol before the 26th ultimo, one week after the date for which she was advertised.

New-Brunswick papers of the 9th instant were received this morning. A bill for making the Civil List perpetual had been read a third

time in the House of Assembly, and had been sent to the Legislative Council, for their concurrence.

The New-York Evening Post states that Louis Joseph Papineau, formerly Speaker of the House of Assembly of this Province, has died for Havre.

The Special Council met on Thursday last, at Montreal, as summoned by proclamation. It is expected that the session will be a protracted one, as the quantity and importance of the business to come before it are great.

The Montreal Herald of Thursday says:—"To-morrow morning at nine o'clock, Charles Hindelang, Chevalier de Lorraine, Pierre-Raimi Narbonne, Amable Dumas and Francois Nicolas, will be executed in front of the new goal. Hindelang is very assiduous in preparing for his untimely end, and is frequently visited by the Reverend Dr. Bethune and the Rev. Mr. Findlater, who services he duly appreciates.

The defence of Pettigo and others, before the Court Martial, which commenced yesterday, is proceeding to-day.

The New-York Commercial Advertiser publishes a letter from Parker, one of the prisoners in the Citadel of Quebec, who made an ineffectual attempt to escape. It is addressed to his father, and purports to be intended to do away with any unjust impressions which his friends may have formed from the infamously false statements made by Theller, at several public meetings after his arrival in the United States.

Yesterday, an individual named James O'Gorman, a potter in the employ of Mr. Geo. Hall, greaser, was sent to Mr. Houghton's with a horse to be shod; and whilst waiting in the forge, he suddenly dropped down on the floor, and expired. It is supposed that the cause of his death was apoplexy. An inquest is to be held on the body this morning.

We believe the following is a correct list of the persons that were drowned in the canoe that was upset on Tuesday morning last:—Jean Robere, Joseph Paquet, of St. Gervais; Jean Roi, Michel Roi, Catherine Roi, P. Poire, Germain Labreque, and Jean Labreque, M. Dorval, Chas. Fauché, (son of Major Fanché, of St. Thomas), Andre Blanchet, of St. Charles; Amos Farquhar, of St. Sylvester; Francois Patoin, and his son, aged 8 years; Mr. Chabot's son, and two brothers of the name of Kirouac.—Quebec Gazette.

(From the Quebec Mercury of Thursday last.) The murder of Mr. Taché at Kamouraska, being the suspicion now afloat should prove well founded, has been one of the foulest deeds ever recorded in the annals of crime. We regret to add that his widow, who had been for some time living separate from her husband at Wm. Henry, where she had formed an intimacy with Dr. Holmes, has been arrested, under circumstances affording strong presumption of her having been an accomplice in the dreadful deed; she is now a prisoner at Montreal.

A servant girl who had lived with her for some time, has declared that she was engaged by Mrs. Taché to poison her husband, but that the attempt failed. This woman is in custody being detained to appear as a witness. Letters from Sorel concur in stating that one from Holmes to Mrs. Taché, bearing the post mark Burlington, had been intercepted in the Post-Office, and opened by a Magistrate. It informed her of his arrival at Burlington—and that he had killed Taché in a duel, and directed her to join him. The escape of Holmes is almost incredible considering the little precaution he took, or rather the insane rashness with which he proceeded.—He left Sorel some time ago declaring he was going to Henry Ville, but instead of that he proceeded to Kamouraska, a distance of two hundred miles, with his own horse and carriage, and returned with the most peculiar circumstances his journey from the barbers and in the car allowed to proceed, and a home without interruption.

The journey thence appears to have been unobscured or exchanged his carriage, which she stole,—It is taken but for the moment the constable sent in having started without necessary a return giving the accused time to return to the examination of Mr. Thoroughwell possessing that it was monstrous party to the murder was known she had a prevent his committing under delirium. Hence at the restraint appeared intimidated which she stole,—It that Holmes has been the letter intercepted assertion. His escape will not protect him, not be given, in any monster who has so de a fine creature, circumstances connecting affair.

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"The severe sickness inspection of the 52nd Thursday last."

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At Montreal, on Mo aged 75, for full a que that city, where he fill Master. At the Cedars, L. C. Windall, wife of the d. chine, aged 50. At St. Paul, Count mourning the 11th inst. Gamelin, widow of the At Toronto, on the her son, Major Magra James Magrath, Recto to.

In the poor house at alr. Edward Allan T. of the Freeman's Jou cited in the editorship Mr. Talbot was an tra a numerous writs. Bei bellion, he left the er death tells a tale as to and a formidable orga use Canada!