

There is in the Bishop of London's library at Fulham a manuscript in the hand-writing of Governor Bradford, one of the leading pilgrim fathers, who in 1620 landed at Plymouth Rock, Mass., giving a diary of proceedings of pilgrims containing the compact or constitution out of which arose the federation now termed the United States. The document was captured as plunder by a British soldier during the American war of independence, from an old Dutch church in Boston.

Mr. Scott suggests that England give the document in the name of the Queen and nation to the United States.

THE NEW YEAR'S DAY EXCURSION MEDAL.

THE latest thing of local numismatic interest which we have to record is the striking of a medal to commemorate the fact of the river remaining open till Jan. 1st, 1882.

The medal which is of white metal is barely $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch in diameter, and bears on the obverse a side-wheel steamer inscribed "Longueuil" to the right on water, and the legend "Pleasure trip on the St. Laurence | per | Steamer Longueuil | Capt. O. Duval | January 1st | 1882 |" with the imprint "Lymburner, Montreal, below the water."

The reverse bears the inscription "Compagnie | De | Navigation de | Longueuil | Voyage de Plaisir - 1st Janvier | 1882 | Ovide Dufresne | Gerant |"

This medal was struck by Lymburner of this city, the dies being engraved by Messrs. Power & Dawson, and it was sold on board the steamer *Longueuil* on the day of the excursion, and can now be had from Mr. Lymburner, St. Antoine St., at the rate of 10 cents each. The dies are the first engraved by the firm, and the execution is poor, the lettering having been engraved and not punched, with the result of making it irregular.

In 1878 Mr. Lymburner struck a small medal to commemorate a similar event, which has heretofore been consi-