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plained by one of the company's remarking that Miss St. John's pocket was turned inside out; and that the elegant gentleman who sat between them had helped himself to the subscription he had put on the plate, and something beside. It is said that Barrington facilitated his operations by instruments which he had made for the purpose. I recollect a circumstance of this kind. He waited upon a surgical instrument maker, and ordered a pair of scissors of a curious form; a few days afterwards, he called for them, and paid two guineas, which the maker charged. After he had left the shop, the cutter's wife said, "My dear, as the gentleman seemed so pleased with the scissors, I wish we had asked him what use they were for—he might recommend us, do run after him!" The cutter scampered out of the shop, and overtaking the gentleman, hoped he would excuse him, but would he tell him what use he intended to make of the scissors? "Why, my friend," said Barrington, "I don't know whether I can tell you—it is a great secret." "O, pray let sit—it may be something in our way." Upon which Barrington, pressing hard upon his scawlder, whispered in his ear, "they are for the picking of pockets!" In the utmost consternation, the scissors maker ran back, and the moment he got into the shop, "My dear," he cried, "will you believe it?—they are for the picking of pockets?"—"Yes my dear," cries the wife, "but what is the matter with your clothes?" The cutter looked, and presently discovered that the scissors had extracted the two guineas he had just received for them.

UNITED STATES.

There were forty applications for divorce at a late term of the Supreme Court of Ohio. We will venture to classify them. By husbands 3, by wives 37. Of the latter, the causes assigned were as follows: Cruelty 13, infidelity 8, abandonment and refusal to support 15. Of the 37 husbands thus complained of by wives, 27 were decidedly intemperate, and 9 moderate drinkers. In three applications by husbands, the causes assigned were, infidelity 2, elopement 1. In all three cases, the wives were driven to this by cruelty and intemperance of the husbands.—(West pa.)

Mr. George Pollock, of Newbern, N. C. was killed a few days since by a fall from his horse. He is said to have been the largest slaveholder in the United States, owning at the time of his death 3,700 slaves!

From the Detroit Free Press.

On Tuesday information was received at the custom house of the whereabouts of one of the custom depots, some thirty miles from the city. The collector immediately dispatched his son Mr. D. L. McDonell and Mr. Storey, custom house officers, in search of it. They returned on Wednesday having been successful in their search, and brought in a wagon load of arms, ammunition, &c. which have been deposited at Dearborn for safe keeping. They are principally British.

The Burning Mine.—The Pottsville Emporium says: "We regret to state that the Jugular Vein in Broad Mountain, to which we referred some weeks ago, is still on fire; and from personal observation, we should presume that the pillars of coal, which are left to prop the mines, are on fire. The late rains only added fresh fuel and there is no telling when or where it may end."

"The United States of America, is the only country in the world, where a man can be a MAN in the true sense of the word."—Toronto Patriot.

From the Buffalo Commercial Advertiser.
The trial of Dr. L. P. Vaughan, indicted at Richmond, Va, for the murder of Walter H. Pleasant, has terminated in a verdict of not guilty. The deceased and the accused were both young men, most respectably connected, and the trial excited great interest. The Enquirer says the result has produced much surprise and excitement at Richmond.

The Philadelphia Gazette gives the following history of the affair. After reading it, no one will be astonished that the verdict should produce surprise and excitement:

Our readers must remember the incidents of this atrocious homicide. Pleasant was the accepted lover of an accomplished young lady, of whom Vaughan was also enamoured. He preferred his suit, and was rejected. In a fit of blind indignation, he thought to succeed in winning her affections, by destroying the man to whom she was betrothed. Accordingly he sought every mode to provoke him into a duel, but apocryphal apology on his part, was the result of this bravo stratagem. At last he

walked into the room of Pleasant, at his hotel, only a few days before his intended marriage, and placing a pistol at his breast, at once shot him down. The scene was a horrible one; the young man's shirt bosom on fire from the powder, himself staggering across the room, his heart's blood gushing out upon the floor, and his malignant assassin looking fondly on!

One would suppose that such a man, for such an act, so clearly proved, should be hanged as soon as tried; but no—he is acquitted, and at large."

UPPER CANADA.

From the Toronto Patriot April 30.
The steamboat Traveller had a miraculous escape from burning or capture in the Port of Rochester on Friday last. Some scoundrel or other went to a Magistrate and obtained from him a search warrant against the Traveller, on an affidavit, that she suspected she was conveying Prisoners to transportation. First the Collector of the Port went aboard, and being speedily satisfied that he had been led by false information, quietly went his way. But immediately afterwards Mr. Kenzie, Montgomery, and Gibson, attended by one called the Sheriff and sixteen or seventeen other loafing looking rascals, came on board, armed with pistols and other weapons, and searched every nook, or crevice of the Boat, on pretence of hunting for the prisoners. They were exceedingly insolent in their remarks and observations, with the view, as our informant thought, of exciting some severe retorts that might lead to a row, and justify a bonny blaze. But both officers and crew manifested the utmost prudence, and afforded no ground or pretext for ill-usage, so after a most minute search they were fain to take their departure. During the search, the bank of the river above the boat was crowded with above a hundred piratical villains, armed with rifles, ready on the slightest signal to crow upon the boat. Our informant is of opinion, that this manoeuvre was practised, to discover in what state of preparation for defence, the boat was kept, with a view to an attack on a future night.—The intruders examined every musket on board, and took note of the loaded and unloaded, but removed nothing. The instant sufficient steam could be got up, the good ship Traveller travelled away from Rochester, whither she will never travel again, except by force, or with a force to obtain satisfaction. She now belongs to the Government, and will be armed for our defence. The populace of Rochester, will doubtless keep Buller and his friend Lord Durham, properly informed of the audacious behaviour of the Captain and Crew of the Traveller, and of the forbearance and kindness of the "respectable republican Citizens," so that the truth may be fully made known, in both Houses of the British Legislature. We suppose, that with a view of recommending the destruction of Steam-boats, the brigands have resolved to commemorate the 29th of May, the anniversary of the burning of the Sir Robert Peel steamer, by a grand banquet at Albany, to which feast they have had the insolence and audacity to invite Captain Leary, R. N. late of the Bull Frog, and other naval Officers, now on our station. As to the restoration of tranquility, the idea is absurd—the approaching summer will be attended with more patriotic exhibitions than ever.

Our House of Assembly have addressed His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he will extend the Royal Pardon to Mr. Robert Goulay, who it will be recollected was banished some twenty years ago, on some charge of sedition, or inciting to sedition.

Fire in the Mountains.—We learn from the Carlisle Herald that a destructive fire broke out in the South Mountains opposite that borough last week which raged for several days and which covered the ground for miles, with one continued sheet of flame. It originated in the mountain above Cumberland Furnace, and extended seven miles along and five across the mountain—thus destroying the timber and cord wood in an area of thirty-five square miles. The Herald says:—The loss to the different Iron works in the destruction of their fine young growing chestnut and other timber is so enormous, that it would be difficult to put an estimate on it. It is said that upwards of 2000 acres of Dickinson Forge and about 4900 acres of Mount Holly Iron Works were burnt over.

Pine Grove and Cumberland Furnaces, also suffered in this way severely. The fire was still raging with fury when the rain of last week came and fortunately put an extinguisher upon it.

A LESSON FOR DESERTERS.—Two men were severally tried at the Kingston U.C. Assizes, for enticing soldiers to desert, but were both acquitted. The cause of one man's acquittal we have not learned, probably from want of sufficient evidence; but the other scoundrel would have been convicted, and that on the clearest and most direct evidence, had the jury been pleased to believe the principal witness. This was a soldier belonging to the 83rd Regt., who had deserted with several others, by aid of the prisoner, but who having repented of the act, had returned to Canada and been forgiven. His testimony was positive as to the identity of the prisoner, and it was strongly corroborated by that of Messrs. Macfarlane, Wilson and others; but the Jury, knowing the witness to have committed the high crime of perjury, in deserting his colours, did not choose to convict any person on his oath. In our opinion they acted perfectly right.—British Whig.

BILL JOHNSON.—Facts.—Some time ago we announced that Bill Johnson had been liberated. We now announce that he is at Cape Vincent. He has employed a Mr. Folger, to build him four or five boats, to resume his old trade among the islands. His daughter, the Queen of the Thousand Islands as she is termed, is to be married to a rich sympathiser at Albany, who furnishes the means for Bill's expedition.—Bellevue Intelligencer.

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QUEBEC, WEDNESDAY, 8th MAY, 1839

First arrivals from Europe.

The telegraph this morning announces four square rigged vessels, and one schooner, the names of which, with the exception of the Rainbow, are not yet reported. The steamer is about to proceed below, for the purpose of towing. The Rainbow had a cargo of 37 days from Portsmouth. She is commanded by Capt. Arnold, formerly of the Procris, which for two successive years was the first arrival at this port from Europe.

The Halifax mail, due on Monday, arrived this morning. Several of the spring fleet had arrived, and brought papers to the 27th March from Scotland, and to the 30th from London and Liverpool. The Acadian Recorder states that the John Porter, Georgian, and Wm. Ash were hourly expected. They are full freighted with valuable cargoes, and a considerable stir in business will be excited by their arrival.

London, March 29th.
Despatches from Sir John Harvey, Governor of New-Brunswick; from Sir Colin Campbell, Governor of Nova Scotia, were received at the Colonial Office on the 28th March.

We learn that the market for foreign grain has undergone another and a most material change for the worse even since yesterday. Sales seem at length to have become almost altogether impracticable at any price not absolutely ruinous to the importers. The duty has advanced to 2s. 8d. per quarter and to judge from the present state of things, the supplies coming forward being still very large, there is no doubt it will continue to rise for some time.

Monsieur Bedard had an interview with the Marquis of Normandy on the 28th at the Colonial Office.

Toronto papers of the 1st, at Kingston of the 4th inst. are received.

His Excellency Sir George Arthur has determined on proroguing the Provincial Parliament on Thursday next. A number of useful laws have been passed during the session. We regret that there is no likelihood of anything being done with the Clergy Reserves.

It is said the Receiver General goes to England for the purpose of raising funds for the engagements of the military, in which we have no doubt he will succeed.

It is not supposed there was money in the Mail that was robbed. There was one money letter of small amount from Kingston. A reward of \$800 has been offered for the discovery of the robbers.

We observe by a notice from the General Post Office in London, that the Postage upon Letters to be forwarded by Packets to North America is reduced to one shilling, single—two shillings, double, &c. and that the letters for New Brunswick and the Canadas, so reduced, are not to be burnt with any internal postage tax.—Acadian Recorder.

By an official statement furnished in the Buffalo Journal by the Collector at that city, it appears that the receipts during the first six

says after the opening of the Erie Canal, are about ninety per cent. greater than they were last season during the same period.

The celebration of the semi-centennial anniversary of the inauguration of Washington, as first President of the United States, took place in New York on Tuesday last. Ex-president Adams delivered an oration on the occasion, which is described to have been at once profound and eloquent.

It is said, that the first edition of 10,000 copies of SIR FRANCIS HEAD'S NARRATIVE, which was printed in one week, was sold in three days in London.

Several acts of incendiarism have lately taken place in Albany. Five attempts were made in one day to set fire to the city. Four lads have been taken up on suspicion of being the authors; no reasons are assigned for their perpetrating such diabolical crimes.

The steamer *Charlevoix* arrived from Montreal yesterday afternoon, at two o'clock, and will leave to-night at ten.

The steamer *John Bull* will leave this evening at nine o'clock.

We have great satisfaction in stating that the Deputy Post Master General has so length accomplished an arrangement for conveying his Mails by Steamboat, during the season of navigation, between Brockville and Toronto, and between the latter place and Niagara and Hamilton. This arrangement, which will greatly expedite the conveyance of the Mail, will prevent also the recurrence, at least during the summer, of another mail robbery by the Yankee loafers who infest the borders.—*Mercury*.

A general meeting of the members of the Emigrant Society was held yesterday at the Exchange, when the following Gentlemen were elected to fill the respective Offices for the present year:

- MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE QUEBEC EMIGRANT SOCIETY.
President.—H. Jessopp, Esquire.
Vice-Presidents.—Hon. Gen. Pemberton, H. La Mesurier, Esq., Hon. F. W. Primrose.
Francis Bell, John Fraser, Wm. Power, D. Burnet, H. Scott, W. Bristol, P. Piletier, J. B. Forsyth, Wm. Newton, William S. Sewell, Wm. Patton, Wm. Phillips, R. E. Gardiner, Edward Ryan, John Fisher, J. G. Irvine, John Mussen, H. J. Caldwell, Paul Lepper, G. B. Cullen, Esquires.
J. MEYER, Secretary.

The Army.
Wm. Officer, March 29.—Rifle Brigade. Quarter Master Sergeant R. Taylor, to be Quarter Master vice W. Hill, who retires upon half pay. Next to be Lieut. Col. in the Army, Major J. Campbell, employed on particular service in Canada; Major P. Young, do; Major L. Carmichael, do; Major H. D. Townsend, 24th foot; Major J. Bushnell Eastport, 42d foot; Major G. Philpotts, Royal Engineers. To be Majors in the Army, Capt. G. Bell, 1st foot; Capt. C. Du Plat, and F. Paster, Royal Engineers.

Commercial.

The following is the result of a sale held yesterday at the stores of Wm. Chapman & Co. by J. Sheppard, Esq. —
77 qr. casks Marseilles Madeira at 2s @ 2s 4d 47 gal
20 baskets Champagne, at 3s @ 3s 4d
Windsmill Brand.
12 baskets do. "Mousserex" 50s @ 27s 4d
10 do. do. Le Roy, 10s remainder withdrawn.
7 cases Curaco at 30s. 6d.
12 bills a dozen Pale Ale 2s 6d 47 doz.
Chest Twankey 2s 6d; remainder withdrawn.
None of the other qualities of Teas sold.
21 boxes Candles, moulds and dip'd @ 10 1/2 @ 10 1/4
1 box Sperm. 2s 6d; remainder withdrawn.
7 boxes, each 2 doz Champagne Brandy at 2s 1/2 dozen.—*Mercury*.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF QUEBEC.

ENTERED FOR LOADING.
May 7th.
Independence, 619, Belfast, G. H. Parke, Carmarthen Wharf.

Arrived at the Quarantine Station, (Green Isle) Ship Rainbow, Arnold, 31st March, from Fortmouth, with a general cargo to Wm. Chapman & Co.—She has on board 11 cabin and 3 steerage passengers.

The Rainbow reports having seen off the Island of Antigua, a bark, a brig, and three other square rigged vessels.

Halifax, April 8th.—Sailed for Quebec on the 25th.—Schr. Will Watch, Con. master, with coal oil, sugar, &c.
Cleared on the 30th for Montreal.—Schr. Olive Branch, Boecher; Schr. Harriet, do. Capt.

London, March 23d.—Pekin, Pye; Ast, Will ville; Camden, Armstrong West India Dock, 3/4 Wm. Hensley, Gosh, 5/6 London, March 25th.—last—Victoria, Simpson; Renault; Maria, Brown; for Quebec.

Liverpool, March 29th.—ery, 10, and Harriet Combatant, and Don, for Bristol, March 26th.—500, for Quebec.

Deal, March 23d.—A Great Britain, Swinburn, Ramsgate, March 24 Swinburn, from London for this port with loss of bow having been in contact with the Mistrail Hoy. New York, May 1st.—U. May White, Buckland.

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Quebec, 1st May 1839.