

# Telegraphic News.

## GREAT FIRE AT QUEBEC.

St. John's, Quebec, June 18.  
A Great Fire broke out yesterday in a steam saw mill in this city which rapidly spread among the lumber yards and wooden houses. All the stores in the city, nine churches, seven hotels, the Custom House, United States Consulate, two banks, dock-riggers, mills and dwellings were burned. A woman was burned, another is also supposed to be, who is missing, and a fireman and others injured. The pecuniary loss is about \$2,000,000, and the total salvage is not above \$10,000. A territory of six hundred feet in width and one mile in length, embracing the entire business portion of the town, is burned over.

Montreal, June 19.

This afternoon two hundred and twenty carts loaded with stone, were brought into this city from the quarries at the back of the mountain, a present from quarrymen to the Roman Catholic Bishop towards the erection of new St. Peter's Cathedral, which is to be built on the model of the one in Rome of the same name, and will when completed be the largest one on this continent. After presenting the stone to Monsignor Bourget, Bishop of Montreal, who gave the donors his blessing, the whole drove in procession through the city, headed by a band of music, in a new band car. The Queen Victoria carts were adorned with flags, mostly French; but one English flag was to be seen.

The Cathedral is expected to be completed in three years.

London, June 19.

It is stated that Serbia has sent offers of peace and disarmament to Turkey, if the latter will cede certain territory to the former.

Some dynamite stored in Glasgow exploded to-day, killing six men and wounding several others.

By an explosion of coal gas to-day on the ship *Atlanta*, laden with coal, for Hong Kong, at Cardiff, six men were killed, several injured and the vessel seriously damaged.

Henway & Rees, grain merchants of Cardiff, have suspended; liabilities \$1,000,000.

New York, June 19.

Gold 112 1/2.  
The cable steamer *Dagla* left the Thames for South America to lay the cable between Valparaiso and Caldera, completing the system of the west coast.

There is good news from the finer agricultural portions of Ontario, in which the promise of good crops is very bright, vegetation being unusually forward in those sections.

Sir Arthur Gordon, our old Governor, is winning golden opinions in Fiji by his treatment of the natives. His course in his new government was warmly welcomed at a public meeting in London, a week or two ago, by a prominent member of Parliament.

ANECDOTE OF LORD DUFFERIN.—Not a great many people know that the popular and genial Governor General (Lord Dufferin) had the misfortune to lose the use of one of his eyes, since by wearing a glass substitute and an eyeglass the useless eye appears "as good as new." This misfortune has more than once been the occasion of amusing incidents, one of which I especially remember, and no offence could, in telling it, be supposed to be given, since his lordship has told the story himself.

While travelling through Ireland (his native land) some years ago, Lord Dufferin, when nearing his destination, made use of the traditional jaunting car. Paddy, the driver, was on that day particularly loquacious and communicative, and during the journey volunteered a great deal of information on the different subjects that presented themselves, and this flow of conversation was all the more free and easy as he had not the slightest idea of the rank of his passenger. Not to be unseeing, the future Governor General asked Paddy what news he had to tell of the neighborhood. "As for news, yer honor," replied the unsuspecting driver, "sure I know of no news that would interest a gentleman like yourself, unless it is that that one-eyed Dufferin is going to marry Kate Hamilton." Though his lordship inwardly enjoyed the joke, he was gracious enough to deny himself the privilege of seeing the state of consternation the talkative car-driver fell into when he found that the one-eyed Dufferin he had spoken so familiarly of and his passenger were one and the same person.—EDITOR'S DRAWER, in *Harper's*.

## THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The Republican Convention which assembled at Cincinnati this week had the work to perform of nominating a candidate for president. After several ballots, Gen. Hayes was chosen on the seventh.

Hayes 384  
Baine 251  
Bristow 21

Necessary to a choice 379.  
Gen. Hayes, of Ohio, is therefore, the nominee, with five votes to spare.

PLAGUE IN MESOPOTAMIA.—Since the beginning of the year the plague has made its appearance in Hilla, Bagdad, and other places in Mesopotamia and has been spreading rapidly, especially through the streets of the cities. There is a deepening and widening alarm in the

East in regard to the outbreak, and physicians have been stationed on various routes out of Mesopotamia to watch for the first signs of the plague's appearance. The increase of mortality in the affected towns has been terrible. It is probable that unless the infection abates an attempt will be made to isolate entirely the stricken districts. The exportation of rags has been prohibited, and efforts are being made to secure wool, which is to be exported, from the danger of infection.

## The Standard.

SAINT ANDREWS, JUNE 21, 1876.

### A POSTAL GRIEVANCE.

It is undeniable that there is something manifestly wrong in postal affairs which requires to be remedied, before the public can rely upon their letters being carried to the persons for whom they are intended. There is dishonesty somewhere and it should be ferreted out, as was recently the case in Nova Scotia and Ontario. On the 11 of May, we mailed a letter at the St. Andrews Post Office for St. John in which a small sum of money was enclosed, and saw the letter enclosed in the mail bag and dispatched from the office by the Postmaster. Not having received an acknowledgment we again wrote and ascertained that the letter had not been received. The Postmaster was informed of its non-delivery, and he kindly laid the matter before the Inspector, who endeavored to trace the missing letter, but owing to its not being registered failed to obtain the desired information. But even "registered" letters have gone astray. Only a few days ago, a Post Office order was mailed at St. John which has not yet been received, while the Postmaster received advice to pay the order. We could name other instances of Postal irregularities—the mildest term we can give them—and trust that more care will be exercised in the Department in future.

A correspondent under the signature of "Nonsectarian" complains of sectarian hymns being used in one of the common schools here, and that the teacher "writes the words on the blackboard and requires the pupils to learn and sing them." The hymns are undoubtedly beautiful, and the music appropriate, but the teacher should be careful to avoid giving offence; in fact nothing should be done that would open the door to complaints from any class or creed. The Trustees have endeavored to make the schools acceptable to all, and to carry out the education act in its entirety; teachers should therefore be careful not to throw any obstacles in the way of its harmonious working.

### The Red Granite Quarry

In this Parish is one of a superior description, and worthy of a more extended notice than we can give it this week. This quarry is of recent discovery, and is situated about ten miles north of St. Andrews, on the N. B. & C. Railway, and is a continuation of the St. George belt. Its thickness at this point being about one-quarter of a mile, varying in its composition, or positiveness in color, throughout the breadth of the belt. It is compact and of a fine texture, taking a very high polish, and is a stone of great strength and durability. The comparative absence of mica rendering it more easy of polish, removing all chances of disintegrating or pitting, thereby giving it a smooth and glassy surface on which the atmospheric agency can have no action for ages.

Its distance from the rails, being 50 feet on a level, by a siding it can be loaded from the quarry into the cars and conveyed to a shipping port, at all seasons of the year, at less than \$1 per ton.

Water privileges of great extent are available for polishing and all other purposes necessary. In fact, it possesses advantages in transit over all others in this Province equal to \$2 per ton, besides the advantage of daily transit throughout the year. The cost of opening up the quarry will be a mere nominal sum.

The land (freehold) is owned by J. B. Key of St. Andrews, and is a safe investment for capitalists. Its advantages and facilities, as well as its value need only to be once seen to be highly appreciated.

WINSLOW'S release by the British Government does not appear to give satisfaction to the United States Government; well, they would not amend the Extraterritorial Treaty. The British Government have done all in their power to honorably hand Winslow over to the United States authorities. The day has gone past when United States ministers can make such treaties as the Ashburton, or Washington, or to define such boundaries as the North-Eastern.

DOMINION DAY.—The citizens of St. John, Fredericton and other places in the Province, are making preparations for amusement on Dominion Day. It is high

time that the inhabitants of the Shiretown were bestirring themselves to have some kind of sport. Who will move in the matter?

HYMENAL.—We notice in our British exchanges that it is customary in the old country to announce "marriage arrangements." Well, perhaps, it is all right to do so, and it might not be amiss to follow the example in the Dominion. We will, however, let some of our junior contemporaries set the example, although we have a nice little list on hand.

The "marriage fever," as a lady termed it, is prevalent in this neighborhood. Only last week one of Saint Andrews' fair and amiable daughters (see marriages) was so afflicted with this old and peasant fever, that a worthy and respected gentleman connected with the Red Granite Works at St. George came over with a sparkling pair of horses, and cured the patient, with the assistance of a Reverend gentleman. It was performed in true Scottish style; and the happy pair left for their future home at St. George with the best wishes of their numerous friends in St. Andrews for a long, happy and prosperous journey through life. Thus it is that "friend after friend departs."

PERFUMERY.—Messrs. Cockburn Brothers, Chemists and Druggists, are manufacturing various descriptions of perfumery, which for purity and odor, are equal to the imported articles; besides they are sold at reasonable prices, and are genuine. They have also recently imported a supply of the best English drugs and chemicals, and fancy articles such as are usually found in such establishments. In addition to his other practice, Dr. Cockburn has been successful in his dental operations.

PHOTOGRAPH VIEWS.—Mr. M. H. Grant, of St. Stephen has recently added to his stock a very fine instrument for taking large photographic views. We have seen some that were very well finished. Mr. Grant informs us that should sufficient inducements be offered, he will visit St. Andrews, for the purpose of taking views of public and private residences, or any other views that may be required. Persons requiring views may leave their names at the Standard Office.

The frequent genial showers, have been of much service to the crops, which are coming forward rapidly. If the large number of blossoms on the fruit trees are any indication of an abundant crop it is probable that the present season will be an improvement upon the past.

SENTENCED.—At the spring sitting of the County Court, His Honor Judge Stevens passed sentence upon the prisoners who were convicted of robbery:

George McCann, five years in the Penitentiary;  
Wm. Henderson, three years;  
Margaret Avery, two years;  
Maria Avery, four months in the County Jail.

Henry Lovejoy Pleaded guilty to assault on George Foster, and was fined \$20, and \$20 costs, and bound over with two sureties, to keep the peace.

The people of St. John have protested against the Dominion Weights and Measures Act, and prepared a petition to the Government at Ottawa, in which they set forth facts which should not be ignored. Situated as the Dominion is, having large transactions with the United States, who use the same kind of weights and measures as we are in use in the Lower Provinces and West Indies, it would lead to endless complications to make any change.

DR. POMEROY may be consulted at his rooms, in Morrison's Hotel.—(See advt.)

The New Post Office was opened to the public on Monday last. It is a splendid building, and a good view is given of it in the *Telegraph*, with a lengthy letter press description.

Earl Dufferin will be the best travelled and thoroughly informed Governor General, Canada ever had. He intends to visit British Columbia this summer. The visit will no doubt be a pleasant one to himself, and to the people of the great North West. He is to proceed via San Francisco.

Several officers of the army, have gone into the Volunteers. Lieut. Col. Hozier, 3rd Dragoon Guards, a literary historian, has taken command of the Tenth Kent Artillery.

The Lieut. Governor and family are to arrive here the latter part of the week, Friday, to spend a few weeks at his summer residence. They only returned last week from a visit to the Centennial.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for July fully sustains its reputation for being the leading magazine of the United States. Among its articles are—

The Fifth Book of "George Eliot's" "Daniel Deronda," given entire in the present number, entitled "Mordocai."

The first part of "A Woman-hater," published simultaneously in *Blackwood* and *Harper*, is also given in this number.

"Garth" and Mrs. Dinah M. Craik's "The Laurel Bush," are continued.

For lighter character fiction there are Carroll Owen's beautiful love-tale, entitled "Clemence;" Mrs. L. W. Champney's humorous narrative of the adventures of "Polly Pharaoh," with two illustrations by Mr. Champney; and J. T. Trowbridge's "The Ballad of Arabella," a very amusing story in verse, with seven illustrations by Hop-pin.

The Centennial suggest one of the year and the month are, of course, fitly remembered, but not in such a manner as to overwhelm the reader with heavy history.—Paul H. Hayne contributes a ballad entitled "Macdonald's Raid" (as narrated many years after by a veteran of "Marion's Brigade"), with two brilliant illustrations by E. A. Abbey.

The Editorial Departments are rich, racy and instructive, and fully supplied with interesting matter.

### Correspondence.

For the Standard.  
Mr. Editor,—I have just learned to-day, that in some of our schools (boasted of as non-sectarian) "Moody and Sankey's Hymns" are used for the singing exercises. In one of the departments the teacher writes the words of the hymn on the blackboard, and requires the pupils to learn and sing them.

It is undeniable that the hymns are beautifully worded, and admirably suited for church choirs and Sunday schools, but Mr. Editor don't you think that if grammar, reading, writing—yes even manners, were a little better taught in schools professing to be non-sectarian, and the hymns left for the Sunday school, that our schools would be more entitled to the name of

St. Andrews, June 21st, 1876.

### GEORGES SAND.

The death of Madame Lucile Aureole Dudevaut, the French author who has achieved a remarkable celebrity under the name of George Sand. She was born in Paris in 1804, and was the daughter of the Marquis Maurice Dupin de Franceuil, a descendant of Marshal Saxe. She was strictly educated in a convent, and at the age of eighteen, she married M. Dudevaut, with whom she lived for nine years most unhappily, there being no ground of congeniality, either in opinion, sentiment, feeling, or understanding between the ill-assorted two. She left him in 1831, and went to Paris, quite without even ordinary means of subsistence, since her husband chivalrously retained her property, which had come into his power on her marriage. Her first literary ventures were made in the *Figaro*. Her first literary romance, written conjointly with her friend Jules Sandeau, from whose name she formed her own fictitious signature, and as it occurred on St. George's day, adopted that name as a prefix—was called *Rose and Blanche*, and published in 1832. Her acknowledged genius and success brought their reward of a comfortable and independent livelihood, and she was enabled to procure a legal divorce from M. Dudevaut, who was thus made to relinquish her two children and a portion of her private fortune, and she was free to give her time to the education of her children and to make journeys to Italy and Switzerland. Possessing the most fertile fancy, and the most untiring industry, she wrote with marvellous speed, facility and constancy. After the revolution of 1848, she devoted her attention to politics, and afterwards mostly to dramatic literature. In 1854 she published a history of her life, probably without suspecting that she should live more than twenty years longer, and continue her labors up to within a short time of her death. In all her works, her strong socialistic sympathies predominated. By her own mistakes and sufferings, she interpreted the voiceless sufferings of others, who had not the power or the courage to complain. Her style was eminently captivating, her imagination vigorous and pure, her affluence of thought and sentiment wonderful, and her finish perfect. She lived a long and useful life, and will be remembered by thousands with admiration and affection, as a wonderfully brilliant, strong and generous woman, true to her best convictions, and in spite of early obstacles, the maker of her own proud place in literature, and the unhelped architect of her own fortune.

At last Winslow, the Boston forger, has been released from custody by the English authorities. He is thus a free man in a strange country, but an exile from his own. The British Government reluctantly stood through-out this case on the ground which it first took, giving the American authorities every opportunity to show cause why it should alter its

opinion, without violating his own laws.

The Irish Church Synod has been debating again the baptismal service. The earlier part of the meeting promised to end in a brawl. The moderate men were fallen upon by both of the extreme parties, and smitten hip and thigh. One of the laity proposed to expunge all reference to regeneration in the service which proposition was denounced by a bishop as "an attempt to spring a mine on the assembly." Thereupon an aggressive peer assailed the bishops in general. Finally an *airenion* was proposed by Plunkett, leaving the service unchanged, but allowing every one to think as he pleased upon the question.

### Death of Mr. Maunsell, J. P.

Few recorded deaths will be read with deeper feelings of sorrow than that of the amiable and genial old gentleman whose name heads this obituary. Thoroughly domestic and unostentatious in his habits and manners, and carrying the kindest of dispositions to every relation of life, Mr. Maunsell was beloved by every one with whom he came even casually in contact, and by the citizens he was looked upon as almost the sole representative of an age and race which formed its manners at a period when the sweet amenities of life were more cultivated than they are nowadays and formed a more essential element in the character of a gentleman, and when a larger amount of sympathy knit men together. Mr. Maunsell who died on Saturday morning, in his 87th year, was the fourth son of Mr. Robert Maunsell, of Bank-place, in this city, and grandson of Mr. Maunsell, who represented Kilmallock in 1769, in the Irish Parliament. His great grandfather, Mr. Richard Maunsell, was the records of the city tell us, returned for the borough of Limerick in 1741. The family of the Maunsells trace their lineage back to the time of the Third Henry, in which a John Maunsell, a direct ancestor of this branch, was Lord High Chancellor of England. The first connection of the family with this country appears to have been during the reign of Edward III, when a Walter Maunsell held the Capital Serjeanty of the County of Limerick. The late Mr. Henry Maunsell seldom took part in public affairs; he, however, acted as High Sheriff for his own county in 1851.—*Limerick Chronicle*.

At Laramie, Wyoming, a western lion stole a child from a camp last Wednesday night and carried it off to a large canon, where it was found alone the next day. Its clothes torn, but it was all right. The lion regarding the child or the story as too tough has departed.

MIRAMICHI SALMON.—Superintendent Crum, of the E. & N. A. R. R., has completed arrangements for transporting salmon from Miramichi, in New Brunswick, to Boston. The Indians spear throw of these fish every year. They are now packed in ice, and sent directly through. About 11 tons were sent through on the train last evening.—*Banger Why*, 14th.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.—As we have already informed our readers, the change of the measures now in use to the Imperial standards need not be made until 1880.

The Government has determined to cancel the regulation against the use of tin measures, and will, in future, only insist on the tin being thick.—*News*.

### MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, on Thursday, the 15th inst., by the Rev. Wm. Richardson, George FARQUHARSON, Esq., to CHARLOTTE, only daughter of Capt THOMAS COATS, of St. Andrews.

For a generous slice of the bridal loaf, our young friends will please accept our thanks. May their lot in life be prosperous and happy.

### DIED.

At Fredericton, on the 15th inst., William, son of Andrew Inches, Esq., aged 27 years.

### Ship News.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

ARRIVED.  
June 8, Mary Ellen, Britt, St. John, Tea and Liquors, Street & Co.  
Matilda, Stinson, St. Stephen, gen cargo.

17, R. Rose, Clark, Boston, ballast.  
20, H. V. Crandall, Maloney, Boston, ballast.

21, Harrie, McQuaid, Boston, ballast.

CLEARED.

June 7, Oleasa, Hooper, Boston, boards, Robinson & Glenn.  
9, Linden, Evans, St. John, old rails.  
Daisy, Waycott, Boston, 2000 sleepers, R. Ross.

10, Mary Ellen, Britt, St. Stephen, salt, etc.  
21, R. Rose, Clark, Portsmouth, 4000 sleepers, R. Ross.

### DR. T. W. POMEROY

Can be consulted at his rooms.

### MORRISON'S HOTEL.

As his stay is limited, patients who may require his advice will please call upon him at their earliest convenience.  
St. Andrews, June 21, 1876.

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