

consequence of a man named Charles Holden, a labourer, aged 40 years, having voluntarily surrendered himself up to the police and confessed that he murdered a young woman 20 years ago. Holden has stated most clearly and distinctly that about the time specified he used to keep company with a young woman, aged 18, named Jane Lewis; that one night in going across a field path with her, between Chertsey and Isidham, they had a quarrel, and he gave her a blow with his left hand under the ear, from the effects of which she instantly expired; that he then carried the body into a plantation near to the mansion house of the Earl of Lucan, where he buried her, having first made a hole two feet deep with a spade, which he got from the tool-house of Lord Lucan's gardener. He then stated the exact place where he had laid the body, and went with two policemen to point out the spot. It appears that in November last a skeleton was found in this very place, and a communication was made to Mr. Wakley upon the subject, but that gentleman, owing to some information received from a surgeon in the neighbourhood, declined to hold an inquest, and no further notice was taken of the skeleton. The statement made by the prisoner has been taken down in writing, and he has several times declared solemnly the truth of it, both before the policeman and Mr. Marriot, one of the county magistrates. He has been remanded to the next petty sessions.

**THREE MEN KILLED BY STRONG DRINK.**—Thomas Worsnop stated at a temperance meeting in Bradford, on the 21st of Jan last, that when a boy, he was in the habit of associating with three youths who had fallen victims to the drinking system. One of them died in a coalpit cabin in the neighbourhood, after having wandered about as a drunken vagabond. The second took it into his head, one night in a public-house, to compel a junior, who happened to be present, to measure him for his coffin. The junior, alas, had to be sent for next morning, to ascertain whether he had taken a correct measurement. The poor inebriate having been unexpectedly summoned before him whom he was attempting to mock on the previous evening. The third died a drunkard in America. The fourth of the party, Thomas Worsnop, was arrested by the Bradford tectotals, upwards of thirteen years ago, and is now a most enthusiastic advocate of the abstinence cause.—*Scottish Temperance Review.*

**IRELAND.**—The *Limerick Chronicle* says that emigration from that section to the United States is amazingly on the increase; nine vessels were at the quays taking in passengers, and the banks were busy paying out money upon the orders sent by those in America to aid their friends to the land of promise. The extent of potato cultivation this year is wholly unprecedented. In the neighborhood of Cork, the whole country is turned into a potato field, grass-lands and parks and all, while wheat is almost wholly neglected. The *Sligo Journal* makes a statement showing the improvement which has taken place in the western counties.

#### UNITED STATES.

**E. C. DELAVAN, Esq.,** of Albany, who has long been known in the Temperance cause, has, we learn, accepted the Presidency of the "Temperance Life Insurance Company." His wisdom in council and efficiency in action will give great character and success to the institution.

**AN ANACONDA.**—The *Panama Star* of March 2d relates the following:—Last week, several gentlemen in crossing the Isthmus, when about a mile this side of Gorgona, came in contact with a large anaconda, that lay basking in the sunshine near the road. The natives, when they saw the reptile, took to their heels and run, and could not be induced, under any circumstances, to return and attack it. The Americans, having nothing but a pocket pistol with them, felt a little skittish about undertaking the task of killing so huge a monster, so the "terrible visitor" was suffered to pursue his way unmolested. It was about eighteen feet long and twelve inches in diameter.

**SARAH SARBS.**—The Steamship *Sarah Sands*, formerly on the line between New York and Liverpool, and subsequently purchased for the California trade, has reached Panama on her voyage to San Francisco.

**NORMAL SCHOOL IN ALBANY.**—The annual report of the New York State Normal School, in operation at Albany, shows that 1,130 pupils have thus far enjoyed its advantages. The new building, which is just completed, cost 28,500 dollars. It contains seventeen large rooms, besides the dwelling of the principal. It is pronounced by the editor of the *Albany Journal* to be the most

spacious and best arranged establishment of the kind in the Union.

**SUPPOSED MURDER OF ANOTHER FACTORY GIRL.**—Some workmen who were lately employed in cleaning out a drain running from Storer street, in Saco Me., to a marsh, discovered the body of a girl from eighteen to twenty years of age, with a rope tied about her hands and about her neck. The body had apparently been there for some time, and was clothed in an under garment only. An examination of the body resulted in discovering that she probably died from an attempt at abortion. It is said that three factory girls are missing from the town. Since then, Dr. James B. Smith has been arrested, charged with being implicated in the tragedy. It was near his house the body was found, and the plank to which it was tied, fits exactly to a certain place in his barn. It is said that strange developments have been made by an Irish servant girl, who has resided in his house for some time.

#### BROKERS' CIRCULAR.

Montreal, 11th May, 1850.

**FLOUR.**—The Sales of the week do not exceed 7000 barrels—30 0 a 22s. 6d. and the remainder at 22s. 7 1/2 a 23s., the latter price being paid for superior lots of No. 1 Superfine, of quality equal to our "Extra Superfine" of last year.

**WHEAT & GRAIN.**—No U. C. in Market. For I. C. Red, of good sample, 4s. 7d. per minute is offered. A Sale of 10,000 bushels took place in the early part of the week at 4s. 6d. —*Barley.*—No Sales—price nominal. —*Peas.*—Are a good deal asked for, but there is too wide a margin between the views of buyers and sellers to admit of transactions. 2s. 7 1/2 d. has been refused for a shipping parcel of good quality—*Oats.*—In fair demand, with Sales at 1s. 6d. to 1s. 7d. per minute.

**PROVISIONS.**—*Beef*—"Prime" and "Prime Mess," in barrels, is in moderate demand, the quantity in Market being trifling—*Pork.*—There have been Sales of American "Mess" to a small extent at 63s. 9d., and of Canada at 65s. "Prime" and "Prime Mess" has been readily saleable throughout the week at 45s. to 46s. 3d. for the former, and 51s. 3d. to 52s. 6d. for the latter—*Butter.*—The lower qualities are not much asked for, and there is no No. 1 in Market.

**ASHES.**—There has been an active demand for both kinds during the week—Sales amounting to about 1000 barrels Pearls chiefly at 26s. 6d., and 600 Pots at 27s. 3d. a 27s. 6d. Prices have been gradually rising for the last two days, and they may be, to day, quoted as saleable at 28s. for Pots and 27s. for Pearls, with an upward tendency.

**FREIGHTS.**—Shipments of Ashes have taken place to London, Liverpool, and the Clyde, but the rate of freight (which is not in any case to exceed 35s.) has not yet been settled. Grain has been taken for Liverpool, at 5s. per quarter. For Flour, no rate is yet fixed.

**EXCHANGE.**—Very dull at 11 per cent prem. for Bank 60 day drafts.

**STOCKS.**—*Montreal Bank.*—Sells readily at 3 premium. —*City Bank.*—No sellers at 28 discount. —*Bank British North America.*—None in Market. —*Banque du Peuple.*—Procurable at 30 1/2 discount. —*Commercial Bank.*—Not in demand—offered at 3 discount. —*Upper Canada Bank.*—Sellers ask 30 discount, buyers offering 32 discount. —*St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company.*—Offering at 70 discount. —*Montreal Mining Consols.*—The amount in Market is trifling, but the demand is languid, and 20s. 6d. is, to day, the highest offer for them. —*Quebec Mining Company.*—No Sales.—In other Stocks, no transactions.

#### GROCERIES.

The following memorandum of the opening transactions and prospects of the Grocery Trade in this City is kindly furnished to the *Witness* by an authority on whose accuracy we can rely—

Our Wholesale Dealers are now well supplied with