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CLEANINGS FROM ENGLISH PAPERS.

Propose Sur Canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific. While we have been looking for a water-gate to the North Pole, the narrow isthmus which separates the two continents of America remains but little known, partially explored, and well nigh untouched by the mechanical genius of the century. Of what incalculable service to mankind would it be to have a free passage through the American isthmus!

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LATEST NEWS.

The Royal Mail Steamship Europa arrived at Halifax on Saturday last, the 14th inst. The following telegraphic dispatch, received in this city the same day, contains a summary of the latest English and foreign news. The coarier will probably arrive in town to-night with the mail bag.

Some persons, again, imagine that an editor uses of necessity every line that is published in his paper under the head of correspondence. This, we need hardly tell the more considerate portion of our readers, is far from being the case if it were, we would have to refuse many communications, notices, news paragraphs, &c., the contents of which we do not agree with, but which we must print because we know each thing...

PUBLIC MEETING.

According to announcement, a public meeting (the largest we understand ever convened in this town) was held in the Temperance Hall, on Friday evening last, "to take into consideration the introduction of the Scriptures into the public schools."

will testify of interesting religion in any shape less or more than that which is now in vogue. It is to be desired that should we wish well, the same system as that followed in the Irish National School, must be adopted here. Prayers and religious exercises, as well as the reading of Scriptures, may be resorted to in the schools by all, most of us, we would have to refuse many communications, notices, news paragraphs, &c., the contents of which we do not agree with, but which we must print because we know each thing...

THE BELFAST TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the above Society was held at Pineto School-house, on Saturday, the 7th ult., at the usual hour. A. MacDonnell, Esq., was in the chair, and was assisted by Messrs. J. MacDonnell and J. MacDonnell. The Secretary, Mr. J. MacDonnell, reported that the Society had been organized on the 21st of December last, and that the first meeting had been held on the 28th of the same month.

Your Committee, in speaking of disseminating lessons in their chosen field of labor, which is at present, we are glad to find that feeling is prevailing, and which our Lord's own words confirm: "that a prophet hath no honor in his own country." ... We are not in the least less desirous to see the Bible disseminated in our country, than we are to see it disseminated in every other part of the world.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of HAZARD'S GAZETTE. Sir, - I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of the 10th inst., in relation to the proposed introduction of the Bible into the public schools of this country. ... I am, Sir, your obedient servant, B. D. MACDONNELL.