

they should become thoroughly acquainted with the entire subject in all its amplitude and variety of bearing, and be led rightly to appreciate the missionary character. The lamented Williams, who had deeply drunk into the spirit of Paul, has left them a solemn testimony concerning it. Although himself clothed with humility, he understood well how to "magnify his office." In his view, the missionary was the first of mortal men, and his functions worthy of angelic agency. He has, in the closing paragraph of his "Enterprise," recorded his sentiments relative to the great theme, in words suited to the exalted subject. The passage is appropriately placed in that position, as now sustaining all the weight and solemnity of a testamentary declaration. Since its appearance, the churches of Britain have had time to pause and to ponder, till the unlooked-for and sorrowful event of his death has broken the silence. Should some generous hand ever erect a monument over the recovered portion of his mangled body, that passage would form the most appropriate inscription that could be devised for his tomb. It is as follows:—

"An enterprise beneficial in so many ways, presents a universal claim; and we hope the day is fast approaching, when the merchant will not only consecrate the gains of his merchandize to its promotion, but when he will also add the facilities which commercial intercourse affords, to further the great design; when the man of science will make his discoveries subservient to this godlike work; and when, not only the poor, but the rich and noble also, will feel honoured in identifying themselves with missionary operations, and in consecrating their influence, their wealth, and even their sons and their daughters, to this work. And why should not the son of a nobleman aspire to an office that an angelic spirit would deem an honour? Why should not such become active agents in an enterprise which is to regenerate and bless our world? They aspire after military and naval glory, but here they may obtain distinctions far higher than these: here, instead of inflicting death in the acquisition of their laurels, they would scatter life, and comfort, and peace, to unborn millions. And is there more glory in spreading misery than in conveying mercy? Is it more honourable to carry the sword of war than the gospel of peace? Is it a higher dignity to bear a commission from an earthly sovereign than from the King of kings? Oh! that the minds of the noble youth of our country could be directed to this field of labour and of love, and that the soldiers of the cross were as high in the estimation of our nobility as those who bear commissions from our king. It will be a blessed day for our world, when the first nobleman's son, influenced by a spirit of piety, and constrained by the love of Christ, shall devote himself to go among the heathen, to turn them from darkness to light. But whether such forward it or not, the work will go on; enlargement and deliverance will come, until the earth, instead of being a theatre on which men prepare themselves by crime for eternal condemnation, shall become one universal temple to the living God, in which the children of men shall learn the anthems of the blessed above, and be made meet to unite with the spirits of the redeemed, from every nation, and people, and tongue, in celebrating the jubilee of a ransomed world."

LATEST NEWS.

accounts from the seat of war in India, are very confused and unsatisfactory. Candahar was finally evacuated by General Nott, on the 8th of August, after the spare commissariat and arsenal stores were destroyed, and the powder magazine blown up. It is said that the General and the man who fired the train, were the only persons in the secret. A few British soldiers were blown up with the magazine.

The British forces are continuing to take cities and fortresses in China, where and when they choose, and yet it is said that much dissatisfaction prevails in Britain respecting the entire management of Eastern affairs.

The mercantile news brought by the Overland Mail is disheartening in every respect.

Considerable attention has been directed during the past few days to the particulars of several melancholy shipwrecks, ten of which have been attended with loss of life. The first of these was the *Waterloo*, with convicts from England bound to Sydney, which was stranded in Table Bay, Cape of Good Hope, on the

30th August, and the sacrifice of human life is estimated at upwards of 200 souls, the larger number being convicts. A doubt is expressed whether that speedy assistance was afforded to the sufferers which under the circumstances should have been rendered. The *Abercrombie*, Robinson, with British troops, was stranded on the same day within a few hundred yards from the *Waterloo*, but the whole of her crew and passengers were saved. The *Reliance*, from China to London, was wrecked at Estaples, near Boulogne. It appears that out of the crew and passengers, numbering 116 persons, only six succeeded in saving their lives.

Great distress still prevails in the manufacturing districts, especially the West of Scotland—the prices of all articles of food were, however, extremely low.

Incendiary fires are becoming common in some of the agricultural districts of England.

The President's message states that the finances of the United States are in a more flourishing condition.

The Governor General's health is very precarious.

MONTREAL PRICES CURRENT.—Dec. 14.

ASHES—Pot	24s 6d	BEER—Mess	\$104
Pearl	25s 0d	Prime Mess	88
FLOUR—Fine	22s 6d	Prime	86
U. States	23s 0d	TALLOW	54d
WHEAT	4s	BUTTER—Salt	6d a 7d
OAT MEAL	8s per cwt.	CHEESE	4d a 6d
PORK—Mess	\$10	EXCHANGE—London 8 a 9 p. ct.	
P. Mess	\$8	N. York	24
Prime	\$6	Canada W. 1 a 1 1/2	
LARD	4d a 4 1/2 p. lb.		

Statement of Lumber on hand in the Port of Quebec, 1st Dec. 1842—with statement of Stock, 1841 :

	Stock, 1841.	Stock, 1842.
Oak Timber	1,743,156	1,731,325
Elm do	1,768,315	1,416,523
Ash do	169,900	148,446
Birch do	9,559	57,877
W. Pine do	4,150,527	7,151,459
Red do do	1,292,350	4,392,131
Standard Staves	1311,1,3,24	1632,3,2,17
W. O. Pun. do	366,3,1,22	1921,0,3,13
R. O. do	286,1,3,6	1172,4,0,0
Barrel do	673,7,2,16	1841,7,0,27
Ash do	58,6,0,18	
Pine Deals, Sta	62,200	427,573
Spruce do do	47,776	103,343
Ash, Oars	9,615	26,109
Handspikes	6,266	33,015
Lathwood, cords	276	
Masts, Pine	1,302	
Spars	940	2,650

—Q. Mercury.

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