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The Daily Tribune.

J. L. STEWART,.....EDITOR.

MONDAY EVE'NG, MARCH. 3, 1873.

Official Debates.

It was painful to publish the record of our Legislative f lly on the question of official debates, but the truth had to be told. What will be said at Ottawa, where we are applying for Better Terms, to the senseless expenditure by this Province of $4000 for a report of the talk of members of the Assembly? Let us glance at the situation. At the close of last session, there being many members absent, it was voted that a committee be empowered to contract for official debates, although a full House had decided against them. Messrs. Willis and Alward proceeded to contract for the work, signing, sealing and delivering papers that bound the Province to a course *that had been condemned by a vote of the Assembly.* When the House met the senseless proceedings of the Alward-Willis Committee were instantly rebuked, but the House was met by the contracts. "Your committee gave us good fat contracts," said Mr. Day, Mr. Dixon and M. Robidoux, "and we will not relinquish them without a bonus of $1,500." The House, under the lead of Mr. King, *rebuked the Debates Committee by voting* $1200 *for cancelling the contracts,* Mr. Willis himself voting his own condemnation at the bidding of his new leader! The contractors refused $1200, and the debates are to be published and mailed at an expense of $4,000 to an impoverished Province! Mr. Alward and the third member of the Committee may be excused, on the ground of their ignorance of printing, for having made such fat contracts, but what can be said of Mr. Willis, who is, probably, the best authority on printing business in New Brunswick, for having plunged the Province into such grossly unfair contracts *against the recorded vote of a majority of the House of Assembly?* A mill stone had better be tied to the neck of the $4,000 to be paid for debates, and cast into the sea. It is not only a useless expenditure, but it encourages people to look to the Government for intelligence instead of subscribing for newspapers and enlightening themselves. For one dollar and twenty cents, a newspaper, postage paid, can be had for a whole year that will give a fair synopsis of the proceedings of the Assembly and the events of the world. The man who is too mean to pay this sum is beyond enlightenment, and the man who is too poor should be sent to the alms house at once. This brainless decision to throw away money on official debates deserves the scorn of every intelligent man, and it is not possible to believe that any man in the Assembly can be so great a fool as to vote for the debates except as a dodge for catching votes in the burnt land districts. Mr. Willis and others may be foolish enough to deem $4,000 so expended wise, but, for the credit of humanity, we prefer to consider them dishonest. The Attorney General would have moved for $1500 instead of $1200 for cancelling the contracts if he had supposed that Mr. Day would have declined the amount tendered him, and the majority of the Assembly are now sorry that $1500 was not voted. Mr. Hibbard was very severe on Mr. Willis in the debate to-day.

Persecuting the Press.

The Magistrate who has held Mr. Dougall of the Montreal *Witness* to bail on a criminal charge of libel is evidently an individual anxious to be on good terms with the aristocracy. Should his law be accepted by the Judge and jury to try the case there will be a stop to all journalism in the interest of public morality in Montreal. A snow-shoe club, composed principally of young men, gathered at Mr. McGibbon's house and are treated liberally to champagne, and the *Witness*, in accordance with its anti-liquor principles, denounces the proceeding without mentioning the name of the host. In the course of its article it says:

But we grow indignant when we think of lads going home for the first time in their lives excited by alcohol, some to make heavy their mothers' hearts, others to their irresponsible boarding-houses, where no notice would be taken of this first step in a journey which, in a certain proportion of cases, ends in ruin. The law of averages works with a fell certainty; and among those who take this first step, the percentage that go to destruction in the climate of Canada is, as we know, fearfully large. There may—we might almost say there will—be those yet reeling about our streets who will remember that fatal night with horror through their lives, if not through eternity. We hope those who thoughtlessly opened the doorway to this carouse will not in all their lives suffer what has already been suffered as the result of their mistake. There are those who since that day have passed through the horrors of hell, who that night yielded to a temptation which through months and years they had manfully resisted.

As the article was written three weeks after the event we presume that young men did go home intoxicated, and that some of them were heartily ashamed of themselves. About "the horrors of hell," however, we fear no proof will be forthcoming. The Court will hardly accept hearsay evidence on so important a matter. The climate of that region is not supposed to be favorable to the operations of snow-shoe clubs, but no proof of its horrors is likely to be produced in this skeptical age.

The decision of the magistrate looks like a cringing to the social position of the complainant. The subjecting of a publisher to the necessity of defending himself in a criminal court for commenting on the evils of intemperance, in the same words that have been used by hundreds of ministers, lecturers and journalists, simply because an aristocratic champagne dispenser swore it meant him, is an outrage that should be denounced. Lecturers, preachers and reform journalists may give up business at once if every man who thinks he is denounced may force them to give bail or go to prison to await trial for libel.

We think the *Witness* has displayed a rather factious opposition to the Government of the day, we regard its anti-popery utterances as altogether unwise and uncalled for, we sometimes condemn its advocacy of reforms as likely to injure rather than promote them, but we can but look upon the criminal prosecution to which it has been subjected as an attempt to prostitute the law to the shielding of the acts of the rich from sound public criticism, and we will cheerfully subscribe to a fund for indemnifying Mr. Dougall for all the expenses he is forced to incur.

Our Legislative Council reporter telegraphed on Saturday that Mr. Young charged Mr. Jones with having opposed making a claim for Better Terms when they were both members of the Executive Council. Is the sworn secrecy of the Executive Council Chamber so lightly held that men are to be held responsible on the floors of the House for what they say at the Council Board? Mr. Young has no right to hold Mr. Jones responsible for a single word he ever uttered in the Council Chamber, and his attempt to do so should be frowned down at once.

We fail to understand why obscure country papers in Nova Scotia should interrupt their proper business of chronicling local events to harp at our claims to a readjustmens of the terms of union. Do they suppose their utterances will do anything more than show their own ill nature? They should be ashamed of themselves.

NOTES AND NEWS.

LITERARY.

The Maritime Monthly, the advance sheets of which were noticed some days ago, is now ready for delivery to subscribers and on sale at the bookstores.

The last two numbers of the *Living Age* have the following contents:—On the Hereditary Transmission of Acquired Physical Habits; The Misfortunes of a Geologist; Unpublished Letters from Princess Charlotte; The Felis Foemina; The Migration of Useful Plants; Bookshelves; Sir Tray, an Arthurian Idyl; Instinct Demoralized; Vegetable Invaders; Plymouth, the Story of a Town; Instinct with Original Observations on Young Animals; Winter Fare; The New Pretender; Prince Bismarck's Jeremiad, with installments of "His Little Serene Highness;" and of a "Slip in the Fens," besides poetry and miscellany.

The March number of *Old and New* contains its usual wide-awake variety of entertainment and lively thought. It has in the introduction an exposition of useful views on city government; next is "The *Man*-ufactory," showing how ministers, congressmen, lecturers, and the like, are being *man*ufactured out of wood, gutta-percha, and metal. Mr. Martineau's "God in History" pursues his powerful and suggestive train of reasoning. Mr. Hale's story of "Ups and Downs" is concluded. There is a short but clear account of "The New York Positivists;" a very curious paper on the stories, proverbs, and other oral literature, of the "Jamaica Creoles," a keen and cutting review of a recent publication of Bishop Coxe of Western New York, likely to please some Episcopalians, and to displease some; a pleasant sketch of travel in the French provinces: some thoughtful views on theism and atheism; an imaginative little poem by T. G. A., called the "Words of the Sea;" and a strange narrative of mediæval fanaticism, called the "Jew of Magdeberg." There are useful articles on the "Prison Mission," and on "The Use of Sunday;" and a full number of the "Musical Review,"—a feature introduced this year, and which is found very useful to music-buyers.

UNITED STATES.

"Will he hang?" asks a St. Louis paper, apropos of the sentence of Anton Holm, the latest convicted wife murderer of that city. We are not sure, but would advise the authorities to try it and see. We see no reason why he should not hang as well as another man, if the proper combination of hemp and timber be skilfully applied.

The long list of brutal murders which has lately been given, was recently supplemented by an additional horror which exhibits the most revolting details. The victim was a young wife residing in Chicago. Her husband had been married to her but a short time, but owing to his inordinate passion for drink and his abusing her, his wife was obliged to live apart from him for a time. She returned to him, however, a short time since, he having promised to reform, and they were apparently living happily. A few days since the wife was taken sick and confined to her bed. Her husband coming home late in the evening, went into the room where his wife was lying, and, seizing her by the throat, he sprang upon her and choked her to death. Not content with killing her, he threw her lifeless body out upon the floor and stamped upon it until scarcely a feature was recognizable. He then left her, and was subsequently arrested in the street for drunkenness. The subsequent discovery, by the officers, of his murdered wife led to his being held for murder, and he now awaits trial for the heinous crime of which he is accused.

Somebody connected with the family of Washington's private secretary has unearthed a curious souvenir of the "Father of his Country," and his wife, Martha, who was the stepmother of the country. It is a piece of black satin about eight inches by ten in size, on which is worked with the hair of the reverend couple the following stanzas, done by the mother of Col. Lear, the aforesaid private secretary:

"This is worked with our illustrous and beloved General
George Washington's hair,
"Which covered his exalted head,
But now enrolled among the dead,
Yet wears a crown among the skies,
In realms of bliss which never dies.

"This is worked with Lady Martha Washington's hair,
relict of our beloved general:—
"I pray her honor'd head
May long survive the dead,
And when she doth her breath resign,
May she in heaven her consort join.

"This hair was sent to Mrs. Lear by her good friend, Lady Washington."

Magnall Eclipsed.

The Toronto *Globe* publishes a long list of questions and answers in history culled from the papers of candidates for license to teach. We publish a few to give some idea of history as taught in Ontario:

Give a sketch of the reign of Edward II of England.

"Battle of Bannockburn was fought between English and Scotch. The English were defeated, and Isabella also came up as an enemy against him."

"Edward fought the battle of Bannockburn in 1314 and besieged Berwick 1419."

"In 1314 (A. D.) Edward with 30,000 English defeated 100,000 Scots, under Robert Bruce, in the battle of Bannockburn."

"Edward II was the grandson of King Alfred, founder of Oxford University."

Describe the circumstances which led the American War of Independence; and write brief notes of the war connected with the following places:—Lexington, Saratoga, Yorktown.

"The duties upon tea. A ship laden with tea sent from England was thrown over into Boston harbor, in which the Americans declared war."

"Lexington is on the American side of the Niagara; there Gen. Hull attempted to cross the river, but was compelled to retreat by Brock."

"War of Independence was between the Northern and Southern States on account of slavery."

After the death of Alexander the Great what division of his empire was made?

"After the death of Alexander the Great, the empire was ruled by kings. Egbert, 872, was the first king of England. The empire was divided into kingdoms."

"The same empire was divided into seven kingdoms, called the Saxon Heptarchy."

Give a sketch of the first settlement of Canada."

"Jacques Cartier 1st visited Canada; when the Indians seen him they thought it was the Good Spirit, and brought him their sick to be healed. When he left he took three ships, but all his men did not reach there, so he took possession and went back home to St. Malo."

"Canada was discovered by Cartier, who went with out three ships, leaving part of his men. Canada was peopled by Indians before its discovery by Cartier.

"When Canada was discovered by Cartier it was a mere collection of huts."

A Conscientious Manitoban Juror.

The first term of the Selkirk Court of Sessions opened in the Court House on Tuesday last, Judge Betournay presiding, and Judge McKeagney sitting as stipendiary magistrate. Associated there were the following magistrates: Hon. A. G. B. Bannatyne, R. Cunningham, M. P., and John Fraser, Esq. On the Thursday following, the Grand Jury being empanelled, Mr. A. E, Wilson, one of the jurors, rose and said:

"Since being sworn on this jury, I am informed that the juror Ambrose Lepine is the ex-Adjutant General of '69-70 Rebellion notoriety. I would ask is this a fact? There are gentlemen in the court able to answer that question. If I am rightly informed, I cannot sit on this jury, as the man to whom I refer is commonly charged with being a murderer!"

Judge Betournay—You should have raised your objections at the time you were sworn.

Mr. Wilson—My Lord, I was not aware at that time that I was associated with a murderer.

Judge Betournay—No man can, of right, be called a murderer till he has been tried and convicted.

Mr. Wilson—Lepine should have been tried long ago, and would have been, in the ordinary course of the law. It is not my fault that he is not.

Judge Betournay—Well, Lepine is not present this morning.

Mr. Wilson—He may be in at any moment.

Judge Botournay—Well you must take, and remain in, your place on the grand jury.

Mr. Wilson—I cannot do it, my Lord. This concluded the dialogue, and Mr. Wilson, taking his cap, amidst the most profound silence, left the court.

Mr. Wilson was afterwards fined by the Court for his course as above.

The circulation of the DAILY TRIBUNE *is rapidly increasing.*

MR. NOTMAN is making a great variety of WINTER PICTURES—barristers on snow-shoes, merchants tracking the cariboo, ladies rushing down hill on toboggans, grave fathers of families snowballing the children, etc. Mr. Notman supplies the snow, icicles, skates, and toboggan. tf

Singular Loss of Muscles.

A case of what is known to the medical fraternity as "progressive muscular atrophy" is attracting attention in the Bellevue Hospital, more as a matter of curiosity than as a subject for treatment. The victim of this untimely fatal disease is an ex-faro dealer about thirty years of age, and the loss of his muscles has been gradually going on since 1858. A slight vermicular movement under the skin is the first indication of atrophy, which is followed by contraction of the muscular fibre, loss of strength and neuralgic pains. In this instance the right arm was first attacked, then the left, and gradually the body and the lower limbs became involved, until his hands resembled bird's claws, and only loose, flabby skin hangs upon his limbs, neck and trunk. He still retains some control over the muscles of the mouth, but when these and the muscles of respiration become involved death must ensue. There are only two or three similar cases known in the country. The dreadful malady is induced by violent or continuous muscular exertion. This man incurred it by the constant effort made in pressing the steel spring of his faro-box, and is therefore the legitimate prey of judgment dispensers over the country. Let the burning cities and their wicked denizens rest for a time and the prophets turn their attention to astrophial faro dealers, where the relations of cause and effect are more clearly discernible by the naked eye.

Wonderful Surgical Operation.

One of the skilful and hazardous surgical operations of modern days was performed at the Franklin House, Portsmouth, by Dr. O. Fitzgerald, the celebrated clairvoyant physician of this State. It appears that Mr. Geo. A. Day, of Damariscotta, had a growing bunch of birth mark on his right cheek that must be removed or death ensue. It being in close proximity with the main and other arteries, it was deemed too hazardous by the most skilful surgeons to undertake the operation, as it was predicted that the severing of arteries would cause death; but in an influenced state Dr. Fitzgerald most skilfully and miraculously severed the bunch, after severing and securing several arteries.

The operation was witnessed by several prominent gentlemen of the city, whose only hopes in the life of Mr. Day was the past success of Dr. Fitzgerald. Mr. Day has so far recovered as to be able to return home to his fond mother, who for a long time anxiously awaited his lifeless remains instead of her boy so wonderfully restored.—*Bangor Commercial.*

THE WORDS OF THE SEA.

[From "OLD AND NEW" for March.]

The sea has many things to say,
And says them as we wish them said:
To the boy pausing in his play,
It cries, "Be quick, fetch line and lead."

To the wan lover it displays
Its moon path o'er the waters white,
And in each breaking crest it says,
"Hope on, I share in your delight."

To the worn man whose restless soul
Has found no haven on life's sea,
It whispers, "Not is this our gaol:
We rest but in eternity."

To the proud child of fostering ease,
Whose chariot rolls beside its shore,
A voice invites to ride the seas,
And manhood learn unlearned before.

To the white watcher by the tomb,
Whose heart has fled from him to heaven,
Its phosphor finger past the gloom
Points to a promise faith has given.

To death it shouts, "Arise and live!"
In organ tones forevermore,
Wave after wave, the countless hive
Falls, breaks and thunders on the shore.

LOCALS.

For a list of Agents for the sale of the DAILY TRIBUNE see first page.

For advertisements of WANTED, LOST, FOUND, FOR SALE, REMOVED, or TO LET, see Auction column.

New Advertisements.

Advertisers must send in their favors before 12 o'clock, noon, in order to insure their appearance in this list.

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Academy of Music Gift Concerts

Lecture Course— H Laurence Sturdee

Carvill Line of Packets— Geo McKean

Lines and Twines— W H Thorne

AUCTIONS.

Residences and Building Lots— Hurd Peters

Clothing— E H Lester

Brevities.

Rev. Geo. M. Grant lectures in the Institute to-morrow evening on his "Trip across the Continent."

A number of Senators and M. P.'s left this morning for Ottawa.

The Rev. J. R. Lawson preached a temperance sermon in Hamm's Hall, Indiantown, yesterday afternoon.

A very interesting temperance meeting was held in St. Malachi's Hall last evening. The attendance was good, and the addresses were listened to with attention.

The News Room.

Many subscribers to the News Room have neglected to pay their subscriptions, and, as the institution is too hard up to afford to pay for the burning of bad gas later than 8 o'clock, it will not be kept open later than that hour.

The DAILY TRIBUNE *is not excelled as a city advertising medium.*

Who did it?

One of our enterprising dry goods establishments on King street, not a hundred miles from the Market Square, a few Saturday nights since was unexpectedly left in the dark, the gas having suddenly given out, and that at a time when the store was quite well filled with lady customers. To add to the general confusion some one either kissed or imitated a kiss—sudden, sharp and very natural. In a moment the clerks lighted the gas, and it was astonishing how rosy and modest all looked. To this day the word is, Who did do that? K

Petition against the School Law.

The Catholics of this city and Portland intend petitioning the Legislature against the Free School Law. Yesterday in the Cathedral Bishop Sweeney read a petition which he wished all to sign. The petition prays that the Protestant majority in New Brunswick will treat the Catholic minority as the Protestants are treated in the Province of Quebec. The petition is being very extensively signed.

Subscribe for the DAILY TRIBUNE, *and have it delivered at your residence every afternoon.*

Temperance Lecture.

The Rev. Neil McKay occupied the platform of the Academy of Music last evening. More than ordinary interest was manifested, judging from the number who were present. The second gallery was thrown open for the first time, into which there rushed a crowd of boys, who were only kept in order by the presence of the chief of police. Even with such a personage amongst them it was almost impossible to keep anything like order. They can be partially excused as very little of the lecture could be heard in that gallery. The Lecturer commenced by announcing this his last appearance before a St. John audience for some time, and as he had already preached twice that day he would not preach again, but discuss the subject of intemperance. He commenced by tracing the rise of the movement to suppress this vice, mentioning a town in Nova Scotia (Truro) where there was a hill called "Bible Hill," and the first society formed in that town, was formed by men who promised not to drink *within seven miles of said hill.* This struck home to some in the audience who go on a "keg" in town and have to go out the Marsh Road for a drink. He traced various other efforts in the cause of Temperance and then proceeded to argue the question in all it bearings, and in very clear and forcible language stated his objection to the traffic.

He objected to the traffic because it is in the first place, *ab initio*, dishonest, the seller and purchaser not being mutually benefited by the transaction as is the case in other operations. Then on account of the *incidental demoralization* attendant upon the use of liquor, he objected to the traffic, and of the *impoverishing effect* of rum drinking and the immense waste of God's gifts when objects of religion and charity are so loudly calling. He quoted figures to show the amount spent in the Dominion during one year in intoxicating liquors and concluded with a few remarks on the decrease among respectable people of drinking habits. Twelve years since when he first came to St. John liquor was on every side-board; now he rarely saw it. It was he thought now only used amongst the lower classes, or those *snobs* above, and he wished the traffic to be left entirely in the hands of disreputable classes. The Rev. James Bennet occupied the chair and announced the Rev. W. P. Everett as the lecturer for next Sunday evening. A temperance meeting for children will be held on Saturday afternoon in the Academy.

Sad Disappointment of a Minister.

A well known minister of the Free Baptist denomination, at present residing in this city, received an invitation a few days ago to attend a wedding in Kars, King's Co., and, thinking, as a matter of course, that the company of no minister was desired except the one who was to perform the ceremony, he came to the very natural conclusion that a fee was in waiting for him. Accordingly, lured by the prospect of a bountiful supper, and the golden fee which he seemed to see already glittering in his brawny palm, he left this city in the midst of one of the heaviest snow storms of the season, and in due time arrived at the scene of action. But what was his dismay when the Rev. Mr. Corey, who had been invited to perform the ceremony, put in an appearance? The worthy gentleman's indignation can be better imagined than described. He was heard to say that if he had known that Corey was to be there he would not have driven his horse through the storm for $5. In order to allow his anger free vent, as soon as the ceremony was over, and without even waiting to congratulate the happy pair, the Rev. gentleman fled the scene of his disappointment, thoroughly disgusted with weddings in general and this one in particular, and made the best of his way homewards.

No Postage on the Debates.

Mr. Geo. W. Day, who is printing the official debates, requests us to publish the following for the information of those who estimate the cost of the debates, "including postage," at $6000;

POST OFFICE REGULATIONS.

Part XVIII., Section 207.

The following matter is exempt from Canadian postage:

Sub-Section 6. "Petitions and addresses "to either of the Provincial Legislatures "of Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick "and Nova Scotia, or to any branch "thereof, *and votes, proceedings, and other* "*papers printed by order of any such legis-* "*lature or any branch thereof, during any* "*session thereof*, provided such petitions "and addresses, votes, proceedings and "other papers are sent without covers, "or in covers open at the ends or sides "and contain no letter or written com-"munication to serve the purposes of a "letter."

WM. PAISLEY,
for P. O. Inspector.

Rich Coal Deposit.

The *Cape Breton Times* contains an account of the Victoria Mines about three miles from Sydney. In one square mile eleven seams have been discovered and the following is the quantity of coal in each:

1. Carr, 3,982,620 tons; 2. Paint, 6,969,600; 3. Crandall, 4,978,285; 4. Lyle, 3,200,000; 5. Ross, 6,969,600; 6. Willie Frazer, 3,200,000; 7. No. 3, 4,978,285; 8. Hugh McGillvray, 3,982,620; 9. 2 Foot, ——; 10. 8 Inch, ——; 11. Fraser, 6,969,600. Total, 45,230,610 tons in one square mile, or upwards of 135 million tons on the three square miles owned at present by the Company.

Celestial Snow.

The oldest inhabitant of Fredericton never saw the snow so deep. Fences are far beneath the surface, and ground flats have to be entered by descending temporary stairs unless the shovel has been persistently used. The tops of the trees are not hidden, but a few more snow storms would do the work. When the snow thaws the people will take to their canoes.

Temperance Meeting.

There will be a public temperance meeting to-morrow night in the Temperance Hall, King street, under the auspices of International Lodge, I. O. G. T. Several prominent gentlemen will address the meeting, interspersed with music, at which the public are invited to attend. Admission free.

Shipping Notes.

Shipbuilding at Clyde River, N. S.—A handsomely modeled vessel, to register, 1,000 tons, is being built at Clyde River, N. S., for T. Coffin, M. P., and others. She measures 161 feet length of keel; 37 feet breadth of beam, and 22 feet depth of hold.

The Bark Mary Wiggins, Mosher, master, at New York on the 27th ult., from Hamburg via Falmouth, reports took the northern passage and had fine weather during the voyage; was 12 days West of the banks. In lat. 50, lon. 13, passed ship Atlantic, bound West.

The Schooner Evergreen, Spicer, master, from Bangor for Port au Prince, before reported at Bermuda in distress, remained at that port on the 11th ult., and would sell a portion of her cargo of lumber.

The Bark Yarmouth, Brown, master, from Savannah for Bremen, before reported having shipped her anchors in the Downs and proceeded to Dungeness, returned, and having been supplied with another anchor and chain, sailed for her destination on the 14th.

The Bark Sarnia, Pellow, master, from Wilmington, N. C., for Antwerp, before reported put into Bermuda in distress, was ready to sail on the 14th ult.

The Brigantine Village Belle, from Barbadoes for Port Medway, N. S., which put into Bermuda in distress, was to have been sold at auction on the 15th ult.

The Bark Argonaut, Raymond, master, from Bremerhaven for New York, before reported ashore on the West Rocks, was got off the following day and taken into Harwich, making considerable water. She will have to undergo repairs before proceeding.

Schooner R. A. Ford.—Advices received by John M. Taylor, Esq., yesterday afternoon, from Captain Carpenter, reports the total loss of the schooner R. A. Ford, from this port for Providence, R. I., at Hypocutis, where she had gone ashore. The R. A. Ford is insured for $4000, $1000 in the British American Insurance Company of Toronto, and $3,000 among the St. John Underwriters. Instructions have been sent out to the Captain to get the vessel off, if possible, into a safe harbor. The cargo which is valued at about $1800, was shipped by Messrs. Scammell Bros. It is not insured.

Allan Line Steamship for St. John.—It is probable that one of the Allan Line steamers will be despatched from Liverpool, E., for this port, this month.

Sale of Ship Property.—A Liverpool exchange of the 8th February reports another large sale of vessels at Messrs. Kellock & Co.'s, on the 6th. Among the ships disposed of were the Cambridge, 1094 tons register, built at Miramichi, N. B., in 1851, which realized £4,000, and the bark Galeon, of Quebec, 312 tons, which realized £3,350.

Awards for Gallant Services at Sea.—Captain Geo. J. Pearce, of the ship St. Louis, of this port, has been awarded a gold watch by the Board of Trade of London for his gallant services to the captain and crew of the bark Redan, of London, on the 26th November last. The Redan, which was from Quebec for London with timber, when in lat. 44 31 N., lon. 35 21 W., met with a hurricane and was completely disabled, her rudder being washed way. The St. Louis then hove in sight, and Capt. Pearce and four seamen in the whale boat rescued the crew of the ill-fated vessel. She second mate, who was one of the four, received £4, and the rest £2 each for their gallant conduct.

Ship Richard Wright.—A headboard marked "Richard Wright" was washed ashore near St. David's Head about the 14th ult. The ship Richard Wright sailed from Liverpool for Bombay on the 1st ult. The R. W. was built at Courtenay Bay in 1872 by Messrs. Nevins, Fraser & Co., and is owned by themselves and parties in Liverpool. As the headboards of a number of vessels have been washed off in the channel during the heavy gales which have prevailed, there may be nothing in the above.

The Steamer Alpha, of the Cunard Line, which sailed from Halifax for Bermuda and St. Thomas on the 25th ult., returned to port the following day, it having been discovered, when about 104 miles from Sambro, that the coal in her forward bunker was in flames. The fire was promptly extinguished, but the captain thought it prudent to put back and have the steamer examined before proceeding. A small portion of the cargo was discharged and the fact ascertained that neither vessel nor cargo was injured. The discharged cargo having again been put on board, the steamer resumed her voyage on the 27th.

Police Court.

The pew was well filled this morning, and the room was filled with spectators. It seems a matter of surprise how so many can spare the time to spend an hour in the Police Station. Some faces are seen there every morning.

Martin Power and Robert Gabels were fined as usual on Monday mornings for simple drunk, $8.

Patrick Sullivan who was drunk on Duke street, fighting and disturbing the peace, had $2 extra added to the $8.

Catherine McVay from Sheffield street looked as smiling as possible, when pleading guilty to a charge of being drunk on that street, and laughingly left the dock for a suburban residence for two months.

Joseph Simpson was given in charge by John Riley for assaulting him. John was present on other business, but would not prosecute the charge and he was let go.

John Riley was reported for having his bar on Sheffield street open between the hours of 11 p. m. on Saturday and sunrise Monday morning. He said the bar was open but liquor was not sold. It was his second offence, and the police gave it the worst name of any place in Sheffield street. The Magistrate inflicted the full penalty of the law, a fine of $50.

Cu ling.

The game besween Scotchmen and "All Comers" was commenced on Saturday afternoon. James Milligan and D. D. Robertson played their Rinks. At the close the Scotch stood 19 and the All Comers 18.