

ROUND THE WORLD.

Canada has 6,459 sailing vessels and 829 steamers, with a gross tonnage of 190,149 tons. Three years ago there was no bicycle club in the United States; to-day there are 100. In an English court, lately, a plaintiff made good his claim to an estate which seventy years ago had escheated to the Crown for lack of next of kin.

wished the court to understand, he said, he was not there to collect the paltry debt, but he thought a man would cheat a classmate out of even a small sum (using, by the way, money paid as a fine for drunkenness) a ought not to be sent out into the world as a lawyer to swindle clients. Judge Miller permitted the filing of an affidavit, and the oath was postposed.

new French line, projected between Havre and Montreal, for which 12,000,000 francs has already been subscribed in Paris. The French Government has agreed to subsidize the line for ten years at the rate of \$100,000 annually and the Canadian Government is asked to follow suit with a \$50,000 yearly subsidy during the next decade. If the Canadian Government comes to terms a 14 days service between the two ports will be established within two months. The other steamship line to which we have reference is to form a direct connection between the Tyne and Montreal. It will be a regular service for freight and passengers with special accommodation for grain and the first vessel will leave for this port the second week in April. Early as it is in the season four new lines have therefore been projected to trade with Montreal, and four new ports with several intermediate ports will be opened up to Canadian trade with a regular steamship service to each. To begin with, there are Brazilian ports; secondly, the ports of Antwerp, and possibly Hamburg; thirdly, the Tyne ports, and fourthly, Harve, and possibly Granville in France.

is no doubt but that prices would have been advanced some time ago if so many houses were not in the trade in this city and in Toronto and Quebec. Men's split boots, \$1.75 to \$2.25; do split brogans, 90c to \$1.10; do buff congress, \$2 to \$2.25; do kip boots, \$2.50 to 3.25; do cowhide boots, 2.50 to \$3; women's split bala, 90c and \$1; do pebble and buff, balmorals, \$1.15 to \$1.50; do grunella, 60c to \$1.00; Misses' buff and pebble bala, \$1.00 to 1.20.

DAVITT FUND. THE POST... \$50 00 A few friends of the cause, Ottawa... 3 00 Henry J. Stafford... 5 00 W. O... 1 00 John Curran... 5 00 SHOCK OF EARTHQUAKE AND LOSS OF LIFE. CONSTANTINOPLE, April 4.—A strong shock of earthquake at Chio, in the Island of that name, yesterday, destroyed many houses and seriously damaged nearly all the remainder. Many of the inhabitants were killed, and the remainder encamped on the fields. Many of the neighboring villages were destroyed. During the panic the Eastern Telegraph Co's office was pillaged. The shock was felt in the Island of Syria and at Smyrna.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. A NEW HOLY-WEEK BOOK. THE COMPLETE OFFICE OF HOLY-WEEK ACCORDING TO THE ROMAN MISSAL, BREVINARY, AND PONTIFICAL, IN LATIN AND ENGLISH. Published with the approbation of HIS EMINENCE THE CARDINAL-ARCHBISHOP OF NEW YORK.

WIT AND HUMOR.

A derrick is a bivalve, because it is a hoister. Soft hearts often harden, but soft heads never change.

The man who had a project on foot went to a corn doctor. Shipwrecked sailors never need starve while there is a light of rope left.

Drugs and Chemicals.—Orders are beginning to come in a little better and prices are firmer. No great activity is expected until summer freight rates are in existence.

WHOLESALE PROVISION MARKET. The demand for new milk butter has almost exhausted the supply and old makes are being purchased by the retail trade at 10c to 21c.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. NOTICE OF REMOVAL, FROM 106 MURRAY STREET. James McArran, Bookseller, begs to inform his friends and customers that he has removed to 248 St. Joseph street, where he can supply the country people and public generally with the latest publications in books and papers.

THE AGE OF UNREASON. BEING A REPLY TO Thos. Paine, Robert Ingersoll, Felix Adler, Rev. O. B. Frothingham, and other American Rationalists. BY REV. HENRY A. BRANN, D. D., Author of "Carion's Questions," "Truth an Error," etc.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

The money market displays no animation. Loans on call are negotiated at 4 to 5 per cent and on time at 6 per cent. In New York Sterling Exchange is quoted at 4.8 1/2 and 4.84 for 60-day and shorter dated bills respectively, while here the rates are 8 1/2 to 8 3/4 premium between banks, 8 1/2 to 8 3/4 counter. Drafts on New York were drawn at 3/4 to 3/8 premium.

The Stock market to-day was steady and firm. Commerce advanced 1/4 to 1/2 bid; Montreal Telegraph, 1/4 to 1/2 bid; City Passenger, 1/4 to 1/2 bid; Montreal Cotton 5 per cent to 200.

RAV FURS.—The local trade is unsettled and generally weak. As soon as mail advices of the London spring sales are to hand a reduction in price lists is probable.

THE CITY RETAIL MARKETS.—APRIL 5. There was a fair turn out of farmers, and all descriptions of produce were plentiful. Prices ruled much the same as last week with the few exceptions noted below.

S. CARSLY, 393, 395, 397 AND 399 NOTRE DAME ST. We are showing such a stock of Mourning Fringes as has never been before. We are in a position to offer Black Silk Fringes for very deep mourning, as also for half mourning at remarkably low prices, and as for Black Silk Fringes, Black Bugle Fringes, Black, White Fringes and Black Beaded Parasols, we have a stock that would extend over many miles long at prices from 20c per yard, and these are the very best value ever shown in the Montreal or any other market.

I. A. BEAUVAIS' NEW STORE CHEAPEST PLACE Gentlemen and Boys' Wear. You may be sure you will not be deceived in buying from us. We want to make our house the best house in the city, so that people can come to our Store and not be afraid of being rebuffed which is too often done in our city. We don't ask \$200.00 to get \$30.00, as good many houses do. We ask what our goods are worth; no more. Our assortment is the largest in the city. ALL.