

THE AMERICAN EXPEDITION TO JAPAN.

Commodore Perry's squadron, to which public attention has been directed for some two years past, has returned from Japan. The result has been satisfactory, although it has been unaccompanied by the warlike demonstration so much talked of in the American journals.

The squadron, consisting of the steam frigates Susquehanna and Mississippi, and the sloops-of-war Plymouth and Saratoga, sailed from the harbour of Naphking, in Loochoo, on the 2nd of July.

As the vessels were coming to anchor, two shells or rockets were fired into the air from a battery about a mile distant, but apparently as a signal, and not a token of hostility.

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The letter of the President, and Commodore Perry's letter of credence were formally delivered, and an official receipt given in return by the two princes.

We may here mention that this was the only instance in which Commodore Perry met any of the Japanese officials in person.

The Governor and Deputy-Governor of Uraga, with the interpreters and attendants, after the interview, were treated to a trip in the Susquehanna, where they witnessed for the first time the performance of the steam-engine.

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THE UNITED STATES AS A NAVAL POWER.

The congregation of American ships of war in the Mediterranean, simultaneously with the exploit of the United States commander in the Bay of Smyrna, and the subsequent coil with Austria, has not escaped notice in the European journals.

The presence of the squadron appeared to cause no interruption to the inland commerce, for the bay was at all times studded with large junks and hundreds of small craft passing to and fro.

On Tuesday, the 19th, an answer arrived from Yedo, stating that the Emperor had appointed an officer of the highest rank to proceed to Uraga, and receive the letter of the President of the United States.

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The tonnage of New York was considerably less than that of London. At the end of 1852 it exceeded 1,000,000 tons, whilst that of London was 772,000, and that of Liverpool 694,000 tons.

A tram-road has been built from Scovill's wharf, in Shediac harbour, to the workshops of the contractors, a distance of about half a mile.

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UNITED STATES.

A startling scene was witnessed on board the Steamer Connecticut recently, by a man supposed to have been "run crazy."

A New York Sunday paper says that of American brandy the best quality can be bought at wholesale for forty cents a gallon.

CANADA.

A True Bill has been presented to the Supreme Court of Montreal, by the Grand Jury, against Augustus Howard and Murdoch Morrison.

By the arrival of the Royal Mail Steam packet Osprey, we have been put in possession of Bermudian dates from the 25th ult. to the 2nd inst.

WEST INDIES.

At Barbadoes, this night crew of 1853 reached 49,000 hogsheads. The Yams had been attacked by a blight; and other ground provisions were not abundant.

UNION OF THE COLONIES.

At the present time, when the project for uniting the British Colonies in North America, is engaging the attention of both British and Colonial Statesmen.

This topic, a Union of the Colonies, was agitated in 1828. It that year, a deputation was sent from Halifax to Quebec, by Sir John Campbell, in order to hold conference with the Earl of Durham on Colonial affairs.

The construction of the first section of the railway from the terminus at Cape Brule to the Dorchester road, (between 3 and 4 miles,) has been let out to sub-contractors.

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THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The English Mail arrived on Wednesday night last, by the packet *Heddic*. We hear that the mail did not arrive in Pictou until Tuesday last.

We hear that Her Majesty's ship given her consent to all the Bills passed last session except the One Ninth Bill and the Electric Franchising Bill.

SUMMARY OF GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

Secretary's Office, Nov. 12, 1853. The following gentlemen have undertaken their resignation as Justices of the Peace for Queen's County.

HASZARD'S GAZETTE.

Saturday, November 19, 1853.

We have heard a great deal of the influence of the Fourth Estate, and we are disposed to admit that it is not only less, but ought to have a fair share of power.

At Annapolis Royal, on Friday, the 26th October, John S. Watson, Esq., Esquire, formerly of Halifax, arrived in Pictou, and was followed to the grave on the following Sunday.

and not to be admitted to," and accordingly the Weekly Advertiser puts forth an article the object of which "is to show the positive necessity of a dissolution of the present Assembly, as it does not represent the sentiments of the people."

The Executive, which should surely be second in the eyes of the people, should be thought of as made by the paper above referred to.

Before what tribunal are those who are accused of altering the constitution and of procuring themselves to be unconstitutionally elected to be tried?

Such quantities of marketable quality, of the Wood to be sold, are now in the hands of the Farmers.

For one year, the Troops, Staff and as may be required, of the 1st and 2nd Bregds of Foot.

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To Carry Several postal officials attached to, in order, at the request of the Government, to be sent to the various parts of the country, under the direction of the Secretary of State.