

dimmed the diamond brightness of that dark eye—not a liquid drop seemed to circulate in that smooth cheek and blanched lip—her pearl-white teeth seemed glued together as she raised her hand, and with a horrid calmness unbound the dripping wreath with which she had just entwined her brow; one jetty braid after another was untwisted, until the whole beautiful mass fell in rich abundance over her lovely figure.

In speechless wonder, the old man gazed on his child, as she twisted her finger in one of the longest tresses, and tore it from her head. 'Take this,' said she, in a soul-thrilling voice, it is the last sad gift of thy child.' The parent unconsciously received the dark braid she reached forth. She gazed long and steadily on the chaplet of snow-drops; but it was not the fresh flowers that engaged her attention—it was the withered treasured emblem she had twined among them, on which her eye was fixed. Once she raised her hand as if to cast it from her; again she drew it back, and a large round drop gathered in her eye, and fell on the token of a faithless heart. 'Give this to him,' said she, 'tell him it is the bridal wreath of thy daughter, and the emblem of her fate!' Almost deprived of motion, he took the token. She bent forward and pressed a long kiss (which seemed to breathe forth her broken heart) on the quivering lips of her parent, and gave a sudden plunge into the deep blue waters. For a moment her white robe was seen on the surface of the curling eddies, slowly it disappeared, and the waves were unruffled; again an arm dashed them, and a mass of dripping hair floated loosely about—they were seen no more—the waters had closed over her for ever, and she sunk to her pure bridal bed; and the aged, grief-stricken James Cleland, soon after died a childless maniac.

Ten of the Piratical scoundrels who burnt the steamboat *Sir Robert Peel*, have been arrested.—One of the number is an American, the others from Canada. The *Watertown Jeffersonian* says that three are in jail in that village. Of those arrested are *William Lee*, of Clayton, in Jefferson county; *Bates*, *Hugh Scanlan*, and two brothers *Warner*, all Canadians except *Lee*. The officers of justice are on the alert, and but little doubt remains that the plot will be fully exposed, and the offenders brought to merited punishment.

From Canada. The news of the destruction of the steamboat *Sir Robert Peel* created a great sensation in Montreal. On Thursday evening, by the steamer *Eagle*, for Quebec, the despatches relative to the destruction were forthwith forwarded to the Governor General and to the commander of the forces.

The pirates who have destroyed the *Sir Robert Peel*, must meet their deserts, as a warning to their fellows that there is a government in the States, and that that government knows the meaning of the word honesty. And last and least, the full value of the vessel destroyed must be made good by the country in whose waters, and by the aid of whose citizens, directly or indirectly given, the piracy was committed.

If these things are done, the excitement caused by past injuries

received, may subside with the cessation of the injuries themselves as it will necessarily follow on the adoption of such a course. If these things be not done, the 'Patriots' and their active vagabond associates will go on to yet greater outrages. Reprisals must follow; and no diplomacy can then avert war. Time will soon show to which result we are to look forward. Prepared as Great Britain is, she has no occasion now to fear or avoid a war, only so far as its occurrence must prove a calamity to the world.

NEW YORK, JUNE 27.

An engagement took place last night at the Short Hills, Niagara District, U. C. between the Patriots and a company of the Queen's Lancers. The Lancer went into that quarter a week ago to put down any demonstration of patriotism. This morning at ten o'clock an Express arrived at Niagara, who stated that a whole company had been surprised, and after a loss of several killed all who survived were taken prisoners. The report was at first doubted, and a gentleman of the highest respectability went over to Queenston to ascertain its truth. Captain Palmer, the Commandant at that place admitted that there had been a skirmish between ten of the Regulars and two hundred Patriots, in which the former lost their horses and equipments, and were all taken prisoners but were afterwards released. The leader of the Patriots is said to be Samuel Chandler. We believe that the whole Company of Lancers have been taken prisoners and are retained as such. This morning 610 regulars and some volunteers were ordered from Chippewa and Drummondville into that district, but as the Patriots have now commenced the war the woods are alive with them, and the Regulars will probably all be cut to pieces.

QUEBEC, JUNE 26.

The escape of Louis l'Hussier from the gaol of Montreal is an occurrence which calls for a prompt and searching enquiry into all the circumstances connected with it, in order that punishment may fall where it is due. There must have been negligence in some quarter, and by the investigation which his Excellency has directed the Attorney General forthwith to institute, we have much pleasure in thinking that the neglect will be speedily traced to its source, and a proper example we doubt not will be made. In the meantime his Excellency has directed a reward to be offered for the re-capture of the ruffian who has broken prison, and has issued express commands that no one be admitted to see any of the prisoners without a written order from him. The admission of visitors to the prisoners it seems has been carried to an extent which no doubt afforded l'Hussier the facility he needed for escape. In the Sheriff is vested by the laws the duty of seeing that prisoners, both civil and criminal, are kept in safe custody either to abide the event of proceedings in progress against them, or to satisfy, in the penalty of detention, the judgment of some Court of competent jurisdiction against them. The Sheriff, therefore, stands primarily compromised in this matter, and must answer for his *laches*.

The miscreant who for the moment has effected his escape was one of the reputed murderers of that gallant and lamented officer, Lieutenant Weir.

ANOTHER STEAM BOAT DISASTER.—LOSS OF THE PULASKI. By the mails of this morning we received a slip from the Norfolk Beacon dated the 20th inst., giving additional particulars of the wreck of the Pulaski. It appears that her boiler exploded during a heavy gale, and that she sunk shortly after. Sixteen persons were known to have been saved, and it was confidently expected that several other escaped in the remaining boats.—We copy the slip:

"From passengers who arrived in the cars from Wilmington, we learn that the steam packet Pulaski, Capt. Dubois, which left Charleston on Thursday evening last, with about 200 passengers, bound to Baltimore, was lost on Friday night last, about 40 miles to the southward of Wilmington, North Carolina, during a heavy gale, in which her boiler exploded. Eight persons were killed by the bursting of the boiler. The boat sunk an hour after the explosion. Previous to the sinking of the steamer, a boat with twenty-one persons left her, and on approaching the shore five of the number were drowned. We have also been informed that the mate was the only person of the crew who was saved. Two ladies

who were in the boat got ashore safe.

"One of the gentlemen who communicated the above intelligence, is from Kingston, Jamaica, which place he left on the 27th May, in the Mary Dow, of Eastport, and after touching at Havana, arrived at Charleston. He states that the Legislature were ordered to convene on the 5th of the present month, for the purpose of repealing the apprentice system, and it was supposed that on the 1st of August the old law would go into operation."

The Norfolk Herald states that the surviving passengers had returned to Charleston, and adds on the authority of the mate, that more but the twenty-one who escaped in the first boat—five of whom were afterwards lost in the surf—survived the sinking of the vessel *Boston paper*.

DEATH OF PRINCE TALLEYRAND.—Events of really greater moment are instantly forgotten or dismissed at the news that Prince Talleyrand breathed his last on the evening of the 17th. He had been out in his carriage on the previous Sunday; but a slight sore produced an anthrax, or gangrene, and he was thus carried off in his 84th year. He had for some time written and addressed to the Pope a retraction of his conduct at the famous ceremony of the Federation, where he forgot his episcopal ordination, and condescended to bless that democratic and somewhat heathen ceremony.—He received absolution, extreme unction, and died in the peace of the catholic church; although the Archbishop of Paris, to whom the Prince had sent a copy of his letter to the Pope, kept aloof from his bed side. King Louis Philippe however, visited the veteran statesman, whose respect for etiquette and courtly ideas was manifest even in his dying moments. He insisted on presenting to the king all who happened to be with him, and had not undergone that ceremony, and he acknowledged the king's visited not as an act of warm and private friendship, but "as a great honour done to his house."

FRANCE.—The trial of Hubert and his accomplices terminated with a scene which excited considerable emotion in the court. The jury, after acquitting Hubert of an attempt against the life of the King, declared him guilty of a plot of treason against the government, followed acts for executing it. Deportation for life, or imprisonment in the penalty. Mdlle Grouvelle, Steuble, Giraud, and Annet, were declared guilty of the plot, without following it up by acts and with extenuating circumstances. Their penalty is five years imprisonment, except Giraud whose time is limited to three. Leproux, the supplementary judge, and the two others were acquitted. As soon as the jury returned its verdict Hubert leaped up and struck himself in the breast with a penknife, and subsequently with some similar weapon which he had seized. Both, however, were wrested from him: and orders being given to take him out of the Court, he resisted the gendarmes with rage and furious imprecations.

Emigrants for the Pacific Coast. at last the rocky Mountains are to be scaled by the caravan of emigration hitherto content to encamp on this side its base. And now Bishop Berkley's prophecy is carried out to its utmost limit.—China and its wall and sea only fronting upon us.

THE STAR

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 1838.

[FOR THE STAR.]

ODE TO THE CICALA

TRANSLATION BY A SCHOOL-BOY.

To thee the poplar-tree has given  
Its topmost seat:—for thee bright heaven  
Distils its' dew-drops mild;  
Cicala! with thy shrilly strain  
To animation 'wake again  
The woodland warblers wild.

Since gone are winter's weary hours,  
Lo! fleeting summer onward scours  
On lightning pinions sped;  
Come while the woods thy notes repeat,  
Enjoy the evanescent heat  
Bright Phœbus deigns to shed

The big hopes yesterday display'd  
Are by to-day alar convey'd  
Beyond the reach of Man;  
Life's choice enjoyments, ah! how brief  
Their farthest date:—'tis saddening grief  
Alone extends its' span.

Harbor Grace,  
July 25, 1838.

H. M. Ship *Andromache*, Capt. BAYNES, arrived on Tuesday last, in 13 days from Quebec, bringing despatches for his Excellency the Governor, and an invitation (as it is understood) from the Earl of DURHAM to his Excellency to proceed to Quebec upon the return of the Ship in a few days, to meet the noble Earl. There is, it is rumoured, to be an assemblage of the respective Governors of the North American Colonies at Quebec, for the purpose of enabling the Governor General to confer with them upon the important topics to which late events have given rise; and besides, it is certainly not improbable that, stranger as the Earl of DURHAM is to the wants and condition of these Colonies, he is desirous of fortifying himself with that practical information which such an opportunity would at once afford him.

It is stated that his Excellency Governor PRESCOTT declines the invitation "in consequence of the existence of some matter of importance connected with the local Government which will render his presence here indispensable."—*Ledger*, July 20.

DEPARTURES.—In the St. Patrick for Liverpool, Thomas Foley, Esq.—In the Rowena for Liverpool, from Carbonear, John Elson, Esq. and Mr Thomas Gamble.

Married

At Brigus, on Saturday last, by the Rev. JAMES G. HENNIGAR, Wesleyan Missionary, JOHN MUNN, Esq., of this town, to NAOMI, eldest daughter of WILLIAM MUNDEN, Esq.

SHIP NEWS

Port of Harbor Grace.

CLEARED.  
July 23.—St. Patrick, Evill, Liverpool, 19,329 galls. seal oil, 59 seal skins, 4 cwt. old junk, 37 cow hides.

Port of St. John's.

ENTERED.  
July 17.—Brig Apollo, Ford, Lisbon, salt.  
Sir John Falstaff, Fife, Cadiz, salt.  
18.—Daniel, Steer, Lisbon, salt.  
William Rufus, Kiely, P. E. Island, lumber.  
President, O'Dell, Halifax, butter, potatoes.

CLEARED.  
June 28.—Larch of the Morrel, Follett, Cork, oil.  
30.—Amphion, Martin, Figueira, fish.  
Harriet, Elizabeth, —, Halifax and Boston, fish.  
Catherine Ann, Palk, Cork, oil.  
Annandale, Walsh, P. E. Island, sundries.  
Ann Johnston, Corbin, Liverpool, blubber, oil.  
July 2.—Three Brothers, Chesson, Margaree, salt.  
3.—Breeze, Hurst, Barbadoes, herrings, fish.  
Hope, Cooper, Sydney, ballast.  
John and Horatia, Dwyer, Sydney, ballast.  
Herald, Frith, Demerara, fish, flour, raisins.  
4.—Palmetto, Pearman, Grenada, fish, wine.  
Triton, Wakem, Quebec, ballast.  
Packet, Graham, Halifax, fish.  
6.—United Brothers, Murphy, Bridgeport, ballast.

Notice.

TENDERS will be received at my Residence until TUESDAY, the 14th August next, at Noon, for the undermentioned WORK viz.

For MAKING a Road from Southern Brook, River Head, to Cody's Work Shop; REPAIRING the three Bridges at the River Head, and a part of the Road on the East of Northern Brook.

For MAKING and Repairing the Road from Churchwell's Corner to the Church Lane.

Specifications may be seen on application to me.

The Tenders will be opened at the Commercial Room, on the above named day at 12 o'clock precisely.

W. C. St. JOHN,

Secretary to the Board of Commissioners for Roads &c. in and about Harbor Grace.

July 24, 1838.

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