

were much diminished. Wheat had advanced from 41. a bu. per 70 lbs. and Canadian flour 2s. per bushel.

Last year, up to the same period, the 31st July, only 12 vessels measuring 7,951 tons had arrived. Red Pine had been sold at from 19d. to 21d. per foot: white ranged from 17d. to 18d. Oak 2s. a 2s. 3d. Ash 15d.

UNITED STATES.—The passengers in the Iron Steam-ship Great Britain, have addressed a very complimentary letter to Lieut. Hosken, R. N., her commander; in which they speak in high terms of the Great Britain as a safe and comfortable sea-boat, and of the excellence of all the arrangements on board.

ARRIVALS FROM TEXAS bring news as late as the 30th ult. The Texan convention was still in session, but it was thought would soon finish its labours.

FROM MEXICO the news is to the 23rd ult. The Mexican Government were making every preparation for hostilities with the U. States, and a declaration of war was soon confidently expected.

STEAMBOAT COLLISION ON LAKE ERIE.—The Steamboat London, from Buffalo, came in contact with the Kent steamer, at night, on her downward passage, a few days ago, below Point a Pelee, on Lake Erie, in consequence of some mismanagement, as it is stated, on the part of the pilot of the latter boat.

SYRUSA.—A terrible conflagration occurred at this city, so often visited in a like destructive manner before, on the 3d of July last. It began in the centre of the town, aided by a furious north wind, which afterwards changed, and destroyed every thing within a circumference of a mile and a half.

FRENCH PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL WORSHIP AT PARIS.—One of the two French priests, who, about three weeks ago, conformed to the Church of England, by receiving the sacrament at the hands of the Right Rev. Bishop Luscombe at the Episcopal Church in Paris, is about to open a large chapel in the Faubourg St. Germain, for the performance of the Church of England service in French.

RAILROADS.—Among the numerous projects now on foot for improving the means of communication between distant parts of the country by means of railroads, none is so important to Canada or so gigantic in conception as that of which the following is the prospectus.

HALIFAX, QUEBEC, AND MONTREAL RAILWAY COMPANY, With power progressively to extend the same Westwardly to the Pacific Ocean, form Branches, and purchase and improve Lands upon the line.

Capital £2,000,000. The contemplated chain of steam and railway communication from England, in connexion with the projected railways to the West of Ireland, will necessarily facilitate and increase commercial and passenger intercourse with the continent of America, inasmuch as the communication between London, Quebec and Montreal, may then be effected in an average of nine days; and there can be no doubt that the influence of railroads in the New World will be more striking and rapid than in any of the European States.

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tively 1552 vessels and 510,448 tons; while those cleared for the same colonies amounted to 1,329 vessels and 445,510 tons. It is argued that the improvement in the means of communication will augment immigration very much, and thus contribute to the good of the country by introducing numbers of industrious settlers, while it is also asserted that this line of road will offer the shortest, cheapest, and most secure passage to China and our Indian possessions, and consequently will be the great thoroughfare for travellers.

“In the event of government patronage and support being accorded to the undertaking, immediate steps will be taken to enter upon the necessary survey of the whole line. Until this is obtained, it is proposed to restrict the operation of the company to the important portion of the line connecting the great commercial depot and marine arsenal of Halifax with the capital cities of New Brunswick and Canada.

“Immediate steps will be taken to secure either a Royal Charter, or an act of the Provincial Legislature, with the usual powers and restriction of liability.” With regard to the above extensive scheme, we will only say, in the words of our contemporary, the Gazette, “we should be happy to see the whole or any part of it realized.”

THE ST. LAWRENCE AND ATLANTIC RAILROAD.—PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE IN LONDON.—Edward Ellice, jun., Esq., M. P., William Chapman, Esq., James J. Cummins, Esq., J. B. Elin, Esq., Alexander Gillespie, Jun., Esq., Nathaniel Gould, Esq., Robert McCalmont, Esq.

Bankers—Messrs. Glyn, Halifax, Mills & Co. Solicitors—Messrs. Biscoff & Cox, 10 Coleman-street. Agent in London—A. T. Galt, Esq. Temporary Offices, 19, Coleman-street. Private letters say that there is not the least doubt of the stock being all quickly taken up in the English market.—Montreal Herald.

MONTREAL.—An atrocious murder was committed at the Cross, Montreal, on Tuesday night the 12th inst. Two men named Michel Lambert and Pierre St. Thomas had an altercation, when Lambert struck St. Thomas on the head with an axe, and fractured his skull. He died soon after, and Lambert fled. A coroner's inquest was held over the body on Wednesday, and a verdict of wilful murder returned against Lambert. The Coroner immediately issued a warrant for his apprehension, and a police officer started in pursuit.

The trial of Lepage, charged with setting fire to the Court-house a year ago, has resulted in a verdict of CULPITY. He has been sentenced to 14 years imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

MONTREAL.—THE NEW MARKET HALL.—The corner stone of this building, was laid by His Worship the Mayor and the building committee, attended by a few friends, on Friday before last.

At a meeting of the Montreal Medico-Chirurgical Society, held on the 2d of August, the following gentlemen were elected Officers for the ensuing year:— PRESIDENT—Dr. Holmes. VICE PRESIDENTS—Dr. Crawford and Dr. Badgley. SECRETARY—Dr. MacDonnell. TREASURER—Dr. Fraser.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT. Dr. Arnold, jr., Dr. Hall, Dr. Sutherland. ROBERT L. MACDONNELL, Secretary.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL. FRIDAY, 15th August, 1845. Present:—His Worship the Mayor, Messrs. McLeod, Connolly, Lloyd, Savard, Rousseau, Robitaille, Plamondon, Wilson. His Worship the Mayor submitted to the Council the following important document:—ROYAL ENGINEER OFFICE, Quebec, 14th August, 1845.

GENTLEMEN, I am instructed by the Commanding Royal Engineer to put myself in communication with you, and to notify, with reference to the imminent danger which threatened No. 6 Magazine, near Palace gate, during the fire on the 25th May last, that after conference had with their Lordships the Governor General, and the Commander of the Forces, it is essentially necessary, as you must be aware, for the preservation of the lives and property of the inhabitants of the city, in the event of a similar calamitous fire, and likewise very desirable for the security of the Fortifications, that no houses should be rebuilt on the southern side of St. Charles street, or contiguous to the cliff and walls of the Upper Town, between Palace and Hope Gates, and adjacent to the Artillery and Ordnance Store Buildings and Barrack bastion. I am also further directed to impress on you, that the instructions received from the authorities in England, make the carrying into effect of this arrangement imperative, and I am desired to request your cordial co-operation in the same, and at the same time represent to you, that it must obviously be the interest of all the inhabitants, to guard as much as possible, against the probability of so awful an occurrence, as that which recently threatened the Town of Quebec, with all its inhabitants, by the dangerous position in which the fire placed the Powder Magazine referred to.

It is not the wish of Her Majesty's Government to deprive any of the inhabitants of the value of the property to which they may have any just title; but only to adopt such measures as seem indispensable for the general security of the Town, and of the Public Works and Buildings; and therefore, whenever a just, legal and proper right is found upon examination to exist, in any property, a fair compensation will, it is understood, be awarded to the proprietor. But it will be absolutely requisite for parties who may expect compensation, to manifest their titles to the lands for which they claim.

A Plan, indicating in Yellow the ground * The ground referred to in this plan comprises all the south part of St. Charles street, from the foot of Hope Hill to Palace Gate, extending from thence in St. Vallier street to the foot of Côte d'Or.

considered necessary to be obtained, is herewith enclosed. I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, Your most obedient, Humble servant. (Signed) U. C. WARD, Lt. Col. Ryl. Eng.

His Worship the Mayor, and Corporation of Quebec. Ordered, That the Mayor be requested to answer this communication, and to assure the Respective Officers of Ordnance that the Corporation will do all that is necessary to facilitate an enterprise so important for the security of this city and its inhabitants. The Council adjourned to Tuesday next at 8 o'clock, P. M.—Mercury.

GENERAL RELIEF FUND.—The following sums have been received by the Treasurer since the last statement: A Military friend, by J. C. Fisher, Esq., Lt. D. 50 0 0 Martintown, C. W., by Rev. J. MacLaurin, 25 0 0 Provincial Government of Nova Scotia, 1,016 13 4 Balance of Subs'ns at Halifax, N.S. 182 17 9 Hon. Richard Pakenham, British Ambassador to United States, 25 0 0 Inhabitants of Gananoque, C. W. 25 0 0 Choral Society of Hamilton, C.W. 43 0 0 Charlotte Town, P. Ed. Island, £150 sterling, 185 0 0 Additional contributions from Toronto, C. W. and vicinity, 374 0 8 On account of Subscriptions in London, Eng., £5,000 sterling, 6,166 13 4 Townships of Wickham and Drummondville, 2 10 0 Additional, from Christ Church, Hamilton, C. W., 0 12 6 Parish of St. Nicholas, 12 1 0 By the hands of the Bishop of Montreal, Collected at Percé and parts adjacent, in district of Gaspé by Rev. R. Short, 17 12 6 Do. by Rev. J. Wilson, at Grafton, Newcastle district, C. W. 11 12 0 Do. do. Colborne, do., 3 13 0 Presbyterian Congregation, Brockville, C. W., 25 7 10

CASUALTY.—A quarrel occurred on Monday evening between two men, near the Calde-Sac, which resulted in one named Goubout being dangerously stabbed by his opponent. The perpetrator is in custody. An official order has been received from the Provincial Secretary, directing the removal of all the lunatics in Montreal, Three Rivers, Port St. Francis, and at the General Hospital here to the new Lunatic Asylum at Beauport, the proposed establishment of which was announced in the Berean of July the 17th.

SMOKE PROHIBITION BILL.—A bill under this name was under the consideration of the House of Commons on the 11th of June, but came to nothing for want of attendance of members—the house was counted out. We do not know what the nature of the bill was—perhaps directed against the practice of smoking; we heard a member of the Provincial Legislature some time ago in public speak very strongly on this subject, which makes us advise that enactments against the practice had better not be designated “Smoke-Prohibition” but “Providing-against-Fire and Promotion-of-Genility” Bills.

BIRTHS. On the 14th instant, Mrs. Robert Cassels, of a son. MARRIED. At Springfield Cottage, Montreal, on Tuesday, 12th instant, by the Rev. Mr. Adamson, James Douglas, Esq., to Margaret, youngest daughter of Joseph Webster, Esq., of Montreal. On Tuesday the 13th inst. at the Rectory Chapel, by the Rev. William Anderson, Rector of Suel, William Henry Allen Davies, Esq., Merchant, to Jane, daughter of the late John Anderson, Esq., both of this city.

DIED. Yesterday morning, John, eldest son of Mr. J. J. Sims, aged 18 years. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend his funeral tomorrow, at 2 o'clock, P. M., from his father's residence, Upper Town Market. At Georina, (Home District, Canada West.) on the 28th July, Charlotte, wife of the Rev. J. Gibson, and youngest daughter of the late Richard Sayer, Esq., of Aston Hall, Shropshire, England.

PORT OF QUEBEC. ARRIVED. N. B. It will be observed that the shipping report below only gives the names of vessels arriving with cargo. Aug. 15th. Bark Jane Blair, Rae, London, order, general. — Mary Thompson, Long, Carthage, A. Gilmour & Co. agents. Ship Coromandel, Hunter, Liverpool, Sharples & Co. salt. 16th. Schr. Sea Gull, Audette, Halifax, D. Fraser, gen. 17th. Ship Victoria, Armon, Liverpool, Gillespie & Co. general. Brig Medora, Flann, Clackmannan, J. M. Millar, coals. 18th. Ship St. Andrew, Wylie, Glasgow, A. Shaw, general—2nd voyage. Bark James Dean, Thompson, Liverpool, T. McCaw, salt. Schr. L. R. H. Arbor, New York, LeMesurier & Co., molasses, &c. 19th. Bark St. George, Hermann, Southampton, Atkinson & Co. general. Ship Albion, Allan, Glasgow, Synes, do. 20th. Bark Rose, Barton, Liverpool, Lee, salt. Total number of arrivals from sea to the 20th inst., included, 1037 measuring 380,898 tons.

MARITIME EXTRACTS. The fine fast sailing ship St. Andrew, Wylie, came in early on Monday morning from Glasgow, which port she left on the 14th ult. with a general cargo for Montreal. She is the first Montreal ship on her second voyage this season. The ship Provincialist, passed the bark

Ellerslie, off the Bird Islands, on the 3rd instant. The new steamer Quebec, left Montreal on Monday morning at 5 o'clock, and arrived before 3 o'clock, having stopped a short time at Three Rivers. She left for Montreal again at 5 o'clock in the evening. Capt. White of the Bark Brown, at this port, saw on the 9th inst., off St. Paul's, the bark Moams, Houston, hence on the 25th ult., with a large fleet bound to the Eastward.

Capt. Allan of the Ship Albion, spoke, on the 25th July, in long. 33 deg. 22 min. W., lat. 49 deg. 25 min. N., the ship Calcutta, Smith hence the 23d June for Liverpool water-logged. The Capt. desired to be reported, but wanted no assistance. Capt. Simpson of the bark Edina, reports having passed in the night of the 17th inst., a bark off Bic Island with both topmasts gone.

QUEBEC MARKETS. Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 19th August, 1845.

Table with columns: Item, s. d., s. d. Items include Beef, Mutton, Dito, Lamb, Veal, Pork, Eggs, Potatoes, Maple Sugar, Venison, Hams, Bacon, Fowls, Ducks, Flour, Do. per quintal, Oats, Hay, Straw, Fire-wood, Cheese, Butter, Dito, Pot Ashes, Pearl do.

ENGLISH MAIL. LETTERS for the above Mail will be received at the Quebec Post Office, till THURSDAY, the 25th AUG. PAID Letters to THREE o'clock, and UNPAID to FOUR, P. M.

Mutual Life Assurance SCOTTISH AMICABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, HEAD OFFICE, 141, BUCHANAN-STREET, GLASGOW.

THE Constitution and Regulations of this Society insure to its Members the full benefits which can be derived from such sums as they are willing to devote to the important duty of LIFE INSURANCE. The whole profits are secured to the Policy holders by the Mutual System on which the Society is established, and their allocation to the Members is made on fair, simple, and popular principles.

It is provided by the Rules, that the whole Directors, Ordinary and Extraordinary, shall be Members of the Society, by holding Policies of Insurance for Life with it, of more than three years' standing. This rule secures to the Public that those Noblemen and Gentlemen who appear as Directors of the Society, have practically approved of its principles. For further particulars, with tables of Premiums, apply to R. M. HARRISON, Agent for Canada. Quebec, August, 1845.

THE MOST EXTENSIVE SHOEING ESTABLISHMENT IN QUEBEC. JOHN HOUGHTON, Smith and Farrier, St. Joachim Street, St. John's Suburbs, about two hundred yards from John's Gate.

DEBTS to return his sincere thanks to Genl. Sir J. Hope, the Officers of the Garrison, the Gentry of Quebec and the public in general, for the very liberal support he received previous to the late fire; that from the last Twenty-four years' experience in that department in Quebec, coupled with his precise knowledge of the diseases of the horse, and functions of the foot, he is fully confident he can give perfect satisfaction to all persons who may employ him; the greater portion of cases of lameness being produced by bad shoeing; and it will be his constant care, to prevent lameness from such causes.

J. Houghton trusts that this new and extensive opening will receive that encouragement hitherto experienced. Quebec, 1st August, 1845.

BAZAAR. BY permission of the Worshipful the Mayor and Corporation of Kingston, a BAZAAR is proposed to be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday September 3rd, in order to raise funds for completing the interior fittings of St. James' Church, STUARTVILLE, LOT 24. Any contributions for promoting this object will be thankfully received by those Ladies of the Committee whose names are subjoined, who have kindly consented to hold tables.

HON. MRS. DE BLAQUIERE, MRS. CASSADY, MRS. SADLER, MRS. DUDUPY, MRS. BREST, MRS. R. V. ROGERS.

PHENIX FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON. THIS Company, which established its Agency in Canada in 1804, continues to assure against fire. Office, Gillespie's Wharf, open from 10, A. M. to 4 P. M. GILLESPIE, GREENSHIELDS & Co. Quebec, 7th July, 1845.

TEACHER WANTED. AN Assistant for a respectable Boys' School; he should be fully master of the English branches and well acquainted either with French or with the Junior Classics. Enquire at the Publisher's. Quebec, 5th May, 1845.

MRS. STANLEY'S SCHOOL, FOR YOUNG LADIES, 37, St. Anne Street, WILL be re-opened on MONDAY, the 4th August.

To meet the wishes of many of her friends who are desirous that Music should form one of the accomplishments imparted to her Pupils, Mrs. S. has engaged an Assistant fully competent to give instruction in that department. For terms, &c. apply at the Bible Depository, No. 4, Anne Street, Quebec, 24th July, 1845.

MISS EVANS' SEMINARY will re-open on MONDAY, 11th AUGUST. No. 1, Des Grisons-street, Cape. Quebec, 22d July, 1845.

EARLY THOUGHTS IN NUMBERS, A BOOK INTRODUCTORY TO WRITTEN ARITHMETIC. At 6d. a piece, or 5s. 6d. a dozen, For sale by the subscriber. G. STANLEY. Quebec, 24th July, 1845.

NOTICE. THE undersigned has been appointed Agent for the JETNA INSURANCE COMPANY, of Hartford, Ct., and is now prepared to take risks against Fire.—This office has now an Agency in Montreal, which has been in operation for the last 20 years, has been always prompt and liberal in settlement of losses. Such being its character, the undersigned looks for a portion of the public confidence and patronage. DANIEL MCGIE, Hunt's Wharf. Quebec, 7th July, 1845.

JUST RECEIVED, FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBERS, BEST Window Glass, in Boxes and Half-Boxes, a great variety of sizes from 6 1/2 x 7 1/2 assorted, to 36 x 40 in. C. & W. WURTELE. Quebec, 14th July, 1845.

AEOLOPHON FOR SALE. A BARREL AEOLOPHON by MYERS, London, playing eight tunes of different Metres and two chants for singing the Gloria Patri. A finger-board has been also constructed by which the number of tunes can be greatly increased. It is offered for sale in order to replace it by an instrument of greater compass. For particulars apply to the Rev. R. Knight, Frampton, or at the office of this paper. Quebec, 9th July, 1845.

AN ASTRONOMICAL TELESCOPE, A LUCERNAL MICROSCOPE. The above mentioned articles, the property of a private individual, for sale at the office of this paper.

MONTREAL TYPE FOUNDRY. TO THE PRINTERS AND PROPRIETORS OF NEWSPAPERS IN CANADA, NOVA SCOTIA, &c. &c. THE Undersigned having purchased the above Establishment, begs to solicit a continuance of the Patronage which has been heretofore so liberally bestowed upon him as Agent to the Foundry. Having revised and greatly added to the material, he can confidently recommend the Type now manufactured by him as equal to any manufactured on this Continent. The services of an experienced practical man, from New York, have been engaged in the mechanical department, and the Printers, in this City are confidently appealed to as to the beauty and quality of the Type cast in this Foundry. A specimen will be shortly issued, when the Proprietor will do himself the pleasure of waiting upon the Trade; in the meantime, he will be happy to see or hear from those inclined to give him their support. Old Type taken in Exchange at 6d. per Pound. Printers' Materials, and any article not manufactured in Montreal, brought in from New York at 20 per cent. in advance. CHAS. T. PALSGRAVE. June 12th, 1845.

BRITISH AND CANADIAN SCHOOL. WANTED—Either in St. Paul Street, or St. Roch, St. John, or St. Louis Suburbs—a suitable BUILDING for the temporary use of the British and Canadian School. JEFFERY HALE, President. Quebec, 26th June, 1845.

RECEIVING per 'Vesper,' 'Douglas,' 'Carthaginian,' and 'Emmanuel,' AND FOR SALE, Patent proved Chain Cables, Coil Chain and Anchors, Pit Saws, Mill Saws, Files, &c. Shoe Thread and Seine Twines. ALSO Double Boiled and Raw Linseed Oil in Pipes, Hhds. Qr. Casks & Octaves, Gunpowder, Blasting F. FF, FFF, &c. C. & W. WURTELE, St. Paul's Street. Quebec, June 26, 1845.

CHINA, EARTHENWARE, GLASS-WARE, &c. RECEIVING per 'Auckland' & 'Aurora,' a general assortment of the above, and expected by other vessels, a further supply, selected by the subscriber during his visit to England, the last winter. THOMAS BICKELL, Agent for Grimstone's Eye Snuff. St. John Street, Quebec. Quebec, 12th June, 1845.

FOR SALE, ENGLISH Linseed Oil, Imported, French-Rur Stones, this London Bottled Port, season. WELCH & DAVIES, No. 2, Arthur St. Quebec, 26th May, 1845.