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case—they might form not an unfit contribution to the World's Fair of '51.

A case of Ruffles by Mr Ashfield, of very superior quality is also worthy of notice and speaks well for the skill of our mechanics in that article.

A lot of Blankets from the mills of Mr Gamble, of Etobicoke, is among the best specimens of domestic manufacture. The quality of the Blankets is very superior, and the wool is beautiful. Canadian Cloth, sent from the same manufactory, is also very good.

The Stoves exhibited by George H. Cheney & Co., of this city, are equal, if not superior, in beauty of design and finish, to anything of the kind we have seen. They are of all kinds—Kitchen, Parlor and Hall—and for coal or wood. Mr Spencer and Mr J. R. Armstrong are also among the Competitors in this article. Mr Sheriff Rutan likewise exhibits his hot-air-furnace, which, by the way, is very highly spoken of.

There are four embroidered Chairs from the hands of fair Torontonians, which display much skill and industry. They are really beautiful articles.

Mr Samuel Shaw's edge tools and agricultural implements are of admirable workmanship, and we are persuaded, will bear comparison with the work of any other city.

A Cheffonier of Walnut tastefully polished, made by a son of Mr Pell, only 16 years of age, and apprentice to Messrs. Jacques & Hay, carried off the first prize of furniture. It is made of beautiful wood, and the workmanship is first-rate.

Of paintings and drawings there is a great display. Mr Paul Kane's works stand pre-eminent, as at the Niagara show. Two or three of his Indian scenes in oil are admirable paintings. We trust the best will find their way to England among the Canadian works of Art. Mr Carpendale's crayons we have again to mention with commendation; the heads of animals taken from life in Van Amburgh's menagerie, are very finely executed.

Mr Wheeler's medallions of His Excellency the Governor General, in plaster and in gutta serena, are also fine specimens of skill. The likeness is very good, and the workmanship is excellent.

The Toronto City Arms, carved in wood by Mr D. Fleming of this city, exhibits no little perseverance, and considerable skill. The figure of the Indian Chief is exceedingly well designed.

The paintings of the City of Toronto are very poor indeed, and are not worthy of a place in the exhibition. It would be highly desirable to get a fine sketch of our city from the pencil of a first-rate artist. There is time yet, and the Corporation should see to it. A sufficient number of engravings from the picture might be sold to defray the cost.

The dentistry exhibited by Mr Rahn is very fine work, and we are assured equals anything produced in Europe.

The best articles of the exhibition are to be sent to Montreal for the Grand Provincial Show on the 20th October. Preparations are making for a great demonstration. Prizes to the amount of \$6,000 will be awarded, and the best articles sent home for the London exhibition. There is to be a public dinner on the occasion, and many other inducements are held out to visitors.—Globe.

Canadian Transatlantic Steamers.

Under this heading, the *Montreal Herald* details the advantages which would result from the establishment of a line of steamers between Quebec and Liverpool. About this there can be no question; every Canadian feels the want of such a line, and the only doubt has been, whether the needful could be procured; but when we came to the conclusion of the article, all doubts were removed. People that speak in the style that our cotemporary uses, must have something at bottom, and we may consider it not improbable that a line of efficient Steamboats, with superlative accommodations, superb figure heads, bigges, cutwaters, &c., to match will walk the St. Lawrence, like things of life, the moment the ice is gone next spring.

"It may perhaps be premature at present to say confidently that we shall have a line of Transatlantic steamers running to the St. Lawrence, within any given period. But it is now understood, in well informed quarters, that the attempt is shortly to be made under auspices, which seem to be a guarantee of success. We are not at present in a position to do more than mention the report, and to say that the gentleman, whose name is connected with it is one, whose high standing, long experience, and great commercial sagacity, warrant the highest hopes for any undertaking to which he lends his energies."—Daily Patriot.

SERIOUS AFFRAY.—The *Globe* gives an account of a serious disturbance which occurred on board the steamer *Highlander*, on her trip up the river on Monday night, which, at one time threatened to be attended with the most disastrous consequences. The *Highlander* left Lachine for Kingston on Monday, at two o'clock, with a large number of cabin passengers, among whom were Sir Edmund and Lady Head and suite, Hon. Mr. Leslie, Provincial Secretary, Mr. Murdoch, of Halifax, &c. At Coaticook, a large party of immigrants came on board, completely occupying the lower deck. All went smoothly until the vessel reached Cornwall, at which place 40 or 50 raftsmen were received as steerage passengers; they had run a large raft down the rapids that morning, and were going up by the boat to the head of the rapids to bring down a second raft. It was evident from the first that these men had been imbuing rather freely, and that they had not been long in the vessel before a violent altercation arose between some of their number, and a portion of the immigrants, the latter alleging that the raftsmen had interfered with the night quarters they had made up for themselves and families on the deck. An old man, an immigrant, received a violent blow on the face from one of the raftsmen, and from that point the war of words raged fast and furious; but still nothing very alarming appeared, and a lull having ensued the matter was thought to be at rest. After a little, however, the strife broke out with increased violence, and blows were freely struck; and the boat coming to a lock on the Cornwall Canal, a party of the crew and immigrants, armed with sticks, endeavored to drive the raftsmen on shore. A regular skirmish ensued;

several blows were struck, and some of the men having taken up axes, a bloody termination to the affair seemed inevitable. One party forced their way to the upper deck, followed by their opponents, and the fight became general over the boat, a good many had been forced out of the boat, and these having armed themselves with stones commenced throwing them into the boat. Captain Stearns, while standing at the wheel-house, received a severe blow on the head which laid open his forehead and lip; a passenger received a wound on the head from which blood flowed copiously; and a poor woman was struck with a stone which cut her forehead in a shocking manner; a boy had his arm severely injured, and others were more or less hurt. One of the raftsmen appeared to be seriously hurt, but he was lifted ashore before the character of his hurts were ascertained. After a while, the whole of the raftsmen were got ashore, and the gang-ways of the vessel were closed: but the men continued around the boat, vowing vengeance against those on board, and declaring that the boat should not leave the lock until they had satisfaction on their opponents. After a good deal of parleying two persons went ashore to reason with the excited men, and before long the storm quieted down. A bargain was struck, the fares of the raftsmen were returned to them, and the boat moved off, leaving them behind. As may be supposed the alarm among the passengers was very great. The hurrahing and yelling and crashing of stones against the upper cabins, were quite alarming, and many of the women and children among the steerage passengers, having retreated to the upper saloon, a strange midnight spectacle was there presented. The first cause of complaint in the affair is with the officers of the boat in receiving such a party on board the vessel, excited by liquor as they were from the first; and the next is with the mercantile houses sending on board such a party of desperadoes without some judicious person to control and influence them.

CLOSING OF AMERICAN PORTS.—The *Kingston Argus* says that the annexed petition has been pretty numerously signed, by those directly interested in the matter:—

To His Excellency, &c. &c. &c.

The Petition of the Undersigned, Forwarders, Ship-owners, and Mariners of Canada,

HUMBLY SHewETH:—That by a recent order from Washington to the Customs Officials along the northern borders of the United States, vessels of British bottom are forbidden from discharging cargoes at any of the American Lake Ports, not *Port of Entry*, whereby the interests of your Petitioners are seriously affected.

That the issuing of the order at the present time, when American craft are permitted not only to trade with all the frontier ports of Canada, but also to penetrate into the heart of the country for commercial purposes, is, to say the least of it, a very illiberal proceeding on the part of the American Government, and one which loudly calls, the Petitioners humbly submit, for immediate measures of retaliation.

That the Petitioners, therefore, respectfully, but earnestly beseech your Excellency to obtain that the Welland Canal be forthwith closed against American shipping, and that the same be debarr'd from trading in Canadian waters generally, saving to the same extent as Canadian shipping is privileged in the American, or to do otherwise in the premises as to your Excellency may seem meet.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

September 7, 1850.

It again becomes our melancholy duty to record the commission of the highest crime known to the law, in consequence of one of these social pests known by the unmeaning name of *Bee*. Many a fearful *sing* have they inflicted on American society. It appears that two brothers named Finnegan were at a logging Bee in the neighbourhood of Lindsay, and after their work was ended, the whiskey party had partaken of began to produce its usual effects—quarrelling and blows. A very peaceable, harmless man, named O'Boyle, unfortunately interfered between the two Finnegans and two Twoheys who were fighting, and was immediately fallen upon by the man he attempted to rescue, and badly beaten; O'Boyle presently made his escape and lay down in a distant corner, where Finnegan again found him and beat him so severely with a Beach stick (which had been cut to make a broom) that he died the following evening. An inquest was held on the body before T. Bird, Esq., Coroner, and a respectable Jury, when a verdict of wilful murder was returned against Timothy Finnegan. The two Finnegans are lodged in the Gaol in this town. Unfortunately the mischief did not end here. A young man named McGlin, while going to Lindsay for the Doctor, fell from his horse and had his leg broken, and another young man named McCaul, when going to assist in the arrest of the murderers, was thrown from his horse with such violence that his life is despaired of.—*Peterborough Despatch*.

MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR.—There is a report current in the city to effect that on Saturday night or Sunday morning last the sentry on duty at the Ordnance Wharf discovering a man skulking on the premises immediately challenged—"who goes there?" and received the usual reply—"A friend!" It being of course the duty to keep interlopers clear of the yard and wharf, he closed with the transgressor—hailing again receiving the same answer, which was repeated three times. The soldier had by this time got sufficiently near to see the person, who is described as being a tall man, about 60 attack him with a weapon of some kind; the sentry brought his piece to the charge and ran the bayonet up almost to its extreme end into his antagonist, who immediately fell. The sentry then proceeded toward the Guard House to give the alarm, returned immediately with the sergeant and a file of the guard, but they could discern nothing of the man who had been stabbed, although a large pool of blood was seen on the spot at which the man fell. The presumption is that he must by some means or other have got over board, but it is understood that nothing definite is known as to what became of him; and the whole affair is, we be-

lieve, up to the present time, shrouded in mystery, a mystery which the Police have not yet been able to unravel.—*St. Johns (N. B.) Chronicle*.

An inquest was held yesterday on the body of a young woman named Marion Hamilton, a servant in the employ of Mr Scholes, of the customhouse, who met with her death from the effects of an unfortunate accident. It appeared that the poor girl had been sent on an errand to procure some straw from Mr Scotts, in McGill Street, and that whilst Mr Scott went down to the cellar, she walked forward and fell down the trap door, which had been left open, and received such severe injuries that she died on Saturday night. She was 23 years of age, and came from the neighborhood of Chateauguay, where her friends reside.—*Montreal Transcript*.

BURGLARY.—A daring attempt at Burglary was made on Tuesday night last, when Mr W. B. Cawthorne's Watchmaker and Jeweller's Shop in this town, was broken into, and several articles carried away, but from the appearance of things next morning, and other circumstances, the robbers must have been frightened away before they could secure much of their intended booty. A writing desk and the till were both forced open, there was some money in both; that in the till was taken, but the money in the desk was not touched. A jack knife was left at the end of the till, by the Burglars, which in their hurry and fright they left behind them, and which may lead to their detection. Mr Cawthorne estimates the value of his property taken away to be between \$25 and \$30. The premises were entered through the garret which had been recently undergoing some repairs. As there are strong grounds for suspicion against certain parties, we hope that the proper authorities will have the matter investigated forthwith, otherwise the guilty may go unpunished by having an opportunity of escaping from the hands of justice.—*Port Hope Watchman*.

We regret to learn by the last mail the death of Colonel Holloway, late Commanding Royal Engineer in Canada, which took place on the 4th inst., at Plymouth. Colonel Holloway has served his country for forty-six years, having entered the army in 1804, during which period he was engaged in the campaigns of 1810, '11 and '12, in the Peninsular and was, on two occasions wounded, for which he received a medal, one clasp, and a pension for life, and the honor of the Companion of the Order of the Bath conferred on him. He was for many years on Foreign Service, and in 1843 was appointed Commanding Engineer in this country, and was only relieved last year.—*Montreal Herald*.

We are much pleased to learn that Dr. Norman Bethune, son of Angus Bethune, Esq., of Toronto, has been appointed by the Caput of the University, without a dissenting voice, to the Chair of Practical Anatomy in the University of Toronto.—*Statesman*.

The *Aylmer Argus* acknowledges the receipt from A. Lafontaine, Esq., of a musk-melon 3½ feet in circumference, which weighed 35 lbs.

NEW SCHOOL SYSTEM.—We have heard much grumbling because the newly elected School Trustees, for this City, have as yet had no meeting. If this be true, the citizens may reasonably be discontented, as the subject is too serious to be trifled with.—*Daily Patriot*.

PROF. WEBSTER'S FAMILY, it is expected will soon leave for the Azores, where they have a son residing. A Boston paper says some of the grossest insults have been offered the family, in part by maliciously wicked persons. One had the villainy to send a newspaper to the house, containing a wood-cut of the execution, and all its particulars. The day after the execution, three ladies (?) a mother, and daughters drove up to the house, and alighting demanded to see the corpse of the criminal, stating that they had come on purpose. They were of course refused.—*Oswego Journal*.

In seven days ending on Tuesday, 166 vessels passed through the Welland Canal.

Marshall S. Bidwell, Esq., of New York, and formerly a member of the Canadian Legislature, was in Toronto last week.

A coloured woman, named Mary Cook, has just died in the States, at the advanced age of 120 years.

The Provincial Show.

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CLASS F.—HORSES.

Agricultural Stallion.

1 R. Hiscott, Niagara; 2 do do; 3 J. Powell, Yonge Street.

Heavy Draught Stallion.

1 — Ward, Markham; 2 G. P. Dickson, do; 3 A. Johnson, Burford.

3 Year old Stallion.

1 J. Borthwick, Scarborough; 2 J. Robb, Toronto; 3 S. J. Brown, Niagara.

Span Matched Carriage Horses.

1 J. Mink, Toronto; 2 J. P. Bridgman, Grimsby; 3 J. Mink, Toronto.

Draught Horses.

1 James Young, Grand River; 2 J. Cordwin, Stamford; 3 R. Hiscott, Niagara.

Brood Mare and Foal.

1 J. Stanton, St. George; 2 G. Miller, Niagara; 3 J. Gilliland, Grantham.

CLASS G.—Thorough-bred Stallion.

1 J. G. Hathaway, Grantham; 2 T. Gillespie; 3 — Cooper, York.

3 Year old Thorough-bred Stallion.

1 W. H. Dickson, Niagara.

2 Year old Thorough-bred Stallion.

1 J. Gilliland, Grantham; 2 S. Wood, do.

2 Year old Thorough-bred Gelding.

1 P. Lampman, Niagara.

Thorough-bred Mare and Foal.

1 W. H. Dickson, M. P.; 2 J. McFarlane, Niagara; 3 Henry Vansittart, Woodstock.

- CLASS H.—LEICESTER SHEEP.  
Ram, 2 shears.  
1 W. Miller, Pickering; 2 J. Parker, Niagara; 3 James Beattie, Westminster.  
Ram Shearling.  
1 W. Miller; 2 J. Dickson; 3 M. Jonas.  
Ram Lamb.  
1 J. Mitchell, Stamford; 2 G. Miller, Markham; 3 J. Pearson, Oshawa.  
2 Ewes, 2 Shears.  
1 W. Miller; 2 J. Wilson, Oshawa.  
2 Ewes, Shearlings.  
1 G. Miller; 2 J. Cade; 3 J. Pearson.  
2 Ewe Lambs.  
1 M. Jonas; 2 J. Wilson; 3 G. Miller.
- FAT SHEEP.  
2 Fat Weathers.  
1 John Mitchell, Stamford; 2 George Dillon, Markham; 3 John Mitchell.
- CLASS I.—BOAR—1 year and over.  
1 D. Smith, Trafalgar; 2 J. Dickenson, Hope; 3 Samuel Parker Niagara.  
Breeding Sow, one year and over.  
1 S. Parker; 2 Geo. McKimlay, Trafalgar; 3 Wm. McMicking, Stamford.  
Boar of 1850.  
1 M. Jonas; 2 D. Smith; 3 John Boyes, Amherst Island.  
Sow of 1850.  
1 M. Jonas; 2 D. Smith; 3 John Boyes.
- CLASS J.—AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.  
Wooden Plough.  
1 J. Mandland, Etobicoke; 2 Richard Brown, Bradford; 3 E. N. D. MacIntosh, Darlington.  
Iron Plough.  
1 E. N. D. McIntosh; 2 James McSherry, Niagara; 3 John Smith, Toronto.  
Subsoil Plough.  
1 George F. Havens, Grantham.  
Pair of Harrows.  
1 John Smith, Toronto; 2 George F. Havens, Grantham; 3 Do. do.  
Fanning Mill.  
1 Lewis Houck, Markham; 2 M. W. Foster, Markham; 3 Lanson Butterfield, Oshawa.  
Horse Power Thrasher and Separator.  
1 Van Brocklin & Co., Brantford; 2 Stewart & Co., Hamilton; 3 McQueen & Co., Hamilton.  
Grain Drill.  
1 Gould, Bennett and Co., Brantford; 2 William Nixon, Grimsby.  
Seed Drill.  
1 John Durham, Niagara; 2 A. Swinton, Niagara.  
Straw Cutter.  
1 Gould, Bennett and Co., Brantford; 2 M. Tremaine, Clarke; 3 Van Brocklin and Co., Brantford.  
Two-Horse Waggon.  
1 Kempsfeldt, Weston; 2 George F. Havens, Grantham; 3 Do. do.  
Horse Rake.  
1 John Harris, Brantford.  
Wooden Roller.  
1 Walter Elliott, Niagara.  
Reaping Machine.  
1 J. W. Ball, Niagara.  
Cultivator.  
1 John Smith, Toronto.  
Narrow Axes.  
1 Copp and Boyce, Galt; 2 Samuel Shaw, Toronto; 3 Charles Vale, Toronto.  
Manure Forks.  
1 Samuel Shaw, Toronto; 2 Robert Rundells, Fonthill.  
Hay Forks.  
1 Samuel Shaw, Toronto; 2 Robert Rundells, Fonthill.
- HORTICULTURAL.  
Apples (varieties.)  
1 J. G. Currie, Niagara; 2 Joseph Brown, Niagara; 3 James Dougall, Amherstburg.  
Table Apples.  
1 James Dougall; 2 do. do.; 3 John Gilbert, Sydney.  
Twelve Winter Apples.  
1 James Dougall; 2 Joseph Brown, Niagara; 3 James Dougall; 2 Joseph Brown, Niagara; 3 James Dougall.  
Pears, varieties.  
1 Jas. Dougall.  
12 Table Pears.  
1 Jas. Dougall; 2 do.; 3 J. McPherson, Niagara.  
Winter Pears.  
4 James Dougall; 2 David Sturges, Niagara.  
12 Plums.  
1 Henry Turner, Toronto; 2 W. H. Coxwell, Toronto; 3 Rev. E. Baldwin, Toronto.  
12 Peaches, open air.  
1 Jas. Dougall; 2 do.; 3 H. Gironard, Hamilton.  
Grapes, hot house.  
1 Mrs. S. A. Boulton, Toronto; 2 J. Fleming, Toronto.  
Grapes, open air.  
1 H. Turner, Toronto; 2 Major Secord, Barton.  
Pumpkins.  
1 W. L. Perrin, Toronto; 2 W. F. Weeche, Prince Edward.  
Squash.  
1 Wm. March, Scarborough; 2 Captain Shaw, Toronto.  
Tomatoes.  
1 Richard Woodruff, Niagara; 2 Thos. Hiscott, Niagara.