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MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THIS Company is prepared to receive applications for Insurance against FIRE upon Buildings and other Property, at the Office of the subscriber. I. WOODWARD.
St. John, Nov. 11, 1846. *Secretary.*

UNION MUTUAL
LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
Of Boston.

No connection with Fire, Marine, or Health Insurance.

PERSONS Insured in this Company on the *Mutual* plan,—"the only plan" says Chamber's Edinburgh Journal, "which the *Public at large* are concerned to support,"—will have returned to them *all the Profits*, instead of a *portion only*, as in the *Stock* or mixed Companies.

The *advantages* offered by this Company are. *Annual Dividends* of 50 per cent., paid during the life of the party, in the order of rotation from the excess of a capital of profits of $200,000.

Parties may insure for 1 year or 7 years, for life, or until they attain the ages of 40, 50 or 60, and *for any sum* from $100 up to $5000, and at *any age* from 14 to 67.

Parties insuring for 1 or 7 years enjoy many advantages of a *mercantile* nature, at a *very small* expense.

Parties insuring for Life, can provide for those *dependent upon them*, notwithstanding *contingencies of trade*, as to which this Company's *Charter offers peculiar facilities*—See Section 9.—and those who insure until they arrive at the age of 40, 50, or 60, make a *sure provision for old age* and their families, in case of death—(the attention of the Public is *earnestly solicited to this*, and this Company's rates therefore.)

Parties may insure for Life *without profits* at a reduction of 30 per cent., from *life rates*.

Parties insuring for Life or until the ages of 40, 50 or 60, when the premiums amount to $40, can have a *credit* for half at interest, *without any increase of premium*—such *credit* for the *whole term* and not merely for the first 5 years. After payment of three premiums on surrender of Life Policy, the holder will receive its *equitable value in cash*.

This Office insures from the *nearest* birth-day, instead of the *next*, as in other offices. The Charter makes it "*unlawful to loan any sum of money to any Director or Officer of said Company upon any security whatever.*" In no case is the person insured liable beyond the amount of premium.

The Board of Finance (who are among the most reliable financiers of the country,) viz: Franklin Haven, President Merchant's Bank, Boston; Thomas Thacher, Merchant, Boston; and Ruel Williams, President Kennebec Rail Road, *superintend all investments* of the Company; 12 Directors, Hon. David Henshaw, and others.

—LOCAL REFEREES—

Boston.—Hon. Abbot Lawrence, Hon. David Henshaw, Hon. Robert G. Shaw, Hon. William Sturgis, and Hon. Charles Sumner.

Saint John.—Benjamin Smith, Levi H. Waterhouse, Thomas G. Hatheway, Nathan S. DeMill, and Samuel L. Tilley, Esquires.

☞ See Pamphlets and statements of Company's affairs at the subscriber's office, who will receive applications and give further information.

W. H. HATHEWAY, *Barrister at Law* St. John, AGENT FOR NEW-BRUNSWICK.
9th December, 1851.

LIVERPOOL & LONDON
Fire & Life Insurance Company,
(Established in 1836.)
Capital £2,000,000—in Shares of Twenty Pounds.

THE Stockholders of this Company are responsible to the full extent of their property for the liabilities of the Company.

The undersigned hereby notifies the Public of New Brunswick, that the above named Company have empowered him, by a full and ample Power of Attorney, to open an Office in the City of Saint John, for the Insurance of PROPERTY against loss or damage by FIRE, in any part of the Province, and to sign and issue Policies in the name of the Company; and that in virtue of the power vested in him by the said Power of Attorney, he has appointed MR. ADAM JACK to act as Agent for the said Company, in the receiving of proposals for Insurance, and the inspection of premises proposed for Insurance, and all other the usual duties of an Agent; and to collect and receive the amount of premium on any policy issued by the undersigned in the name of the said Company, or for the renewal of the same.

The Deed of settlement, and the supplemental Deed of settlement, lies with Mr. JACK, at the Office of the *New-Brunswick Marine Assurance Company*, also the pamphlets issued by the Office at Liverpool, affording ample details of the mode of transacting business by the Company.

The rates of premium will be as low as any other respectable Company, and the undersigned trusts a fair portion of public patronage will be accorded to the Company.

Losses not exceeding £500, will be settled without referring to the head Office at Liverpool.

EDWARD ALLISON.
Dated at St. John, N. B. 4th August, 1851. {

Oakum, Paints, Oils & Putty.
Landing ex *Fusiade*, from London—
3 TONS London Best Parish Picked *OAKUM*;
3 casks boiled } Brandram's best Paint Oil;
3 casks raw }
2 casks No 1 } Brandram's best White Lead,
2 casks No 2 } in 56 and 28 lb. kegs;
1 cask Putty, in 14 lb. & 7lb. bladders;
20 half-chests best Congo *TEA*.
GEORGE THOMAS,
May 4. *South Market Wharf.*

New Molasses.
166 HHDS., 17 Tierces, } Early Crop Molasses.
Now landing from Matanzas ex brig Zero, will be sold low while landing.
FLEWWELLING & READING.
March 16.

Brandy and Venegar.
Per *Oberon*, from Charente—
22 HHDS. Henessey's Dark and Pale BRANDY;
25 cases very old Bottled ditto;
6 casks French White Wine *VINEGAR*.
June 1. FLEWWELLING & READING.

FALL SUPPLIES.
Landing ex 'Village Belle,' from Glasgow, and 'Themis,' from Liverpool—
5 BARRELS Split PEAS,
15 do. Pot and Pearl BARLEY,
20 do. Fresh Ayrshire OATMEAL.
5 boxes patent Sago, and Glenfield Powder STARCH.
4 cases patent Chinese STARCH.
1 case Spanish Chocolate; 1 bale Shop TWINE,
1 bale Hemp Bed Cords; 1 cask Scrubbing BRUSHES,
1 barrel Floor of SULPHUR—For Sale by
Sept. 28. JARDINE & CO.

STOVES! STOVES!
Corner of Dock Street and Market Square.
THE subscriber has just received a good assortment of COOKING STOVES, FRANKLINS, and CLOSE STOVES, including Canada Stoves, which he offers for sale at very low prices. W. H. ADAMS.
October 26.

SHEFFIELD HOUSE,
Market square, April 17th, 1852.

NEW GOODS,
Per steamer "Canada."

ROBINSON & THOMPSON have just received a large and rich assortment of GOLD JEWELLERY, consisting of new styles of BROOCHES, set with Agua-Marine Carbuncle, Topaz, Amethyst and other settings; Ladies and Gent's. Finger RINGS, set with gems and other fancy and rare stones; new patterns VEST CHAINS, in gold and silver; GOLD CHAINS and GUARDS in variety; Gold, Silver, Scotch Pebble, and Hair BRACELETS; Lockets; Watch Brooches; Watch Keys and Seals; Gold Snaps and Crosses; Gold Spectacles; Gold and Silver Pencil Cases and Tooth Picks; Gold Enamel and Coraelian Studs, latest patterns.

☞ Silver Brooches and Shawl Pins, in great variety; Silver Butter Knives and Pickle Forks; Silver Thimbles; Ladies' Companions; Fish Carvers and Cake Knives; in cases; Silver Fruit Knives; Silver sugar Spoons and Caddy Shells; Silver Knive, Fork and Spoon, in cases; Silver Rattles with Coral; Silver Bouquet Holders; Silver Card Cases; Silver Fittings for Work Boxes, &c.; Silver Taper Stands; best English Side Combs.

GOLD and SILVER WATCHES, &c.

The above Goods having been purchased in the first Markets by one of the firm, they can with confidence recommend them as being of the first quality. They are offered at such prices as will ensure a continuance of the liberal patronage hitherto enjoyed by this Establishment for the last ten years.—Having renewed the lease of their Store, and made extensive enlargements and improvements, purchasers will do well to inspect their Goods, which, when complete, will be found to consist of every variety and price, suitable to the wants and wishes of all classes.

WHOLESALE and RETAIL.

Daily expected per Ships *Devon* and *Alciope*—55 packages, consisting of Cutlery; Plated Electro and Albata Wares; Fancy Goods, &c., &c., &c. Particulars in future advertisements.

Expected per steamer early next week—1 case English Silver Spoons, &c. April 17.—6i.

Books, Stationery, Threads, &c.
Per ship 'Royalist,' Kerr, Master, from Liverpool, Landing for the Subscriber—
6 CASES of well assorted STATIONERY, containing Superfine and Fine Quality Foolscap; Post and Pott PAPER; Letter and Note Paper; Envelopes; Single and Double Crown Paper; a few Calf-bound Elastic Ledgers, 4 and 7 quires; Long Folio and Day Books, Calf bound 4 and 10 quires; Gilt and Plain Metallic Books; Sacred Music Book; Songs of Scotland, &c, &c. The above well adapted for Counting-house use.
Also—3 Cases of 3 and 6 cord White Sewing THREADS, numbered from 10 to 90, 100 to 360 Yard Reels, of very best quality and description.
Will be sold low by the Subscriber.
JOHN V. THURGAR,
March 30. North Market Wharf.

Sheffield House,
Market Square, April 17, 1852.

To Watchmakers, Jewellers, &c.

ROBINSON & THOMPSON have just opened an assortment of WATCH MATERIALS, TOOLS, &c., which they offer to the Trade at very low prices, consisting of English and Geneva Gold, Steel, and Metal WATCH HANDS—*Butterfly, moon, sweep, spade* and other *patterns*; Steel Seconds; Gold and Metal Centres; best Lever Fusee Chains; French do. do.; English and Geneva Hair Springs; Verge do.; Chain Hooks; Lever Staffs; Lever and Verge Screws; Case Springs and Buttons; Jewel Holes, &c.; Ruby Pins; Brass Curbs; Brass Rockets; Geneva Ratchet Work; Indexes; Silver and G. S. Bows and Pendants; Watch Dials, Watch Glasses, Joints; Catches and Ornaments for repairing Brooches; Brooch Pins in Gold, G. S., Steel and Brass; Ear-ring Hoops, Cramps, and Claws; Screw Ferrules; French Drill; Drill Stocks, self-acting do.; Pivot Broaches, Watch do.; endless screw Keys; Chamfering Tools; Calipers; Watch Pliers, cutting do.; Sliding Tongs; Hand Vices; Clams; Pinion Gauges; Dividers Hammers; Main Spring Winders; Joint Pushers, Tweezers, Burnishers, English and French Screw Drivers; drill bow, and spring Gut &c. &c. &c.

☞ An inspection is respectfully solicited. ☜
Apr 17—6i.

GOODS
From London, Liverpool, &c., now landing—
900 BOXES 7x9, 8x10, 9x12, and 10x12 Sheet Window GLASS,
200 Kegs Brandram's WHITE LEAD,
200 Kegs *Hubbuck's* White ZINC PAINT,
100 Bags assorted Cut NAILS,
2000 Pieces London PAPER HANGINGS,
5 Hhds Crushed SUGAR,
20 Barrels Dried CURRANTS,
15 Bags Black PEPPER,
6 Bales CLOVES,
20 Chests TEA,
1 Chest INDIGO; 1 bbl. NUTMEGS,
1 Case of Bottle INK,
50 Boxes Common SOAP,
20 Boxes Castile, Windsor, and Toilet SOAPS.
For sale by JOHN KINNEAR,
April 27, 1852. *Prince Wm. Stree*

Guano, Pickles, &c.
Landing, ex *'Sarah Louisa,'* from Liverpool—
80 BAGS best Peruvian GUANO;
35 dozen SICKLES;
15 dozen Grass HOOKS; 10 doz. Steel Pointed SHOVELS; 10 doz. CATTLE TIES; 8 doz. GARDEN RAKES.
Ex schr. *Martha Greenow*, from Boston—
15 boxes Cummington *SCYTHE STONES*;
5 Spring Teeth Horse Rakes;
5 Revolving Horse Rakes,—with a large assortment of SNEATHS, Cradle Scythes, Rakes, Forks, Shovels, &c. &c.—For sale by
June 22. JARDINE & CO.

SHIP'S PROVISIONS!
Beef, Pork and Bread.
LANDING ex Mary, from Boston:—40 barrels Mess BEEF; 20 barrels extra Prime PORK;
25 barrels Pilot } BREAD;
70 barrels Navy }
In bond, for Ships' Stores.
Sept. 7. GEORGE THOMAS.

Window Glass and Champagne.
Landing this day by schr. 'Charles' from Halifax:
100 BOXES WINDOW GLASS, assorted sizes, 10x8 to 15x11;
20 Baskets Sparkling CHAMPAGNE.
Daily expected from Glasgow:—
200 Boxes TOBACCO PIPES;
3 cases COTTON REELS.
JOHN V. THURGAR,
Sept 7, 1852. North Market Wharf.

London Groceries.
Landing ex Actæon from London:
20 CHESTS fine Congo TEA, of very superior quality, for family use.
2 cases Brown Windsor, and Honey SOAP,
15 kegs S. F. and D. S. F. Mustard,
15 cases Smyrna Cooking RAISINS;
1 chest Pearl SAGO; 20 boxes Maccaroni & Vermicelli,
1 bag White PEPPER;
Cases Isinglass, Candied Citron, Lemon & Orange Peel;
Casks Pickles and Sauces, Orange Marmalade, Patent Groats;
1 tierce Preserved Meats—comprising Roast and Boiled Beef, Mutton, and Veal, Hashed Mutton, Calf's Head, &c. &c.
1 chest Madras INDIGO.—For sale by
Sept. 28. JARDINE & CO.

GLENFIELD PATENT DOUBLE REFINED
POWDER STARCH.

THE subscribers have been appointed Wholesale Agents in New-Brunswick, for the above celebrated STARCH, to which the *Prize Medal* was awarded at the late Great Exhibition in London, and noticed for its "*general superiority*," by the Royal Commissioners and Jury, from amongst thirty or forty Samples Exhibited.

The manufacturers have also received testimonials from Her Majesty's Laundress, the Countess of Eglinton, and many others of the Nobility of the United Kingdom; and, from its superior and peculiar qualities, it has met with an almost universal acknowledgment.

In the manufacture of "Glenfield Patent Double Refined Powder Starch," it goes through a process so simple and efficient, that it acquires no properties hurtful to either texture or appearance of the goods, but on the contrary, produces a fine, clear, flexible finish; it requires no boiling, is perfectly free from all impurities, and is warranted not to adhere to the Iron.

A consignment has just been received of the above celebrated STARCH, to which the attention of the public is solicited.

☞ *Retailers supplied on favorable terms.*
Sept. 7. JARDINE & CO.

Hibernian Hotel Notice.
THE subscriber wishes to inform his numerous friends and the public; that there always may be had at this Establishment, *OYSTERS* the best quality. Also, *Chicken PIES, Mutton Pies*, and *Roast Fowls* always on hand, with which private families can be supplied at any time. Also, CORDIALS suitable for Temperance advocates or tectotalers, besides, comfortable Rooms for public or private parties always ready at a call, to which the attention of the travelling community is respectfully solicited.
JAMES NETHERY,
St. John, Sept. 28, 1852. *Church Street.*

India Rubber Boots and Shoes,
Of superior quality, on hand, as follows:—
2000 PAIRS Men's Over SHOES;
1000 pairs Women's Over Shoes;
600 pairs Women's BUSKINS;
100 do. Women's GAITERS;
200 do. Jenny Lind BOOTS;
750 do. Misses' Over SHOES;
400 do. Children's Over SHOES;
50 do. Men's India Rubber BOOTS.
For sale by JOHN KINNEAR,
Sept. 11. *Prince William Street.*

Scotch Oats.
300 BUSHELS superior White Oats, for feeding.
Sept. 14. JARDINE & CO.

Spiced Salmon!
SPICED SALMON, in tin packages, Hermetically sealed, warranted to keep in any climate.—For sale by Retail, or in larger quantities for exportation. GEO. THOMAS,
Aug 31. South Wharf.

ADAMS' HARDWARE STORE,
Corner Dock Street and Market Square.

18th September. 1852.
ROWLAND'S MILL SAWS, 6, 6½ and 7 feet long; Hoole, Staniforth & Co's. Gang and Circular SAWS. And, always on hand—India Rubber Belting, Packing and Hose. W. H. ADAMS.

Sheet Lead and Shot.
Ex "Pilgrim," from Liverpool:—
6 ROLLS SHEET LEAD, from 3 to 5 lbs.;
2 tons Patent SHOT; for sale by
Sept. 14. W. TISDALE & SON.

Corner Dock-Street and Market Square
25th SEPTEMBER, 1852.
W. H. ADAMS
Has received per "Themis," and "Village Belle,"
15 TONS Hollow Ware, consisting of Pots, Boilers, Frying Pans, Bake Ovens, and extra Covers;
6 casks Teakettles and Frying Pans;
3 each casks and cases (Thompson's) Augers, assorted;
45 bags Rose and Clasp Headed Nails;
4 kegs Copper and Composition Sheathing and Bolt ditto;
1 cask Wrought Pump Tacks;
3 casks and cases Hair Cloth and Curled Hair;
2 casks Cutlery;
3 cases Sanderson's best Bar Cast Steel;
4 casks sheet Zinc;
4 do. Borax and Glue;
An assortment of Vices and Anvils;
3 casks shoe Thread;
2 cases Lines and Twines.
☞ Balance of Fall stock daily expected.

Burning Fluid.
Just received by the *Cuba*, from Boston,
2 BARRELS Superior BURNING FLUID. For sale by
THOMAS M. REED,
Sept. 28. North Wharf.

LANDING,
Ex Henry Holland, from Glasgow, direct from the Manufactory:—
36 DOZEN Patent sparkling GELATINE.—For sale by
Oct. 5. JARDINE & CO.

Agricultural Implements.
ON HAND—A large assortment of Fan Mills, Straw Cutters and Vegetable Boilers. For sale by
Oct. 5. JARDINE & CO.

Patent Windlasses on Consignment.
To arrive per ship "Commodore," from Liverpool:
5 PATENT WINDLASSES, 14 inch, 16 inch, 17 inch, 19 inch, and 22 inch, with Patent Boxes, Cross Hands, and Pedestal Handles
Sept. 28. GEORGE THOMAS.

Coffee, Raisins, Hams, &c. &c.
Landing ex "Cuba," from Boston:—
50 BAGS Java and Laguira COFFEE;
1 cask Prime HAMS;
10 boxes SALERATUS; 6 barrels Pea Beans;
6 sacks Filberts and Walnuts,
5 boxes LEMONS; 1 tierce HONEY,
20 jars and bladders Scotch Snuff,
5 barrels Ground LOGWOOD,
1 ton Logwood; 1 half ton Fustic
3 barrels QUINCES; 10 brls. APPLES.
Per "*Gazelle*," from Halifax—
200 half and quarter boxes new RAISINS.
JAMES MACFARLANE,
October 26. *Market Square.*

Poetry.

THE FLAG IS HALF-MAST HIGH.

I.

A guard of honor keeps its watch in Walmer's ancient hall,
And sad and silent is the ward beside the Marshal's pall;
The measur'd tread beside the dead thro' echoing space may tell
How solemnly the round is paced by lonely sentinel;
But in the guard room, down below, a war-worn veteran grey
Recounts with pride, THE HERO's deeds thro' many a glorious day:
How, 'neath the red-cross flag, he made the foes of Britain fly—
"Though now, for him," the veteran said—"that flag is half-mast high."

II.

And truly may the soldier say HIS presence ever gave
Assurance to the most assured, and bravery to the brave.
His prudence-temper'd valor—his eagle-sighted skill,
And calm resolves, the measure of a hero went to fill.
Fair Fortune flew before him—'twas consequent where he came,
For Victory wove his chaplet in the magic of his name;
But while his name thus gilds the past, the present wakes a sigh,
To see his flag of glory now—but drooping half-mast high.

III.

In many a by-gone battle, beneath an Indian sun,
That flag was borne in triumph o'er the sanguine plains he won;
Wherever that flag he planted, impregnable became,
As Torres Vedras' heights have told in glittering steel and flame.
'Twas then to wild Ambition's Chief he flung the gauntlet down,
And from his giant grasp retrieved the ancient Spanish crown;
He drove him o'er the Pyrenees with Victory's swelling cry,
Before the red-cross flag—that now is drooping half-mast high.

IV.

And when once more from Elba's shore the Giant Chief broke loose,
And startled nations waken'd from the calm of hollow truce,
In foremost post the British host soon sprang to arms again,
And Fate, in final balance, held the world's two foremost men.
The chieftains twain might ne'er again have need for aught to do,
So, once for all, we won the fall at glorious Waterloo.
The work was done, and Wellington his saviour-sword laid by,
And now, in grief, to mourn our chief, our flag is half-mast high.

SAM. LOVER.

The Observer.

EULOGY ON THE LATE DUKE OF WELLINGTON.—An oration, in commemoration of the life and services of the late Duke of Wellington, was delivered at the Melodeon, on Wednesday evening, by G. P. R. James, Esq. The Hall was appropriately dressed in mourning, and was crowded in every part. Many distinguished citizens were present, among whom were Gov. Boutwell and Council, Hon. Abbott Lawrence, Senator Sumner, and officers of the Navy.

The services were opened with an appropriate prayer by Bishop Eastburn, and Mr. James was then introduced, who spoke at length upon the services and character of the distinguished warrior and statesman.—*Boston Daily Advertiser.*

BISHOP OF NEW YORK.—The recently elected Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New York, Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, was consecrated on Wednesday morning, at 11 o'clock, in Trinity Church, in the presence of a large number of the clergy and leading members of the Episcopal Church, and a vast concourse of ladies. Dr. Wainwright is the fifth Protestant Bishop of New York,—his predecessors having been Bishop Provost, Bishop Moore, Bishop Hobart, and Bishop Onderdonk.—*Ib.*

ATTEMPT TO DESTROY MR. BENNETT, OF THE NEW YORK HERALD.—The New York Herald of the 12th inst., gives a long account of an attempt to murder Mr. Bennett, its editor, by means of a torpedo or infernal machine, some three weeks ago.

It appears that about half-past 8 o'clock on Monday evening, the 18th ult., Mr. Bennett came from the Irving House to the office. A few minutes after his arrival, a parcel was brought to him by one of the clerks of the publication office, who had just then received it from a hackman, with the simple explanation that a gentleman in his coach had desired him to leave it in the office. The parcel was cylindrical in form, about six inches in length, in common brown paper, tied with green ribbon, securely sealed with red wax, bearing the impression of a cent, and having the following direction:—"For James Gordon Bennett, proprietor and editor, office N. W. corner of Fulton and Nassau-street. Private, and with care." Just over the direction, and also printed with a pen on brown paper, were the words, "Native silver and copper ore from the Cuba mountains, with a letter inside the box." Under the ribbon which tied the parcel, was a finely glazed or enamelled card, directed as above, in the same manuscript print: "Senor y Gondzor, of Cuba, for Mr. Bennett, who will call on his return to the City."

When this outside wrapper was taken off by Mr. Bennett's hands, it disclosed a small pasteboard box resembling those used by shirt dealers for putting up collars. On the side of the box affixed, by means of red sealing wax, a strip of foolscap paper, on which was printed in the same handwriting, but in red ink, these words: "specimens and private documents from the interior of Havana, for Mr. Bennett only, should he be out of town keep them for him, Island of Cuba, September 1852." Mr. Bennett made one or two attempts to take the lid off the box; not succeeding he gave it to Mr. Hudson, who with his penknife made an incision in the rim of the lid, when a substance fell out which appeared to be a species of black sand. Suspicion being thereby further aroused, Mr. Hudson took a pinch of the sand and threw it into the fire when it exploded, and then his suspicion as to the nature of the box was confirmed. It was therefore carefully locked up until it might be better examined next morning.

A full description is given of the contents of the box from which it appears that there were explosive compounds enough in it to have caused the death of all near it on explosion. About a dozen hard paper pellets were found among the powder, designed to have acted as bullets.

Eggs-traordinary.—Over thirty tons of Eggs were brought in to Sandusky, last week, on the Sandusky, Mansfield and Newark Railroad. The *Register* learns that they are all from one point, viz: Mansfield.

Lives of the Queens of Scotland and English Princesses. Vol. III. London: Blackwoods.

The name of Agnes Strickland, as an historian of Royal females, has been so long before the public, in connection with her "Lives of the Queens of England," that the announcement of a new work from her pen, on the Queens of Scotland, required no other herald to bespeak the public favour than the name of its fair authoress. The two preceding volumes we have already noticed, and the third, which has just been published, is exclusively occupied with the memoir of the celebrated Mary Stuart, better known as Mary Queen of Scots. The story, however, is not complete, as it is only brought down to the year 1568, when she returned to Holyrood after the death of her brother, Lord John of Coldingham. We have, therefore, yet to expect in another volume that portion of Mary's life upon which so many differences of opinion have arisen; and the manner in which Miss Strickland has dealt with this portion of her subject, will, of necessity, increase the interest with which the succeeding volume will be looked for. One of the most interesting portions of the present volume is that in which Mary upbraids the English ambassador for the indignity and discourtesy shown to her by Elizabeth; indeed, the whole account of Mary's departure from France for her own kingdom of Scotland forms a very affecting narrative. There are perhaps few portions of our history which excite more attention than the life of Mary Queen of Scots, and Miss Strickland, in the work before us, has amply shown her capability for the difficult task.—*Liverpool Standard.*

IRON THE CIVILIZER.

The Age of Gold and the Age of Bronze have given place to the Age of Iron. Iron is your true agent of civilization. So says Mr. Robert Stephenson, at Bangor. In sight of the Menai and Conway tubular bridges, he might feel justified in proclaiming this; though the saying might remind one of the "nothing like leather" maxim. Yet assuredly, iron is a great power in this present age. It is revolutionizing the world. The iron rail and the iron wires of the telegraph have already brought towns so near to each other that a country has now become as one vast city. And iron railroads are bringing countries nearer to each other, and are binding them into one common interest. We even hear of an iron bond of union between England and Calcutta—a railway stretching across Europe and Asia Minor, rendering the distance in point of time between London and Calcutta only one week! Nor is the proposal a mere chimera; it is a thing that will be realized, and in our day. Fourteen years will probably see the Calais and Calcutta trains running. Iron will form the road and iron locomotives the fiery horses, to bear the iron carriages freighted with their living loads, along the great highway of civilization. We have yet seen but the beginning of the gigantic power of railways. The next generation may see an extension of the Calais and Calcutta line to Pekin, across the centre of Asia. The New York and California Railway will then be a "great fact;" for Yankees are no dreamers, but hard, practical, energetic workers; and Asa Whitney's scheme will not long remain upon paper only. But iron is also working away in other directions. Not to speak of iron bedsteads and iron drawing room furniture, we have iron steamships, iron tubular bridges, iron viaducts, and iron lighthouses. The Queen has just ordered an iron ball room, to be constructed by Bellhouse, of Manchester, for her highland country seat at Balmoral. Then, have we not seen the Iron and Crystal Palace of all nations? There was the iron house, also, built at Manchester, by Fairbairn, for the Sultan of Turkey. We shall have iron cottages and furniture of all kinds soon—iron boats, iron stools, and iron crockery. The uses of the metal are endless, and its supply almost inexhaustible—*Eliza Cook's Journal for October.*

RICHEST FISH IN THE WORLD.—The Lake Superior Journal, of the 27th ult., says:—"We notice the arrival of a hundred barrels of the famous Siskawit, from Isle Royale, and learn from one of the fishermen, that there have been caught, this season, between three and four hundred barrels of this fish, together with a few trout and white fish. They fish on this island for this fish principally, as the Siskawit are worth as much again as white fish and Mackinac trout in our lake markets. Very little has been done at fishing this season on Lake Superior, and very little can be done at a profit, till we have a canal around these falls, then the export of fish from this lake will equal in value, in our opinion, the whole export of flour from the entire State.

The Siskawit is, without doubt, the fattest fish that swims, either in fresh or salt water. The fishermen say that one of these fish, when hung up by the tail in the hot sun of a summer day, will melt and entirely disappear, except the bones. In putting up about fifty barrels this season, one of the fishermen made two and a half barrels of oil from the heads and 'leaf fat' alone, without the least injury to the marketableness of the fish. Besides this leaf fat, the fat or oil is disseminated 'in a layer of fat and a layer of lean' throughout the fish. They are too fat to be eat fresh, and are put up for market like white fish and trout."

A LAST LOOK.—There is a feeling that resembles death, in the last glance we are ever to bestow on a loved object. The girl you have treasured in your secret heart, as she passes by on her wedding-day, it may be, happy and blissful, lifts up her laughing eyes, the symbol of her own light heart, and leaves in that look darkness and desolation for ever. The boy your father's spirit has clung to like the very light of your existence, waves his hand from the quarter-deck, as the gigantic ship bends over to the breeze; the tears have dimmed his eyes, for mark! he moves his fingers over them—and this is a last look.

Influence of Slavery on Popular Education.—The number of adults in Virginia who cannot read or write, is 80,000—twenty thousand more than in 1840; and the number of children whose parents have not the means to educate them, 75,000.

FILL YOUR DIVISION ROOMS.—Yes, Sons of Temperance, crowd your Division Rooms these long evenings. You have members enough, and if they would all turn out punctually to the meetings, each taking a warm heart with him, what ennobling counsels, what lofty resolves, what efficient action, would be the result.—[N. Y. Organ.

APPLES.—U. S. steamer Arctic, which sailed from New York for Liverpool last week, takes out 2500 barrels of apples, which are found to be very profitable.

RELEASE OF ABD-EL-KADER.—The President, on his return to Paris, stopped at the Chateau d' Amboise, where the Emir has been so long in captivity, and announced his release in the following words;—"Abd-el-Kader—I come to inform you of your liberation. You are to be taken to Broussa, in the states of the Sultan, as soon as the necessary preparations shall have been made, and you will receive there, from the French Government, an allowance worthy of your former rank. You are aware that, for a length of time your captivity has caused me a real affliction, for it incessantly reminded me that the Government which preceded me had not observed the engagements entered into towards an unfortunate enemy; and nothing in my eyes is more humiliating for the Government of a great nation than to misunderstand its force to such a point as to fail in its promise. Generosity is always the best counsellor, and I am convinced that your residence in Turkey will not prove injurious to the tranquility of our possessions in Africa. Your religion, like ours, enjoins submission to the decrees of Providence. But if France is mistress of Algeria, the reason is that God willed it to be so, and the French nation will never give up that conquest. You have been the enemy of France, but I am not less willing to render justice to your courage, to your character, and to your resignation in misfortune. That is the reason why I consider it a point of honour to put an end to your captivity, having full confidence in your word."—Abd-el-Kader accepted the terms gratefully, and swore on the Koran to observe them, saying, he believed that it was God's will that the French should rule in Algeria.

ABD-EL-KADER'S RESIDENCE.—Broussa, in Anatolia, to which Abd-el-Kader is to be sent, is 24 leagues distant from Constantinople, and with the towns of Erzeroum, Karahissar, Tokat, Angora, Smyrna, Bassorah, Bagdad, Diarbekir, Aleppo, Mossul, and Damascus, forms the central group by which caravans from Persia, Arabia, and Europe pass. This region in ancient times, and in the middle ages, was the seat of great commerce, but owing to the want of safety, good roads and canals, its present trade is comparatively insignificant. Broussa, is however, noted for its manufacture of silk goods, linens, and carpets. It is well built, has a population of 100,000 souls, is fortified, and is one of the most flourishing cities of the Turkish empire. Amongst its monuments are some mosques, caravansaries, hot baths, and fountains. The Kings of Bithynia formerly resided here, and in the middle ages it was the capital of the Ottoman empire up to the taking of Adrianople. A mollah of the first class, a pacha, a Greek bishop, and an Armenian archbishop, now reside in it. At about eight leagues from Broussa is the port of Moudania on the White Sea, by which all the traffic between Broussa and Constantinople and Europe takes place. In the neighbourhood is Isnik (Nice), at present a miserable collection of huts, famous from the first general council of the Christians having been held there in 325.

Abdel Kader had an audience of the President at St. Cloud, on Friday, by whom he was warmly embraced, when the ex-Emir renewed the oath he had taken, never to return to Algeria. Crowds of people surrounded his carriage, who paid him every respectful attention, and seemed rejoiced that he had been released from captivity. He had received invitation to dine with the minister of war on Wednesday.

THREE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE!

New York, Nov. 15.

The Atlantic, with dates from Liverpool to the 3d, arrived at her dock about half-past 9 o'clock this morning.

The Cotton Market was 1/16 lower on account of the more favorable advices from the United States by the Asia. Sales for three days of 75,000 bales.

A public meeting was held at London on the 1st inst., for the purpose, as expressed in the bills, of sympathizing with and aiding the foreign refugees at present in the metropolis. The meeting is noticable from the circumstance that letters were read from Kossuth approving of the meeting, and from Mazzini and Louis Blanc opposing them.

The gales along the coast of Britain the end of the past week were very destructive to shipping and life. Over 20 vessels were wrecked and the larger portion of their crews perished. There were no American vessels reported among them. One ship had a cargo valued at £300,000, which was fallen on and plundered by the people along the coast. Several other ships were plundered in like manner.

CONFERENCE OF THE FRIENDS OF PEACE.—A conference of the friends of peace and international arbitration is to be held at Manchester towards the middle of January. A very large representation of those who sympathize with this movement is expected to assemble on the occasion.

Amongst recent emigrants to Australia are a son of the Bishop of Exeter, who is gone out as a settler near Melbourne; and the Hon. and Rev. Baptist Noel's son, who is gone out to practice at the Australian bar.

Seven thousand persons have emigrated to Australia from Scotland, within a month.

There are annually, throughout Germany, 40,000 deaths from delirium tremens.

THE GREAT BRITAIN.—The Bosphorus, which arrived at Southampton last week, reports having seen a large steamer, with two funnels, on the 13th September, off the Island of Ascension. The vessel thus seen is supposed to have been the Great Britain, which left this port on the 21st August. She was then within five days' sail of the Cape, which she would thus reach in 28 days from Liverpool, thereby fulfilling the most sanguine expectations of her owners and the public.

FRANCE.—Two decrees have been signed by the President, one for converting the four and half per cents. into three per cents, and the other fixing the legal rate of interest at four per cent.

Letters from Paris state that Prince Callimajo, the Turkish Ambassador, had received his letters of recall.

The columns of the *Monitor* are again filled with names of places at which addresses have been agreed to in favour of the Empire.

The employers of the Elysee take every opportunity of parading the pacific policy of the President.

Preparations are going on for the meeting of the Senate, in the hall used as the Chamber of Peers under the reign of Louis Phillipe.

The *Times* has a rather circumstantial account of the discovery of a military conspiracy against the President. The gist of the matter is, that the Paris police, by means of opening letters, traced communication between a man they arrested in Paris, and several officers of the garrison at Fountainbleau. The conspiracy, or whatever it was, is claimed on the one hand by the legitimists, and on the other by the Orleanists. The *Daily News* mentions the arrests, but says the prisoners are all civilions. Twelve commissioned officers, eighteen non-commissioned, and forty privates, are placed under arrest.

TURKEY.—By an Imperial decree, dated Oct. 14th, Vely Pacha was appointed Ambassador at Paris from the Sublime Porte, in place of Prince Callimajo, who only had the title of Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary. It was expected that Vely Pacha would leave Constantinople on the 25th, for his post.