## SUMMARY OF NEWS.

### UNITED STATES.

(Selected from the New Brunswicker,)

### Trial of Professor Webster.

FOR THE MURDER OF Dr. PARKMAN.

The trial of Professor Webster commenced at Boston on Tuesday 19th inst. The prisoner was brought into Court at precisely fifteen minutes before nine o'clock, and was placed at the bar. He appeared very healthful and cheerful. He surveyed the Court-room with a great degree of composure, bowing and smiling to different gentlemen whose gaze met his own.

At precisely five minutes past nine the Court came in. Order was then restored and the clerk proceeded to call the names of sixty jurors, who were summoned to attend this trial, and from whom a jury of twelve was to be drawn to try the case.

At ten minutes before ten o'clock, John H. Clifford, Esq. the Attorney General, arose and moved that the court proceed to try the case of John W. Webster, the prisoner at the bar, charged, by the grand jurors for the county of Suffolk with the murder of Dr. George Parkman.

The prisoner was then notified that in empaneling the jury, he would have a right to challenge peremptorily twenty of the jurors, and as many more as he could show good cause for.

The court then gave instructions to all those who might be called upon to serve as jurors, that they would severally be sworn and required to answer to such questions as would satisfy the court that they had formed no opinion concerning the case under consideration; that no jury would be allowed to sit on the trial who might in any way be prejudiced for or against the prisoner, or who entertained such opinions on the subject of capital punishment as might deter them from finding a person guilty of a crime which is punishable with death.

The clerk then proceeded to call the names of the jurors, and after a number had been challenged and set aside on account of their opinions, the following jury was empannelled to try the case:—

Robert J. Byron, Foreman; Thomas Barrett, John Borrowscale, James Crosby, John E. Davenport, Albert Day, Joseph Eustis, Daniel T. Fuller, Benjamin H. Green, Arnold Hayward, Frederick A. Henderson, Stephen A. Stackpole.

The jury was then requested to hearken to the indictment found against the prisoner by the Grand inquest of Massachusetts for the county of Suffolk, during the reading of which the prisoner was required to stand up and hold up his right hand, which position he retained with great firmness throughout the solemn recital of that long and detailed document.

To the indictment, the jury were informed the prisoner at the bar had pleaded *Not Guilty*; and that they were there, upon their oath, to try, the case and true deliverance make.

The Attorney General, Mr. Clifford, at a quarter before eleven o'clock, commenced his opening on the part of the Government, as follows:—

*Gentlemen of the Jury*:—In entering upon our respective duties in a case so important, I do not design to dwell on the considerations which will naturally suggest themselves for our guidance, least of all that we should keep ourselves free from all excitement which is naturally abroad in the public mind. We are met here in the Temple of Justice, to investigate the simple truth, and we should do it just as in any ordinary cause, without regard to consequences. We are here to perform solemn duties, laborious and important, to the country and to the prisoner. This should be enough for us to know. All we can expect to do is to bring the cause to a just decision.

The Grand Jury on their oaths have found an indictment against Dr. John W. Webster for the murder of Dr George Parkman. Our duty is simply to hear the evidence, what the prisoner has to say, and what the Court may have to instruct you as to the law and evidence, and say whether the charge is sustained.

As to my own duties in the case, I will say that it is too common an idea in regard to a prosecuting officer, that he is to press a trial with all his zeal and power to produce a conviction. I repudiate and disown the idea. I would not hold the office I do under it. I conceive that I am here to represent the Commonwealth, and see that the facts going to sustain her interests under law are duly presented.—With this view I shall confine myself to a simple statement of the evidence, and not pre-occupy your minds with any comments of my own. I shall, in fact, content myself with a mere outline of the evidence in possession of the Government, going to establish two propositions

1. That Dr. George Parkman was murdered.

2. That the deed was done by Dr. John W. Webster.

First, Dr. Parkman, as we shall be able to show, was alive, and in good health on Friday the 23d day of November, 1849, and, till ten minutes before two o'clock, P. M., of that Friday, when he was seen to enter the Medical College in North Grove street, and that he was not seen alive after that time. We shall show that he was a remarkably punctual man, and particularly careful to be present punctually at his meal—that he always apprised his family when he was going to be absent—that he had a sick daughter to whom he was tenderly attached, and whom he was most sedulously attending upon.—For the benefit of this daughter, he purchased some lettuce, at that season a rare plant. This lettuce, he ordered left for himself, probably intending himself to carry it home, while he purchased other articles at the same provision store, and ordered them sent home.—But he did not return to that store or to his family.—His family, knowing his habits, soon became alarmed, but no public movement was made till the next morning. Notices were then put into the evening papers of Saturday, stating the fact of his disappearance.

Rumours were immediately rife of Dr. Parkman having been seen in various parts of the city and vicinity. These rumours were immediately traced to their sources, and proved entirely unfounded. One of these rumours was that Dr. Parkman had been seen in Washington street, as late as five o'clock on Friday, and the friends of that gentleman put so much confidence in it as to mention it in the advertisement. But it proved on further search to be entirely unfounded. The same was the fate of all other rumours; the whole police of the city were employed in the search, aided by munificent rewards, but every rumour of the existence of Dr. Parkman after the hour mentioned—ten minutes before 2 o'clock on Friday, November 23d—turned out to be unfounded, either as to time or identity.

In the course of Sunday, Dr Parkman's friends first learned from Dr. Webster himself that he had been in his company on Friday, between the hours of one and two o'clk. On this fact, I shall have occasion to remark in another connection.

The police has followed out every rumour of the existence of Dr. Parkman, from that time to this, and I shall call your attention to the fact that no person has yet stated that Dr. Parkman had been seen and conversed with after he was seen to enter the Medical College at the time before stated. No pains or expense were spared in the search. Large portions of the river were dredged. On Monday and Tuesday, the Medical College, was visited, but it was merely formal one; no suspicion having at that time attached to Dr Webster.

On the 30th of November there were found in a privy vault belonging to the Medical College, the lower parts of a body, answering in general appearance to the body of Dr. Parkman, consisting of the pelvis, with the right leg down to the knee, with a number of towels. On the evening after were found in Dr. Webster's furnace, fused in with clay and cinders, certain bones, a certain quantity of gold, and a block of mineral teeth. On Saturday, were found in a remote part of the laboratory, in a tea chest, packed in with tan bark and covered with minerals, a thorax, the left thigh to the knee, a hunting knife and a piece of twine around the bone of the thigh.

TO BE CONTINUED.

### NEW BRUNSWICK.

MARCH QUARTER SESSIONS.—The Court opened on Tuesday with a pretty full bench of Magistrates,—His honor the Recorder presiding. In his address to the Grand Jury, His Honor congratulated that body on the state of the Sheriff's Calendar, which entitled him to a pair of white gloves. This he remarked was particularly felicitous at the close of a long winter, during which petty thefts are more likely to occur than in the summer season. In the course of his remarks, he observed that the License law would shortly expire, and although there was a diversity of opinion relative to the wholesomeness of its provisions, yet, from what he could gather, he was inclined to believe that it would be re-enacted. The state of the Gaol, and the fish market likewise occupied His Honor's attention. The former was in a shameful state, and the fear was that it would have to remain so through another year.—The latter had been improved since its presentment by a former Grand Jury, and a clerk appointed to look after it and see that it was kept properly cleansed. He stated also that a bill was about to be brought before the Legislature to provide for out-of-door relief to paupers, which can not be afforded under the law as it exists. With respect to the presentments that had been made of sundry violations of the Building Act—His Honor suggested that unless the proprietors of those buildings, which had been erected since the fires on the burnt district and exceeded the height enacted by law, conformed to its requirements by the first of May, the court would feel it incumbent to order indictments to be preferred against them.

Immediately following the charge, the Justices took their seats at the Table and proceeded to appoint Parish Officers, after which a discussion took place on the prayer of several petitions for and against Licenses: upon the vote being taken, there was an equal division, when the Recorder gave the casting vote in favour of licenses.—*Temperance Telegraph 21st.*

### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

REFUSAL OF HIS EXCELLENCY TO RECONSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—The following statement was entered upon the Journal:—

"Mr. Coles in his place stated that the House had suspended action on their former Resolution in reference to His Excellency's answer to the Address of the House in answer to his speech at the opening of the Session, in consequence of the Hon. Mr. Thornton in his place stating that he was commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acquaint the House that His Excellency had received by last night's Mail, (Thursday, 14th March.) an important Despatch from the Colonial Minister, on the subject of Responsible Government, and requesting the House to suspend any proceedings contemplated by them in consequence of His Excellency's Reply to the Address of the House, until such time as the Despatch in question should be laid before them—which would be with as little delay as possible. In the course of the day the House received by Message an extract from the said Despatch.

Mr. Coles further stated that he had received a Note from His Excellency requesting to see two gentlemen of the Majority of the Assembly in connection with one Member of the Legislative Council of the same politics; and that in compliance therewith, Messrs. Swabey, Warburton, and himself had waited on His Excellency. His Excellency at the interview, stated his willingness to receive these three gentlemen into the Executive Council, in the room of the Hon. Solicitor General, Messrs. Thornton and Beman—they being the three junior Members of the Council;—which proposal they refused; His Excellency refusing to reconstruct his Council until he shall receive instructions from the Home Government.—*Review.*


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*Halifax, 23d February*, 1850.

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*To Professor Holloway.*

Sir,—For a long time I was a martyr [illegible] matism and Rheumatic Gout, and for te[illegible] previous to using your medicines, I was [illegible] not to be able to walk. I had tried docto[illegible] medicines of every kind, but all to no [illegible] deed I daily got worse, and felt that I mus[illegible] die. From seeing your remedies adve[illegible] the paper I take in, I thought I would giv[illegible] trial. I did so I rubbed the Ointment [illegible] rected, and kept cabbage leaves to the pa[illegible] ly spread with it, and took the Pills a[illegible] morning. In three weeks I was enabled [illegible] about for an hour or two in the day wit[illegible] and in seven weeks I could go any wher[illegible] use. I am now, by the blessing of God [illegible] medicines, quite well, and have been att[illegible] my business more than seven months. wi[illegible] symptoms of the return of my old compl[illegible] Besides my case of Rheumatic Gou[illegible] lately had proof that your Pills and [illegible] will heal any old wound or ulcer, as a [illegible] woman, living near me, had had a bad le[illegible] years, which no one could cure, and I [illegible] some of your Pills and Ointment, whic[illegible] healed it when nothing else would do [illegible] your information I had the honour to [illegible] Country for twenty five years in the firs[illegible] of Life Guards, and was eighteen years a[illegible] I was two years in the Peninsula War, [illegible] the Battle of Waterloo. I was discharg[illegible] pension on the 2d September, 1833. [illegible] manding Officer at the time, was Colon[illegible] who is now a General. I belonged to [illegible] of Captain the Honourable Henry Baring

(Signed) THOMAS BRU[illegible]

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Extract of a Letter from Mr. Andrew Bra[illegible] smith, Eyemouth, near Berwick, date[illegible] of August, 1848.

*To Professor Holloway.*

Sir,—With pleasure and gratitude [illegible] inform you that after suffering for 21 ye[illegible] bad leg, which yielded to no kind of [illegible] although I consulted, at different times, [illegible] dical men of eminence in this part of th[illegible] but all to no purpose. I was frequently [illegible] work; and the pain and agony I often [illegible] see can tell. My leg is now as sound [illegible] was in my life by means of your Pill[illegible] ment, which I purchased from Mr I. [illegible] Draggat, Berwick-upon-Tweed, who [illegible] case well, and will, I am sure, be happ[illegible] with me, if necessary, as to the truth o[illegible] derful cure. (Signed) ANDREW [illegible]

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Extract of a Letter from Mr. Oliver Sm[illegible] dated Falkirk, August 18th, 18[illegible]

*To Professor Holloway,*

Sir,—I was superintending about [illegible] ago, the erection of one of our Railwa[illegible] son by the fall of a large stone my [illegible] was seriously bruised, which ultimatel[illegible] that I was advised to go to Edinburgh [illegible] some of the eminent Surgeons, which [illegible] was told that in order to save my foot [illegible] two must be taken off. In despair, [illegible] home to impart the melancholy news t[illegible] intending to submit to the operation, [illegible] thought struck me to try your valuab[illegible] ed Pills, which I did, and was by th[illegible] three weeks enabled to resume my [illegible] tion, and at this time my toes are perf[illegible]

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