

The illuminations in Windsor were very general; nearly every shop and private house had its separate design in coloured lamps, transparencies, and devices, many of them exceedingly tasteful and well executed. The Townhall was illuminated with rows of coloured lamps around the cornices and windows, while the banks and other large establishments were likewise appropriately illuminated. Across Thames-street, but more especially Peasod-street—a narrow, sloping street and busy thoroughfare—so numerous were the flags and banners suspended over the roadway that the streets were almost darkened in the latter part of the afternoon. At night, in spite of the unceasing rain, the town of Windsor presented a perfect blaze of illuminations. It was not till an extremely late hour that Windsor finally settled down to the quietness of a country town, after the greater part of the visitors brought down by the Great Western and London and South-Western Railways had returned home, though many remained in spite of the scarcity of beds in the town.

NOTICE.

ADVERTISEMENTS must be sent in to the Office of this paper before one o'clock, to ensure their appearance the same evening.

The Evening Despatch.

SAINT JOHN, N. B.
SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 1863.

FROM NEW ORLEANS.

To make room for the following interesting news from the latest Boston papers, we are obliged to give up the space reserved for editorial comments:—

CAPTURE OF A STEAMER WITH A DETACHMENT OF FEDERAL TROOPS.—NEWS FROM THE RIO GRANDE.—INVASION OF MEXICO BY TEXANS.

The gunboat *Diana* has been captured by the Confederates at Pattersonville, La. Capt. Peterson was killed, Lieut. Allen, of Gen. Weitzel's staff, wounded and taken prisoner, Master's Mate, Dolliver, killed, Boatswain's Mate, Mumford, killed, Capt. Jewett, of the 168th N. Y., wounded, Lieut. Hale, of the *Diana*, wounded, Lieut. Francis, of the 12th Connecticut, mortally wounded, and several privates killed and wounded. The soldiers on board the *Diana* were Capt. Jewett's Company of the 168th N. Y., and Co. K, 12th Connecticut. Ninety-nine of our men were paroled by the Confederates.

The steamer *Honduras* had arrived at New Orleans from the Rio Grande with 260 Texas refugees. They report that on the 15th of March a Confederate force of 150 crossed into Mexico at the mouth of the river, and captured Col. E. J. Davis, of the 1st Texas cavalry, and Capt. Montgomery of the same regiment. The Mexican authorities demanded their release, and Col. Davis was given it, as also three soldiers taken at the same time. Capt. Montgomery had not returned, and private advices say he was hanged by the Confederates, which is undoubtedly true. Davis and Montgomery were taken from the house of the Mexican Commandant. Three other officers narrowly escaped falling into the hands of the Confederates. They, with half a dozen Mexicans, drove fifty of the Confederates to the river, wounding three or four, of whom two died. The U. S. bark *Arthur* threw two shells into the Confederate quarters on the night of the 25th. The Confederate Captain Benavides had also crossed into Mexico and burned a town near Guerrero. The Confederate authorities were evidently in a state of great alarm lest these violations of neutrality should involve them in hostilities with Mexico. Their troops are now concentrated near the mouth of the Rio Grande.

A Yankee schooner and cargo, valued at \$25,000, had been captured by the Confederates near Rio Grande.

An immense trade is carried on over the Rio Grande. The *En's* informant says a train of 600 carts was on their way to

Brownsville. These carts average six bales of cotton each.

Governor Lubbeck of Texas, in a message to the Legislature, declines a re-election, and says he will take a more active part in the war. Some people affirm that he will leave the Confederacy as soon as his term expires. He states that Texas has furnished 87,000 troops for the Confederate army, and that the conscription law adopted by the Legislature will add 27,000 thereto. Under this law there are no exemptions. Every man who can stand upon his feet will be forced into the army.

Most of the refugees who came to New Orleans in the *Honduras* have enlisted in Col. Davis' regiment, and 75 Confederate deserters are awaiting transportation at Matamoros in order to do likewise.

There were 80 vessels at the mouth of the Rio Grande.

MULTUM-IN-PARVO.

SUCCESS OF THE RAILWAY BILL.—As was confidentially expected would be the case this measure has passed in the Lower House by an overwhelming majority, and there is no doubt that the same good fate awaits it in the Legislative Council. The yeas and nays in the Assembly were known almost to a certainty a fortnight ago, and the speeches since made by many of the members, for and against the bill, have been expressively called "bunkum" speeches.

It may not be generally known that the Steamers on the Fall River route between Boston and New York are among the largest and most handsomely furnished of any to be seen in North America. It is a real pleasure to travel by this line.

We have to thank the Eastern and Turner's American Express Companies for late Boston papers.

MADAME ANNA BISHOP is at present singing in Boston, and we observe that a sacred concert is to be given for her benefit in the Tremont Temple to-morrow (Sunday) evening. A great desire has been expressed to hear this artist once more in "Let the bright Seraphim" and other sacred selections; and Madame Bishop has concluded to make this concert the occasion of her "farewell to Boston."

MISS RICHINGS, assisted by her father, is now singing in English Opera at the Boston Museum. We derived great pleasure in seeing and hearing her just a year ago in the operatic spectacle of the *Enchantress*, at Niblo's Garden, New York. Her voice and style are most bewitching, and we advise all who go to Boston on Monday not to lose the opportunity of a very enjoyable evening's recreation.

A NEW Theatre is about to be built on Essex Street, Boston.

THEATRE-GOERS will remember the name of Rachel Johnston a worthy young actress who won their good opinion in this city last summer. She was to have taken a benefit at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, last night. The selection of plays comprised "The Awkward Arrival, or my wife's Daughter;" "Noval Engagements;" and the farce of the "Irish Lion."

A BELGIAN GLASS BLOWER has lately blown two large bottles, each of a capacity of sixty-two and a half gallons, and weighing fifty pounds. They were blown at the glass-works of Lefevre & Co., at Lodelingart, and are nearly double the size of the largest bottles heretofore made.

MR. SHIVES, the Provincial Emigration Agent, invites applications from persons desirous of engaging the services of any of the one hundred servants and farm laborers being sent out to New Brunswick by Miss Burdett Conits.

A LETTER from Athens says:—"A company has been formed in Greece for cutting through the Isthmus of Corinth, and thus avoid the long and dangerous coasting of the shores of the Peloponnesus. The width of the canal would be 112 feet, and its depth about 20 feet. Its length would not exceed three miles and three quarters. For vessels on their way for Marseilles and the Mediterranean to the Piræus the distance would be shortened by ninety miles. The saving to vessels from the Adriatic would be still more considerable."

MESSRS. Redding & Co. have published, in a neat pamphlet of twenty-three pages, the graphic account of the marriage of the Prince of Wales, as written by Mr. Russell for the *London Times*. It occupied 11 columns of that paper, and the recital is prepared with extraordinary skill. The pamphlet is well worth having for preservation.—*Boston Courier*.

DIED.

At his residence, Musquash, on Thursday morning, 9th inst., after a lingering illness, WILLIAM MELOY, in the 63d year of his age, a native of Lismore, County Cork, Ireland. Funeral to-morrow, (Sunday) at 2 o'clock, when friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend. On Friday morning, after a lingering illness, in the 39th year of his age, Captain JOHN HARVEY, a native of Torkey, Devonshire, England.

SHIP NEWS.

ARRIVED.
FRIDAY, April 10th.—Schr. Highlander, Nichols, Boston, J. F. Marsters, gen cargo, Steamer Flushing, Lynch, New York.

MEMORANDUM.
The American ship *Rochambeau*, from London Feb. 14th, reports heavy Westerly gales the entire passage split sails and carried away Cross-jack yards &c. On the 8th March while hove to under close reef main topsail barely drifted clear of the wreck of a vessel about 300 or 400 tons awash with the weather—butwark gone and stanchions standing. Lat. 43 50, lon. 129, Signalized P. M. ship steering East, showing Deck Pendant No. 3417.

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apr 11. P. O'BRIEN.

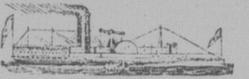
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apr 11.



St. George's Society

THE Members of St. George's Society, are requested to attend a Special Meeting, at the WAVERLY HOUSE on TUESDAY Evening next, at 8 o'clock. By Order,
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April 7, 1863.
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