

pounds] which is the reason of its being of the old weight of 196 pounds. A barrel of tar is 20 gallons, while a barrel of gun-powder is only a small keg, holding 25 pounds, and this reminds me of cotton, a bale of which is 400 pounds, no matter in what sized bundles it may be sent to market.

## News.

### CANADA.

The memorial to the Queen, from the Board of Trade, respecting the navigation laws, has been graciously received.

The *Dallas* and *Jefferson*, United States war steamers, have left this port for their intended survey of some parts of the coast.

The steamer *Free Trader*, from Michigan city, and Chicago, arrived lately at Quebec, having completed the voyage up and down in thirty days, ten of which she was detained for cargo.

The telegraph communication between Montreal and Troy is now complete.

The small fort at Coteau du Lac is to be immediately put under repair.

The Census of Canada West, just completed, gives a population of about 700,000, being an increase, in five years, of nearly 200,000. Eastern Canada has now a population of about 770,000, being an increase, in four years, of only 70,000.

The number of inhabitants in Toronto is 23,505, being an increase since 1847 of 2480.

The steamer *Lady Elgin* is running between Quebec and Montreal at 3s 9d for cabin passage, meals included.

The Table Rock House and staircase on the Canada side, at Niagara Falls, were burned down on the night of Tuesday week.

The annual exhibition of the Montreal Horticultural Society is to take place in the grounds of John Torrance, Esq., on the 6th inst.

A Bank of Issue is said to be under deliberation by the Government for the next meeting of Parliament.

Mr. Lafontaine is to introduce, next session, a new Parliamentary Reform Bill. Mr. Baldwin has given his attention to the unequal bearing of the present Assessment Law, and Mr. Sullivan has a project for uniting law and justice in the two sections of the Province.

Two young men, who some time ago robbed the Bank of Manchester, have been arrested at St. John's, Newfoundland.

The Rev. J. E. B. Gignes was consecrated first Bishop of Bytown on Sunday the 6th instant, by the Bishops of Montreal, Kingston, and Carra.

The third annual meeting of the Provincial Agricultural Exhibition will be held in the town of Cobourg on the 3d to the 6th October next.

### GREAT BRITAIN AND THE CONTINENT.

Australasia, with a population of 280,000, is now consuming more British manufactures than did the whole of British North America with 2,000,000, in 1774.

A bed of oysters, many miles in length, and apparently inexhaustible, has recently been found in the Channel. Persons at Shoreham are fitting out snacks to engage in the oyster trade, and it is expected that the price will fall fifty per cent.

The annual value of the fowls consumed in London alone is estimated to be about £100,000.

**INFLUX OF MILLINERS.**—One of the Paris journals states that about 1000 Parisian milliners have left for London.

A plan is in agitation for conducting sea water by means of pipes on the Brighton railway, to a vast bathing reservoir on the south side of London.

The late electress, Leopoldine of Bavaria, has nominated King Maximilian, of Bavaria, sole heir of her immense fortune, which is estimated at 21,000,000 guilders.

Three Liverpool papers, namely, the *Mercury*, the *Mail*, and the *Times*, are all advancing the price of their journals, after eighteen months' experience of the cheap system.

To prepare new potatoes, throw a handful of salt upon them, and turn them over a little with your hand. Afterwards put them into water. This will bring off the peel without the trouble of scraping.

Mary May, a married woman living in Essex, is charged with poisoning her brother for the purpose of obtaining the burial fees from a society of which he was a member. She had previously lost a husband and fifteen children under suspicious circumstances.

The commercial affairs of Great Britain, by the latest news, seems to be getting into a much more satisfactory state.

By the *Cambria* steamer, which arrived at New York on the 19th instant, we learn that an inconsiderable conflict had taken place between Smith O'Brien and the police. The police had the advantage. Eleven persons were killed. O'Brien was present at the skirmish, and fled immediately afterwards. The Lord Lieutenant forbade any one harbouring O'Brien, Meagher, Dillon, and Doheny, under penalty.

The British army in Ireland numbers over 49,000.

France was quiet. Ledru Rollin, Louis Blanc, Causidiere, and Prudhon, are incupulated in the late revolt.

Albert has been defeated in Italy by Radetsky. He asks for French help. The people have broken up the Provisional Government and made Albert Dictator.

The Chartists in England were quiet.

The bill for the repeal of the Navigation Laws is not to be passed this session, but will be brought forward in the next.

Prince Metternich is now living at Brampton Park, which has been let to him by its owner, Lord Ingestre. Near it is the modest residence of M. Guizot. The hotel keepers in the neighbourhood of the English Lakes find the France emigres their best customers at present.

The workmen of Paris, generally, have returned to seek employment in their trades since the national workshops were abolished.

On the 8th July, there were 3790 people suffering from Cholera at St. Petersburg; 853 were that day added to the list of sick.

A large military camp has been formed near Liverpool, to consist of between 3000 to 4000 men.

The potato crops are suffering in many parts of Ireland. Several magistrates have been superseded, in Dublin, for their connection with the Repeal meetings.

The Free Church Sites' Bill has been thrown out by the House of Commons.

Several persons who had been drinking together all night, went out towards morning in a small boat to the end of Leith pier. By some accident the boat was upset, and six individuals drowned.

The news by the last steamer from England, announce the termination of the much talked of Irish rebellion. Smith O'Brien had been arrested, and taken to Dublin.

An elderly woman has lost her life in Bradfield St. George, in Suffolk, from the sting of a bee in her thumb. The medical witnesses at the inquest were of opinion, that the sting had caused death by producing such a shock on the nervous system as to stop the motion of the heart.

**AN AFFECTIONATE BROTHER.**—"On the arrest of Auguste Blanqui," says the *Union*, "lists of proscriptions were found