#### COLONIAL.

#### New Brunswick.

TRADE OF ST. JOHN .- The number of vessels which arrived at this port during the last year amounted to 1528, measuring 282,567 tons. The number cleared at this port for other countries during the same period was 1545 vessels, 325,821 tons-of this number, 370 British and 70 foreign vessels cleared with cargoes for the United Kingdom.—New Bkr.

A public meeting of the inhabitants of Freder-ston was held on Wednesday last, at which a series of resolutions were passed approving of an inter-colonial Railway, and of the scheme proposed by the Government for its construction .-Church Witness, 3rd.

A telegraphic despatch from Woodstock, N. B. states that a lumber camp on the Nackawick Stream has been destroyed by fire, and three young men named Brittain, Melvin. and Rockwell have been burnt to death.

THE RAILWAY IN NEW BRUNSWICE .- The Canada proposition has passed the House of Assembly of New Brunswick, 26 to 11.

#### Canada.

GAS FROM WATER.—We hear with pleasure that Mr. Aubin is succeeding a marceille with his water gas apparatus, which has now been put up in many establishments, and been found to answer every purpose for which it was intended. The light is far superior to any that can be made from coal gas, and by this simple contrivance, a great superiority in the quality of the article, and an unfailing supply, may be obtained at a fourth or fifth of the cost.—Quebec

SABBATH LABOUR.—It having appeared by the evidence at the inquest, lately held on the bodies of the ten men killed at Burlington Heights, on the line of the Great Western Railroad, that some of the men had worked on the Sunday before, and on one or two Sundays previous, the Mayor has issued his Proclamation, enjoining the due observance of the Sabbathday. Also, that said l'roclamation be put up in conspicuous place, in every hotel within imits of the city. The foreman who was the limits of the city. The foreman who was working on the Lord's Day, has been brought before the city magistrates and heavily fined.—

Cobourg or Victoria College, we learn, was never in a more prosperous condition than it is at present .- Cobourg Refomer.

It would appear that crime must be at a discount in the good town of Three Rivers, Canada East. The Court for the trial of Criminal cases opened on Monday 2nd instant, and closed the same day, there being no causes for trial inscribed on the roll. Mr. Sheriff Ogden, in accordance with ancient usage, presented His Honour, Mr Justice Aylwin, with a pair of white His Honor took occasion to congratugloves. His Honor took occasion to congratu-late the Grand Jury and the inhabitants of the district on the absence of crime .- Mercury

# AMERICA.

### United States.

RAILROAD SWITCHES .- An Important Invention .- We understand that Mr. John Dempsey has invented a new style of switch, which pro mises to be of great value. Its main peculiarity consists in fixing a valve or switch on the front of the locometive, which the engineer " sets " on either side, ready to operate on levers lying horizontally between the track. Thus the switch rails are adjusted before the locomotive reaches the turn-out. A cam or blocking piece is also moved by the motion of the levers, and secures the rail so firmly as to make it entirely immoveable without breaking. The apparatus, we un derstand, is cheap.

WIND AND CURRENT CHARTS .- A silent work, of great importance and value, has been going on for a few years past, under the direction of Lieut Maury, of the National Observatory at Washing. ton, aided by the personal efforts of numerous shipmasters in recording and communicating to him the results of their observations whilst traversing the ocean. Every day Lieut. Maury is making new achievements. One of the latest, as well as one of the greatest, is the well authen ticated fact, that his investigations, aided as above, has already shortened the passage hence by sea to California, not less than forty days on an average. Nor does Lieut. Maury stop here. He is still investigating the subject, and hopes to point out routes hereafter, that will lead to a still further reduction in the average length of the passage. The date and materials used in the construction of the Wind and Current Charts, have been collected without cost to the government. The undertaking is based upon the voluntary co-operation of American ship masters and owners, who, we trust, will not relax their efforts until their new field of science shall have been fully explored, and its triumphs completed. Not only to themselves, and pre-eminently to Lieut. Maury, but to the country and to science, will the benefit and the glory accrue.

A woman in Philadelphia threw a quantity of oil of vitriol in the face of Mr. Lewis Bechler, of the firm of Dyer & Bechler, by which his right eye was burnt out entirely, and his left eye, nostrils and mouth much injured. The woman was married to an apprentice of the firm, and they refused to cancel his indentures, as requested. She was committed to prison.

refuse the Pope's present of a block of marble for itants to subsist upon. They were living in mud. the Washington monument, but with what success is not stated.

Several horrible transactions have recently taken place in Philadelphia On Friday a man ate of poisoned meat, from the effects which of he subsequently died. The next evening, Saturday, a woman threw oil of vitriol on a Mr Bechler which completely burned out one of his eyes, and otherwise shockingly disfigured his face. About the same time a fireman was fatally stabbed by a rowdy; and during the same night another man was stabbed by a thief, whom he caught in the act of stealing his property. What a horrible chapter !

A drunkard in Dearborn county, la, near Harrison, a short time ago drove his wife from home in a cold night. She took with her a young child and started to her neighbour's house. After being out a while, he started a little girl of six years after the mother. The child was thinly clad and started on her errand. Reaching a small stream, she could not get over it, and turned toward home. The Democrat says she had almost reached home in safety, but in attempting to climb the fence around the house, a rail slipped from its place, throwing her, and falling across her neck. In this position she was found by her father the next morning, dead, and cold as the snow drifts around her. Without lifting the rail or removing the corpse into his house, the brute started for an officer to hold an inquest over the body.

New York State was visited by a hurricane last Saturday night. The wind shifted suddenly round from N. E. to S. W.; the shipping sustained considerable damage; and a large Unitarian church at Syracuse was blown down, fortunately without loss of life.—A spirited anti-liquor law meeting came off last Friday at the Metropolitan Hall, New York.—Granzig was executed 27th ult, protesting his innocence of the murder of his wife to the last .--- The case of N P. Willis against Forrest, for assault and battery, is progressing .- The trial of the Cuba expeditionists is to take place forthwith.

The latest news from the Salt Lake Valley, states that the Mormons are determined to have a Republic of their own, and have already published a declaration of independence. They have been arming and fortifying themselves in expectation of a brush with the Yankees

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

HAVANA, Feb. 14:-On the 9th inst, for the edification of the scientific, two houses were burned upon the "Campo Mars," while one between them, and distant two or three feet, covered with a newly invented varnish, was proved non-combustible, and saved from destruction, although filled with material which was consumed by the flames, and the exterior enveloped during the conflagration of some twenty minutes, with an unbroken sheet of fire.

The inventor, a Creole, Seinor Quesad, has obtained considerable reputation from the result, but I believe that he has combined the discoveries of two other persons, involving the material in varnish instead of paint, thereby making a decided improvement, as it can be brought to the protection of almost any article in a household without impairing beauty or utility.

The experiment was on a scale sufficient to prove that, for the safety of property, from a thousand casualties of negligence or improvidence, in the use of lamps, candles, matches or fire, the varnish is invaluable; while in communities where it might be generally adopted, it would certainly materially retard the progress of the destroying element.—Cor. N. Y. Jour. of Com.

Gas for Brazil.—A company in Glasgow, Scotland, has made a contract with the govern.

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Scotland, has made a contract with the government of Brazil, for lighting the city of Rio de Janeiro for twenty five years. The gas mains are to extend over thirty miles. The company are to pass 14,000 cubic feet of gas per hour and to light 1,800 lamps. This will be the first gas works erected in South America The material of which the gas is to be made is Scotch comnel

Mexico - The New Orleans papers are sanguine that Caravagal will subdue Matamoris, as he has now some six hundred Americans with him. It is said that important despatches have been received at Washington, probably having reference to the Tehuantepec treaty.

Serious charges, it is said, have beempreferred against the Governor and Chief Justice of New

The sum of \$600,000 has been lately paid from the treasury to parties connected with the Mexican indemnity.

THE CHILIAN REVOLUTION -The Valparaiso correspondent of the N. Y. Herald, under date of Dec. 26, 1851, says the civil war which has agitated the country four months has been brought to a final issue. A sanguinary battle was fought on the 8th, in which out of a combined force of 9000 men, 4000 were killed or wounded!

FROM THE CAPE VERD ISLANDS .- Accounts from the Cape Verd Islands to Jan. 31, state that there has been a good deal of sickness at the Islands, especially at St. Andrews and St Vincents

At the latter place nearly three fourths of the population had died. At the former the deaths had been very great, and at last accounts the mortality was increasing.

The Islands had suffered greatly from gales and severe rain storms, many houses having been prostrated, and the crops destroyed to such an

A meeting has been held in Philadelphia to extent as to leave scarcely enough for the inhabhovels, which was one cause of the great mortality.

Captain Sir Edward Beleber has been appointed to the chief command of the next Arctic expedition.

Capt. Henry Kellet (1842) has been appointed to the Resolute as second in command.

The Earl of Dundonald has obtained a patent for "improvements" in sewers, drains, &c., and for making columns and vases. The substance patented is bituman of various kinds, according to circumstances. The pipes are to be cast with one flat side. The Patentee proposes to use it for concrete, also for foundations without water.

The principal coin in circulation in California is fitty dollar gold pieces, which they call slugs They are slug-gish-they hav'nt come this way

DISTRESSING CASUALTY .- A most heart-rending casualty, attended with loss of life, took place at Clare on the 14th ult. Two promising young children, daughters of Hilare LeBlanc of that place, and nieces of A. Comeau, Esq. M.P.P., the one aged 8 and the other 10 years, lest home at 10 o'clock in the morning, and sad to relate were both found frozen to death two hours after in an adjoining pond .- Chron.

BEAR KILLED .- Mr. W Wisdom, Carpenter of this city, succeeded one day this week in killing an immense Bear in the vicinity of Porter's Lake; Bruin is said to have made a desperate resistance, but Mr. W. Snally cleft his skull open with an axe.-1b

The Committees on the Victoria and Sydney elections have confirmed the seats of Mr. John Munro and Mr. McQueen.

P. E. ISLAND,-Petitions have been presented to the Legislature, praying for bounties on mackerel and other fish.

The sum of £3,500 has been voted for the road service of the Island. At a meeting in Charlottetown, held to raise

funds for the conversion of the Jews, the sum of £8 4s, was subscribed. A meeting has also been held at the same place to organize a Horticultu-

A dwelling house at Cascumpec, owned by Mr T. Metherell, has been totally consumed by fire

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### ARICHAT BEACON.

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to Winging point, 8.5° W
to Ragged Head North
shore Chebucto bay N 79° W
to Madam Island East
side of Entrance to Strait of
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Little Arichat Head, Latitude 45° 29' N. Lon. 61° 2' West-Variation 14° 30' W

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"Patridge Is'd (Parrsboro')
"Largest of Group of Five Islands,
"West side of River or Continuation of Bluff N 14° W N 2 W N 2 K N 39 0 E 8 36 Continuation of Bluff, Halifax, Dec, 1851.

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