THE QUEBEC TRANSCRIPT.

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⁴⁰ Pistols ¹⁷ said Paul in a tone which he meent for ejaculation of surprise. ⁴¹ Very wells²⁷ said the colonel, without gi-ving time for any further explanation. ⁴⁴ He:e ser the terms of the meeting, which I trust you will find perfectly agreeable.²⁷ So saying, he handed a paper to Paul, who received it, and an it over with his eyes, without having self-posession enough to gather the meaning of a particle of its contents.

Perfectly agreeable, certainly," said Paul, in his usual assenting way. The ed upon his heel, and stalked off. The colonel turn-

ed upon his heel, and stalked off. Paul's good filend, Tom, snatched up the document, and read-' Pistols-ten a. M.--thirty paces-seconds to mark out the ground -no interference fill third shot-surgeons for two-morially wounded," etc. etc. etc. "Why Paul, do you know you are to fight a duel?"

duel? "Am 1?" said Paul-"" then heaven be aised there is still hope left; for if I am ot to death, I shall escape marrying the wi-

When Paul arrived a' the field of action of the eventful day he found his sprits a great deal firmer than he expected. In fact, he felt inspired by the greatness of the occasion, and

inspired by the greatness of the occasion, and very naturally, for when a min knows he must be either shot or matrier', he must be aware that the crisis requires all his fortitude. Paul took his station, with the most bloodless intention that ever prompted a man to battle. "I had much rither be killed than killy" 11. ght he.

thought he. 6 non-two-three," said the seconds, as Paul raised his pistol to about forty-seven de-grees of elevation. "Fire bang !" The co-ione's bullet whistled by Paul's left ear, and Paul's hit the steeple of a martin-box, on the op of an edjoining barn. Twice more were the

Twice more were the pistols tried, when the seconds interfered; the colonel declared he was satisfied, and they shook hands, thereby showing that Paul Pliant, by shooting three times in the face of the blessed sun, ha' pro-wed that he "inever supplanted, beggiled and circumvented," the aloresaid Colonel Strut; for so its liaid down in the 'code of honour." It seemed now to be all over with Paul. - 't limuts be married then," said he to himself -- 't killing won't save me." The day was fixed, and his fate appeared inevitable. -- the say before the wedding, Paul met Doctor Bindemight, the worthy parson who was to join him to his bonny bride. -- 't Ductor,'' said Paul, 't how shall I escape 1." ore were the pistols tried, when the

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" Marriage," said the doctor, in his most "Mariage," said the doctor, in his most solern, argumentative way, "is considered by all authorities, ecclesiastical, political, ethical, legal, and judicial, as a bond or covenant, en-tered into by two parties." Therefore, 1 an "accidedly of opinion, that when the ceremony is to take place, and 1 propound the regular question, "Will you take this woman for your wife?"-You reply, "No"-it is not a mar-riage by no manner of means. e by no manner of means. I can't do it," said Paul, mournfully, "I

⁶ I can't do it," said Paul, mournfully, "I have tried it a hundred times, but the word al-have tried it a hundred times, but the word al-to everything. I was born without the capa-city to do otherwise. Ask me if I have got three heads I believe I should say 'yes."" "Then you always say 'yes."" "Yes, always, certainly." "Good by, friend Paul," said the doctor, divilly touching his hat. "Hercy on me !" exclaimed Paul Pliant. There was such a turn out amongst the belies the next day I I wish I had heen there to see the. Trinity church was thronged, for every

the next day i I wish I had here there to see it. Trinity church was thronged, for every body knew Paul Pliant, and the acquaintance of widow Wilfal comprised pretty nearly the whole of that circle which calls itself "good society." I wish, moreover, I had the talent of the immerial author of Clarissa Harlowe et of the immersial auture of Classes Harrowe at describing feathers and luciestring; then would I tell how magnificently the widow was deck-ed out. But this cannot be done. Every-thing was as it should be—in the judgment of the world. The "happy pair" drove to church, a long string of coaches followed them;

church, a long string of coaches followed them; the milow blushed and "smiled, and all the work was ray." Was ever a bridegroom in a state of mine explicable of awkwardness? Huddhated with himself a moment, whether his hould not make a desperate effort, take to his heels and run-but it was too late. Paul cast a longing, ingering look behind him as he entered the church door. "Fare-well ! blessed light of heaven !?" said he to hims-self. "Vis the last time I shall ever see you a free man !" The widow held him fast by the

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at last.³⁹ "Yeay³⁷ taplied Paul, with a groan. "We are all read; "said the bridemaids. Dearly beloved," began Doctor Bindem-tight; Paul (ell his heart beat terribly. "One minute more and there will be no remedy I" thought he. Be looked most imploringly at the doctor, as much as to say, can you be so cruel?" The doctor made an awial pause be-fore the great question. Paul's heart beat faster than ver. "Now for the catastrophe?". than / ver. " Now for the catastrophe !" e. The doctor gave Paul a keen 'ook body was breathless. At length he said he. nak : very

"Do you refuse this woman for your wife ?" " Yes !" exclaimed Paul, in the loudest

⁴⁴ Kes I²⁷ exclaimed Paul, in the loadest tone he was ever known to utter. In an in-stant the idea flashed upon his mind that he was free. He sprang into the broad aisle with the quickness of legithning, knocked down an old gentleman in spectacles, burst through the crowd and bolted into the street. He ran home without stopping, and it was not until he had locked humself within his own cham-ber, that he felt certain he was not married to without without. ow Wilful. There was a terrible scene at the church,

There was a terrible scene at the church, with fainting and so forth; but the widow is alive to this day, and when she finds another man who enn'tsay " no," she may play again the game which had nearly entrapped poor Pani Pliant.

A CHAPTER ON EYES, LIPS, CHEEKS, &c-A CHAPTER ON EVES, LIPS, CHEEKS, &c-Lips are delicious things, certainly---syst an Frighsh writer--blessings of mätty agreeable concomitants, such as smiles, sweet words, and those never-to-be-sufficiently-roppreciated in-tensities denominated kisses. They are emo-tion's dwelling place, and passion's--their breathing giveth vitality to affections of all sorts, a friend's, a parent's, a sister's, a broth-er's, a lover's, a mistres's. Eternal praise lips, therefore, to lips in general, and especi-ally to the couple we hold dearest. Cheeks are could wive,---be they the submisticaally to the couple we hold dearest. Cheeks are equally divine,—be they the unsophistica-ted raddy ones of the early walking milkmaid, or the more soft and sweeter-hued cheeks of Beauty's more fanciful hand-maileas. Excer-sively to be wished ao-be-kissed, are cheeks. Chins, which lovers in nodels, by the way, very'celdom appear to think about, chins are beautiful things, and generally have more ex-pression in them than we are inclined to give them could for a massimic. If our readers are pression in them thus we are inclined to give them credit for possessing. If our readers are inclined to differ with us, we beg them to re-member Lady— schin, with the dimple on one side of it—that warm little cradle in which Cupid seems smilling and reposing, or frolick-ing in all the merriment of nis little godbip's quicksilver fancy. It is a very curious thing, we have leave to observe, that chins are the only things which Love placks. Cheeks, lips, foreheads, and eyes' Love kinses,—but i he takes a fancy to a chin; i'li very remark-able that he evinces his regard for it, by taking t between his fingers, pinching it, and thus The intera table is a segard for it, by taking able that he evinces his regard for it, by taking able that he evinces his regard for it, by taking t between his fingers, pinching it, and thus strictly digressive. Foreheads are glorious things--Intellect's tile pages. Written on then, are the name and nature of the human books which lie within them. They are with-al, of themselves, most beautiful, in form god-like. Of noses it is impossible to speak to de-finitely, seeing that they differ. The word nose, indeed, conjures up no abstract image. What nose, is the minds instant inquiry. A quiline ? Snub ? Boman ? Heaveaward, alias turn-up ? Large or small ? European Cupid appears to hold a nose in very little estimation, entertaining, perhags, the opinion, that it was appears to hold a nose in very fille estimation, entertaining, perhaps, the opinion, that it was only given as to makasely the face-jist >s m artist, when he perceives that his design wants something or another, and yet cannot definite-ly decide whill it is—he puts a temple or a large tree in the middle of it to make up the picture. Teeth, especially when the lips that cover them often smile, sure beautiful things— and cars, most especially when it is not denied us to whisper into them, are meritorious : but reader, are not eyes the finest things Nature ever devined. Eyes ! we believe everybody knows and feels that they are no. They are the only things that always tak to us. Lips are often silent, but eyes are perpetually sothe only things that always talk to us. Lips are often silent, but eyes are perpetually so-cial. Neither is their companionship with us to be impeded with facility. The most watch-ful of petite concelle guardians, or fathers ean-not disturb the oscillar communion but by the most anjustifable means. There we sat, at the thearts the oscillar communion but by the whole pit was between "is, we wete in the company of some thousands, and yet, by the assistance of our opera-glasses, notwithstand-

"My dear Paul;" taid she, " here we are at last." "Year!' taplied Paul, with a gross. "We are all read-?" said the bridemaids. Dearly beloved;" began Doctor Bindem inght i Paul feit his hear beat terriby. "One innute more and ther will be no remedy !" we should be. The latter, however, are never thought he. He looked most imploring!y at from under the grate question. Paul's heart beat for their obdience. And so with this piece of the doctor, as much as to say, can you be so for the great question. Paul's heart beat iting of information of the catastrone the the doctor, as much as to say, can you be so for the great question. Paul's heart beat iting of information of the catastrone the the doctor made on well place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made to the classification and the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the doctor made an awall place the termination of the spectrum the termination of

MISCELLANEOUS SELECTIONS.

FISH IN FASHION .--- When fashi ons are worn Fisht IN FASHION.--When fashi as are worn out in 1 aris, the milliners send to antiquated articlets to the north, that is, to Sweden or Russia. A vessel deeply laden with such merchandise was run down in the channel of St. Petersburgh. Next day a salmon was caught in the Neva, dressed in a white satin petitorat; and in the same t were found two lage cod, with musim handkerchiefs aroun 'their neeks. The sharks and porpoises were observed in gowns of the latest tast; and hardly was there a fish that did not dis-play some of the freshest Parisian rashions that had ever visited the North. SENTIMENT.--What is called sentimental

hay some of the results Parisan hashions that had ever visited the North. SENTIMENT.—What is called sentimental writing, though it be understood to appeal solely to the heart, may be the product of a had one. One would imagine that Sterne had been of a very tender heart—yet I know from indu-bitable authority, that his mother, who kept a school, having run in debt on account of an extravagant daughter, would have rotted in a jail, if the parents of her scholars had not rais-ed a subscription for her. Her son had too much sestiment to have not feeling. A dead ass was more important to him than a living mother.

mother. THE TRAVELLING OF LIGHT.—The rays of light travel one hundred and fifty thousand miles in a second, and are seven minutes in miles in a second, and are seven minutes in completing their passage from the great lumin-ary to our earth, a distance of about seventy millions of miles ! The velocity with which they travel from the sun is on astonishing, that a ball discharged from the mouth of a cannon would be several weeks in accomplishing the task. It has been ascertained that a ray of light is one continued stream of small particles so minute, that a lighted confield and account takes of light than there are grains in the whole earth.

Jong summers, and the set of the hear it. VALUE OF AN OATH .- A Norman was telling

TAIDE OF AN GATI--- A NOTMAN Was felling another a great disurdify as a matter of fact. "You are jesting." said the hearer. "Not I, on the faith of a chustian." "Will you wa-ger ?" "No, J word wager ; but I am ready to swear it."

RECIPE FOR THE TOOTH-ACHE .- Fill your mouth with cold spring water, and hold it over the fire till it boils.

Barnveldt, of Holland, left tero sons in con Barnveldt, of Holland, left two-sons in con-siderable employments, who, b us deprived of them by privce Maurice, exters. Into a compi-racy against his life. One was beheaded and the other made his scenge. When the mother of him who was taken and condemmed fell at the feet of Maurice, supplicating his life, the prince expressed his surprise, that she who had refused to ask her husband's parlom, should condescend to intercede in behalf of her son. "I did not ask parlon, for my husband," said the mother, with a noble spirit, "because he was innocent ; I ask it for my son, because he is guilty."

A country clergyman preaching a very dull ermon, set all his congregation adapt A country clergyman preaching a very dull sermon, set all his congregation asleep, except one poor fellow who was generally election in intellect. At length the reverend orator, look-ing round, exclaimed, with great indignation, " What, all asleep but this poor idiot [?--" Aye," quoth the fellow, " and if I had not heren an idiot, I should have gone to sleep too."

NAMES OF PLACES. Such towns, cities, or villages, whose ter-tinations are chester, caster, or cester, show hat the Romans, in their stay among us, made

was used in its stead, and ... found at the end of many town's names. Bary, borgh, bery, signifies, metaphorically, a town having a wall about it, sometimes a high or chief place. Wold means a plain copen country ; cembe, a willey between two hills ; knock, a hill, hurst, signifies a woody place; magh, a field, innes, an island ; worth, a place intuated be-tween tweinter end of the state of tween two rivers; and ing, a track of mea-dows. Minster, is a contraction of monastry. All these words are found in many of ou names of places, either at the beginning of

UNITED STATES.

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A LARGE CARGO.— The British ship Britan-nia, 769 tons, was to sail day before yest-lay 'rom Philadelphia for Liverpool, has a soard the bulk of ninety thousand bils, y tiz.-56,000 barrels flour, 68 hagsheads quercitus ark; 7 hagsheads tobacco; and 10,000 hags-nead slaves—one of the 'argest cargces takes rom Philadelphia for many years.

nead staves—one of the 'argest cargees takes from Philadelphia for many years. LAKE NAVIGATIOS.—The first arrival at the port of Geneace this spring, was the Canadian chooner Peacock, Capt. Voller, on Thuaday Ith inst. 7th

The inst. Plattsburg, March 9.— In relation to the movements of the British troops on our imme-diate frontier, which have caused much alam among the citizen as well as the refugees al Champlain and along the line, we learn fmu undoubted authority that Sir John Colbern has increased the guard in close wicinity to the boundary line, by regular troops and ordnanes, and by a small Indian force. This posture d aflairs, in cohnexion with the troubles on the Maine frontier, has excited considerable alam. — Republicon. Extract of a lettradmm Cabotville. Mass-

- Republican. Extract of a letter m Cabotville, Mane-drugette, dated Mane-tory and pays and

and newspaper game the troops of Miss Que and all who come in contact with the Ammo can forces, will be totally exterminated fire the face of the earth; and, in all probability, the Island of Great British will be swallowed up, by way of dessert.²²

UPPER CANADA.

UPPER CANADA. Cornwall, March 14th.—Another Yankey deserter arivied here on Monday.—He loon like a bad case of Cholera. If he is a specime of the troops across the river we need not fau the result of a collision with Jonathan—unles indeed that their meagre physigonomies wi frighten the Brüishers away. All he interis-pers that we have seen from that quarter ye are regular day chosts. re regular day ghosts.

persitative intersection from that quarter ye are regular day ghosts. Coburg, March 16.—We are grieved as learn that on the morsing of the 5th instant, about 4 o'clock, a most destructive fire took place at Etobicoke, by which the extensive premises occepied by Mr. Tiers as a Motel an Post Office; and the rest was employed by Mr. Perry was a dwelling house and store. The fire originated in the state and post of the state and Post Office; and the rest was employed by Mr. Perry as a dwelling house and store. The some asspicion is entertained that it has been the work of an incendiary. As no insurant whatever appears to have been effected as these premises, the loss to Mr. Teirs and Mt. Perry is very heavy, as well as to Mr. Wi-cox the proprietor of the buildings.—Th Church.

LOWER CANADA.

LOWER CANADA. Montreal, (Tuesday) March 19.—At fee o'clock yesterday aftenoon, a fire broke out the house occupied by Mr. Mallin, in Commi-sioners Street, and formerly known as Clamp Hotel, and we regret to say that the who house was constituted, endangering the neigh-bouring houses, and the back store of Mesm. Scott, Tyre & Co., and the back store of Mesm-street on the house; back store of Mesm-fire companies. Mr. Mullia was partly in sured on the house; bach and mothing insured on his familiure or stock of naval stores.—Ge-effec

THE TRAI

OLEBEC, SATURDA The news from the se

The news from the se tot important. Mr., Jarvis, the temp how his command of it furnation, had artived Disputed Territory. No task from the New Bri dispharged four hund: A di thought that the Legisl approve of the views to and would authorize hi force in the Disputed To predations. It is addee vey consents to this, the our present difficulties.⁸

A letter received a A letter received a morning from a Montres that the two Nelsons hav the neighbourhood of Robert is proceeding alo lecturing on Canadian w

The trial of eleven pri boarhood of Napierville, tial at Montreal, termin and on Wednesday three

their trial for the murd-La Torta. The House of Asseml place-5 the sum of £1000 Exc..lency the Lieutes purpose of defraying th gation to England, up

CRIMINAL

The Criminal Ter n Bench opened yesterda Justice and Mr. J stir Bench. The means of

tence of the non-app fter the Grand Jury fon. Chief Justice of charge, which we regret The Grand Jury brow Pierre Gagnoa for burgl Gillan, watch-maker, wife of Bazile Plante, fi

the person. Gagnon was immed pleaded Guilty. Emilie

pleaded Guilty. Emilie guilty, and the trial wa It is understood that very unwell, will not a

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