

The Wesleyan.

HALIFAX, MONDAY, MAY 6.

We have again to offer our best thanks to our increasingly numerous correspondents, and assure them that their punctuality and attention is properly appreciated. If some of the pieces lately received are not immediately inserted, it must not be thought that they are overlooked.

We beg to acknowledge the kindness of the Rev. S. Phillips, of Sandwich, Mass., in so promptly attending to our request. The books are received with thanks.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

COMMUNICATIONS have been received from Rev. A. W. McLeod, "Mary," Rev. W. Smith, Rev. W. Crooks, Rev. P. Sleep, Amos Trueman, Esq., with remittance; Rev. W. Leggett, E. J. Cunningham, Esq., and Rev. T. H. Davies,* with remittance.

* The whole sum of £3 10s. was expended. The copies are sent as requested. Shall be glad of the memoir.

LATEST NEWS FROM EUROPE,

BY THE PACKET.

HER Majesty's Packet Tyrian arrived on Monday night, in 23 days passage from Falmouth. The news received by her is important, from the fact that it shows an absence of excitement in Great Britain upon the boundary question, and other matters at issue between Great Britain and the United States. The Morning Chronicle of April 3rd states that a proposition will be forwarded to the United States Government by the next Packet on the subject of the boundary line. The corn laws and the affairs of India occupy much more of the attention of the public mind in England than any apprehended difficulty with America. The French elections have proved adverse to the ministry in France—and the deferred resignation has therefore taken place. After some consultation and difficulty, a new ministry has been formed, at the head of which is Marshal Soult. One of the stipulations under which they go in, is, that the cause of the Queen of Spain shall be defended and assisted by France. The Belgian Legislature have adopted their own plans of settling the difficulty with Holland. What terms they would not accept as the dictate of the four Powers, they impose upon themselves by a law, qualified with the proper preamble, etc. Annexed we give some of the leading items of news.—*Pearl.*

NEW POST-OFFICE REGULATION.—The following notice was issued by the Post-Office authorities yesterday:—"General Post Office, March, 1839.—The postage on letters to and from North America, conveyed by her Majesty's packet, having been reduced to the uniform rate of 1s. single, and 2s. double, and so on in proportion, you will in future charge that rate upon such letters without adding any charge for inland postage. Letters from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Canadas, may be forwarded as heretofore, with the previous payment of the postage.—By command, W. L. Maberly, Secretary.

PORTSMOUTH, March 30.—The *Cleopatra*, 26, Captain Lushington, arrived on Wednesday from Sheerness, to receive on board Vice-Admiral Sir Thomas Harvey, and convey him to his command on the West India Station, as the successor of the late Sir Charles Paget.

THE NORTH AMERICAN "BOUNDARY QUESTION."—Sir Stratford Canning, on Wednesday, put the following questions to Lord Palmerston—

First, whether the Government had received any official intelligence of the appointment of an American plenipotentiary, to open fresh negotiations in London as to the adjustment of the Boundary question. Secondly, whether the Government had any reason to believe that Sir John Harvey had

acquiesced in the line of conduct recommended to him by her Majesty's Minister and the American Minister at Washington. And thirdly, whether the Government had any objection to lay upon the table a copy of the instructions to which Sir John Harvey, in his letter of the 18th of February addressed to the Governor of Maine, had referred; making it imperative upon him to maintain by military force, if necessary, exclusive jurisdiction over the disputed territory.

Lord Palmerston replied, that a despatch from Mr. Fox informed him that the appointment of a minister from the United States to this country was under the consideration of the Government at Washington; that when Sir John Harvey's last despatch was written, he could not have received intelligence of the arrangement between Mr. Fox and Mr. Forsyth; and that it was not expedient to produce the instructions given to Sir John Harvey, in the present state of the dispute. He felt convinced that the American Government was as desirous as the British Government that pending differences should be amicably adjusted.

Mr. Charles Buller said, that, in his opinion, the claims of both the British and the American Government were untenable, and that this country would gain most by abandoning her untenable line, and accepting one more consonant with justice.

Some conversation followed respecting the production of an old map of the disputed territory, (Mitchell's map, executed in 1757,) which might be seen at the British Museum, and which Lord Palmerston promised to lay on the table.

A strong body of London Police are stationed at Mansfield, in order to protect the Duke of Newcastle, the Duke of Portland, and Mr. Union, an active magistrate, from attacks, which they apprehend from evil disposed persons.

It was mentioned last week in some of the London newspapers, that, in consequence of the disturbed state of the manufacturing districts in the North of England, a considerable body of troops had been marched from Woolwich to the North. Several of the provincial journals received this week, express surprise that such a precaution should be deemed necessary, as the working classes are not by any means disposed to be riotous; and it turns out that no additional military force has been or is to be dispatched northward. The *Globe* of Monday said—"It is utterly untrue that any troops have been ordered into the manufacturing districts: the only movement has been of the usual routine description at this season of the year."

This is the Queen's reply to the address of the Corporation of London against the Metropolitan Police Bill—

"The peace and security of the inhabitants of my capital require my care and the attention of my Government. With these objects in view, I have directed measures to be submitted to Parliament, which will, I have no doubt, receive their deliberate consideration. I fully rely on their zeal for the welfare of my people, and their regard for the rights and privileges of all my subjects."

Much dissatisfaction is occasioned in the City by the cold and almost uncivil terms in which her Majesty's reply is couched. Of course, Ministers, not the Queen, are blamed.

There are rumours of the disastrous retreat of Sir John Keene's army, which marched against Afghanistan, in consequence of intelligence that all the defiles were strongly fortified by Dost Mohammed.

London March, 31.

Her Majesty's ship Winchester, 52 guns, Capt. John Parker, was commissioned last week at Chatham for the flag of Vice Admiral Sir Thomas Harvey, K. C. B., destined for Halifax and the West Indies.

A letter from Magdeburg of the 7th inst states that 500 persons of the Lutheran persuasion in that province, and other parts of the Prussian dominions, intend to emigrate to North America in the month of May next.

WOOLWICH DOCK YARD.—In consequence of the paucity of steam-vessels, government has issued orders for two of the largest class to be immediately laid down, and to be forwarded with all possible dispatch; also an eighteen gun sloop of war; which has caused some spirit in the yard.

The combined armies of Austria, Prussia, and the Germanic Confederation, amount, according to the calculations of a Frankfort paper, to 1,400,000 men, —700,000 furnished by Austria, 400,000 by Prussia,

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