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#### New Brunswick.

PREDERICTOR .- The election of Councillors for the city of Fredericton came off on Monday last, and resulted in the choice of S. W. Babbit, Rsq, for King's Ward; R. Gowan, Esq, for Queen's Ward; Joseph Myrshall, Esq., for Carleton Ward; W. C. Tredwell, Esq., for St. Ann's Ward; and Thos. A. Temple, Esq., for Wellington Ward. The City Council met yesterday, and elected John Simpson, Esq., as Mayor of the City .- Head Quarters.

NEWSPAPER POSTAGE.—The people throughout the Province will be glad to learn that the House of Assembly has passed the Bill for abolishing the tax on Newspapers and Pamphlets not exceeding three ounces. This will be received with great favour by our people in generad, and especially by the hardy settler in the back woods, whose newspaper, the greatest treat he could possibly enjoy, has come to him heavily taxed, and in numerous instances families have been left wholly without this indispensable "map of busy lite, its fluctuations and its vast concerns," on account of the imposition of this obnoxious tax. We congratulate our readers in the interior on the prospect of receiving their papers free, as soon as the Post Office Department is placed under the control of the Provincial authorities, which will be in July next. Mr. Barberie is deserving of great credit for his action in this important matter .- St. John, New Brunswicker, 16th.

The Bill to pay Legislative Councillors was rejected to-day, (April 9th.) after a long discussion, by a vote of 30 to 5.

The Bill amending the Canada Reciprocity Act has been rejected by the House, and consecutive of the Bill amending the Canada Reciprocity Act has been rejected by the House, and consecutive the Bill amending the Canada Reciprocity Act has been rejected by the House, and consecutive the Bill amending the Reciprocity and consecutive the Reciprocity and cons quently 3s. per barrel on Flour will have to be aid on Canada as well as American Flour. This has been occasioned in consequence of the Bill having been amended in the Legislative Council, which the House considered a breach of privilege and consequently it has been rejected altogether.

It appears by the returns of the Trustees of Schools, for the several Parishes in this county, submitted at the late General Sessions, that the number of children receiving instruction in the Parish Schools, are 1465 boys and 856 girls .-Total 2321, viz: in St. John 677; Portland 605; Lancaster, 376; St. Martins, 259; and Simonds, 404,-and that there were hity-one schools receiving the Provincial allowance .- Church Witness, St. John, N. B.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE .- On Monday evening, Mr. R. Foulis delivered a highly interesting and instructive lecture on Gas Illumination, in which he lucidly explained the history, the principles, and productive process of that important modern utility; and illustrated the subject by a number of brilliant experiments. Mr. F. introduced to the notice of his audience a simple, but very ingenious apparatus, invented by himself, for the domestic manufacture of gas; which promises to become a highly important and economical advantage to gas consumers; and for which we presume he will in due time secure a patent .-- Observer.

INTERCOLORIAL BILL - We are informed that it is the opinion of the Crown Law-Officers, that this important enactment is virtually repealed by operation of the last Revenue Bill, which makes no exception in favour of the produce and manufactures of the sister Colonies. If this opinion is correct, then all articles arriving from Canada and Nova Scotia are now subjected to foreign duty, not even omitting eggs and turnips, socks and parsnips, as was inadvertently (now designedly !) the case in 1837 .- New Brunswicker, 12th.

the Legislative Council, informs us that the Council passed the Bill yesterday, for the free transmission of Newspapers and Pamphlets. - Ib.

LAUNCH .- On Wednesday last, a remarkably fine Ship called the Gibson Craig was launched in Carleton, from the Ship Yard of Mesers. Stack. house & McLauchlan-the owners. The G C is of the burthen of 1036 tons, Carpenter's Measurement. She is built of hacmatac pitch pine, and American white oak, and is thoroughly copper-fastened, and exhibits an admirable specimen of sound mechanic d skill and design, which reflects great credit upon her owners, and Mr. Thomas McLeod, the talented Master builder. The G. C. will shortly proceed to Liverpool - Chronicle.

# Canada.

TORONTO BUILDING SOCIETY. - An extra general meeting of the Stockholders of the Society, was held on Friday the 21st March, 1851, at the office in Wellington Street, for the purpose of electing a director in the room of P, Paterson, Esq, resigned, when W. L. Perrin, Esq., was elected Director to the ensuing year. The fiftysecond Loan Meeting took place the same even ing, when 10 shares, [or £1000] were disposed of, at an average bonus of £7 15s, the lowest being 71, and the highest at 8 per cent. bonus .-Stockholders have now the privilege to loan from £100 to £500 at the same bonus - Daily Patriot.

AN AWFUL AND EXTROARDINARY ACCIDENT. occurred in the Township of Murray, a day or two ago, by which a steady and industrious young man was suddenly hurried into eternity. He was tending a circular saw mill, and in passing near the saw it caught a great coat which he

stant cut him completely in two. We have several times during the past year recorded accidents which occurred in the same way, viz :-by the machinery catching the clothes .- Coburg

ENROLLED PENSIONERS .- Arrangements are in progress for sending to Upper Canada five companies of enrolled pensioners, to be accompanied by a staff officer of the first class, and three staff officers of the second class, under a Military Su perintendent of Pensioners in North America.

RIVER ST. LAWRENCE -The Montreal Herald in retaliation of the failure of the reciprocity bil in Congress, suggests that the Provincial Legislature take off all the toils on produce passing through the Canadian canals, down to the bare point of keeping them in repair. In this way the Herald is confident a large portion of the Western trade will be attracted to and through the St. Lawrence, instead of finding its way to the Atlantic through the States.

THE ST. LAWRENCE AND ATLANTIC RAILWAY A meeting of the Stockholders was held at Portland on Thursday last, when the proceedings of the Directors, in leasing the Bangor and Wa terville Railroad for twenty years was confirmed They also voted to issue bonds at \$50 per Share to the amount of \$300,000, for the completion of the Line to Montreal in July, 1852

SIEAM FROM GLASGOW TO QUEBEC .- A steam er will start on the 1st of May from Glasgow to Quebec; the first of a line which is intended to ply regularly between these ports. - Quebec Ga-

The weather is, on the whole, spring likemild and blusterous by turns. Yesterday was a fine spring day; this morning there has been a sprinkling of snow and the thermometer marks 32°. It is probable that the navigation between this and Montreal will soon be open. By our telegraph report it will be observed that the river is clear from Port St. Francis to the Richilien -The pont at Carouge however still holds fast and seemingly has no inclination to move .- Quebec M. Chronicle, 4th

Captain Strachan, son of the Bishop of Toronto, has published a plan for the settlement of the Clergy Reserve question. He proposes that all the lands in the hands of the Crown in 1846, should be divided among the following churches, according to their number; viz.: Episcopal, Presbyterian, Free Presbyterian, Wesleyan Methodists, Episcopal Methodists, Baptists, Lutherans, Independents Universalists, other Presbyterians, other Methodists .- 16.

STOP THAT DANCING .- The City Fathers of the United Townships of Lanark and Darling have enacted, "That no Innkeeper shall permit or allow any public balls or dancing to be held in his or her house, on any occasion whatever. -U. C. Paper.

A WISE RESOLUTION -The Town Council have resolved on reducing the number of houses, at which spirituous liquor is sold, within the limits of the Town of Niagira. At present, including Recesses, there are thirty two establishments of this kind, and from the first of next month there will not be more than eighteen lans, and two Recesses, one at the steambout whari, and the other at the ferry. By this measure every place where liquor is now sold will be suppressed, except where there are proper accommodations for the travelling portions of the publie - Ningara Mail.

TEMPERANCE IN TORONTO. - The late change in the character of the City Conneil, and the appointment of tavern Inspectors, have led to a gratifying change in the number of our alcoholic We learn that the number of tayern. nuisances. licenses is 151; confectioners' licenses 15; beer houses 10; being 24 less than the maximum fixed ence last year. This is a gratifying movement in the direction of sobriety and good order. The success of the measure, prictically, depends much upon the v griance and fidelity of the In-

TEMPERANCE HOTEL IN MOSTREAL!-This season is somewhat of an era in the history of Montreal, were it for nothing else than the commencement of a good Femperance Hotel. The want of such an escaptishment has been long and extensively felt, and the wonder often expressed that the largest c ty in Canada had not a single public house constacted nom Temperance principles, for the accommodition of that class of travellers who do not love the sights, and smells, and sounds which issue from a rum bar-room --The establishment to which we now refer is that long and favourably known as the Eagle Hotel, kept by F. Duclos, which, as will be seen by our advertising columns, is to be opened on the first of May next on Teetotal principles. Three reasons have very generally conspired against the success of Temperance hotels hitherto. 1st. Generally speaking they were not well known, owing to a kind of conspiracy among the parties engaged in the transportation of travellers, to keep such establishments in the back ground. 2nd Some of them had no great reputation for cleanliness, comfort, and good fare. 3rd. Some, while professing to be temperance houses, kept liquor on the sly, than which, nothing could be more offensive to the honest teetotaler, who would rather go where alcohol was sold openly. We might add a fourth reason for want of success: they were sometimes undertaken by inexperienced persons, and not persevered in long enough to give them a fair trial. None of these causes of failure are, however, to be found with Mr. Duclos. His establishment is as well known as had on, threw him across the log, and in an in- lany in Montreal, and he is himself a stage pro- which of them, if either, will be adopted.

prietor. His house has an established reputation for cleanliness, comfort, good fare, and moderate charges. He may be depended upon to do just as he says, so that when he advertises a tectotal house, the public may be quite sure that it will have no underground bar or other mental reservation. Last of all, he has, probably, the longest experience of any person in this city in keepng public houses, and, what he undertakes, he usually goes through with. We hope this very important and useful enterprise of Mr. Duelos will prove so successful as to induce others to tollow in his footsteps .- Montreal Witness.

## UNITED STATES.

AID TO COLLEGES .- On Friday, in the State Senate, Mr. Morgan, from the Finance Committee, reported an important bill making appropriations to Colleges and Medical Institutions. bill appropriates to Rochester University,\$10,000: College, \$10,000; Hamilton College. Madison University, New York University, Geneva College, each \$1,500; Central College As sociation, \$1,000; College of Physicians, and Surgeons, New York, Albany Medical Colleges, Medical Faculty of the University of New York, Medical Institution of Geneva College, Medical Department of Buffalo University, each \$1,000. -Buffulo Commercial Advertiser.

EMIGRANTS. - The Packet ship Washington or rived at New York, on the 30th ult., from Liverpool, bringing 5 cabin, and 956 steerage passengers, making the aggregate of persons on board, including officers and crew, 1010!—being the largest number of persons ever brought across the Atlantic in a Merchant slup-and all in good health. The Washington has brought to New York, in four consecutive voyages, 3500 immigrants .- Observer.

RIOTS AND LOSS OF LIFE .- New York, April 2. Serious riots have occurred among the Irish on the Railroads in Western New York, near Batavia. The citizens were arining. One man has been killed and three wounded-two mortally

WARM HEARTED BENEVOLENGE .- W. W Rice. Esq., of St. Mary's parish, La., has emancipated thirty-three slaves, and provided for their passage to the land of their fathers, and for their support for six months after their arrival, at an expense of from \$20,000 to \$25,000. More than this, he accompanied them to New Orleans, the port of their departure, saw to their shipment, and his own hands distributed to them cloth ng, me t e ses, household and farming utensils, and whatever could contribute to their comfort on their passage, and their success in their new homes Mr. R. is an elder in the Presbyterian church. · Honour to whom honour.

SINGULAR SLAVE CASE .- A singular slave case occurred in Ohio, recently. A gentleman of Greenup county, Ky, freed four slaves and sent Shortly afterwards he died insolvent A creditor of his estate claims that a man could not free his negroes to the injury of his cred fors, and had the slaves surreptitiously seized in Ohio and brought to Kentucky, where they were sold at auction. A resident of Ohio is now about to bring suit for the freedom of the slaves. -New Orleans Pienyune.

The Fort Smith, Ark, Herald says there is at present living in that place a lad, nine years of age, who speaks and writes the Hebrew, Latin, French, Spanish and Italian languages with as much ease and fluency as he does the English. He is of humble parentage, but possesses indomitable perseverance. The Herald learns that an effort is to be made to procure him further advantages.

A STREAK OF LUCK .- The ship Dartmouth arrived last night, with 3000 bbls of whale oil, and by the Council, and 182 less than were in exist. 26,000 lbs of bone, all full below; and oil on deck, having previously shipped 200 bbls of sperm, and 11,000 lbs. bone to London.—New Bedford Mercury.

> Mr. Hobbs, a dumb man, is delivering temperance lectures in Indiana. His entire lecture consists of gesticulations, said to be understood by the audience.

> A COLD WATER TOWN .- The N. Y. Tribune well says that Springport, Cayuga Co., is a town a man might be proud to live in Though it has long been settled, and has about 2,000 inhabitants, yet there is not a pauper nor a grog-shop within its borders. The overseer of the poor, (Mr. Peter B. Wood.) is empowered to root out the rum traffic, as a part of his auti pauperizing duties; but there being no longer either grog-shops nor application for charity, his "occupation's gone."

> The license law of Ohio, which authorizes dealing in intoxicating liquors, has been entirely abrogated by the State Constitutional Convention, which passed the following section, " No license for traffic in intoxicating liquors shall hereafter be granted in this State; but the General Assembly may by law provide against evils result-

> There is a stevedore in New Orleans who wears on Sunday a suit that cost \$500, and jewelry worth \$8000.

PACIFIC RAILROAD -The Missouri Republican says that the Pacific Railroad will be commenced at an early day, and prosecuted with energy, although the grant of funds asked from Congress has been refused. It is stated that there is already an actual capital of more than three millions provided for the commencement of the Three routes have been surveyed and reported to the directors, but it is uncertain as yet

COLLISION OF STRAMERS: FAFIERS LINES LOST. The steamer Lowell, when twenty-live unless below Wheeling, came into collision with the steamer Vinton. The Lowell sunk fitteen minutes after the accident, and filteen of those on board met with watery graves ; among them a lady and her three children, and the head engineer. The Vinton sustained but slight injury. The Lowell was loaded with iron and nails, and with her cargo is a total loss. - Pittsburgh, Tuesday, March 35.

VERMONT MARBLE .- Few of our readers are aware of the rapid increase in the quarrying and consumption of this valuable product of New England. On the 18th inst., 166 tons from Ciarendon were brought over the Rusland and Burlington Railsond, to be followed by 200 tons more from the same town in the course of the present week. We are informed that this entireshipment of marble is designed for the Southern market. It takes the Boston route for the reason that freights to Southern ports are usually lower here than in New York. The supply of these marbles is inexhaustible. They embrace all the most desirable colours and kinds known in any country; while of their excellence and reputation the rapid increase of the production is the best evidence .- Post.

The NICARAGUA ROUTE .- The route between this city and San Francisco, ma San Juan, Lake Nicaragua, and the Bay of San Juan del Sur o. the Pacific side, will be in complete operation in June. A contract has just been made for three steamers, (two of which are now on their way,): to run on the Pacific side, and these, in connection with the Prometheus and another vessel on this side, and small steamers on the San-Juan and the lake, will bring us within twenty. five days of California.

Iron in Onio:-In Ohio, 1206 square milesare underlaid with iron. A region explored in 1838, was found adequate to furnish iron sixty-one miles long and sixty wide ; a square mile would yield three millions of tons pig iron ; so that this district would contain a thousand millions of tons. By taking from this region 430,000 tons annually, it would last 2,700 years, as long a time, certainly, as any man looks alread. - Cleviandi True Democrat

## MISCELLANEOUS.

JERRY LIND AND THE SABBATH .- Jenny Lind declined to leave here on the Sabbath. This is equal to fifty sermons-it is a practical fact Arrangements had been made at Natchez and Memphis, based on her departure from here on Saturday. The boat, however, was delayed; there was yet time to keep the appointments, and leaveon Sunday morning. This she at once refused to do, and declined to hold any conversation in regard to the pecuniary loss. It is true that the concerts will be held, but on different days-and after one disappointment, the audiences will bemuch smaller. Miss Lind is entitled to the thanks of all religious persons for this strict observance of the commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." At this moment her conduct attracts very general observation, and the effects of her example will be felt far and wide .- New Orleans Crescent.

DOG TRAIN FROM LAKE SUPERIOR .- Mr. Julius Austman, accompanied by Mr. Boy, of Lapoint, Lake Superior, arrived here on Thursday last, inthirteen days from that place, via the Falls of St. Croix. Austman came through with two trains by dogs, which excited much curiosity in our They brought several hundred pounds of treight, baggage, &c. Unlike the dogs of Red River, they are of a mongrel breed, and rather under-sized, the train being made of two thin boards of polished oak, curled at the end like a skate. In this way, with a heavy load, two dogs will make their 40 miles a day with ease. roads were very bad, almost impassable .- Minnesola Paper.

FROM CARTHAGENA - We learn from Capt. Gibbs, of Brig Richmond, who arrived yesterday from Carthagens, March 1, that a severe shock of anearthquake was felt there at 5 A.M. on the 2nd ult. So serious was it that quite a number of buildings were completely destroyed, and several persons wounded. The church was considerably injured, the mason work fell in large masses to the floor, the large columns in the interior of the church were broken, and the key stones of some of the arches were displaced.

At Santa Martha, on the 20th, a severe shock was also felt, injuring a number of houses. It was supposed the shock was more severe in the interior - New York Express.

THE CRYSTAL PALACE BY MOONLIGHT. - The elear nights and the full bright moon have enabled us to see the Crystal Palace in a new light -that of moonlight, and certainly, like Melrose, you must see it by moonlight, if you would see it rightly. Under the blue cloudless azure of the heavens, studded with its glittering star eyes, the traveller westward sees its elegant proportions sail out into exquisité relief above the long line of Knights bridge Barracks, like a delicate caprice of an evening's frost, gracefully disclosing the chaste moon. Approach nearer and a hundred moons sparkle in the tall arched transept. and the "broken light of stars" smile at you through the web of iron net-work, and a silver glitter, chequered by the arms of intervening trees, floats outward till it loses itself in the dark distances of the park .- Leigh Hunt's Journal.

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