

## European Intelligence.

**TRADE WITH AMERICA.**—A parliamentary return has been issued, showing the trade of the United Kingdom with the States of America in the last four years. In 1847 the declared value of British and Irish produce and manufactures exported to the United States of America was £10,074,161 in 1848, £9,564,909; in 1849, 11,971,028; and in 1850, £15,194,961. The imports from the United States have increased. In the three years, (last year's account not being made up) the official value of the imports was respectively, £20,319,882, £23,916,855, and £26,554,944.

The St. John's Theatre, London, will be opened on Monday next, by Mr. Barnum, of New York, for the purpose of introducing the youthful dramatic artists, Miss Ellen and Miss Kate Bateman, who created an immense sensation throughout the United States during the last two years.

**HIGHLAND REGIMENTS.**—An Order has been issued for the killed Regiments, viz. the 42nd, 78th, 79th, 92nd and 93rd Highlanders, to wear in future, as a forage cap, the Glen-garry bonnet, instead of the one hitherto in use. This change does not affect those Highland corps wearing trousers, viz. the 71st, 72nd, and 74th, who are to continue the old forage cap.

**EXTENSIVE FIRE IN GLASGOW.**—On the 20th August, one of the most destructive fires, as regards loss of valuable property, that has occurred in Glasgow for some time, broke out in the extensive stores of Messrs. C. Tennent & Co., which destroyed a large amount of valuable goods, consisting of oil, shunac, madders, sago, turpentine and sulphur. The sum of £47,000 was insured upon the goods destroyed, and £6000 on the building.

**DEADLY COLLIERIES EXPLOSION.**—Thirty to forty lives lost.—On Monday night, one of those disastrous and fatal events which are so frequent in the coal mining districts, took place at Washington colliery, which is about two miles from Washington station of the York, Newcastle, and Berwick Railway, and we regret to say, that the explosion has resulted in the death of from thirty to forty persons, most of whom were in the health and vigour of youth.

No language can describe the intense grief and horror of those who, on the first report being given, rushed to the spot, and remained to witness the blackened and disfigured corpses of their husband, children, and fathers, who only a few hours before left them in their usual health.

Some of the French factors established in London have announced their intention of selling wheat and flour by auction.

## CANADA.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

TORONTO, 30th August, 1851.

This day at 12 o'clock, His Excellency the Governor General proceeded in state to the Chamber of the Legislative Council in the Parliament buildings. The members of the Legislative Council being assembled, His Excellency was pleased to command the attendance of the Legislative Assembly, and that House being present, a number of Bills were presented to His Majesty's name by His Excellency the Governor General, after which His Excellency was pleased to close the fourth session of the third Provincial Parliament with the following

### SPEECH.

**Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.**

I thank you for the diligence with which you have performed your laborious duties during the protracted session, and I trust that the Province will derive benefit from the many important enactments which you have passed. The grants which you have made, for the erection of light houses and for other improvements in the navigation of the St. Lawrence, and the relief which you have afforded shipping by the remission of light dues and the reduction of the emigrant tax, will no doubt prove advantageous to the trade of the Province.

It is highly satisfactory that the favorable state of the revenue should have enabled you to adopt these measures.

The measures which you have matured with much care and deliberation for the encouragement of railway enterprise will, I trust, be productive of very beneficial results to the Province at large by extending trade, enhancing the value of property, promoting the settlement of the country, and leading to increased intercourse between the sister colonies.

**Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.** I thank you for the readiness with which you have granted the supplies necessary for the public service.

**Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen.** The satisfactory condition of the provincial revenue and credit, the progress of public improvement, the creditable appearance of Canadian industry at the Exhibition of Industry of all Nations, and in harmony with which the three branches of the Legislature co-operated for the public good, have attracted much attention to the Province and removed some prejudices and misgivings engendered by years of disquiet.

At the close of Parliament I feel that I am entitled to congratulate you on the share which you have had in bringing about these gratifying results. It is my firm resolution to continue to administer the government in conformity to the wishes of the people of the Province, as expressed through the local government, believing that this course of proceeding on my part is best calculated to secure contentment and peace, which are the foundations of national prosperity, and trusting that the religious principles and good sense of

the people of the Province will induce them to eschew violent and extreme courses, to cultivate habitual respect for the law and rights of property, and to cherish towards each other feelings of mutual kindness and good will.

**THE GREAT RAILWAY IN EGYPT.**—The Viceroy has made dual arrangements for the construction of a railway between Cairo and Alexandria, and has signed an agreement, for that purpose with Mr. Burthwick, now in Egypt, on the part of Mr. Robert Stephenson. Mr. Burthwick intends returning to England, to send out a staff of engineers to commence operations forthwith. This undertaking will confer inestimable advantages on Egypt by bringing forth the resources of the country, besides facilitating the transit of passengers and merchandise to and from India. It is calculated that the line be completed in about two years and a half. The whole length will be about 130 miles, and it will cross the Nile at the barrage where a substantial bridge is nearly finished, having been made by French engineers with the object of damming the Nile for the better irrigation of the land—an attempt in which they have signally failed after having spent an immense amount of money.

**A CLERGYMAN KILLED.**—The Rev. H. J. Durbin of the M. E. Church, and the agent of the American Bible Society for Southern Indiana, met his death a few days ago, under the following circumstances:—He had started from Greensburg, Ind. after preaching, for Vernon, when a storm came up while he was riding through the woods; and seeing the trees beginning to fall he attempted to return, when a large tree fell on him, breaking his thigh, and otherwise injuring him. He managed to reach a house however, but so much injured that he died in four or five days afterwards.

**LARGE YIELD OF WHEAT.**—We learn that Col. John S. Gittings raised on twelve and a half acres of ground five hundred and three bushels of wheat, averaging forty and a half bushels to the acre. Let him beat this who can.—*Balt. Amer.*

**NAVAL.**—H. M. S. Cumberland, 70, Capt. Seymour, with the Flag of Vice Admiral Sir George Seymour, Kt., G. C. H. will sail for Havana early in the ensuing week. Later accounts from Cuba, via Telegraph from New York, has, we are informed, induced the Admiral to proceed thither. The Cumberland has bent sails, and taken on board her powder, stores, &c., and is now ready for any service that may be required. It is said that the men-of-war at present employed in protecting the Fisheries, will also be ordered off to Cuba.—*Halifax Novascotian.*

## COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor of the Standard,

Dear Sir,—I perceive by some communications in your paper, that some persons consider themselves unjustly and illegally assessed for an Engine Tax: by giving the following extract from the Standard, they will see that the Province can be redressed by application to the Sessions, which will commence the 16th inst.—

1850. Page 68. 13th Victoria. Article 22. "Any person thinking himself over-assessed, either as to property or income, may appeal to the next General Sessions after he shall have had notice of such assessment, and they shall give such relief as shall appear just, either by directing the sum over-assessed to be collected, or by collecting to be repaid."

### A TAX PAYER.

[The above, so far as it goes, is correct—but "a Tax-Payer" must see that it does not apply in the present instance.—Editor Standard.]

### [FOR THE STANDARD.]

Mr. Editor.—On referring to the 6th article of the 6th section of the 13th Victoria, Cap. 30, it will be found that the Justices are not permitted to raise one farthing for the purposes of the Fire department, beyond one hundred pounds in any one year. It will also be found by the 21st article of the 2d section of the said act, that if the assessors exceed the warrant by any greater sum than ten per cent., the assessment becomes illegal. The words of the section are these:—"In every assessment now or hereafter to be made, such assessment shall be deemed and taken to be legal, although the aggregate amount thereof shall exceed the sum so ordered to be assessed, provided that such excess be not more than ten per cent." It is evident that, by one of these articles, the Justices are not authorized or permitted to have the town assessed for more than one hundred pounds in any year, while the other sets forth, that the assessment to be legal shall not exceed this one hundred pounds, by any greater sum than ten per cent. Notwithstanding that the Justices and Assessors are restricted as herein stated, it will be found on examination of the tax book, that the assessment amounts to nearly, if not quite, one hundred and seventeen pounds. Will any man say that this is legal? Surely no person will be foolhardy enough to contend, that this is carrying out either the spirit or the letter of the law.—From this and preceding articles, it is to be hoped that the Justices will, on application being made to them for that purpose at this September Sessions, see the propriety of quashing the assessment—failing in which, it will be necessary to apply to the Supreme Court for a Mandamus to compel them to do that, which, if done without this latter alternative, will be received by the Towns of the East, as well as the West End, as an act of favour.

I am, Sir, yours,  
A TENANT & TAX-PAYER.  
of the West End.

Subscribers indebted for the Standard will be called upon during the present month, when it is expected they will pay our collector.

## THE STANDARD.

ST. ANDREWS, WEDNESDAY, SEP. 10, 1851.  
St. Andrews & Quebec Railroad Company.

John Wilson, Esq., President.  
Julius Thompson, Esq., Manager.  
S. H. Whitlock, Esq., Secretary.

The Board of Directors meet every Thursday for the transaction of business.

**Charlotte County Bank.**  
Hon. HARRIS HATCH, President.  
Discount Day—TUESDAY.  
Hours of Business, from 10 to 2.

Bills and Notes for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier, on or before Monday, otherwise they must lie over until next week.

**St. Andrew's Bank.**  
Commissioners—Robert Kerr, John Lochary, R. Stevenson, D. Clarke, G. F. Slickney.

**Saint Stephens Bank.**  
Wm. Todd, Esq., President.  
Discount Day—SATURDAY.  
Hours of business, from 10 to 1.

Bills and Notes for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier, on or before Friday, otherwise they must remain in his hands until the following discount day.

On our first page we have given a summary of the English news by the last steamer—the Atlantic at New York, and the America at Halifax.

To CORRESPONDENTS.—Our Correspondent's lines came too late for insertion; they will be published in our next.

The proceedings of the Campo-Bello Fishery Meeting on the 1st inst., with the resolutions and constitution, were received at a late hour, and, owing to their great length, cannot appear in our present number.

**Deer Island.**—We are informed, that a Meeting was held at Deer Island Saturday last, 6th inst., for the formation of a Fishery Society. Capt. McKinnon in the Chair. Capt. Robinson, R. N. addressed the Meeting. £8 was subscribed.—Committees were appointed to get subscribers, and the Meeting adjourned until the 20th inst.

**Cuba.**—Of late we have had most contradictory reports from Cuba through the American papers; one report stated, that 250 men in addition to the first 50, had been taken and shot; another report says, that Lopez was successful in a battle with the Spanish troops, that the Spanish commander was killed, and that Lopez was marching towards Havana, with 2000 men. But the latest report on Saturday by telegraph says:—

"The steamer Cherokee had arrived at New Orleans, with 6 days' later news from Havana. Lopez was captured at St. Christoval, and publicly garrotted on the 29th ult.—All his men were likewise taken and executed. The insurgents still maintain themselves in the mountains."

**THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SPEECH** at the close of the Canadian Parliament, will be found in another column. The principal measures of interest which were carried during the Session, are noticed in the Speech; among which are those for the construction of a line of Railway through British territory to Halifax; for the improvement of the navigation of the River St. Lawrence; and for the remission of Light dues.

The scene at the closing of the Assembly is described in the telegraphic report, as being one of uproar and confusion, owing to several bills being read a third time—adjournments moved, and speaking against time, the usual tactics employed by members wishing to prevent late bills being passed.

The Crops in Canada are reported in the Quebec Chronicle to be very promising.—Hay is abundant—the grain crops are coming to maturity fast—the turnip crop promises to be good, the potato blight was making rapid strides.

The Great Provincial Exhibition at the St. John Mechanics' Institute, was opened yesterday under the auspices of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, aided by the City authorities, and a large concourse of people from all parts of the Province. The procession in honour of the introduction of water into the City, is to take place this day, when the fountain which has just been erected in King's Square, will be set in play by His Excellency, from the Company's water pipes.—The day is to be observed as a holiday, the principal places of business are to be closed.

**ACCIDENT.**—Two men employed blasting rocks on the line of Railway above Chamcook, were severely injured last week, by a

passage explosion. We are happy to learn that they are now convalescent.

We notice a paragraph in the New Brunswick of the 9th inst., announcing that a contract had been "completed" with Mr. Shaw for the construction of the Railroad to Woodstock, and giving the actual terms of the agreement. We have made enquiries in the proper official quarters as to the truth of this statement, and are informed that no distinct or official communication has been received to that effect, and that as to the terms of agreement not a word has been heard.—It is true that private letters have come to hand, which leave very little doubt that so desirable a consummation, which has been persevered and anxiety to all the labor, expended on our Railroad, will be brought about, and that we shall receive authority to publish it after the arrival of another mail or two; but it is entirely premature as yet to put forth such a report, and it is by such means that much injury and delays are occasioned.

The Boat Race between Carleton and Indian town oarsmen, came off in the harbor of St. John, on Tuesday last, and resulted in favor of the Carleton oarsmen. On Thursday evening the people of Carleton gave a Dinner to the successful oarsmen, and presented them with a purse of \$100 each.

Well, it is hard work indeed; for some of our contemporaries to settle upon what terms—what line—what policy—should be pursued with respect to the Halifax & Quebec Railway. Mr. Archibald's offer has made a new difficulty; and what, after all, does his proposition amount to? Simply this, "that Engineers and men will be had to push on this great work whenever money is subscribed to pay them." And what, is equally ridiculous, the question is gravely discussed whether the people of this country will permit private companies to make and use this Railway? Would it not be just as well to let private Companies build as many railroads as they please, and use them too? The money expended in their building—the trade that will arise, and the numerous settlements which will spring up, together with the increased value of land, will amply compensate the people. Do let us many British capitalists as please, lay hold of our embryo railroads, and usher them into being. This puny opposition reminds us of the "dog in the manger."

We understand that L. Donaldson, Esq., has forwarded to the Industrial Exhibition held at St. John this week, some beautiful specimens of Mangold Wortzel, a bush-hof Oats of this year's growth, weighing 42 3/4 lbs., and also boxes of Honey, which were produced on his grounds in this Town. Mr. Donaldson states that the climate and soil of this Parish are unsurpassed in America for raising of poultry and bees. We observe that the Charlotte County Agricultural Society, have offered a premium on honey, with a view to encourage the culture of bees. It might answer a good purpose were the Society to offer premiums on Poultry, as a stimulus to people to raise them.

**THE WEATHER** for the last few days, has been uncommonly warm. Saturday and Sunday were the hottest days we have had during the season; Monday was more pleasant, not being quite so warm, in consequence of refreshing breezes during the day. Such has been the great drought, that many of the wells have been reduced so low as to render it difficult to obtain water. The earth is parched on the uplands; a few hours heavy rain would be of great service.

The Hon. Luke Woodbury, the Democratic nominee for Governor of New Hampshire, committed suicide on the morning of the 27th ultimo, by hanging himself at his residence in Antrim.

**MORE DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.**—We have much pleasure in announcing that M. J. Harrison, of the Portland Carriage Manufacturing, is preparing a vehicle to be exhibited at the Exhibition, which is expected will defy competition, and once for all solve the problem as to the possibility of our Mechanics being able to compete with the workmen of Yankee land. A set of Harness, the production of Mr. A. McKelvy, one of our city boys, is also in the same establishment, being prepared for the coming show, and judges say will excel any thing of the kind ever yet imported. We have neither space nor time at this moment to do justice to the efforts of Mr. Harrison, but purpose at an early day to give a detailed and accurate notice of his enterprising and praiseworthy establishment.—*Chronicle.*

**FIRE.**—Between 10 and 11 o'clock last night, a fire broke out in an out-building in the rear of Mrs. Hammond's brick house in Dock street. The engines were early on the spot, and a plentiful supply of water enabled the firemen to confine the fire to the building in which it originated.—[New-Brunswick.]

The steamship *Canada* sailed from Boston on Wednesday last, with 28 passengers for Liverpool, and \$230,000 in American gold. Dr. Wm. Bayard, of this City, took

passage in her at Halifax for Liverpool.—[Id.]

**UNPRECEDENTED DESPATCH.**—The ship *Avon*, Captain Johnson, 1020 tons register, arrived at Quebec on the 19th August, discharged 500 tons tallest, began to load on Saturday, 23rd, and completed on the 29th, including her deck load—being only nine days in port.

**Melancholy Accident.**—On the 25th ult., a fire broke out in the dwelling house of Mr. Luther Porter, at Cornwallis, Nova-Scotia, after the inmates had retired to rest. The family consisted of four aged persons and three children. Unfortunately the flames obtained such headway before any alarm was given, that Mr. Porter was so badly burned before he could make escape, that he died on second day after, and a grand child was burnt to cinders. The rest of the family escaped without saving hardly an article to cover them.

**New-York, Sept. 4.**—The Prometheus with California dates to July 31, arrived this morning with 250 passengers, 50,000 dollars on freight, and 300,000 in the hands of passengers.

The steamer *Oregon*, bound from California for the Isthmus, has on board nearly two million in gold.

Business prospects better; importation, largely in excess of demand. The California markets are generally firmer with more activity. Boots and Shoes better, still overstocked. Lumber sells freely, and there is a slight improvement. Bricks very firm, 20 to 30 dollars, according to quality; Laborers' wages \$5 to \$6 a day. Carpenter's wages declined; Mining operations progressing satisfactorily.

General news possess no feature of interest. From the San Francisco Post of the 1st we condense an account of the events of the preceding fortnight, as follows:—

The events of the past two weeks are of a less exciting character than those embraced in the summary by the last steamer. No great outrage has occurred to heighten the excitement, which has been gradually subsiding under the operation of the amended criminal code, which took effect on the 1st inst., and which allows the jury a discretion to punish, either with imprisonment or death, those guilty of arson, burglary, robbery, &c. (among many other crimes but necessary provisions.)

The reports from all the mining districts are more favourable than at any period during the present year, and the shipments of gold for August and September, will doubtless exceed those of any previous months.

## MARRIAGES.

On the 7th inst. by the Rev. Wm. Temple, Mr. W. A. Hutton, to Miss Lucy A. McNeil, both of Eastport.

On the 21st inst. by the Rev. Dr. Alley, Mr. Andrew Lamb to Miss Jane Ougherton, both of this town.

On Friday evening last, by the Rev. Dr. Alley, Mr. Henry Waycott to Miss Frances Bartlett.

On Sunday evening, by the Rev. Mr. McDivitt, Mr. William Sharkey to Miss Elizabeth Kaul.

Same evening, by the Rev. Mr. McDivitt, Mr. John Cogran to Miss Eliza Hagerty.

On the 17th ult. by the Rev. Dr. Alley, Mr. George Saunders to Mrs. Mary Kivil.

## DEATHS.

On the 22d ult., at the residence of his mother, Woodstock, in the 21st year of his age, Jeremiah, second son of the late Jeremiah Connell, Esq., deeply regretted by a numerous circle of relatives and friends.

On Saturday morning at St. John, after a short but severe illness, Alida Alice, daughter of the late Rev. Mr. Busby, aged 22 years.

## SHIPPING JOURNAL.

**PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.**  
Arrived at St. George.

August 20th.—Ship *Caledonia*, Kent, New York.—D. T. Wetmore, ballast.

Sept. 4th.—Brig *Oliver*, McCulloch, New York.—J. Sherlock, corn.

5th.—Barque *Theodore Lincoln*,—U. States.—D. & T. Wetmore, ballast.

**Cleared at St. George.**  
Aug. 30th.—Barque *Volant*, Morrison, Liverpool, deals.—D. Gilmer.

Ship *Isca*, Price, Newport, deals.—H. E. Seeley.

Sept. 1st.—Ship *Morley*, Myhill, London, deals.—E. & J. Wilson.

The Barque *Volant*, Morrison, from St. George, for Liverpool, which was towed into this harbour on Monday last by the *Negus*, went ashore at Herring Cove, Campo Bello, on Friday night—extent of damage not ascertained.

Arrived at Europe from St. Andrews, Aug. 19th, Alexandria, at Gravesend.—Sailed 19th, Tropic, from Deal, for this port.

## St. Stephens Bank.

St. Stephens, Sep. 1, 1851.  
**A DIVIDEND** of Four per Cent, will become payable on the 20th inst.  
D. UPTON, Cashier.

## CARD.

THE Subscriber respectfully returns his acknowledgments to those Ladies who kindly presented him, on their return from the pleasure trip, with a handsome Case, for his vessel, with her name neatly worked in the centre. This genuine mark of favor, is the more highly prized by him, as the work of the fair daughters of St. Andrews.

JAS McMASTER,  
Master of Packet *Portland*.

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## CHARLOTTE COUNTY SOCIETY.

### Cattle Show.

THE Annual Cattle Show, held at the POOR HOUSE, St. Andrews, on 10th August, next, at 10 o'clock, following Premiums will be exhibited, subject to after mentioned.

**Cattle.—Upon B.**  
1st premium, £1 5s.—2d pr. 10s. (findings or fillies)

1st premium, £1.—2d pr. 10s. Spring C.

1st premium, 12s. 6d.—2d pr. 10s. Spring C.

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1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Yearling

1st premium, 12s. 6d.—2d pr. 10s. Spring C.

1st premium, 10s.—2d pr. 10s. Spring C.

1st premium, £1.—2d pr. 10s. Cows

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Largest Hogs raised

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Hams

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Eggs

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Butter, in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Cheese in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Wheat, in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Oats, in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Barley, in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Potatoes, in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Buckwheat, in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. Grass Seed, in samples not

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. On Carrots, for the great

1st premium, 15s.—2d pr. 10s. On Parsnips, for the great

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