Trace or SPEED.—There is to be a trial of speed tween two new revenue cutters in New York ribr in a few days. This trial is to test two new odes of propulsion—Hunter's and Ericson's—liese cutters have been built of iron, are of the mes size and the same power; one is named the gare, and the other the Spencer. This will, erefore, be a trial of much importance to steam wigation.

A letter containing notes on the report of the ommission appointed to suquire into the disease awaiting at Tracadie. (Leprosy.) by Dr. Boyle. I this city, was published in the last Courier—oming from such high authority, we have no bubt it has been read by the public, with a great sal of interest, whom it will very much enlighten to only as to the disease itself, but the effect the recautionary measures taken by ourseless will have port our commerce, and how far the money grant-I will go towards eradicating the disease.

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The committe of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, a laying before their friends their annual Report, og twoffer their sincere thanks to those who lave or generously encouraged them by the hand-one onations, and especially to the Ministers of the Aburch of England and of other Communions, whe was kindly furthered the objects of this Society by reaching Sormons in its behalf. The assistance has obtained at the commencement of a long and evers winter, when their funds were reduced to a cry small sum, enabled them to render effects if the society of th

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Ditto in St. Luke's Church Portland, sermon by Rev. Win.
Harrison.

Ditto in St. Stephen's Church,
sermon by Rev. W. T. Wishart, Ditto in Wesleyan Centenary
Chapel, sermon by Reverend
Enoch Wood,
Ditto in the Free Presbyterian
Church, sermon by Rev. J.C.
Gallaway,
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Donation by John Wishart, Esq.
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£93 12 74 New SHIPS.—The "Defiance," of 495 tons, and the "Sir Henry Pottinger," 545 tons, were launch-ed a few days ago at Miramichi, from the building yards of Mr. Joseph Russell, and Mr. Abrams. Coroner's Inquest .- An Inquest was held at Dor-

Coroner's Inquest.—An Inquest was held at Dorchester in the County of Wesinorland, on the 10th
instat, before Andrew Weldon, Esq., Coroner, on
view of the body of Benjamin O'Biein, who was
atruck upon the head with a stick in an affrey with
Patrick Keath on the 8th instant, and died in about
iventy-four hours after receiving the injury. The
Jury returned a verdict—"That the said Benjamin
O'Brien came to his death by a blow struck on his
head with a stick by Patrick Keath, but without
malice aforethought."

Keath has been committed to jail at Dorchester
to take his trial for Manslaughter.

GREAT FLOOD IN THE MISSISPIP.—All the St. Louis papers concur in representing the Mississipi River to be as high as it has been for several years, and to be steadily rising in a startling if not alarming manner. The Republican thus describes the flood:—The waters are coming down upon us from every quarter. The Mississippi is now as high as it has been known for many years, and is still rising. Just above Oak street, it was last evening, within six or eight feet of touching the curbstone.—The cellars all along the wharf are filling with water. It was still rising last evening, at the rate of 12 inches in 24 hours; and this, notwithstanding an immense volume of water is pouring over the llinois shore. The whole of the American Bottom, from Alton to Kaskaskin, will be, we feer, submorged. The people are deserting their, houses in llinois town. A letter from Alton asys that the Misseuri, at the point where it strikes the Illinois side, was making fearful work upon the shore, and it was apprehended that the abrasion might be so complete as to change the channel within the present year, leaving St. Louis an inland town. "The Missouri and and Osage rivers are represented by the boats from thence to the rising rapidly. It many places the Missouri had inundated the bottom land, and great injury was auticipated. The

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