

national theatre indulging in the lascivious scene of the interior of the harem; the Himsy dress of one of the poor actresses in this now awful scene, catches fire—she is enveloped in flames—runs distracted about the stage—sinks down in the agony of horrible burning, and is borne away to an eternal world.

The performance is continued to its close!! The silent reflections of our readers on such a fact will prove a better comment than any that we can offer."

NAPOLEON BUONAPARTE, ON THE NEW TESTAMENT. In his solitude at St. Helena, it appears that the subject of religion occasionally occupied his attention. The following anecdote extracted from Las Casas' Journal, will show the opinion which he entertained of the morality of the New Testament:

In a conversation on the subject of religion, which he had with his friends at St. Helena, he said, among many other things, "How is it possible that conviction can find its way to our hearts, when we hear the absurd language, and witness the acts of iniquity of the greatest number of those whose business it is to preach to us? I am surrounded with priests who preach incessantly that their reign is not of this world, and yet they lay hands upon every thing they can get. The Pope is the head of that religion from heaven, and he thinks only of this world," &c. The Emperor ended the conversation by desiring my son to bring him the New Testament, and taking it from the beginning, he read as far as the conclusion of the speech of Jesus on the mountain. He expressed himself struck with the highest admiration at the purity, the sublimity, the beauty of the morality it contained, and we all experienced the same feeling.—Dick on the Future State.

NURSING SISTERS.—Some apprehensions having arisen from a report that a Society of Protestant Sisters of Charity had been formed in London, inquiry was made through the Record newspaper, and the following explanation obtained: "Such a Society was commenced in 1810, under the patronage of Her Majesty the Queen-Dowager, but the name being considered objectionable, as savouring of Rome, it was soon changed, and is now carried forward under the title of the "Nursing Sisters." The object of this Society is to supply a want long felt by the public, that of experienced, conscientious, and Christian nurses of the sick. The plan on which it proceeds is simply this, conscientious women are selected with great care, they are then placed in one of the public hospitals and trained for a certain period, to prepare them for their important duties. At the end of this period, if their conduct and qualifications are found satisfactory, they are received as Sisters, supplied with a quiet neat dress, and a copy of the rules. They are allowed an annual stipend, and maintained in a home provided for them, when not engaged in private families. Part of their leisure time is likewise devoted to the gratuitous nursing of the sick poor in the densely peopled districts that surround their home. This is done under the direction of the clergyman of the parish, or some medical gentleman. Many who have suffered from sickness have since expressed the comfort they have derived from skilful and affectionate attendance on the sick bed, such attendance as can only be expected from duly trained and conscientious nurses. I trust that this statement may prove satisfactory, and that it may also lead to the encouragement of a useful Society, but little known. Any further information may be obtained at the Home, 10, Devonshire-street, Bishopsgate-street."

[We are so much struck with one remarkable expression in the above, that we must draw to it the attention of Sunday School Teachers, District Visitors, Tract Distributors, &c. &c. "A quiet neat dress" is what becomes their profession best.—Editor.]

A KEEN REPROOF.—Temperance.—The Chinese Commissioner, Key-Ing, with whom Sir Henry Pottinger had to negotiate, and to whom he gives a high character as a statesman, says, in one of his letters to the British Plenipotentiary: "Our people are prone to ill-treat those that are dissolute, or inclined to excess. Your sailors, particularly your black sailors," alluding to the sailors on board our Indian ships, "are apt to get drunk. Try to get this put a stop to, lest they go on shore and be ill-treated, and we thereby acquire a bad name."

[This is as neat a thing as we ever knew to be put upon paper. The Asiatic begs of us Europeans to teach our people good manners before they visit his shores, lest his people resent the dissolute conduct of ours, and so get a bad name. Will not European ship-owners and Captains take this to heart?—Ed.]

BRITISH AND FOREIGN TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.—Her Majesty the Queen has presented this Society with a donation of 25l., and so has the Queen-Dowager with 20l. The British and Foreign Temperance Society was founded in 1830, and has enjoyed the Royal patronage for several years. The Bishop of London has been the President from the formation of the Society.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

DISTRICT VISITING SOCIETY.—A meeting was held at the National School House, yesterday at two o'clock, for the purpose of explaining to those persons who are disposed to undertake the office of Parochial Visitors in connection with the above Society, the nature of the duties which will be required of them. His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal, who presided, in a clear and appropriate manner set forth the objects of the proposed association, and the prospect of the benefit to be derived from it, dwelling in forcible terms upon the necessity which exists for a systematic effort not only to

relieve the temporal and spiritual wants of the members of our Communion, but, at the same time by explaining to them their duties as members of the Church to endeavour to prevent them from straying into other folds. His Lordship read a draft of the regulations which the Committee had agreed upon for the guidance of the visitors, informing them that these were to be printed, and that when they were thus placed within their reach, they would have an opportunity of deciding whether they would undertake the duties. The meeting was then closed with the benediction.

TORONTO CHURCH SOCIETY.—Newcastle and Colborne District Branch.—The annual meeting of this branch was held at Peterborough, on the 8th of January. The receipts during the year, including sales of books to the amount of £22 10. 3. were £135 9. 1. This Association has a Travelling Missionary connected with it, and the want of settled Clergymen at three different parts within its bounds is strongly urged.

The Niagara District Branch held its annual meeting on the 22nd of January. Its receipts during the year were £267 19. 6.; it has a Travelling Missionary in connexion with it.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—The Rev. Hugh McNeile has engaged to preach the next annual sermon for this Society.

PARISH OF BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.—It is stated that the Ecclesiastical Commissioners have signified their disapproval of Dr. Scorsby's plan for the division of this extensive parish, and that the Reverend gentleman has resigned the vicarage in consequence thereof.

HARROW SCHOOL.—The Rev. C. T. Vaughan, Rector of St. Martin's, Leicester, has been elected to the office of Head Master of this Seminary.

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PR. EP. CHURCH IN THE U. S.—After all the endeavours that have been used to represent as unfounded the fears which have been entertained and publicly expressed respecting romanizing tendencies among the students of this institution, an investigation has become necessary, which has resulted in the expulsion of two, and admonition to a third of the young men. The latter, Mr. Henry McVickar, has since voluntarily relinquished his connexion with the Seminary.

From a letter which he has addressed to the Dean and Faculty, it appears that the manner in which he spoke of the Papacy, and his recommendation, to a fellow-student, of the reading of Thomas Aquinas are among the particulars for which he was found fault with; and he considers that, by the grounds which the Faculty took in the investigation, they so far "deprived him of his reasonable liberty of opinion and freedom of discussion, under which alone the human mind can beneficially advance, and which our Church undoubtedly allows to all, that he feels compelled, from regard to his own proficiency in knowledge and wisdom, to leave an institution where this is denied him."

The Rev. Dr. Turner, Professor of biblical learning and the interpretation of Scripture in the Seminary has found it needful to publish a defence of himself against insinuations of unsoundness in his theological views, preferred in the columns of the New York Churchman.

The Rev. Mark Willoughby begs to acknowledge with thanks, the receipt of £5. towards the funds of the Trinity Church District Visiting Society, Montreal, from an anonymous donor, through the hands of the Editor of the Borean as inserted by the same on the 2nd of January.

The Rev. R. V. Rogers requests us to acknowledge thankfully the receipt, through the Rev. Mr. Haensel, Quebec, of the sum of £1 5s. as a contribution from J. B. Forsyth, Esq. to the building fund of St. James' Church, Lot 21.—Kingston News.

The Rev. C. L. F. Haensel thankfully acknowledges the receipt of £1 5s. from O'Neil Stuart Esq. for transmission to the Rev. R. V. Rogers towards the building fund of St. James' Church, Lot 21, Kingston.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—Received E. C. Philos, too late for this number.—R. V. R.

ENGLISH MAIL.—To be closed on Friday 21st February.—Paid letters till 9, A. M. Unpaid till 10, A. M.

Political and Local Intelligence.

PARLIAMENTARY.—In the House of Assembly, petitions were presented: For the amendment of the School Act, the Municipal Council Act, the Judicature Act; the repeal of the Usury Laws; for addresses to Her Majesty upon the subject of the Clergy Reserves.

Seigniories, expenses paid for collection, and the amount of Droit de Quint received since 1830. Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Statement of the affairs of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Rail Road, for the year 1844. The Committee on the Contested Election for the County of Stormont have decided in favour of the sitting member D. E. Macdonell, Esq.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS' ACT FOR IRELAND.—The Queen in Council has been pleased to appoint the following persons to be Commissioners under the above Act: The Most Rev. John George Lord Archbishop of Armagh. The Most Rev. Richard, Lord Archbishop of Dublin. The Most Rev. Archbishop Wm. Crolly. The Most Rev. Archbishop Daniel Murray. The Right Hon. John Hely Earl of Donoughmore, K. S. P. The Right Rev. Bishop Cornelius Denvir. The Very Rev. Henry Pakenham, Dean of St. Patrick's.

The Right Honorable Sir Patrick Bellew, Bart. The Right Honorable Anthony Richard Blake. The Rev. Pooley Shouldham Henry, D. D. The list contains the names of five Roman Catholics, four members of the Established Church, and one Presbyterian.

The R. Catholic Bishops, it will be perceived, are here dignified with titles which it has not previously been usual to give to them in official documents; they are moreover allowed precedence in accordance with their ecclesiastical rank, just as Protestant Bishops would be: the Archbishops preceding the Earl of Donoughmore, the R. C. Bishop Denvir taking rank before the Protestant Dean of St. Patrick. While this concession gives offence to many of the staunch Protestant supporters of the Conservative government, great indignation is expressed by a large portion of the Roman Catholics at the division in their hierarchy which the Act has effected. The bench having met on the 16th of last November, arrived at this decision on the subject:

"Resolved that, as the prelates have taken different views of the new Charitable Bequests' Act, it is the opinion of this meeting that every prelate be left at perfect liberty to act according to the dictates of his own conscience respecting that measure."

It may be assumed that this divergence in a body generally so unitedly marshalled was permitted only in order to avoid greater evils, or else to secure a prospective good. Mr. O'Connell is loud and vehement in lamentation over it, and Archbishop Murray (of Dublin) has found it needful to issue a long pastoral address in justification of his conduct in becoming a Commissioner. He is very far from thinking the Act a perfect measure; but he comforts himself and his flock, for the present, with the assurance that it withholds as much from Protestants as it does from Romanists; and as the narrow end of the wedge is in, they may trust the R. C. Commissioners that they will know how to work it.

Extract from the Presentment of the Grand Jury on the Criminal Term which opened on the 1st instant and closed on the 10th.

"The Grand Jury visited the General Hospital; and have to acknowledge the most marked politeness and courtesy on the part of the Religious Ladies who reside over that excellent establishment. It is scarcely necessary to notice the extreme neatness, comfort, and comparative luxury observable in the male and female wards; leaving nothing to desire by those who are so fortunate as to spend their declining years in a happy retreat, under the care and protection of these meritorious Ladies. The Grand Jury thence proceeded to view the neighbouring building, called the Insane Hospital; and fully impressed with the interest taken by the public in the state of the building and the condition of the inmates, they unhesitatingly declare—that although the building is every way unworthy of the District and the advanced state of society in Quebec, they were unable to discover any ground for censure, in the care of the unfortunate inmates and their management. Certainly no such ground exists in reference to the Establishment of the General Hospital; and the evils which have attracted notice, are solely to be attributed to the low, confined and badly ventilated building. Some noxious effluvia there certainly was, more perceptible by those who entered from the pure external air; but it mainly arose from the habits of certain incurable patients, and could scarcely be prevented in a building of more pretension. The cells and the floors were clean, the walls are whitewashed four times during the winter—the patients are shifted as to clothing once every day; and the Grand Jury have nothing to present in relation to the internal management in general. The number of Insane Patients paid from the public funds is sixteen. The allowance for each is one shilling and eight pence currency, per diem, or £486 13s. 4d., per annum; for which they receive all food, raiment, medicine and attendance. Looking at the inadequate building, and the irksome duties which devolve upon the Religious Ladies, the Grand Jury are persuaded that those benevolent Ladies would gladly be relieved from this painful and onerous charge. In that case it would be desirable that the Public should erect a more suitable building; and looking at the present cost as a guide as to expense, there can be no doubt that an annual grant of similar if not greater amount, to ensure improved accommodation, might confidently be anticipated at the hands of an enlightened Legislature, for this vitally important object."

The Grand Jury have found a true bill against Francis Poland for the murder of Calhcart, and against Joseph Voyer and Narcisse Alain as accomplices; but the trial has been postponed till next Term, the principal accused being kept in custody, and the accessories released on bail.

We are happy to announce that the Grand Jury at Montreal have acquitted Mr. Charles Colburn, by ignoring the indictment brought against him, for the murder of one Fenmel, who lost his life in Griffintown last November. On application to the Court, by his counsel, Mr. Cherrier, he was ordered to be liberated, and

was escorted to his residence from the Jail by a number of friends.—Herald.

MUNICIPAL.—The Provincial Government have placed the several public buildings at Quebec under the charge and control of the Corporation, under certain conditions, which are that the Corporation shall keep them in good order and insured from fire at the expense of the City, and shall pay the assessments on the same, and that they are to be returned to the Government when required, upon twelve months' notice.

The buildings referred to are, at present, the Chateau and garden, the Monument Garden, the Riding School, the Public Offices, and Parliament Buildings.

THE ARMY.—The following changes, it is reported, will take place in the Regiments in this Command on the opening of the navigation, in May next: 14th Regiment, from Kingston to Laprairie. 23rd Regiment, from London, C. W., to Chambly and Sorel. 52d Light Infantry, from Laprairie to Montreal. 60th Rifles, from Quebec to St. Johns. 71st Light Infantry, from Chambly and Sorel to Kingston. 81st Regiment, from St. Johns to London, C. W. 89th Regiment, from Montreal to Quebec.—Quebec Mercury.

STATEMENT OF THE VESSELS NOW BUILDING in the several Ship-Yards, at the Port of Quebec; the Tonnage, and Number of Men employed at each Yard.

Table with 4 columns: Builders' Names, No. of Vessels, Tons, Men. Includes entries for A. Gilmour & Co., G. Black, W. Henry (Lampson), J. Jeffery, T. C. Lee, J. J. Nesbitt, J. Jeffery, E. & J. E. Oliver, T. H. Oliver, Quebec People's Line, J. Munn, J. Munn, Mr. Cotnam, J. Tibbits.

Total number of Vessels . . . 27 " amount of Tonnage . . . 18,250 " number of Men . . . 2,300 (Condensed from the Mercury.)

The last English Mail from Canada reached Halifax on the 2nd instant, consequently in time to go by the Cambria which left for Liverpool on the 3rd.

PASSENGERS.—Among those by the Steamer Cambria from Boston to Liverpool, were the following: Messrs. J. W. Pouden and son, C. Geddes, W. McIntosh, S. Greenshields, R. U. Innes, Jno. Bos, J. L. Beaudry, L. Benjamin, R. Sharpley, M. Moses and J. Young of Montreal; R. M. Harrison, H. S. Dalkin, J. Brooke, R. Gilmour and A. Simpson of Quebec; LeBoutillier of Gaspé; A. Murray of Toronto. Major Denny 71st Regt. Capt. Dennison, 52nd and Capt. Willoughby 23rd Regt. Governour, MacLean and servant of Cape Coast Castle.

DIED. On Saturday last, 5th instant, at the residence of his father, Bellevue, St. Foy's, Thomas Orr Gibb, son of James Gibb, Esquire, aged 29 years. At Ashburne, Dorsetshire, England, on the 26th of November last, Mr. Robert W. H. Burrage, eldest son of the Revd. R. R. Burrage, of this city.

QUEBEC MARKETS.

Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 11th Feb., 1845.

Table with 3 columns: Commodity, Price (s. d.), Price (s. d.). Includes Beef, Mutton, Pork, Venison, Hams, Bacon, Fowls, Ducks, Turkeys, Geese, Butter, Eggs, Dittos, Potatoes, Maple Sugar, Peas, Flour, Do., Oats, Hay, Straw, Fire-wood, Cheese, Pot Ashes, Pearl do.

Pot Ashes per cwt. . . 23s. 0d. a 23s. 6d. Pearl do. . . . 21s. 6d. a 24s. 9d.

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Addressed to the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church, BY JOHN HENRY HOPKINS, D. D. Bishop of Vermont. A few Copies of the above Work, Price, 2s. 6d. for Sale by the subscriber, G. STANLEY. Quebec, 5th Nov. 1844.

INDIA RUBBER SHOES.

THE subscriber acquaints his friends and the public that he has lately received a large assortment of India Rubber Shoes, which he will dispose of on as moderate terms as any other house in the trade. MATTHEW HAMMOND, No. 53, St. John Street. Quebec, 10th Sept. 1844.

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