

**THE ATLANTIC STEAMERS.**—The British Queen cost about £92,000. Her extreme length is 275 feet, and breadth 64 feet. The power of her machinery is reckoned as that of 500 horses, and besides her supply of fuel she can carry 1000 tons of goods. Her crew, including all hands, amounts to 80 persons, and she has accommodation for 207, or on an emergency nearly 300.

She is in every way fitted up in accordance with her size and character. Another Atlantic steam man-of-war is on the stocks, and so near completion, that she is expected to be launched on the return of the British Queen. This vessel is to be called the President, her burthen is stated at 24,000 tons, nearly 400 more than the registered tonnage of the Queen, and she will be, it is said, every way a finer vessel. She is to run between Liverpool and New York.

Thus have we seen, within the last two or three years, this great problem fully and happily solved. The possibility of running ships by steam, across the Atlantic, was doubted, and the possibility of running them for a continuance, and at a profit was denied. We see them run, and run profitably, and competitors starting yearly into the path that was deemed impracticable.

The arrival of the British Queen had excited much interest in N. York. The N. Y. Gazette says that 150,000 persons were gazing on her while going up the rivers. The same paper, speaking of the Great Western and the Queen, remarks:

"They are both very noble vessels, and both of them highly honourable to the enterprize, liberality and skill of Old England. The British Queen looks like a line of battle ship, the Great Western like a frigate of the first class."

The commander of the Queen experienced much annoyance by the crowd which beset the boat, anxious to gratify their curiosity.

A line of steamers is projected to run between Bordeaux (France) and New York. The scheme is, to have 12 vessels of 450 horse power each; these could be readily turned into ships of war. It would cost about 22,000,000 francs, nearly £1,000,000. Government received the scheme favourably.

Among the Passengers in the British Queen were the Hon. Samuel Cunard, John Leander Starr, Esq. Lady and family; E. M. Archibald, Esq. Lady and family; and Col. Mudge and G. H. Featherstonhaugh, Esq. Commissioners appointed by the British Government to make a Survey of the Disputed Territory.

The Cotton market appeared dull, with a large stock on hand, and the promise of abundant crops in that article. The crops in the United Kingdom promised well.

Commissioners had been appointed to examine into the Boundary question. These gentlemen arrived in the British Queen,—Col. Mudge and Mr. Featherstonhaugh.

**DREADEFUL OCCURRENCE.**—On yesterday morning the usual tranquility of the town was much disturbed by a very lamentable occurrence. James Bossom, shopkeeper in Albemarle street was shot by S. D. Clarke, who also kept a shop, opposite the North Barrack. Both were young,—Bossom aged 23. He lived about two hours after receiving the fatal wound. The facts of the case, as they appeared on the Coroner's Inquest, may be thus briefly stated. Bossom and Clarke had a quarrel of some months standing. Clarke challenged Bossom,—Elexon, Clarke's partner, being privy to it, and encouraging the act, and asserting that he would send a challenge himself if Clarke did not. Sergeant Bannister, 37th Regiment, was aware of the quarrel, and appeared to take part with Clarke. He was charged with having also sent a challenge to Bossom, and with having used abusive language to him in a letter. On Wednesday evening Bannister and Elexon went to Bossom's shop, a quarrel and fight ensued between Bannister and Bossom. On Wednesday night Clarke loaded a brace of pistols with ball, and said that if Bossom came near his door he would put the contents of one of them in him. On Thursday morning at near half past six o'clock, Bossom was passing Clarke's shop, and a tap was given at the window, either by Bossom, or some one inside. He went to the door, some words ensued, Clarke approached the door, threatening to shoot Bossom, who retired a few paces;—Clarke snapped one of the pistols, Bossom laughed and

used some sneering expression. Clarke, reiterating that he would shoot him, discharged the other pistol. The ball entered Bossom's eye, passed through and lodged against the skull at the opposite side. He fell, and from that period showed but little signs of life, except by breathing heavily; he expired about 9 o'clock. Clarke was arrested immediately on the occurrence of the act, Elexon subsequently. After an investigation which occupied nearly four hours, the Coroner's jury brought in a verdict of Wilful Murder against Clarke, as principal, and against Elexon as accessory before the fact. Thus have three families been plunged into deep distress, and an awful warning has been given to all, against the indulgence of bad passions.—*Pearl.*

**MARRIAGES.**

On Tuesday last, by the Rev. C. Churchill, Mr. Andrew Blackley of Jelore, to Miss Jane Fitzgerald of Halifax.

On the 28th ult., by the Rev. Thomas Taylor, Mr. William Taylor, to Miss Isabella Campbell.

At River Jordan, on the 4th ult., by the Rev. T. H. White, Mr. Jas. Collopy, to Miss Maria E. Holden, eldest daughter of Thomas Holden, Esq. of that place.

On the 27th ult., by the Rev. Mr. Unicke, Mr. William Strickland, to Miss Julia Hume, both of this place.

At Londonderry, on the 15th ult., by the Rev. John Brown, Mr. Thomas S. Delaney, to Margaret second daughter of John Rice, Esq.

At Eastport, on the 27th ult., by Mr. W. W. Eaton, Mr. John K. Lasky, of St. John, Teacher, author of "Leisure Hours," &c., to Miss Ann V. Wise, of Sebec, Maine.

At Sussex Vale, on the 25th inst., by the Rev. H. N. Arnold, Mr. James H. Hallett, of Boston, to Mary Ann, third daughter of Thomas O. Arnold, Esq. On the same day, by the same, Mr. Cornelius McMonagle, to Susan, fourth daughter of Thomas O. Arnold, Esq.

At the Wesleyan Chapel, on the 24th ult., by the Rev. W. Temple, W. M. Chairman of the New Brunswick district, the Rev. William M. Leggett, Wesleyan Missionary, to Mary Ann, eldest daughter of William Stephens, Esq. of Bathurst.

At Cambridge, Massachusetts, on the 11th ult., by the Rev. Mr. At Fort Cumberland, parish of Westmoreland, New Brunswick, on Thursday, 4th ult., by the Rev. George Townsend, Mr. David Brown, of Truro, to Catharine, eldest daughter of Mr. William Knapp.

At the Parish Church of Amherst, on Thursday the 25th ult., by the Rev. George Townsend, Rector, Mr. W. P. Moffat, to Rosalind, youngest daughter of Robt. McGowan Dickey, Esq. M. P.

**DEATHS.**

At Dartmouth, on Saturday evening last, Mr Edward Langley, aged 79 years.

On the 13th June, at Boulogne, in the 67th year of her age, Mrs. Mary Belcher, consort of the Hon. Andrew Belcher, late of Halifax, N. S. a lady highly esteemed.

**EDUCATION.**

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REFERENCES.—Rev. R. Alder, General Secretary of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, Rev. John Marshall, Halifax; Rev. William Bennett, Newport; Rev. E. Wood, St. John, and Rev. William Temple, Miramichi, New Brunswick. August 12, 1850.

**BOTANY.—IN THE DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.**

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Lecture, one hour each, from half past three until half past four—commencing on Monday, August 12, in Dalhousie College. Expenses for the Course to each individual will be £1. The practical advantages gained by this Course of Lectures will be equal to £50 to each, as all will acquire an accurate knowledge in the science.

Already a considerable number of the most respectable Ladies and Gentlemen have given their signatures to attend the classes. For particulars apply to Messrs. A. & W. Mackinlay, Stationers August 12.