

An Attorney's Pun.—An old gentleman accused his servant, among other thefts, of having stolen his stick. The servant protested perfect innocence. "Why, you know," rejoined the complainant, "that the stick could never have walked off with itself." "Certainly not," said the attorney for the defence, "unless it was a walking stick."

Human Life.—Hope writes the poetry of the boy, but memory that of the man. Man looks forwards with smiles, but backwards with sighs. Such is the wise providence of God. The cup of life is sweetest at the brim, the flavour is impaired as we drink deeper, and the dregs are made bitter that we may not struggle when it is taken from our lips.

A Roland for an Oliver.—The Marquis of Waterford and some friends one day took their place in the fourth class carriage of a Railway. To punish such doings, the railway people hired a couple of sweeps, all covered with soot, and put them in beside them. At next station the marquis bought first class tickets for the sweeps, and put them in to adorn the silk and leather covered seats.

New Passenger Act.—The new American passenger law comes into operation here on the 16th instant. Under this act, vessels carrying steerage passengers have, in addition to improved cooking accommodation, ventilation, &c., to provide each passenger during the voyage, with, per week, 2 lbs of oatmeal, 1½ lbs of biscuit, 1 lb. of rice, 1 lb. of peas, 1 lb of pork, and a quantity of vinegar.

A Balance.—One article which belonged to Sir Joseph Banks the Royal Society possess—a delicate balance, constructed by Ramsden. Upon the decease of Sir Joseph Banks, the secretaries wrote to his widow, apprising her that the balance was lying in the apartments of the Society and requesting to know her wishes respecting it: "Pay it into Court," was her ladyship's reply.—*Weld's History of the Royal Society.*

At Worship street Police office last week, William Smith was finally examined on the charge of shooting Sarah Anne Luff. This was a case in which a young man presented a pistol at his sweetheart, in ignorance that it was charged, and fired it in her face. Luff had been in the hospital since the accident on the 28th of May. She now appeared and refused to make a charge against her lover, who was therefore discharged. The young man has spoiled her beauty, but promises to marry her.

Strawberries.—A gentleman, who is said to be a very successful grower of strawberries, told me his plan is the following:—He makes the substratum of his strawberry beds of stones or rubbish, and does not put more, at most, than 6 inches of earth over this. He attaches great importance to this, as he says, when the plants can throw their roots into a deep soil, they produce leaves, not fruit; secondly, in winter he covers them lightly with straw, pea haulm, &c.; and thirdly, in the spring, he top-dresses with leaf mould.—*Correspondent of Gardener's Chronicle.*

New York, Aug. 4, 3¼ P. M.—The Royal Mail Steamship *America* arrived at New York to-day, having left Liverpool on the 22d ult.

In Ireland the club organization is daily increasing, and becoming more systematized, and there is great danger of a premature outbreak. The following places have been proclaimed under the Coercion Act, viz.; the County and city of Dublin, County and city of Cork, County and city of Waterford, and town of Drogheda. At Carrick-on-Suir, several clubbists were arrested. Among them was the Rev. Dr. Byrne, when they rose, *en masse*, with arms, consisting of rifles and pikes, repaired to the authorities, and demanded the release of the prisoners, who were delivered to them. They then rang the chapel bells, when 4000 men congregated from the neighbouring hills armed to the teeth, who remained in the Carrick all night, lest an attempt should be made to arrest Father Byrne. The delivery of the prisoners and the withdrawal of the troops was considered as a triumph. The

clubs being charged with having been formed for the purpose of pillage and murder, the Dublin clubs had a meeting, and, on motion of Smith O'Brien, it was declared that the purposes and ends of the organizations are to overthrow the British power in Ireland. Twenty-three Catholic priests in the Deanery of Tuam have denounced the clubs, and a few priests in other places have also disavowed them. Devin Reilly continues to write and speak treason. Absent officers attached to the Regiments in Ireland have been ordered on duty. The purchase and manufacture of arms are proceeding briskly among the people. The Rebels have prepared a map of the county of Dublin, sub-divided into districts, in each of which, the points at which the clubs are respectively to muster, and where barricades are to be thrown up, are indicated. Latest accounts from Dublin state, that it was arranged that if upon the formation of the jury to try Duffy or his fellows, it shall appear probable that a conviction will be obtained, the clubs are to rise at once and prevent the trial by an anticipatory, and as they say, a successful outbreak.

The prospect of the crops throughout the kingdom of Great Britain, is considered decidedly favourable. Negotiations are going on in London in reference to postal arrangements.

FRANCE.—Remains tranquil. Paris is still under martial law. The disaffected in Paris have been disarmed, and there are less fears of a recurrence of fierce hostilities. Arrests for conspiracy continue to take place.

GERMANY.—The Arch Duke John, of Austria, was installed regent of Germany on the 12th July, with great rejoicing. Letters from Rendsburgh, of the 16th July, says that war with Denmark will immediately recommence, the commission of peace having been rejected by the Duchies.

EASTERN EUROPE.—The war between the Magyars and Slavonians is carried on with great fury. The Hungarians have stormed the city Varasat, but have been defeated with great loss. At St. Mihaly the Hungarian army numbers 52,000 men. There have again been frightful massacres at Carltonitz.

MONTREAL PRICES CURRENT.—Aug. 14.

ASHES	Pots, 25s 3d a 00s 0d	BEER, per 200 lbs,
	Pearls, 25s 6d a 25s 9d	Prime Mess, 40s 0d a 00s 0d
FLOUR—		Prime, . . . 36s 0d a 00s 0d
Canada Fine, per bbl. 196		PORK, per 200 lbs,
lbs, . . . 26s 3d a 26s 9d		Mess, . . . 75s 0d a 00s 0d
WHEAT, U.C. best, per 60		Prime Mess, 60s 0d a 62s 6d
lbs, . . . 0s 0d a 0s 0d		Prime, . . . 54s 0d a 55s 0d
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The above were the quotations previous to the arrival of the Acadia.

INFORMATION WANTED.

ANY information from THOMAS LAMBERT, about 23 years of age, an Irish Emigrant, who parted with his friends at Grosse Isle, last September, will be gladly received by his anxious and widowed mother, now residing in Brighton, C. W.

CATHERINE LAMBERT.

Brighton, 7th August, 1848.

[Other papers will confer a favour on a poor widow by copying the above, which came to us through a respectable channel.—Ed. C. T. A.]

A parcel of Tracts has been sent off to the Rev. Mr Clarke, Simcoe.