

European Intelligence.

From papers by the Canada.
THE LATE HEAVY GALES.

SERIOUS LOSS OF LIFE AND PROPERTY ON THE COAST.—The accounts received on Wednesday and the preceding day from all parts of the coast furnish a sad list of wrecks and other casualties during the late heavy gales. They set in early on Saturday morning, and, with the exception of a few intervals, continued during the week, at times with very great severity. In the more Western portion of the English Channel, on Monday and Tuesday a terrible gale raged from the S. S. W. with a tremendous sea. Towards evening of the latter day it increased to a hurricane, the sea making a complete breach over the ships moored in the various roadsides. Near Falmouth, a fine barque, named the *Colombes*, Capt. Hayes, was driven ashore at St. Mawes Castle, and became a total loss. Similarly bad weather appears to have been experienced all along the Channel. A short distance to the Westward of Portland, at Chesel Beach, on Tuesday afternoon, a Dutch barque, laden with rice, was carried ashore by the gale and melancholy to add, four of the crew perished. The captain who had been some time ill, died a few hours after he had been landed. The ship was from Akyah, but her name could not be ascertained. The Welsh coast suffered severely from the storm. The fatal wreck of the *Louisa*, Minors, Captain Richardson, from Malta to Cardiff, and the loss of the master, mate, and seven of the crew, on the Marles Sand, near Milford, have already been briefly stated. The wreck of a schooner was passed some 12 or 14 miles to the southward of Tuscary, and it is feared the crew have perished. The Irish packets running from Liverpool, Cork, and Plymouth had most fearful passages. The *Thoubadour*, from Milford to Cork, had a marvellous escape. She was driven some distance up the St. George's Channel, and having run short of fuel, consumed nearly 100 head of swine, so as to keep up steam and enable the ship's being kept head to sea to weather out the gale. She at length succeeded in reaching Kingstown, with a large number of dead cattle on board. In Carmarthen Bay, a French brigantine, the *Clemence*, in ballast, for Cardiff, was driven ashore during the night of the gale. A collision took place between the brig *Becher* Stowe, bound to London, from Alexandria, with the Condor schooner, belonging to Hamburg, some 100 miles west of Sicily. It is feared the Condor went down, and that two only of the crew were preserved.

The gales were very severe in their consequences on the rocks at Reder. Amongst them were the *Peat*-Not schooner, from Dunkirk; Hoffmann, from the Humber; John and Eliza, from London; Betsy, of Yarmouth; the sloop *Nancy*, from Scarborough; and the French sloop *Agassine*. The two latter sunk; the crews were happily saved. At the mouth of the Tyne, the *Earl Talbot*, from London, and the *Free Briton*, were driven on the rocks.

TURKEY.—Constantinople dates are to the last. The Ministry of Redschid Pacha was well established.

RUSSIA.—The text of the note addressed by Russia at the end of October last, to the Powers that signed the Treaty of Paris, is published. It is accompanied by a Circular demanding the re-assembling of the Congress of Paris. This circular contains an exposure of the steps taken by the Russian Cabinet with a view to the fulfilment of Articles 20 and 21 of the Treaty of Paris. As regards the Isle of Serpents, the Russian Government says that the island was incontestably in possession of Russia before the rupture with respect to the Bessarabia frontier question.

The memorandum mentions two instances of concession by Russia with regard to the course of the Upper Volga and Bolgrad; the memorandum defends the views of Russia and states that the map from which the iron tier line was defined at the Paris Conference, was supplied by the French Government; the memorandum also states that Count Walewski asked Baron Brunow whether the Court of Russia would abide by the majority of votes at the coming conference, and the Russian Cabinet telegraphed an immediate reply in the affirmative, and hence Russia is blameless for the present difficulty.

PERSIA.—The last despatches inform us that the alleged capture of Herat was still doubtful; the Conference opened by the English Embassy with Ferak Khan appears likely to detain the latter at Constantinople for several months. The personnel of the English Embassy had left Teheran. The statement that Russia had demanded from the Shah of Persia permission to occupy the territory of Moghan is confirmed. There is also by way of St. Petersburg a report, but doubtful, that fifty thousand Russian troops under General Beroff are ready to march to the frontiers of Persia on first invitation of the Shah.

PARIS.—Thursday.—The Debates says: "We believe we are able to state with some certainty that England in entering the conference, distinctly declares she will conform to the decision of the majority whatever that decision may be. The relative position of the disputants is no secret: on the one side France, Russia and Prussia; on the other, England, Austria and Turkey; in the middle, Serbia, which, concurring originally with the opinions expressed by France, is now itself stated, oscillating between the two."

MARKETS.—LONDON, Thursday night.—Funds Stock and Share Market. Transactions in the English Market unimportant. Consols opened a shade lower and remained all day without change.

Railways generally, exceedingly quiet, the chief features being a slight heaviness in London and Southwestern, owing to a falling off in the traffic, and a continued and considerable rise in Caledonian stocks.

THE EXPLOSION AT RHODES.—The following details of the terrible explosion which has been mentioned in our foreign news will be read with interest. A French Journal, the *Pressed Orient*, says:—

"In the afternoon of the 15th of November Rhodes was visited by a most violent thunder storm, and several houses were struck by lightning and more or less injured. Suddenly, a tremendous explosion was heard; the ground shook as from the effects of an earthquake, and windows were smashed in every direction. The explosion was followed by two others, and a dense black smoke arose. It was after a time ascertained that the lightning had fallen on the church of St. John, and had penetrated into the subterranean vaults which were used as a deposit for gunpowder, and in which an immense amount of that commodity has recently been placed. It is impossible to describe the horror of the scene."

Not a house was left standing in the whole quarter of the city near the church, and that building itself was completely levelled with the ground. The quarter was the richest and handsomest in the town, but not a vestige of it now remains. Destroyed houses were lying about on the ground, and the groans of the dying were heard on every side. Had prompt and immediate assistance been given, there is no doubt that many lives might have been saved; but every one was thrown into such consternation by the suddenness of the catastrophe, that but few had presence of mind enough left to undertake the painful task. "Night soon arrived, and, from some strange motives of safety, which are inexplicable under such circumstances, the gates were closed, and the operations for assistance were for a time suspended. Mr. Campbell, the English Consul, having extended some workmen, had the gates again opened and proceeded to the scene of the disaster, and, as well as they could, cleared away the ruins, particularly at the places where the groans of persons still living were the most distinctly heard. This work was one of great difficulty, for the rain fell in such torrents that it was impossible to keep a torch burning."

At daylight next morning more efficient means were organized. Several dead bodies were got out, and two young girls of 13 and a child of seven, were afterwards extricated alive. These and three of four others who were saved on the previous night, are all that survives out of a population of 400 or 500 who were in the quarter at the time of the explosion. Only about 150 of the bodies have yet been found, as they are all so deeply buried under the ruins. Only two Christians were killed, the quarter being inhabited entirely by Turks. The family of Mal Muduri Perley Effendi, composed of 18 persons, have all perished. His mother, his wife, and his daughter, were found about 500 yards from their house. Some idea of the force of the explosion may be formed from the fact that a barge in the harbour was sunk by a quantity of stones falling upon her, and beating a hole through her bottom, and by a sailor being killed by a stone striking him in the head at a distance of more than half a mile from the spot.

THE STEAMER ADMIRAL.—On Tuesday morning the Admiral made her last trip for the season. On the previous evening near a hundred gentlemen, consisting of the most influential merchants, heads of departments, and the conductors of the newspaper press of the city were invited to the grand wind-up on board this excellent vessel which was served up in the admirable style, peculiarly its own. A. Hayden, Esq. presided, and Captain Small, of the Admiral, and G. Symest, Esq. acted as croupiers. A most exhilarating evening was spent by the guests; the usual toasts were given in appropriate speeches and responded to most enthusiastically. Every one was loud in praise of the manner in which this vessel has been conducted, and which has made the Admiral so deservedly a great favorite and the courtesy and attention of her officers was the theme of general remark. Adversely shall we watch for her reappearance in St. John, for during the interval of the non-running of the Boston boats we seem to be frozen up in earnest, and completely shut in from the world without. (Chronicle.)

A New York correspondent of the Philadelphia Bulletin says that advices received by the Tennessee from Jamaica, state that the entire British fleet on that station had been ordered to hold itself in readiness to proceed to the Gulf of Mexico, for the purpose of blockading the Mexican ports.

ORDER FOR THE ARREST OF GEN. WALKER AND OTHERS.—New York Dec. 21.—The President of the United States has issued an order for the arrest of Cornelius K. Garrison, Charles Morgan, and Gen. Wm. Walker, to answer the Accessory Transit Company in a plea for trespass, for converting and disposing of the goods and chattels of the Company, to the value of \$1,000,000; and also a further sum of \$1,000,000 damages for interrupting their business.

DEATH OF AN OLD MERCHANT.—Mr. Samuel Davis, one of the oldest merchants of Boston, died at his residence in Dix place, on Friday night at the age of eighty-one years.

We understand, says the Montreal Herald, that an important discovery has recently been made by Sir William Logan. It is the presence, in the township of Chatham, on the Ottawa, of a very extensive deposit of the formation of what is popularly called burlstone. Sir William has expressed the opinion that in its adaptation for the grinding stones of flour and other corn mills, it fully equals that of the best French burlstone, which is imported into every market in the world, and forms no inconsiderable item in the exports from France.

THE RECENT GALES along the coast have caused a number of marine disasters, attended with loss of life. The steamer ship *New York*, from Liverpool, New York, with an assorted cargo, was wrecked on the 10th inst. The passengers were landed in a destitute condition. One of the crew died on the night of the 21st from hunger and exposure. Seven of the cabin passengers, who have arrived at Aquin, report that the Captain after setting them ashore in the long boat, returned to the ship, where he found the cabin in possession of the crew, who fell upon and beat him so badly that it is doubtful whether he survives.

New Brunswick & Canada Railway and Land Company.
LOCAL DEPARTMENT.
Capt. J. J. ROBINSON, R.N., Commissioner.
JULIUS THOMPSON, Esq., Manager.
W. M. BUCK, Esq., Solicitor.
Geo. D. STURGEON, Esq., Secretary.

Charlotte County Bank.
Geo. D. STURGEON, Esq., President.
C. H. WARDMAN, Esq., Cashier.
Wilmington, N. B., Dec. 1856.
Bills and notes for deposit must be lodged with the Cashier, on or before Monday, otherwise they will be returned.

THE STANDARD.
ST. ANDREWS, DEC. 31, 1856.

THE CLOSING YEAR.

KIND READER—We have been permitted by a merciful Providence to appear before you on this the last day of 1856. Every year of our lives seems shorter than the preceding one, and this is an important fact that loses none of its interest by frequent repetition. Time has been aptly and beautifully compared by an esteemed Divine, to a river.

When we look back upon the year, which shall have passed into futurity in a few short hours—we find that it has not been wanting in the greatness or number of its vicissitudes—everywhere the ravages of time are apparent—his unsparring scythe has made many a blank in the domestic circle, many a vacancy in public life—the young man rejoicing in his strength—and the aged fast sinking into the grave, have all in turn shared the common lot of humanity.

Changes of a less important character—changes in place, in condition, in friendship and in fortune, have had their share in composing the varied scenes which have been enacted around us. In the adjacent Republic, scenes of the most exerting and painful nature, for the last few months have occurred. In the neighboring Provinces great political changes, have during the past year been effected, and that great Empire of which we are a Colony has also had its share of stirring events.

Turning our attention nearer home we find many alterations for the better, and some perhaps for the worse; but as we intend noticing these more fully in another number, we conclude for the present by wishing you—the compliments of the season and a happy New Year."

THE BRITISH MAGAZINE.—We have received from Leonard Scott & Co., their reports of the leading British Reviews. In consequence of their receiving the advance sheets from the British publishers, they are enabled to place them in the hands of subscribers, as soon as the original editions can be received from England, and, at about one third the price—the British editions cost \$31 per annum, while the reprints are furnished for \$10! The commencement of the year is the best time to subscribe for these invaluable works, without which no man can keep "posted up" with the measures of the three great political parties in the Mother Country—they contain also articles on Science, Literature, Morality and Religion. The London Quarterly—Edinburgh Review—North British Review—Westminster Review—and Blackwood's Magazine, are all furnished at the low price of \$10 in advance for one year. Messrs. Scott & Co's advertisement will be published in our next.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The semi-annual examination of this institution was held before the President & Directors on Tuesday the 23d inst.; the Visitors present were Dr. Gove, F. Stevenson, Esq., of King's College, and Messrs. King, Morrison, and O'Neil. We give below the minutes of the proceedings:—

"Examined Classes as follows, English Grammar, Latin Declension, Caesar, Virgil, Horace, Greek Testament, Homer, Geography, Euclid, History."—The following Resolution passed unanimously:—

"It gives the President and Directors much pleasure to record the satisfaction which they feel at the general good showing of the school."

"The Board felt particularly pleased with the Latin and Greek Examinations—in reading, translating and parsing. In Prose, the Virgil and Horace Classes, were not deficient, the writing and cyphering also were both good, and books quite clean."

"Very good themes were given in and read by the following boys: Morrison, Polleys, O'Neil, Gove, Ross, G. Treadwell, A. Stevenson."

In giving the above minutes as entered in the Director's visiting book, we feel that they will carry more weight with them than any observations we could possibly offer; for we could only recapitulate or enlarge upon the eulogium contained in the resolution—but we cannot refrain from remarking the readiness and thorough understanding of the pupils in the different branches. The themes were all good, both in composition and sentiment: Morrison's particularly displayed quite a command of language, both classical and chaste, as well as a knowledge of History, by which he has completed his subject."

The Rev. Dr. Gove in addressing the boys said, "that he was in the habit of the Directors' reports, and that he was very much pleased with the results of the examination, which they had given; that every class had performed in a manner highly creditable to its teachers—and that the discipline and order had been all that could be desired. He expressed his gratification at the introduction of English Composition, and approved very much of the themes which were read. He brought to their minds the words of a Director who had addressed them at the last Examination, "that they were the persons who would succeed their Examiners in the world," that Director is no more, and you have succeeded him. He hoped that in their different spheres in passing through the world, they might so conduct themselves, that finally they might have a good hope, through the merits of the Redeemer, of enjoying a happy immortality."

The Academy will be re-opened on Monday, Jan. 12, 1857. The above remarks were handed to us, by a friend who takes a warm interest in the education of youth.

Dr. Bartlett of the *Anglo-Saxon*, has been appointed British Consul at Baltimore, pro tem. We hope the appointment will be made permanent.

HARPER'S WEEKLY.

These enterprising and deservedly popular publishers, Messrs. Harper & Brothers, of New York, will publish on Saturday, 3d Jan. 1857, the first number of a weekly newspaper, entitled "Harper's Weekly," and will spare neither expense nor labor to make it the best family newspaper on this Continent. The terms are \$2.50 per ann., invariably in advance. From the high character and extensive means of the Messrs. Harper, we believe they can carry out any enterprise they undertake. The Prospectus will be published in our next issue.

To SUBSCRIBERS.—We particularly request our subscribers, to liquidate their respective accounts as early as possible, as we have payments to make for material early next month. Several on our books are indebted to us from one to four years, and they may rely upon having their accounts handed to an attorney for collection, should they not attend to this notice. Those indebted for job-work for upwards of six months, are requested to pay the amounts without delay. We are obliged to those friends who have been punctual in their payments.

PERRY DAVIS' VEGETABLE PAIN KILLER possesses virtue, which not alone removes pain instantly, but regulates the stomach, gives strength, tone and vigor to the system. It is one of those medicines which is worth more than gold. Sold by druggists generally, throughout the United States and Canada.

DEED.

A Boston, Mass., on the 18th instant, of consumption, BARBARA ANN, eldest daughter of Mr. D. D. Morrison, for many years a resident of this Town. This is the second daughter Mr. Morrison has had to mourn.

the death of within the short space of four months. The numerous relatives and friends of the family in this Province, will sympathize deeply with them, in this the day of their affliction, especially those who enjoyed the pleasure of those Ladies' acquaintance in their youthful days. Many of them have departed in different parts of the world,—all turning we have no doubt, with warm feelings to the place of their birth; where they spent many happy days. We cannot close this brief notice without tendering our condolence to our old friends, who have thus been deprived in their declining years, of two amiable daughters, whose devotion to their parents has been equalled, and who were beloved by all for those endearing virtues which are so permanent to the human character.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY will be held at the Town Hall, on Tuesday, the 13th day of January next, at 11 A. M., for the reception of new members, Election of Officers, and submitting the Report for the past year. A full and punctual attendance of members is requested.

By Order,
ALEX. T. PAUL, Secy.
St. Andrews, Dec. 30, 1856.—Provincetown, 2 ins.

Notice to the Public.

WHEN any LETTERS are dropped into the Letter boxes, marked "Registered," instead of being handed to the Window and a Receipt taken for them, they will be registered, and the Registration, in addition to the postage, charged to the person addressed.

FRANCIS McPHEM,
General Post Office, Fredericton, Dec. 29, 1856.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION.
ON the 28th inst. the 10th day of January, 1857, at 11 o'clock, at the Court House in St. Andrews, N. B., the following property, to-wit:—

1. A certain lot of land, situate in the Parish of St. Andrews, N. B., bounded as follows:—

Northerly by the River, Macdonald's; Southerly by lands owned by one Andrew Anderson, and being the property of the late John Grant, which said lot is contained in a certain Deed of Gift, bearing date the 10th day of January, 1857, and was conveyed by William H. Lockie to the said Edward Lynott.

The same having been seized, and taken to satisfy an execution at the suit of Samuel Getty against said Edward Lynott, endorsed to levy \$269 10, besides sheriff's fees, &c.

THOS. JONES,
Sheriff of Charlotte.

Sheriff's Office,
29th Decr., 1856.

NEW BRUNSWICK & CANADA RAILWAY AND LAND COMPANY.

CONTRACTS OFFICE,
St. Andrews, Dec. 22, 1856.

TENDERS for the GRADING of the Line Extension from Indian Point to or near the Steam Saw Mill Wharf, in the Town of St. Andrews, will be received at these Offices till Saturday the 10th January, 1857. Sections and Plans may be seen at the Engineer's Office, where every information as to details of specification and conditions of Contract will be afforded, and where Forms of Tender will also be supplied on application.

JULIUS THOMPSON,
Manager.

NEW BRUNSWICK & CANADA RAILWAY AND LAND COMPANY.

CONTRACTS OFFICE,
St. Andrews, Dec. 22, 1856.

TENDERS for CLEARING the LINE of any section thereof, from the end of the 10th mile to or near Deer Lake, a distance of 20 miles, more or less, will be received at the above Offices, till Saturday the 10th January, 1857. The Chopping will be 100 feet wide, throughout. Full particulars as to details of specification, and provisions of Contract, will be given on application, either personally or by letter, at the Company's Offices, where Forms of Tender may also be obtained.

JULIUS THOMPSON,
Manager.

New Brunswick & Canada Railway and Land Company.

CORDWOOD FOR ENGINE FUEL.

2,000 CORDS.

CONTRACTS for the delivery of both Soft and Hard Wood, at convenient distances on the Line between the Frye Road Crossing, at Bartlett's, and the Barber Dam, and in quantities to suit applicants, may be obtained on application at the Manager's Office, Saint Andrews, after the 10th January, 1857.

JULIUS THOMPSON,
Manager.

Dec. 22nd, 1856.

Apprentice Wanted.

Wanted, a Boy from 12 to 14 years old, who can read and write well, to learn the Printing business. Apply at the Standard Office.

Dec. 8, 1856.

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