

News Department.

UNITED STATES.

THE PARTING.—A large company of Bishops, Clergy and Laity escorted the two senior members of the English Delegation, Bishop Spencer and Archdeacon Sinclair, to their vessel homeward bound. They went together on board a steamer, at the foot of Canal Street, provided for the purpose by a lay member of our communion. On the passage across the river there was a beautiful and affecting exchange of brief valedictory addresses. The Hon. Luther Bradish, as one of the Committee of the House of Deputies, expressed the sentiments of that body. Bishop Potter, on behalf of the Board of Missions, adverted, in the happiest and most comprehensive terms, to the profitable conferences in which they had been so harmoniously engaged, to result, he had no doubt, in more effective co-operation hereafter, in their great common work. Bishop Delancey, for his brethren, spoke touchingly of the "sweet counsel they had taken together." The replies of the Bishop and Archdeacon were evidently words from the inmost heart. "Most deeply do we feel," said the Bishop, "that it is good for us to have been here. Henceforth, dear brethren, I purpose to remember you always in my family prayers." Few were the fitly chosen, honest words of the Archdeacon, in faltering tones, proving what he said—"often when we feel the most, we are able to say the least." The steamer carried the company alongside of the Arabia, at Jersey City. All went on board the noble ship. There was half an hour for individual good-byes and benedictions, of which all availed themselves—"Farewell—pray for us—farewell." Returning to the steamer, we waited until the Arabia, precisely at twelve, moved off—then the last signals of adieu, while all in silence breathed intenser prayers and blessings. The occasion was not one soon to be forgotten. The calm waters, the bland atmosphere, the mellow sunbeams of one of our loveliest autumnal days shed a benign influence on the time, and seemed to smile Amen to our prayers for a prosperous voyage.

So we accompanied the brethren to the ship. "Sorrowing," as Bishop Potter had said in his address to them, like the disciples of old at the parting—but not, he trusted, "sorrowing most of all because we should see their face no more," for this has been only the beginning of brethren of the sister Churches, often seeing one another face to face, both in their land and ours.—*N. Y. Evangelical Catholic, Oct. 20.*

EFFECTS OF "SPIRIT RAPPING" IN AMERICA.—

The following extracts are from the American papers:

"The wife of Michael Catt, of Decker Township, Indiana, was shot on Monday last by her daughter-in-law, who was much excited on supernatural objects at the time. Mr. Orville Hatch of Franklin, Connecticut, has become insane, having devoted considerable attention to the 'spiritual rappings.' Mr. Hatch is a farmer, and has been instrumental in introducing many important improvements in agriculture. Mr. Barber, a deacon in one of the Churches (Congregational) in Warwick, has become insane in consequence of surrendering himself to the 'spiritual rapping' delusion. His wife and other members of the family are in a similar state. Mr. B. Peabody hung himself in a barn in Grafton, Louvain County, on Friday last. He was an amiable, intelligent, and respected young man, and became so absorbed in rappings as to unbalance his mind. His case is but one of a long list of insane, made so by modern rappings and spiritualism.

"The annual report of the Ohio Lunatic Asylum discloses the fact that there are no fewer than twenty-six persons (thirteen men and thirteen women) who have found their way there by means of spiritual rappings. Samuel Dole, of Warlington county, Ohio, was made insane by the spirit rappings, and became possessed with the idea that he must offer, like Abraham, a sacrifice to the Supreme. He accordingly proceeded to cut off one of his own feet, which he succeeded in doing in a very scientific manner and with a heroic determination. His family, fearing that some other of his limbs might be demanded in a like cause, had him conveyed to the Lunatic Asylum. A young woman was removed to the Asylum at Utica this week, having become insane in consequence of witnessing some 'spiritual experiments in Massachusetts. She is now wild with madness. Mr. Christopher Sneyely, a very worthy and industrious citizen of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, has become insane in consequence of attending to 'spiritual manifestations,' and has been conveyed to the Pennsylvania Lunatic Asylum, and is now a raving

maniac. Ebenezer Pope, of Milton, hung himself on the 14th inst.—cause, 'spiritual rappings.' He was one of these select men, and leaves a family to mourn over his terrible delusion.

"We regret to announce that a lady of Northampton, Massachusetts—a lady too of great beauty, loveliness, and intelligence, the mother of six children—has become raving mad through the influence of 'spiritual manifestations.' She was conveyed to the Battleborough Insane Hospital, on Wednesday, in such a state of excitement that it took two attendants to hold her. These instances are multiplying with fearful rapidity in every quarter of the country. Some of the most sane, too, out of the mad-house, talk like madmen."

CANADA.

THE GAVAZZI TRIALS at Montreal have been terminated in the acquittal of Messrs. Howard and Morrison. After the examination of a number of witnesses for the prosecution had been closed, the Judge then stated that he intended to adjourn the Court: but the Jury having suggested that they had heard enough to satisfy them, His Honor called upon the High Constable and Sheriff to be very vigilant, and if there were any demonstration of feeling, to bring the party offending before the Court, and if any one were brought up he should suffer for the many, if many there were. He then directed that all present should sit down, and having done so, inquired of the French Jurors if they understood that they had formed an unanimous judgment. Upon their replying in affirmative, the verdict was taken. This verdict acquitted the prisoner: and the Attorney General having entered a *nolle prosequi* against Mr. Morrison, both prisoners were discharged, and the Court adjourned.

It is stated that two of the witnesses for the prosecution have been committed for perjury.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

CIVIL ENGINEERING.—It was announced some time since that the Council of King's College, Fredericton, had determined that Lectures on Civil Engineering should be delivered in that College to all who might wish to attend such a course of instruction. We now learn that arrangements have been made with T. McMahon Cregan, Esq., C. E., at present engaged in the survey of the St. John and Shediac Railway, for the delivery of such a course during the coming winter. From the ability and well established reputation of Mr. Cregan, who has had peculiar advantages for studying his profession, both in the United Kingdom and France, we anticipate a series of lectures which will prove exceedingly valuable.—*New Brunswick.*

OLD winter has suddenly visited us in one of his sternest moods. On Sunday morning about 10 o'clock it commenced snowing, and ceased in the evening.—Severe frost then set in, accompanied with a heavy blow from the north and northwest, which continued until noon yesterday, when it moderated. A large quantity of ice formed in the river. We do not remember ever having experienced such cold frosty weather at so early a period of the season.

Last night a considerable quantity of snow fell.—About nine o'clock this morning it commenced raining and continued so to do until two this afternoon, at which hour we went to press.—*Miramichi Gleaner.*

LATEST FROM ENGLAND.

MRS. STOWE'S DEPARTURE FOR AMERICA.—On Wednesday morning this gifted lady took her departure from our shores in the United States Mail Steamer Arctic. Mrs. Stowe arrived in Liverpool on Monday evening, accompanied by her brother the Rev. Charles Beecher, and, as on her former visit to this town, at once proceeded to the residence of John Cropper, Esq., at Dinglebank. On Tuesday, Mrs. Stowe and party were the guests of his worship the Mayor, who took them over the public buildings and various places of interest in the town. On Wednesday morning a select party breakfasted with Mrs. Stowe, at Mr. Cropper's, amongst them his worship the Mayor and the Rev. Dr. Raffles. His worship afterwards conveyed Mrs. Stowe in his state carriage to the Landing-stage, where she embarked on board the Arctic's tender. The scene at the Landing-stage was a very animated one, and must have been highly gratifying to the authoress of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Hundreds of ladies and gentlemen had assembled there, anxious to do honour to, and obtain a glimpse of Mrs. Stowe. There was so large a number of passengers (upwards of 200) going by the Arctic, that two steamers instead of one, as usual, were alongside the stage, for the conveyance of the passengers and luggage. Mrs. Stowe was on board the inside boat, and thus those on the stage had an excellent opportunity of seeing her, and bidding their adieu. Besides her host and hostess, Mrs. Stowe was accompanied on board the steamer by the Rev. Dr. Raffles, Mr. Hewson, Principal of the Collegiate Institution, and others. The tender left the Landing-stage at ten o'clock; and, on their departure, the gentlemen took off their hats and cheered.

THE REPORT of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, just published, contains the following summary of the Society's Missionary operations:

The number of clergy wholly or in part supported by the Society in the several Colonial Dioceses, are; Nova Scotia 61: Fredericton 44: Quebec 28; Montreal 44; Toronto 137; Rupert's Land 2; Newfoundland 37: Jamaica 13; Barbadoes 5; Antigua 3; Guiana 2: Calcutta 17; Madras 26; Colombo 10; Cape Town 30; Sydney 17; Newcastle 9; Melbourne 5; Adelaide 20; New Zealand 9; Tasmania 4; Seychelles 1; Borneo 4; Tristan d'Acunha 1; Pitcairn's Island 1: total 540. Besides these clergymen the Society maintains above 700 divinity students, catechists, schoolmasters, and other agents.

The report is long and interesting, and concludes with a stirring appeal for more liberal aid, to meet the wants that are pressing upon the Society's attention from many parts of the world.

THE LATE REV. CHARLES SIMEON.—A permanent testimonial to the late Mr. Simeon is about to be erected in Cambridge of a fine marble bust, which is to be offered to the senate with a view to being placed in the university library. A committee, consisting of the following gentlemen, has been appointed to carry it out:—The Rev. W. Carus, canon of Winchester; the Rev. C. Clayton, fellow and tutor of Gonville and Caius College; the Rev. P. C. H. Moskyn, vicar of Whittleford; the Rev. J. Y. Nicholson, fellow and tutor of Emmanuel College; and the Rev. J. H. Titcomb, incumbent of St. Andrew-the-Less. Mr. R. Potts, of Trinity College, has undertaken the office of secretary.

SIR HARRY SMITH'S CLOAK.—This gallant warrior has in his possession a remarkable cloak, so large we hear, that when worn it protects the horse as well as himself. It served all through the Indian campaign, and is fairly riddled with shot; so that it is at all times regarded with much curiosity. When Sir Harry met the 50th Regiment after their arrival from the East, the soldiers recognised the martial cloak that was on his shoulders, and they bore testimony to the great service it had rendered in the vicissitudes of war.—*Plymouth Mail.*

COLONIAL BISHOPS.—The Bishop of New Zealand is expected in England early next spring, probably in February. The visit of the bishop to his native country, after an absence of twelve years, is connected with missionary objects; but his lordship is expected to bring with him his second son for the purpose of placing him at Eton. The bishop of Barbadoes is also expected to visit England for some months in the course of next year. The Bishop of Montreal left for Canada on Friday.

Editorial Miscellany.

THE BROCK MONUMENT.—A most interesting ceremonial took place on Queenstown heights, C. W., on the 13th October, when the foundation stone of a new monument was laid in memory of Sir Isaac Brock, who, together with his aid-de-camp Col. McDonnell, fell on that spot during the American war, on 13th October, 1812.—The remains of the two gallant officers were disinterred (for the second time) and deposited under the foundation of the proposed structure.

We take the following particulars from the *United Empire*:—

"Arrived at the spot, Walter Dickson, Esq., first read the following inscription, which was engraved on parchment:—

"The battle of Queenston was fought on these heights on the 13th Oct. 1812, when the Glory of Victory was clouded, by the death of Major General Sir Isaac Brock, who fell in the early part of the action, in the act of rallying a few of the brave 94th Regt. and his Aide-de-Camp Colonel McDonnell, fell mortally wounded in gallantly leading a charge of both regulars and militia against the enemy, and died the following day.

"Although fame has recorded the deeds of the Mar. the Statesman, and the Hero, yet in such veneration and respect was his memory held by all, that a Monument was erected soon after the event on the site near the brow of the hill to the eastward of this foundation, to which his remains with those of his Aide-de-Camp were removed from the bastion of Fort George, Niagara, and re-interred on the 13th Oct., 1824.

"But in consequence of the former Monument being received an irreparable injury by a lawless act, on the 27th April, 1840, it has been found requisite to take down that structure, and erect this Monument to perpetuate the Memory of the lamented Hero, by Public Subscription.

"This Foundation Stone thereto was laid on the 13th day of October, 1853, by Colonel Donald Macdonnell, Deputy Adjutant General of Militia for Canada West, the brother of the Gallant Officer who nobly fell in