

ilities for six weeks, retreated with his troops, having destroyed a good deal of the munitions of war which he could not carry with him.

From Texas there are additional particulars of outrages committed by the Indians; and it is likely that the settlers there may suffer very much from the attacks of their bold and cunning neighbours.

PEACE.—American papers received yesterday assert that the Oregon question may be considered as settled: the Senate having agreed by a vote of 38 to 12 to the treaty as proposed by Great Britain.

THE CHEROKEE.—This splendid steam vessel has been put in commission, having lain at Kingston Dock Yard for about three years.

Captain Higginson, the newly-appointed Governor of the Leeward Islands, left Montreal on Friday last. He proceeds to England, where he will remain for a few days.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Montreal, 13th June, 1846.

SIR.—I am commanded by the Governor General to acquaint you with reference to the petition of certain merchants of Quebec, complaining of the order prohibiting Rafts from passing through the Welland Canal.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedt. servant, (Signed) D. DALY, Secretary.

CHEAP POSTAGE.—The Provincial Parliament have addressed a memorial to Her Majesty, praying for a reduction in the rates of Colonial postage in accordance with the charges at home or at least to a scale not exceeding those levied in the United States.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT.—The following are the most generally interesting of the Acts to which His Excellency the Governor General gave his sanction.

- To repeal two Ordinances relating to Winter Roads in Lower Canada, and so far as regards the Districts of Quebec, and Gaspé, and that part of the District of Three Rivers which is or was in the Municipal District of Port Neuf.
For lighting the city of Quebec with Gas.
To authorize and enforce the attendance of Witnesses from any part of this Province, before the Courts of Superior Criminal Jurisdiction.
To incorporate the Cobourg Manufacturing Company.
To empower Commissioners for enquiring into matters connected with the public business, to take evidence on oath.
To incorporate the British and Canadian School Society of the District of Quebec.
To make better provision for the Election of Councillors and assessors of and for the City of Montreal.
To authorize the Quebec Trinity House to license as Pilots a certain class of persons therein mentioned.
To regulate the poundage to be received by Sheriffs on Executions, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
To alter and amend the Act incorporating the Town of Hamilton, and to erect the same into a City.
To incorporate the Montreal and Lachine Rail Road Company.
To amend the Law relative to the Administration of Justice in Lower Canada.
To amend a certain Act, intitled, "An Act to amend a certain Ordinance therein mentioned 'relative to the Turnpike Roads near Quebec.'"
To amend the Act of Lower Canada, extending certain privileges to persons of the Jewish persuasion.
To provide for the appointment of Magistrates for the more remote parts of this Province.
To make better provision for elementary instruction in Lower Canada.
To provide for the better defence of this Province, and to regulate the Militia thereof.
For the appropriation of the Revenues arising from the Jesuits' Estates for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.
To authorize the appropriation of nineteen thousand pounds to the improvement of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

For enabling Her Majesty to direct the issue of Debentures to a limited amount, and for giving relief to the City of Quebec.

- The following are the bills reserved for the signature of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon:
To incorporate a Company to extend the Great Western Rail Road from Hamilton to Toronto.
To amend an Act respecting the City of Toronto and Lake Huron Rail Road Company.
For erecting a Suspension Bridge over the Niagara River at or near the Falls of Niagara.
For supplying the City of Quebec and parts adjacent thereto with water.
To restore the rights of certain persons attainted for High Treason.
To incorporate the Wolf Island, Kingston and Toronto Rail Road Company.
To incorporate the Peterboro and Port Hope Railway Company.
To incorporate La Banque des Marchands.
To incorporate the Montreal and Kingston Rail Road Company.
For granting a Civil List to Her Majesty.

MOST MELANCHOLY DISASTER AND LOSS OF LIFE.

The inhabitants of Quebec have already had just cause to dread the fatal effects of fire, suffering as they have done within little more than twelve months from two destructive conflagrations; but it is now our painful and distressing duty to be obliged to give the details of a fire which occurred on the evening of Friday last, by which, although the value of property destroyed was trifling, an amount of deep, heart-rending distress has been produced far exceeding that of the former melancholy visitations.

On that evening a large number of our fellow-citizens of all classes were assembled in the premises known by the name of the Theatre St. Louis, adjoining the Durham Terrace, for the purpose of beholding an exhibition of "Illuminated Dioramas." Just at the close of the performance, and after many of the spectators had, providentially, left the building, one of the lamps by some means set fire to the curtain in front of the stage, and thence the flames were communicated in an incredibly rapid manner to other parts of the room. The greatest confusion and dismay ensued. A rush was simultaneously made for the door, the passage to which was narrow and descending. The press of human beings, excited by the fear of an awful and impending death, caused those nearest to the stairs, which were steep, to fall; others falling upon these while the first were endeavouring to get up, they were so jammed and wedged together that it became impossible to separate them, even when some were laid hold on by friends from without who had come to their rescue.

By the strenuous exertions of the firemen, assisted by the military who were on the ground in large numbers, with the police and citizens generally, the fire was prevented from extending any further; but the residence of the Hon. H. Black, just opposite, was in considerable danger. Early on Saturday morning, the remains of the unfortunate sufferers by this calamity were extricated from the smouldering ruins and, as soon as identified, were carried home to their respective friends. FORTY-FIVE bodies were found, many of them so terribly disfigured that they could only be identified by their clothes, while others were not much altered. The list which follows gives the names of those who perished.

- Horatio Carwell, dry goods merchant—Horatio, aged 6, and Ann, aged 4, his children.
J. J. Sims, Esq., druggist—Rebecca, aged 22, and Kenneth, aged 13, his children.
Edward R. Hoogs, book-keeper, Montreal Bank—John, aged 8, and Edward, aged 6, his children.
Elizabeth Lindsay, aged 53, wife of Mr. T. Atkins, Clerk of Upper-Town Market—Richard Atkins, aged 27, her son.
Stewart Scott, Esq., Clerk of the Court of Appeals, and Jane, his daughter.
Thomas Hamilton, Esq., Lieut. 14th Regiment, aged 26 years.
Julia Rae, daughter of Assistant Commissary General Rae, aged 16 years and 9 months, affianced to the foregoing.
Arthur Lane, son of Mr. Elisha Lane, of the firm of Gibb, Lane & Co.
John Smith Kane, son of Mr. John Kane, Tinsmith, of this City.
Mr. John Wheatley, Stationer, Lower Town.
Harriet Gluckemeyer, wife of T. F. Molt, aged 45—Frederick, aged 19, and Adolphus, aged 12, her children.
Emeline Worth, aged 9, daughter of Edward Worth, Montreal, and sister of Mrs. A. Lenfesty, Grocer, of this City.
Joseph Tardif, and Olivia Fiset, his wife.
Sarah Darah, wife of John Colvin, carter.
James O'Leary, aged 22, apprentice to his brother John, plasterer, St. Rochs—Mary O'Leary, aged 16, his sister.
Mary O'Brien, aged 26, wife of John Lilly, tailor.
Jean Be. Vezina, aged 30.
Maria Louise Levallee, wife of Ronald McDonald, editor of the Canadian.
Eugenie McDonald, wife of Rigobert Anger, Merchant.
Thomas C. Harrison, aged 21, from Hamilton, C. W., brother to the owner of the Diorama.
Helen Murphy, an orphan, aged 20.
Flavian Sauvageau, aged 14, son of Mr. Charles Sauvageau, Musician.
Mrs. John Gibb, widow, and Jane, her daughter.
Marianne Brown, aged 25, Schoolmistress, at Wood & Gray's Cove.
Joseph Marcoux, Bailiff.
Colin Ross, aged 26 years, Plasterer, a native of Inverness, Scotland, and Agnes Black, his wife, aged 18, daughter of widow Black, of Montreal.
Isaac Devlin, Watchmaker, Lower Town.
John Berry, from Aberdeen, late in the employ of Messrs. W. Price & Co., arrived in Quebec, from Chicoutime, on Monday, the 8th inst. A letter was found on his person, from his brother James Berry, instructing him to address him,—"James Berry, Gardener and Riddel Maker, North Broadford, Aberdeen."

Ann Taffe, late servant with J. Denholm, Esq., Cape.
Emilie Poney, of the Lower Town.
Mr. McKeogh, schoolmaster from Malbaie.

Since the disastrous conflagration of Friday evening there have been two alarms of fire. One was on Saturday about ten o'clock, P. M., and proceeded from the shop of Mr. L. Fréchet, in the Lower Town. A camphine lamp is said to have got broken, and this communicated the fire to the premises. Happily it did not extend beyond the shop where it originated, but property to the value of about £200 was destroyed. There was an insurance with the Phoenix Fire Company. On Monday morning about nine o'clock some sparks from a chimney which was on fire fell on the shingled roof of a building in rear of the premises of the Messrs. Hendersons, hatters, Duane Street; used by them as a workshop for their journeymen. The shingles soon ignited, and, if prompt measures had not been taken, a very serious loss of property might have ensued. But assistance was at once rendered and the fire extinguished with trifling damage.

This shows the extreme danger of shingles as a covering for houses, in a crowded town especially. During the heat of summer and particularly after a long season of drought, shingles become like tinder; and a single spark may then light up a blaze which will destroy in a few hours the result of many years of labour and toil. Surely the experience of Quebec from fire has been sufficient to call for stringent regulations regarding these points. It is easier to prevent than to restore.

In addition to the above, yesterday morning a chimney took fire at the house of Mr. Mills, confectioner, St. Flavien St. which excited some alarm at first, but was soon extinguished. In the afternoon, two small wooden houses were burnt down in St. Roch's.

Port of Quebec.

SELECTION OF VESSELS ARRIVED.

- June 10th.
Brig Concordia, Jeffery, 25th April, Bordeaux, Atkinson & Co. wine, &c.
Jonah, Abrams, 21st April, Liverpool, order, general.
11th.
Brig Elizabeth, Bell, 20th do. Newcastle, Atkinson & Co., coals.
Elizabeth, Tickle, 20th do. Liverpool, P. Holland, general.
Bark Rockshire, Frans, 25th do. Liverpool, T. Froste, general, 372 pas.
Brig John & Mary, McMillan, 20th do. Troon, W. Henry, coals.
Jane, Reed, 12th do. Newcastle, Levey & Co., coals, bricks, &c.
12th.
Bark Adelaide, Downing, 22nd do. Newcastle, Symes & Co., coals, bricks, &c.
Brig Triumph, Tullock, 19th April, Hartlepool, Levey & Co., coals.
13th.
Fame, Miller, 26th do. Glasgow, Buchanan & Co., general, 27 pas.
Friends, Brown, 16th do. Stockton, Dalkin, coals and cinders.
Perseverance, Miller, 21st April, Hamburg, Ryan Brothers, general, 105 pas.
14th.
Brig Ann, Stonehouse, 22nd April, Newcastle, B. Hart & Co. do.
15th.
Ship Jane Potts, 2nd May, Liverpool, Sharples & Co., salt.
Brig Mayflower, White, 3rd do. Newcastle, LeMesurier & Co., coals.
Sophia, Tonkin, 23rd April, Messina, Maitland & Co. wine and fruit.
16th.
Brig Dorothy, Hays, 21st April, Newcastle, Dalkin, coals.
David Grant, Lawrence, 19th do. Leith, Alison & Co. general, 3 cabin passengers.
Steamer Q. E. D. Starks, 3rd May, Liverpool, Harrison & Co. do.
Bark Orlando, Cockerell, 25th April, London, Levey & Co. 77 passengers.
Brig Straitlam Castle, Cockerill, 2nd April, Newcastle, coals.
Saphiras, Brown, 15th do. Stockton, Dalkin, coals and cinders.
Planter, Wood, 17th April, Newcastle, Thos. Anderson, coals, &c.
17th.
Brig James Reddin, Beck, Cotte, 9th April, Delagrave, wine & fruit.
Jabez, Booth, Sunderland, 17th do. Atkinson & Co. coals & bricks.

MARITIME EXTRACTS.

The ship Providence, Reid, master, previously reported ashore at Portneuf, has been towed up to port by the steamer St. George, which reports the Perseverance, with passengers, and a number of other vessels, below Green Island, bound up.
Capt. Downing, of the bark Adeline, reports that his vessel was very leaky during the passage, keeping his crew constantly at the pumps for four weeks—that after he got into the gulf, she made 13 inches water per hour. On the 7th instant, a brig ran foul of him and carried away his fore-yard, jib boom and lower studding-sail boom, abreast of the Manicouagan Shoals.
The brig Coocook, from Dublin, with passengers, for Quebec, was spoken off St. Peters, all well, by the Prince George, Tate, arrived on Monday.
Halifax, June 3—Cleared—Schr Victoria, Vignereult, for Montreal. 4—Schr Queen Victoria, Babin, for Quebec.
The brig Ocean, Warren, at this port, sailed from London on the 11th April for Quebec, and when in long. 15 W. had to put back to the Cove of Cork, from which place she sailed again on the 25th April.
Capt Brown of the brig Saphira reports that he lost a boy overboard; and that he was run into by a vessel whose name he did not learn, in long. 47, 30 W. lat. 46 N.
Capt. McMahon, of the ship Victoria, reports having lost a man overboard off Point des Monts.
About thirty vessels sailed yesterday forenoon with a fine westerly breeze.
The following vessels were at Grosse Isle on Tuesday with passengers:
Caitness shire from Belfast... 193
Londonderry, do. Londonderry... 145
Aganemnon, do. Liverpool... 534
Stadcona, do. Limerick... 409
Champlain, do. Cork... 174
Edinburgh, do. do... 458
Teedale, do. Stockton... 9

The bark Finch of Glasgow, was spoken on the 24th May, in long. 30, 50. W. lat. 44, 32—out 18 days, all well, by the brig Mary Lyall, Sanford, at this port.

BIRTH.
In this city, on the 15th inst., Mrs. G. B. Shakespear, of a daughter.
In this city, on the 16th instant, the lady of Robert Hamilton, Esquire, of Hawkesbury Mills, Canada West, of a daughter.

MARRIED.
At Montreal on the 9th instant, Adam Burns, Esq., of Quebec, to Eleanor Marion, eldest daughter of James Young, Esq.
At Montreal on the same day, by the Rev. M. Wiloughby, Wm. Forbes, Esq., of Liverpool, to Jessie Theresa, fifth daughter of Jno. Torrance, Esq.
In Montreal, on the 8th instant, at Christ Church, by the Rev. Dr. Bethune, Mr. Samuel Buttle, of Sorel, to Miss Mary Jane Clifford, of Montreal.

DIED.
At St. John's, N. F., on Monday morning the 18th May, Judith Piggott, the beloved wife of Assistant Commissary General Robinson, of Halifax, N. S., aged 48 years. The deceased lady was niece to the late Hon. Elphinstone Piggott, Chief Justice of Tobago, and to the late Sir Arthur Piggott, Attorney General of England.
At Montreal, on the 8th instant, aged 34 years, Anna Maria, wife of Charles T. Palsgrave, Esquire, and youngest daughter of the late Robert Griffin, Esquire.

QUEBEC MARKETS.

Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 16th June, 1846.

Table with 4 columns: Commodity, s. d., s. d., s. d.
Beef, per lb... 0 5 a 0 6
Mutton, per lb... 0 3 a 0 6
Ditto, per quarter... 2 3 a 3 9
Lamb, per quarter... 1 6 a 4 0
Potatoes, per bushel... 3 6 a 4 0
Maple Sugar, per lb... 0 4 a 0 5
Oats per bushel... 2 0 a 2 6
Hay per hundred bundles... 25 0 a 25 0
Straw ditto... 17 0 a 22 6
Fire-wood, per cord... 15 0 a 17 6
Cheese per lb... 0 4 a 0 5
Butter, fresh, per lb... 1 0 a 1 3
Ditto, salt, in tinnets, per lb... 0 8 a 0 9
Veal, per lb... 0 5 a 0 6
Dc., per quarter... 1 6 a 5 0
Pork, per lb... 0 5 a 0 7
Eggs, per dozen... 0 6 a 0 7

ENGLISH MAIL.

LETTERS for the above Mail will be received at the Quebec Post Office, SATURDAY, the 27th instant—PAID Letters till THREE o'clock, and UN-PAID till FOUR, P. M.

INCORPORATED CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society, will (D.V.) take place on WEDNESDAY, 1st July, in the NATIONAL SCHOOL HOUSE, MONTREAL.

The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Montreal, President of the Society, will take the chair at TWO o'clock, P. M.

Previous to the Meeting, the Anniversary Sermon will be preached in Christ Church; Divine Service to commence at 11 o'clock.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the CENTRAL BOARD will be held on TUESDAY the 30th June, at TWO o'clock, P. M.; at the above named place.

Also, the next stated MEETING of the CENTRAL BOARD will take place at the National School House, Montreal, on FRIDAY, the 3rd July at TWO o'clock, P. M.

WM. DAWES, Secretary, Church Society. Rectory, St. John's, 11th June, 1846.

EDUCATION.

CHAMBLEY CLASSICAL SEMINARY.

THE REV. J. BRAITHWAITE, A. B., of Queen's College, Oxford, begs to intimate to his Friends and the Public, that he will have VACANCIES for FOUR PUPILS, on the 15th August.

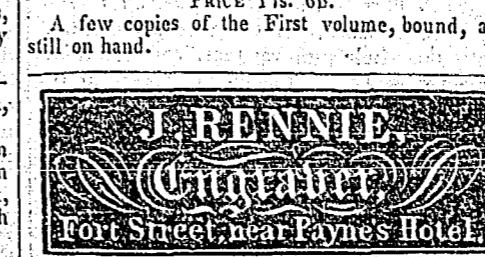
The subjects taught by Mr. B. are, besides the elementary branches of an English Education, Geography and History, Ancient and Modern, the Use of the Globes, Algebra, Book-keeping, Geometry, &c., also the Latin and Greek Languages.
Young Gentlemen entrusted to Mr. B.'s care, are treated in all respects as members of his family.

Reference may be made to the Lord Bishop of Montreal, and the Rev. Official MACKIE, Quebec; the Rev. Mr. ANDERSON, Rector, Sorel; H. STUART, Esq., Advocate, Dr. SUTHERLAND, and C. GENDRES, Esq. Montreal, or by letter post-paid, addressed to THE REV. JOS. BRAITHWAITE, Chambley. June 11, 1846.

THE BEREAN, VOLUME II.—1845-6.

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PRICE 17s. 6d. A few copies of the First volume, bound, are still on hand.



THE ESTATE OF A. MACNIDER, BANKRUPT. THE undersigned has been duly appointed sole assignee.

HENRY W. WELCH, No. 2, St. James-street. Quebec, 20th May, 1846.

THE ESTATE OF A. MACNIDER, BANKRUPT. PERSONS indebted to this Estate are requested to make immediate payment to Mr. MACNIDER, at the store in Fabrique Street.

HENRY W. WELCH, Assignee. Quebec, 4th June, 1846.

Lately arrived from London, JOURNAL OF THE BISHOP OF MONTREAL, during a visit to the Church Missionary Society's N. W. American Mission, IN THE HUDSON'S BAY TERRITORY. (The profits arising from this publication are reserved towards the fund which has been opened for the endowment of a Bishopric of the Church of England in the Territory.) For sale at the Store of T. CARY & CO. Quebec, 28th May, 1846.

Just Received BY C. STANLEY, NO. 4 ST. ANNE STREET A FEW COPIES OF HYMNS,

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GOVERNMENT CONTRACT.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, 2d June, 1846.

TENDERS will be received at the above Office, until TUESDAY, the TWENTY THIRD of JUNE instant, at NOON, for the supply of the undementioned articles for the use of the Goal, from the 1st July 1846 to the 30th June, 1847; Fire wood, per Cord, French measure, equal parts Maple and Birch, about 300 cords, cut during the winter now last past, and to be delivered and piled in the Goal Yard as required. Best Brown Bread, one day old, to be delivered in three pound loaves daily. Potatoes, per Bushel, best quality. Water, per Puncture, Milk, per Gallon. And the following Groceries, to wit—Oat Meal, per cwt.; Molasses, per gallon. Best Montreal Tallow Candles and Yellow Soap, per lb.

The undersigned is authorised to state that payment will be made half yearly, in the months of January and July. Security will be required for the due fulfilment of the above contract.

W. S. SEWELL, Sheriff.

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Quebec, August, 1845.

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