

must soon, however, subside, and after a season of much embarrassment and suffering, the sure consequence of such mad proceedings, a more healthy state of things will, doubtless, prevail.

Railways made of wood were first used in Northumberland about the year 1633, and made of iron at Whitehaven in 1738. The first iron railroad was laid down at Coalbrookdale in 1786.

The Steam Ship Cambria made the run home to Liverpool from Boston in less than eleven days, including her stoppage at Halifax; having arrived at Liverpool on the 27th ult.

THE WEST INDIA MAIL STEAM SHIPS.—The half yearly meeting of this company took place last week in London, at which a satisfactory report was read, and a dividend of five per cent. on the paid up capital was declared.

Among the passengers by the Britannia we notice the name of Sir Allan N. Macnab, Speaker of the House of Assembly.

STEAMSHIP HIBERNIA.—This vessel, which left Boston for Liverpool on the 1st inst., with about a hundred passengers, met with an accident which would delay her for more than a week.

Fortifying Her Majesty's Dock-yard at Woolwich.—The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have at length determined that Woolwich Dock-yard, the first naval and most ancient post in Europe, shall be immediately placed in a state of fortification.

THE BRITISH CORN MARKETS.—LONDON, Nov. 3.—The supply of Wheat this morning from Essex, Kent, and Suffolk, was pretty good; little business was however, transacted, in consequence of the uncertainty as to what steps Government will take respecting the Corn-laws.

THE POTATO DISEASE.—We are thankful to say that the potato disease has not made its appearance in this island, although parts of the neighbouring district are suffering severely from its prevalence.

INAUGURATION OF HER MAJESTY'S STATUE IN THE ROYAL EXCHANGE.—The interesting ceremony of the inauguration of her Majesty's statue in the centre of the merchants' area of the Royal Exchange, took place on Tuesday, the 25th ult., it being the first anniversary of the opening of that splendid edifice.

SIR JOHN FRANKLIN'S EXPEDITION.—The expedition to the North Pole, consisting of the Erebus and the Terror, Captain Crozier, under the command of Captain Sir John Franklin, was spoken by the Enterprise, Martin, master, arrived at Peterhead, lying at an iceberg, in lat. 73 12 N., long. 62 W., on the 28th July.

FRANCE.—The French Journals are much taken up with the news from Algeria. Several engagements are reported to have taken place between the Arabs and the French, in which the latter were successful.

THE ERUPTION OF MOUNT HECLA.—The Kjobenhavnspost, a Danish journal, gives the following account of the new eruption of Mount Hecla.

MONTREAL.—The Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad Company have determined to place another iron steamer on the ferry to La Prairie next year, for the accommodation of the increasing traffic of that line.

and, consequently, took that direction in which there is nothing but barren heaths. Besides, the wind having constantly blown from the south and south-west, has driven the ashes and dust towards the opposite points.

INDIA AND CHINA.—The first of the bi-monthly mails, with dates from Bombay of Sept. 15th, Calcutta Sept. 8th, and China, July 10th, reached London on Saturday, 25th ult.

Tranquillity prevails in India. The discussions between the adherents of Sir Charles Napier and his opponents were still carried on with great acrimony, especially on the side of the latter.

The Governor-General left Calcutta, on the 22nd of September, for the upper provinces, with an army of 32,000 infantry, 6,000 cavalry, and 140 guns, on the confines of the Punjab.

NEW ZEALAND.—Another sanguinary conflict has taken place in this distracted country. A British military force, amounting to 420 men, including Marines and Sailors, under the command of Lieut. Colonel Hulme, proceeded by sea from Auckland to the Bay of Islands.

Blockade of Buenos Ayres.—A late arrival from South America announces the blockade of the port of Buenos Ayres by the combined French and English squadrons.

POPULATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND.—An official return of the census of population of the Colony of Newfoundland, shows the following results: Protestants of all denominations, 49,538; Roman Catholics, 46,946.

TRADE ON THE ALBANY AND BOSTON RAILROAD.—The amount of freight business transacted by the Albany and Boston Railroad Company, at this season of the year, is immense.

Nearly the whole of this trade would go by steam boats to New York, if the railroad did not offer superior inducement.

LORD METCALFE'S GENEROSITY.—In addition to the numerous acts of munificence on the part of our noble Governor which have already been acknowledged through the public prints, we observe that His Lordship has been pleased to forward to the Treasurer of the "Montreal Eye Institution" the handsome donation of £25 in aid of its funds.

This is an institution lately established to afford the benefit of medical treatment to persons suffering from diseases of the eye.

We learn from the Aurora that the Parish of St. Ours have raised the sum of £131 under the New School Act, thus entitling the inhabitants to a grant from Government of a like amount.

EARLY CLOSING OF SHOPS.—A majority of the proprietors of retail shops and stores in Montreal have again commenced the laudable practice of allowing the young men in their employ some leisure for improvement, by closing their establishments, for the winter months, at 7 o'clock in the evening.

THE WEATHER.—After a long continuance of fine open weather, alike favourable for commercial and agricultural interests, on Sunday this vicinity was visited for the first time this season, with a regular Canadian snow storm, which lasted during a great part of the day, covering the ground to the depth of six or eight inches.

CASUALTIES.—On Saturday last, Mr. Gabriel Chabot, commanding the Steamer Lumber Merchant, and for a period of 25 years in the employ of Mr. Jas. McKenzie of Point Levi, was unfortunately drowned.

AN INQUEST WAS HELD ON THE 19th inst., at the Landing Place, Lower Town, on the body of Marcel Demers, late of the parish of St. Antoine, Verdier—accidental drowning.

FIRE.—On Tuesday a fire broke out in the office of Messrs. Haeker and Staley, Architects, St. John Street, but fortunately was soon extinguished by the prompt attendance of the fire companies.

THE ARMY.—23d Foot, D. Grantham, Lt. to be As. Surgeon v. Currey ret. 89th, Lt. L. Skinner from 93d foot to be Lt. v. Shuter ex. 93d. Lt. Shuter from 89th foot to be Lt. v. Skinner ex. Royal Canadian Rifle Regiment. Lt. R. Hollis from 20th foot to be Qr. Master v. Brannan prom.

QUEBEC MARKETS. Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 5th Nov., 1845. Beef, per lb. 0 2 a 0 5; Mutton, per lb. 0 3 a 0 6; Ditto, per quarter 0 0 a 0 0; Lamb, per quarter 1 6 a 4 0; Veal, per lb. 0 3 a 0 6; Bacon, per quarter 1 0 a 5 0; Pork, per lb. 0 5 a 0 6; Eggs, per dozen 0 0 a 0 9; Potatoes, per bushel 1 6 a 2 0; Maple Sugar, per lb. 0 3 a 0 4; Oats per bushel 1 8 a 2 0; Hay per hundred bundles 25 0 a 35 0; Straw ditto 17 0 a 24 0; Fire-wood, per cord 10 0 a 15 6; Cheese per lb. 0 4 a 0 5; Butter, fresh, per lb. 0 10 a 0 0; Ditto, salt, in tinnets, per lb. 0 5 a 0 7.

NAUTICAL EXTRACTS. "St. John, N. Y., October 29. SUSPECTED PIRACY.—H. M. S. Hecatin, Captain Scott, arrived on Saturday last, from the Westward—Capt. S. reports a vessel which he fell in with at Bay St. George, under somewhat extraordinary and suspicious circumstances.

JUST PUBLISHED, PRICE—1s. 3d. LINES COMMEMORATIVE OF THE Awful Conflagration OF ST. ROCH'S. A few copies for sale by T. CARY & Co. and at the office of this paper. Nov. 25th, 1845.

NOTICE. THE undersigned has been appointed Agent for the AETNA INSURANCE COMPANY, of Hartford, Ct., and is now prepared to take risks against Fire.—This office has now an Agency in Montreal, which has been in operation for the last 20 years, has been always prompt and liberal in settlement of losses. Such being its character, the undersigned looks for a portion of the public confidence and patronage. DANIEL MCGIE, Quebec, 7th July, 1845.

with flour saved from her. Capt. McBride remained below.

The pilot who took down the bark Mersey, for Liverpool, arrived here on Friday last, and reports having left her on Tuesday, below Green Island, in company with a number of other vessels, with a fair breeze—all well.

The Light Ship arrived on Monday afternoon, from her station in the Traverse.

The Lord Stanley, Dodds, from Bristol, and the Margaret, Codner, from Salcombe, which had sailed for this port in September last, have loaded at Miramichi, from which port they sailed early in November.

The steamer Quebec, makes but one trip more to Montreal, and will then return to winter here with the Rowland Hill, and Charlevoix.

The schr. Emma, came up yesterday afternoon, from the wreck of the European, bringing Capt. McBride and an apprentice, together with the remainder of the cargo which has been saved.

Comparative Statement of Arrivals and Tonnage, at the Port of Quebec, in the years 1844 and 1845.—

Table with columns: Year, Vessels, Tonnage. 1844: 1214, 458,971. 1845: 1475, 559,712. Increase: 261, 100,741.

H. M. S. Vindictive, bearing the flag of Vice Admiral Sir Thomas Austin, sailed from Halifax on the 2d inst., for Bermuda, in company with H. M. Steamer Vesuvius.

ARRIVAL, October 30.—A brig off this supposed to be the Gleaner, from Quebec.

ARRIVAL, October 21.—The Collingwood, from Quebec, has arrived here, leaky, having struck on some sunken rocks in Gibraltar Bay, west of Ireland.

ARRIVAL, October 17.—The Avenger, Ritchie, from St. John's, has arrived here, with loss of mainmast, foremast, &c.

ARRIVAL, October 31.—The Champlain, from St. John, N. B., has arrived leaky, and with loss of deck load.

ARRIVAL, October 20.—The Margaret, of New Ross, for Quebec, was in contact 21st ult., off Point Le Mont, with the Junior, since arrived at this port, but did not appear to have received much damage.

PER STEAM-SHIP CALEDONIA, for Liverpool.—Messrs. Wilson, Ed. Mathind and W. Brehaut, of Montreal; Mr. J. Kelly, of Quebec; For Halifax, Capt. Walter Douglas.

MARRIED. On Friday evening, the 21st instant, by the Rev. Dr. Cook, Mr. William Still Bonning, youngest son of John Henning, Esq., formerly of the county Down, Ireland, to Miss Mary Piegart, third daughter of the late John Piegart, of the Royal Navy.

At Montreal, on the 18th instant, by the Rev. Messrs. Fay, at the R. C. Parish Church, W. B. Lindsay, Jr. Esquire, Advocate, to Marie Henrietta Bourret, fourth daughter of the late Alexis Bourret, Esquire, all of that city.

At Boston, on the 20th inst. by the Rev. E. S. Gammett, Theodore Hart, Esq., of Montreal, to Mary Kent, daughter of Charles Bradbury, Esq. Hamilton Place, Boston.

DIED. On Friday last, in faith and hope, at the age of seventy two, Miss Mary Anne Mountain, only surviving child of the late Reverend Dr. Mountain, formerly Rector of Peldenhem, Colchester, England, and subsequently Bishop's Official in Lower Canada and Rector of Montreal.

On Thursday last, Hugh, infant son of Mr. H. E. Scott.

At Montreal, on the 17th instant, Mrs. Maria Spragg, daughter of Mrs. Sarah Spragg, aged 21 years.

On Saturday morning last, after a short illness, Frances Strub, youngest daughter of the late Robert Dunn, Esq., in the 21st year of her age.

On the 17th instant, Charles Manuel, Esq., Provincial Surveyor, and recently City Inspector at Montreal. He was a native of Switzerland and came to Canada with the Meuron Regiment in 1813.

NOTICE. ALL those persons whose statements of loss by the fires of the 28th of May and 28th of June last, were given to the Committee of Distribution for the mere purpose of affording Statistical Information, and not with a view to obtain relief, are severally requested to forward their names, with the names of the Streets in which they resided at the time of the fires, to the undersigned in order that their names may not be published with those of the applicants for relief.

Parliament Buildings, 7th November, 1845. E. W. H. BOWEN, Secretary, Distribution Committee.

N. B. The publishers of all Newspapers in Quebec, both French and English, are requested to publish the above Notice in three successive numbers, and in the languages of their respective Publications.

NEW BOOKS, Just received from England, and for Sale by GILBERT STANLEY, No. 4, ST. ANN STREET. An assortment of beautifully Illustrated ANNUALS, In morocco and crimson silk bindings, AT VERY LOW PRICES. CHILDREN'S BOOKS, In great variety, plain and coloured. A Catalogue is in preparation, and will be ready in a few days. Quebec, Nov. 13, 1845.

F. H. ANDREWS, ORGAN & PIANO-FORTE TUNER. NATIONAL SCHOOL, Nov. 1845.

COALS. NEWCASTLE, Wallsend, Grate & Smith's Coals, for Sale by H. H. Porter & Co's Porter & Co's Wharf, Late Irvine's. Quebec, 20th May, 1845.

Receiving ex "Choice," for Sale, TOBACCO PIPES, Black Lead, Shot, Paints, Spades and Shovels, Bar Iron, Anvils, Vices, Patent Corgage, Patent Proved Chain Cables and Anchors. —ALSO— 400 BOXES TIN PLATES. C. & W. WURTELE, 1st Oct. 1845. St. Paul-street.

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THE FORCERS, 14th Dec., 1814. This Scientific Medical Reviewer made the following critique on Grimstone's Eye Snuff, demonstrating its powerful influence on those delicate organs, the Eye and Ear. GRIMSTONE'S EYE SNUFF.—Perhaps there is no one thing that has effected so much good, and that in so pleasant a manner, as Grimstone's Eye Snuff; and we are really surprised that it has not commanded more attention from the medical profession, for although we are aware that some eminent professors of the medical art have taken advantage of its usefulness, there are many who, however they might be convinced of its utility, prescribe it not because it is a simple remedy that might, on a future occasion, be resorted to without their aid. Independently of its usefulness in removing pains in the head and inflammations of the eye, it is a pleasant stimulus to the nose, so that those who use it combine pleasure with profit, and we can scarcely understand how snuff-takers can forego its advantages for compounds that in many cases possess only the recommendation of being foreign. We would recommend every one requiring its aid to try Mr. Grimstone's Snuff, and we feel convinced that they will be grateful to Mr. Grimstone for the talent he has displayed in forming his excellent compound, and to ourselves for calling their attention to it.

Other Testimonials can be seen. The Wholesale and Retail Agent for Canada has just received a fresh supply per Zealous. THOMAS BICKELL, Grocer and Importer of China, Glass and Earthenware. St. John Street, Quebec.

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