

was the mark of the covenant, and Abraham was not circumcised until after the birth of Isaac.

To be concluded in our next.

To the Editor of the Berean.

The season when Almanacs for the coming year are first advertised, is drawing near, and suggests my next referring to the insertion, in the Churchman's Almanac, published at Toronto, in the year 1816, of the Saints' Days of the Calendar, not observed by the Church of England.

It may be presumed that this choice was made on some principle, and I ask—on what?—Why should these be thus honoured, by being introduced, and a slight cast on those excluded? Nine honoured—sixty-four disigned.

However—the ban is removed in 1816! Why? What inducement opened the pages of that publication, thus widely, in the latter, which did not exist in the former year? Is it a chapter in the book of Development? Were the few in 1814—the advanced guard to the army of 1816?

Do not say—This is a trifle! It is in these trifles that this Newomania exists. As some one says—The naga in seric ducunt. Men begin to talk about St. Benedict till they believe in this wonder-worker, and admire "the great founder of Western Monachism."

The same able writer says of "Dunstan—Archbishop"—"If St. Dunstan is to be admired and approved, a Protestant Church is condemned. Neither piety, such as his, nor policy, such as his, can she authorize, without sinning against her own professions."

My excuse for introducing this subject is best made in the following quotation: "Few things are more to be deprecated, as injurious to reasonable and genuine piety, than Superstition, or a squeamish conscientiousness, employing itself upon trifles, and making much ado about obsolete abuses, or forgotten errors, the possible danger thereof arising being scarcely appreciable. It has been by this sort of frivolous solemnity, that individuals and communities have so often forfeited the useful influence in the world which otherwise they might have exerted. A wise and Christian man will make a stir about small things, only when they are actually seen to be used—wedge-like—for introducing great and serious mischiefs."

My inducement for offering these considerations to your readers, rests on the fact—that Saintology revived is the means used, at this day, of introducing great and serious mischiefs."

MIRORS.

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Includes Census of Toronto, Religious Persuasions, and various church affiliations.

We beg leave to draw attention to the notice which has been given, that Sermons will be preached, D. V., next Sunday at the Cathedral and the parochial Chapels, in aid of the Church Society's Fund for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen.

To Correspondents—Received Ch. B.; G. F. B., very gratifying: the paper sent as directed.

Payments Received—Lady Caldwell, No. 131 to 182; Major Temple, No. 96 to 147; J. L. Robinson, Esq., No. 107 to 158; C. B. No. 117 to 168; Capt. Bayfield, R. N., No. 79 to 156; Dr. Kelly, R. N., No. 124 to 175; G. F. Bowen, Esq., No. 98 to 201.

Local and Political Intelligence.

NAVAL ENCOURAGEMENT.—Two circulars have just been issued by the Admiralty, showing a disposition on the part of the Government to encourage the naval department of the public service.

FLIGHT OF ISSUERS.—A singular phenomenon has occurred at Leves, in Sussex. During the day a heavy murky atmosphere prevailed. About two o'clock a small but thick and dark cloud was discernible, hanging, as it were, around the fin at the top of the old castle tower.

THE AGRICULTURAL PLANT.—A report was lately read to the Paris Academy, by M. Boussingault, in the name of a committee appointed to examine a paper by M. Gondot, on the nature of the plant Aracacha, and the possibility of introducing it into Europe.

The Earl Cathcart, a new Propeller built at Amherstburgh, during the Summer, by Messrs. Parks & Company and others, arrived here this morning from Toronto, with a large miscellaneous freight, equal to 8,000 bushels wheat, and several cabin passengers. She drew 7 feet 9 inches.

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QUICK SAILING.—The barque Grampus, of this port, of 400 tons, left Stony Creek on Monday night last, heavily loaded with Square Timber, for the foot of Long Island, 20 miles below Kingston, at a distance of 240 miles, and arrived there on the evening of the following day, at 7 o'clock, making the distance in less than 25 hours!

On Thursday evening last, a sad disaster (of a kind hitherto unknown on Canadian waters) occurred to the Lord Spynham mail steamer, while on her route to Montreal. Shortly after leaving Port St. Francis, the starboard engine was stopped, to adjust some defect in the machinery; while the engineer was engaged in this duty, an explosion took place, by which the top of the furnace was blown down, the induction-pipe severed, and a great portion of the boiling water and steam in consequence found its way on the deck, severely scalding several persons of the crew and passengers.

The above is a plain statement of the melancholy occurrence, as it is represented in the different versions which have been published; and shows a sad loss of life, with much suffering to the survivors; but the only wonder is that the victims were so few. It is to be hoped that a strict examination will take place as to the real cause of the explosion; the safety of the travelling community demands an investigation; and the interests of all parties will be advanced by the truth being known.

The Cross erected at the peak of Rowville Mountain by the Bishop of Nancy, which was so conspicuous an object, visible on the passage up and down the St. Lawrence, was overturned by the storm of Wednesday night, last week.

Reports have of late been published by different papers, that the appointment of Col. Plomer Young as Adjutant General of Militia, and of Major de Rotterdam as Deputy, recently made by His Excellency the Governor General, had been disallowed by Her Majesty's Government.

The Official Gazette contains His Excellency's proclamation by which a reward of £50 is offered

for the apprehension, or information leading to the apprehension of the parties who made a daring attack upon J. H. Evans, Esq., a merchant of Montreal, on the 7th instant, in broad day-light and in the immediate vicinity of the city of Montreal.

A correspondence appears in last night's Gazette which makes us acquainted with the gratifying fact that ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, Esq., H. M. Notary, has received from a number of shipmasters, engaged in the trade of this port, an address, accompanying a valuable gold watch and chain, as a testimonial of the regard they entertain for him as a friend, and the high estimation they hold him in as an adviser.

On Friday last, 16 prisoners from the Rifle Brigade and 8th Regt., under sentence of a General Court Martial, were sent to Montreal, to be placed in the new Military prison on the island of St. Helen, where military prisoners are for the future to undergo the punishment to which they may have been sentenced.

The same evening the building in the Lower Town, occupied as an Emigrant shed and by persons under the charge of the Relief Committee, had a narrow escape from destruction by fire. A defect in one of the hearths was the cause of the danger.

CASUALTIES.—A man named Basil Pruneau was found drowned in a well in St. Louis Suburbs yesterday morning. The same day an inquest was held on the body of Wm. Thomas, a mariner of the ship Monarch, who was killed by falling accidentally into the hold.

DEATH OF MR. FOX.—The Right Hon. Henry S. Fox, late H. B. M. Ambassador to the United States, died on the 13th inst. in the city of Washington, where he has been residing in a private manner since his recall, some two years ago.

Mr. Fox's age was 65; he was a person of rather eccentric habits, but much esteemed for his personal qualities.

RELIEF COMMITTEE.—The principal business transacted at the stated meeting last Monday was the Rev. P. McMahon's motion, seconded by the Rev. G. Mackie,

"That a further sum of £2000 be taken from the Special Distress Fund and distributed amongst the Clergy of the several denominations, according to the same proportion as the former sum of £2000 was granted by this Committee."

Amendment: "That the sum of £1000 be substituted to that of £2000, and that the balance of the Distress Fund do revert back to the general fund, and be placed at the disposal of the Sub-Committee of Distribution, to be by them paid to those who have any just claim upon the funds at the disposal of the Committee." Carried.

The original motion as amended was then put, and passed in the affirmative.

Port of Quebec.

ARRIVED, AMONG OTHERS:

Oct. 15th. Brig Amelia, Donalds, 22nd Aug. Swansea, Atkinson & Co. coals.

18th. Bark Iona, Wilkie, 13th Aug. Hull, Levey & Co. coals. Capricorn, Bourke, 6th Sept. Liverpool, Gillespie & Co. general. Ship Wm. Dawson, Halwell, 25th Aug. Alloa, A Gilman & Co. coals.

20th. Brig Hebe, Thomson, 19th Aug. Leith, Dougall & Co. general. Bark Rockshire, Evans, 10th Sept. Liverpool, T. Preston, do. 175 pas.

21st. Brig Baron of Bramber, Fliam, 26th Aug. Liverpool, Gillespie & Co. do. Mountain Maid, Weighton, 27th do. Dundee, Gordon & Nicol, coals.

Schr Victoria, Vigneau, 3rd Oct. Halifax, Leaycraft, sugar, &c. 3 pas. MARITIME EXTRACTS.

The wreck of the ship St. Andrew, lying on the Beaufort Shoals, with all her materials, sold for account of the interested, was adjudged to Messrs. Pickersgill, Tibbitts & Co., for £3,650. The sale was very numerously attended, and the bidding animated.

The packet ship Roscius, Eldridge, at New York, reports that on the 20th Sept. in lat 46, 30 N, long 33, 31 W, he fell in with the ship Cromwell, McDougall, master, hence on the 21st Aug., for Liverpool, partially dismasted and water-logged, and in a very distressed condition—took off the Captain and crew, 30 in number. On the 2nd instant Captain E. saw, in lat 45, 10 N, long 45, 16 W, a large bark abandoned—had apparently been hoarded and stripped—main-mast partly gone.

The Robert Stride, on Green Island, and the Cove, on Red Island, both before reported wrecked, have been surveyed and condemned.

Capt. Mason, of the Ship Superior, fell in with the ship Lanark, Firth, master, hence for Liverpool, the 8th ult. She had become water-logged during the gale of the 19th—took off the Captain and crew, 28 in number, and on the 26th, boarded the bark Mary, from Quebec, to Liverpool, and put on board the Captain, mate, carpenter, 3 men, and 4 apprentices of the Lanark; the 2nd mate and 16 men came up to Quebec in the Superior.

The brig Capricorn, reports three vessels ashore at Portneuf—one at Cape Colombar, and one off Basque Island, on the north shore.

The brig Piton, reports having seen the Thomas, of Whitehaven, on the Milleraches Shoals, on the 14th inst. a total wreck.

Bark Victoria, from Plymouth, to Quebec, has put into Sydney, C. B., having been dismasted in the gale of the 19th and 20th ult.

The ship Wm. Dawson, Halwell, spoke, on the 23rd ultimo, the Scotsman, of Alloa, which had that morning saved six men of the Deptford, 3 having been drowned. Three of the six were received on board the Wm. Dawson, in lat 50, 30 long 41. On the 15th instant saw a wreck off-Portneuf drifting down, she had lower masts and bowsprit standing; supposed to be the Bark Hebe, sold for account of the underwriters which was on her way up in tow of the Steamer St. George, when in the gale of the 14th inst, the tow line broke and, the sea washing over her, the party on board had to abandon her.

The bark Springfield, Roy, on the 25th ult. passed the wreck of a brig, in lat 45, 58. On the 26th, passed under the stern of the Emerald, of St. Johns, N. B., water-logged and abandoned, in lat 46, 59, long 28, 10. On the 5th inst, passed a brig dismasted and water-logged, in lat 45, 30, long 53 13. The brig Congress, Sewell, on the 25th ult. spoke the Ann, of Yarmouth, N. S., water-logged and decks swept; took off 4 of her crew, and the bark Lindel of London, took the remainder. On the 24th, passed a vessel called the Kate, water-logged and abandoned.

The ship Burlington, Crawford, at New York, from Liverpool, spoke, on the 23rd Sept., in lat 44, long 32, 30, the Br. ship Jane, from London, bound to Quebec; she had been capsized in the gale of the 19th, had to cut away the masts to right her; having considerable water in the hold, was obliged to throw overboard part of the cargo to lighten the vessel; she was returning to London, or the nearest port.

Capt. Graham, of the schr. Rover, at Halifax on the 5th instant, from P. E. Island, reports that a brig arrived at Charlotte-Town on the 30th ultimo, from St. John's (N. F.) had picked up at sea the captain and crew of the ship Robert Bruce, bound to Quebec dismasted in the late gale; also the captain and crew of the bark Rose, formerly of Halifax, for Quebec, capsized on the Green Bank during the gale of the 19th.

Th ship Victoria, McMahon, consigned to Messrs. J. A. Pirrie & Co., from Belfast, was rendered a complete wreck by the gale of the 19th ult., and was abandoned in a sinking condition; crew all saved.

The Douglas with a general cargo from London, was spoken off Point des Monts on the 14th by the Zealons. She had suffered very much by the gale of the 18th ult., topmasts all gone, foremast gone, bowsprit sprung, jib-boom gone, water started, cargo shifted, boats carried away and the decks completely swept. The Zealons supplied her with a boat. In spite of her disabled state the Douglas was able to make good way with what canvas she could carry, and will probably be up to day or tomorrow.

The Ship St. Andrew, was got off the Beaufort Shoal on Tuesday evening, and has been taken over to Tibbitts' cove, where she will be repaired.

PASSENGERS per Steamship Hibernia, for Liverpool. Hon. J. Stewart; Capt. Hope, Brit. Army; R. Routh, Esq., D. A. G. C.; T. A. Stayner Esq., D. P. M. G., Mrs. Stayner and family, of Montreal.

BIRTHS.

On the 19th instant, Mrs. Thos. Bickell, of a son.

MARRIED.

At Montreal, on the 14th instant, by the Rev. Dr. Bathune, Mr. James Lovell, to Caroline, second daughter of Mr. Jacob Steller, all of that city.

At her father's residence, Elm Cottage, on the 12th instant, by the Rev. Chas. Bancroft, Randolph Routh, Esq., D. A. Com. Gen., to Charlotte, second daughter of Wm. Hall, Esq., Collector of Her Majesty's Customs, Montreal.

QUEBEC MARKETS.

Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 20th Oct., 1846.

Table with 4 columns: Commodity, Unit, Price, and Remarks. Includes Beef, Mutton, Butter, etc.

ENGLISH MAIL.

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

FRESH BERMUDA ARROWROOT.

JUST received and for Sale by the Subscriber, Forty Boxes of Genuine Bermuda Arrowroot. J. W. LEAYCRAFT. Quebec, 21st October, 1846.

JUST RECEIVED—FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBERS.

BEST ENGLISH CHEESE, Cheddar, Berkeley, Gloster and Truckles, —ALSO— Best Silvered and Black Lead. C. & W. WURTELE, St. Paul Street. Quebec, 2nd October, 1846.

FOR SALE, the cargo of Coarse Packing SALT, by the Brig ELIZA, from Trepani, about 200 Tons. J. W. LEAYCRAFT. 2nd Oct. 1846.

FOR SALE.

THE Cargo of the schr. "Attention," KEATING Master, from Guysborough, Nova Scotia; 645 Barrels No. 1 Herring, 38 Quintals Dry Haddock, S Barrels Oil. J. W. LEAYCRAFT. 22nd Sept. 1846.

FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBERS.

A FEW Cases German Woollens ex "Perseverance" from Hamburg—consisting of Ladies' and Children's Caps, of Berlin Wool, Children's Dresses and Seville Cloaks, Gentlemen's and Boy's Caps, Children's Stockings, Socks and Gloves, Muffs and Boas of Berlin Wool, Shawls, Pelterines and Comforters, &c. —ALSO— One Case Egyptian and Cerneax Shawls. C. & W. WURTELE, St. Paul Street. 2nd Sept. 1846.

FOR SALE EX "PERSEVERANCE," FROM HAMBURG.

GERMAN WINDOW GLASS (in half boxes) of all sizes and double thickness, 150 Demijohns, German Seythes, Best German Steel and Spelter. C. & W. WURTELE, St. Paul Street. 25th June, 1846.

SUPERIOR FRESH TEAS.

RECEIVED per Brig "Thomas & William," from London, and for sale by the Subscriber, an assortment of very superior Tea, 30 Chests very fine Twankay, 6 do do Gunpowder, 20 do do Congou. J. W. LEAYCRAFT. 22nd Sept. 1846.

NEW ENGLISH BOOKS.

THE undersigned has just received a large supply of New Books, among which are the following:—

Table with 2 columns: Book Title and Price. Includes The Sacred Treasury, The Christian Souvenir, Pictorial Life of Christ, etc.

Foster on Popular Ignorance, with Life of Luther. Buchanan's Researches, Life of Neff, &c. 1 vol. 8vo. 0 7 6

The Rocky Island, by do. 0 3 4 Bogatsky's Evening Treasury, gilt. 0 2 6 Young Man's Companion, 0 2 6 Wats on the Mind 0 2 0

Book of Family Worship by the Editor of the Sacred Harp, gilt. 0 2 0 Richmond's Annals of the Poor, gilt. 0 2 0 Mrs. HOFLAND'S WORKS, full bound in embossed roan and gilt, each, 0 6 0

Integrity, Young Cadet, Decision, Farewell Tales, Patience, Africa, Energy, Young Pilgrim, Moderation, Alfred Campbell, Reflection, 0 2 0

Mrs. SCHOENBERG'S WORKS, neatly gilt, Pleasant Memories of Pleasant Lands, 0 2 0 Letters to Mothers, 0 2 0 Scenes in my Native Land, 0 2 0

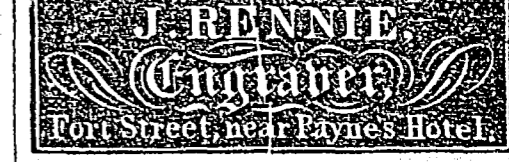
HANNAH MORE'S WORKS, neatly bound, Scripture Stories, 0 2 0 Practical Piety, 0 2 0 Tales for Young Persons, 0 2 0

POETRY. Milton's Works, illustrated, 0 7 6 —Paradise Lost, 0 2 6 Sacred Harmony, neatly bound and gilt, 0 2 0 Poetic Keepsake, silk, gilt, 0 3 0 Sacred Harp, gilt, 0 2 0 Sacred Lyre, silk, gilt, 0 3 0 Harp of Zion, gilt, 0 1 9 Cowper's Poems, gilt, 0 3 0 Heber's Poems, gilt, 0 2 0 Hemen's Songs of the Affections, gilt, 0 2 0 Young's Night Thoughts, gilt, 0 2 0 Christian Lyrics, gilt, 0 3 0

—ALSO— Children's Books in great variety, plain & colord. From one half-penny upwards. GILBERT STANLEY, 4, St. Anne Street. Opposite the Jesuits' Barrack. Quebec, 22d Oct. 1846.

WANTED, A CLASSICAL MASTER, to take charge of a small SCHOOL, a short distance from Montreal. He must be qualified to direct the children in the ordinary branches of a classical and general education. Address (post paid) stating qualifications and references to the Rev. A. B. at the Rev. D. B. PARTNER'S, Montreal.

FOR SALE, At the Book-Store of G. Stanley, No. 4, St. Anne Street. A SERIES OF FAMILY PRAYERS, FOR TWO WEEKS, Selected from various approved manuals, by the Rev. CHARLES BANCROFT, M. A., Minister of St. Thomas' Church, Montreal. Price 7 1/2d. April 28th, 1846.



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