

ber, and by far the largest number (45,531) in the last quarter of the year. Of the marriages, 130,958, or about 5-6ths, were celebrated according to the rites of the Established Church. Of these 8 were by special license, 17,781 by license, 99,406 by banns, 3,351 by registrars' certificates, and 10,412 not specified. Of the 23,248 marriages not celebrated according to the rites of the Established Church, 6,570 were between Catholics, 9,540 between persons of other persuasions, 6,712 at registrars' offices, 65 between Quakers, and 260 between Jews. Births.—The number of males born during the year 1851 was 315,968; the number of females, 300,897—total, 615,865. Deaths.—The total number of deaths during the year 1851 in England was 395,174: of these 200,454 were males, and 195,720 were females.

UNITED STATES.

New York, August 29.—Calder, the Scotchman, charged with forgery, and claimed by the British Government, under the Ashburton treaty, was this day discharged by Judge Edmonds, he having decided that the testimony was not sufficient to sustain the complaint, and that he could not hold him for the purpose of receiving other testimony from England.

The intelligence from New Orleans continues to report the frightful increase of the epidemic. The deaths on the 21st inst. are reported at 315, and on the 22nd at 253, including 265 from fever. In view of the fact that the population of the city is now probably less than 75,000, this is a truly appalling mortality. The entire number of deaths from yellow fever since the epidemic appeared, as we learn from the newspapers and telegraphic reports up to August 23d, has been eight thousand and eighty-eight.

We take the following extract from a private letter, dated New Orleans, 18th August, 1853:

The Sisters of Charity, Priests, Doctors, Nurses, Apothecaries, Undertakers, Cab-drivers, &c., are sorely tasked, and indeed they deserve the thanks of the community and the praises of the world. Four of the Christian Brothers have died, and only one is now left, and he has not yet had the fever. Nearly all the unacclimated Priests have had it and have recovered, or are doing well. Two of the Sisters of charity have died at the Hospital. At the Asylums there have not been many cases, though they are jammed to overflow with the poor orphans who are sent there every hour, and the city has opened temporary Asylums for orphans in various places.

August 18th.—The Christian Brothers are all dead. Their schools are broken up for the time; but the ladies of St. Vincent de Paul have turned it into an Asylum, and the Board of Health is sending all the orphans to them.

The following is an extract from a New Orleans letter:—"People begin to die here in a way that does not resemble the yellow fever. Within a few days many have died in less than twenty-four hours after being taken, and almost immediately after the breath has left the body it has turned spotted, being covered all over with black spots, so that it is supposed that there is some other pestilence among us beside yellow fever. Some think it is the plague—same as was so fatal in Rio Janeiro. It is enough, however, for us to know that from 240 to 250 daily die by the prevailing epidemic. Our cemetery reports of interments by no means include all: many of them are hurried out of the city and die and are buried in the country. I have never before seen so much alarm and confusion about sickness in this city—it rains every day, and a hot sun is stewing us up without raining." The New Orleans Bulletin, in an editorial article upon the ravages of the fever, expresses the opinion that there is nothing favorable in the appearance of the atmosphere, or the general condition of the city, to warrant the slightest hope of an early abatement of the disease, as all parts of the city are scourged with the pestilence. The total number of the interments for the twenty-four hours, ending at six o'clock on the morning of the 23rd, as reported by the Board of Health, was 258.

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