

# Telegraphic News.

London, June 26.  
General Ignatieff, Russian ambassador at Constantinople, will be recalled.  
A despatch to the Times on Saturday says, "Information from usually well-informed quarters represents Serbia will enter the field on Sunday and Montenegro on Monday."

The southern frontier of Montenegro is blockaded by Turks. A new camp has been formed at Sutovina.

The Standard's Vienna despatch asserts that the Russian representative at Belgrade is privately abetting the war party.

England is using her influence to restrain the Prince Milan, who, however, declares it is now too late to resist the tide of events, and his only choice is revolution or war.

Serbia has demanded the abandonment by the Turks of their camp at Netch, and Turkey refused. The powers are again exercising a pressure to induce Serbia to abandon her warlike attitude.

Boston, June 26.  
Sunday was remarkable for extreme heat, violent squalls, thunderstorms of rain and hail over a considerable extent of country. About a dozen sail boats capsized in Boston harbor. No loss of life.

New York, June 26.  
Gold 112 1/2.

FINANCE.—The San Francisco News Letter says, "Stagnation in trade, accompanied by general mistrust, seems to be the rule all over the world, and as a consequence we see an immense accumulation of coin in our money centres. Only gilded securities can be placed, because people prefer investing at low rates of interest than take any chances. How long this state of affairs will last is impossible to foretell. Should peace in Europe be preserved, of which there are grave doubts, should a good harvest be garnered, we might predict a change for the better at the end of this year. The same stagnation and mistrust prevails East with the same result, viz: accumulation of money and no outlet. We are tempted to chronicle that our Pacific coast forms the exception; neither stagnation nor mistrust rule; on the contrary, prosperity and confidence prevail, and with right, because our manufacturing interest is flourishing, our crop prospects are of the brightest, our real estate market healthy, and our financial position one of great ease."

FORGED NOTES.—Referring to the belief that forged notes are frequently passed through banks in Halifax and St. John, and negotiated on the streets, we have been informed that there is little doubt of it; more, that they are sometimes accepted by money lenders with a full knowledge of their fraudulent character. This may appear as strange as it is culpable, but a shrewd reason is given. The drawer of a forged piece of paper knows that the penalty is his doom if the note be not lifted on maturity. He will therefore strain every nerve and leave nothing undone, even to the making of another forged note, to hide his crime. In the case of a legitimate promise to pay, the case is different. The worst that happens in case of inability to retire on maturity, is a notice of insolvency, in which there is nothing criminal in the eyes of the law, else we presume there would not be many insolvents. The bankrupt merely failed to pay his debts, and no stain attaches to him. In the former case, discovery to the forger being imprisonment and branded with the stamp of disgrace. So that it is plain, that if the forger be dealt with cautiously, he is a surer mark than the drawer of an ordinary note. Hence the willingness of lenders to negotiate such paper. They are generally sure of their pay. If, however, this statement is true, and the facts could be established, the dealers should be punished as accessories.—Globe.

Customs Duties on Ships' Repairs.—The Commissioner of Customs, under date of Ottawa, June 6th, instructs Collectors as follows:

"The attention of Collectors is requested to the fact that many Canadian vessels are sent to foreign ports for purposes of repairs, and it is feared that on their return to Canadian ports the collection of duty on the cost of the repairs so made is often evaded. You are therefore reminded that all such expenditures on Canadian vessels in foreign ports are liable to duty at the first port such vessels enter after being so repaired, and the duty is to be levied, not only on the cost of material, but on the value of the labor performed also.

The exceptions to this rule are when a Canadian vessel, on an outward voyage loses spars or sails, or is otherwise damaged so that she must be refitted to enable her to return, or when a vessel is wrecked on a foreign shore and having been repaired and made seaworthy, is returned and registered de novo."

The Halifax Reporter says:—A new organization called the "Dominion Alliance for the suppression of the Liquor Traffic" has been formed. The principal officers are:—President, Hon. Senator Vidal, Sarnia, Ont.; Secretary, Rev. Thomas Gales, Montreal; Treasurer, R. McLean, Toronto. Vice Presidents have been selected to represent all parts of the Dominion. Those representing Nova Scotia chosen so far are: M. H. Gouge, M. P., Windsor; J. T. Bulmer, Bulmer, Halifax; D. C. Fraser and David Marshall, New Glasgow; Thomas M. King, Antigonish. Any prohibitionist

is eligible for membership—the fee being two dollars.

Some of the 500 boys on the British iron clad Caledonian, stationed at Davenport as a training ship, tried to sink the ship the other day because they had been punished. Several feet of water were in the hold before it was discovered. There will be a court of inquiry.

## The Standard.

SAINT ANDREWS, JUNE 28, 1876.

Great preparations are being made in the United States to celebrate what may be termed the "Centennial Fourth of July." Even in the small towns no money or pains are being spared to make Tuesday next, a day long to be pleasantly remembered by our neighbors "over the lines." Philadelphia will be the great point of attraction. Several persons from the Dominion are going or have gone to the Centennial Exposition, and will remain until after the Fourth.

THE QUEBEC BANQUET to the Governor General is reported in the Quebec papers, as one of the best ever given in that ancient city. The members of the Local Government, with the exception of Lt. Governor Caron, were absent, because it is said, they could not drink the toast of "Her Majesty's Ministers for the Dominion of Canada." Surely they could have done so as a general toast, even though they are opposed to the General Government. Their absence, was to say the least, a slight to the Governor General, who from his many good qualities as a thorough statesman, a man of marked ability, and universally respected for his social amenities, is entitled to the respect and esteem of all classes. Besides he is the Queen's representative. What a pity it is that party spirit will lead men to forget themselves as gentlemen.

STILL THEY GO.—During the past few days, a further instalment for the Pacific Slope, left here. Mr. Thomas Sheban and wife, and one or two young men from St. George left on Monday for California. Mr. Leri Handy and family also went to Portland, Me. Can no inducement be held out to these people to remain in the Province? which cannot afford to lose its best mechanics and artisans.

### Steamship Britannic.

The following tribute to an accomplished son of Charlotte County, Capt. Thompson, commodore of the White Star line of Steamships, and of whom we all feel proud, is copied from the New York Herald of the 18th instant:

The passengers on the steamship Britannic, of the White Star line, which arrived at half-past five yesterday morning, have united in paying a handsome tribute to Captain W. H. Thompson, not only for his efficiency as an officer, but his courtesy as a gentleman. Notwithstanding the fact that for some four days the ship was compelled to steam through a dense fog, the speed was safely maintained, and the usual discomforts of a sea voyage avoided. The time was seven days, twelve hours and fourteen minutes. The testimonial is signed by Bishop Littlejohn, and Messrs. C. B. Greenough, ex-Surrogate Hutchings, Count Bodisco, C. Dinmore, E. H. Green, M. H. Sanford, the well known turfite, and indeed all the passengers of the ship.

HANDSOME GARDEN.—Mr. Hipwell has without exception one of the best gardens in St. Andrews, as well as the most advanced; his peas are ready to blossom, the tomatoes, cabbage, onions, carrots, beans, cucumbers, and other vegetables are in a very forward state. Mr. Hipwell is without doubt a good gardener.

THE WESLEYAN CONFERENCE was opened at St. Stephen, on the 22nd inst. The Rev. Robert Duncan, of St. John, was elected President for the ensuing year, and the Rev. Howard Sprague Secretary. A large amount of business connected with the Methodist church was transacted.

We are in receipt of the San Francisco News Letter, one of the ablest conducted journals of the Pacific slope, with a map and finely executed portrait of the Mayor of the city. The paper is conducted on the British plan, and contains a large amount of general information and news.

THE INDIANS in the Western States are on the war path. Only last week they attacked General Crook's command, killed nine and wounded twenty-one soldiers. The general's horse was shot under him.

Saturday next will be Dominion Day. What is to be the programme? Has any

movement been made to celebrate the day? If not, why not.

FIRE AT MOADAM.—The Junction House, Freight Shed, Station House and Electric Telegraph office at McAdam Junction, were destroyed by fire on Friday morning last. The loss is estimated at upwards of \$2,000. Mr. R. McLeod and Miss Haddock kept the Junction House, which was a great convenience to travellers, as excellent meals were furnished at moderate prices. They had \$300 insurance, but their loss would exceed \$1000. It is reported that the fire was accidental. The losses of the Junction House, have rented a building nearly opposite the one destroyed, and will be ready to attend to customers immediately having purchased a new outfit, as the former was burned.

TRUCKY appears to be in a state of anarchy; and the late excesses which took place have madened those who otherwise would have been allies, instead of neutrals. From present appearances there is little hope of European peace, and that Turkey will eventually be blotted from the map of Europe.

INTERNAL.—We have the pleasure again of announcing another of those interesting affairs, which took place on Thursday morning last, at the residence of the bride's father, when, as will be seen by referring to the marriage in this issue a clergyman in presence of a select party of invited guests, tied "that silken knot which unites two willing hearts." The much admired, amiable and esteemed daughter of Mr. James Stevenson, Miss Marion Stevenson, was united to Edward G. Clinch, Esq., of the firm of C. F. Clinch & Sons, Musquash, St. John. To say that Miss Stevenson was a general favorite in St. Andrews, conveys but a faint idea of the estimation she was deservedly held in by those who enjoyed the pleasure of her acquaintance, as the many valuable and costly wedding presents fully attested. St. Andrews is fast losing her fairest daughters, there are but few left, and were we to publish that "list" we alluded to last week it would be seen that other young ladies are to follow the example so worthily set them, by those who have preceded them. The newly married pair left here at ten o'clock, the same morning for their residence at Musquash, accompanied by the best wishes of their many friends for their future happiness and prosperity. The following addresses were presented to Miss Stevenson on the eve of her marriage:

### FROM THE TRUSTEES.

The Trustees of Greenock Presbyterian Church, hearing that Miss Stevenson is about to leave St. Andrews, respectfully present their compliments, and beg her acceptance of the accompanying small present, which they offer, not for its intrinsic worth, but as a testimonial of the high appreciation which they entertain of the valuable services rendered by Miss Stevenson as organist in the public services of the Church.

The Trustees beg to convey to Miss Stevenson, their heartfelt wishes, that she may long enjoy in the new relation of life into which they learn she is about to enter, all that happiness and comfort, to which they feel assured she is so justly entitled.

### FROM THE CHIEF.

MISS STEVENSON: We, the members of Greenock Church Choir, beg your acceptance of the accompanying gift, as a small token of our regard and esteem; and while we regret the severance of the very agreeable connection with you as the organist of our choir, we cannot permit you to leave our midst without expressing our high appreciation of the very pleasing manner in which you have in the past two years presided over our meetings.

Wishing you every happiness in the new sphere in which you are about to enter, with kindest regards, we remain, Yours truly,

Signed by the Members of the Choir.  
June 21, 1876.

As an instance of the "dull times, even in England, the Liverpool Courier states that "the number of magnificent steamships lying idle in Liverpool and Birkenhead docks is unparalleled in the history of commerce, and the probability is that the number will increase instead of diminish. Freight rates are very low, and a large number of seamen are out of employment. In the Dominion, which to some extent feels the wide-spread depression, and money scarce, prices are high, and labour commands a fair equivalent.

Hon. A. H. Gillmor was here for a few hours last week.

Lt. Governor Tilley, with some members of his family, arrived here, on Friday last. Mr. Tilley went to Fredericton on Saturday, but will return here in the course of a fortnight.

CONFIRMATION.—Bishop Seelye, arrived here on Monday last, and administered the right of Confirmation on Tuesday morning. He was accompanied by the venerable James Quinn, P. P., of Milltown.

EUROPEAN NEWS.—A Paris correspondent says: "The Eastern question has been revived through a number of alarming rumors which I only mention to show it would be a mistake to fancy the question is approaching a solution. The insurgents have rejected the armistice

and have refused an interview with Baron Rodich.

Scotland won the International Rifle challenge trophy competed for at Edinburgh, by the Scotch, English and Irish twentys. Scotland scored 1,226; England 1,201; Ireland 1,140.

General William Rose Mansfield is dead. Austria purposes declaring her provinces adjoining Serbia and Herzegovina in a state of siege, in order to check the growing Slavonic agitation. The insurgents did not oppose re-victualing of Nisic, because they received positive orders from Montenegro not to interfere.

### Fredericton Notes.

The bazaar held last week by the ladies of the C. of E. Temperance Society in the Exhibition Building was a great success, the amount realized being over \$1200. The display of goods was large and varied and the articles found a ready sale. Flags and evergreens abounded in the decoration of the building and gave to the interior a very fine appearance. The bazaar concluded on Thursday night with a bonnet-hop, which was largely attended, the splendid music by Bryson's Band rendering it very enjoyable.

Quite an excitement was caused on Friday evening by the appearance of smoke issuing from the hand on the spire of the Methodist church. Both steamers were out in readiness, but their services were not needed, some philosophic individual having discovered that it was only a swarm of flies dancing in the sun. The "phenomenon" was visible again on Saturday evening.

Dominion Day is to be kept as a genuine holiday here. The morning will be devoted to a regatta and military display, and the afternoon will be occupied by a series of sports consisting of foot-races, etc.—the "sublime" and the "ridiculous." The citizens have generously subscribed a sufficient sum for the prizes.

In accordance with Saxby's prediction the atmosphere in this locality has been considerably affected during the past few days. Heavy thunder showers passed over here on Saturday and Sunday nights; in the latter case the flashes of lightning were very vivid. The weather for a week past has been very warm.

Another retirement from President Grant's Cabinet; and this time the most capable and painstaking of all the ministers has gone. The country will learn with regret of the resignation of Mr. Brewster. He has proved himself an able and conscientious Secretary, and had he obtained the nomination for the Presidency, as seemed at one time probable, he would have met with very general approval. The reason alleged for his resignation now is the urgency of private business. It has been gravely conjectured, however, that there has been a want of cordiality for some time between himself and the President.

### The Farmer's Foes.

The terrible pests which have wrought such ruin on the agriculture of whole districts of this country have appeared; and they have commenced their detestable industry with undiminished vigor. A correspondent in Iowa says: "Potato bugs are more numerous this year than they were last;" one in New Jersey reports: "Our State is particularly infested with potato bugs;" and similar accounts from Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York, and Massachusetts have been published in the columns of our contemporaries.

Professor Riley, State entomologist of Missouri, in his valuable report for 1875, states that, although the beetles were very numerous last spring, they became comparatively scarce and harmless, and did not become multiplied till the third brood had developed, by which time the crop was sufficiently matured to be out of danger. He reports that a beetle (lebia atriventris, black-bellied lebia), half an inch long, has been seen to destroy the potato beetles in Maryland, and the common crow has been observed to devour them, and even to dig them out of the ground whither they had retired to hibernate.

Among artificial remedies and preventives, Paris green seems to maintain its lead, and some new facts as to its use have recently been published. The poison can be cheaply manufactured as follows, but much danger will be avoided and trouble saved by buying it already prepared of dealers. Dissolve 2 lbs sulphate of copper in 1 gallon of hot water, in a stone jar. In another jar put 1 lb. white arsenic and 2 lbs. pearlash in 44 lbs. hot water, and stir till dissolved. Mix when needed in the proportion of 1 part of the former to 5 of the latter. Use with a sprinkler. Professor Riley states that the potatoes themselves show no trace of injury from the arsenical poisoning; and he quotes Professor Kedzie to the effect that the soil is uninjured by the use of Paris green. Even water from the soil will not become poisonous unless the Paris green is used in excess of the requirements of insecticidal purposes.

The locusts are now commencing business, and giving by their numbers and activity, some indication of the prospects of the season. See Life American.

In a few days the Democratic National Convention will assemble at St. Louis for the nomination of the Presidential candidates. The results of the Cincinnati Convention, give additional interest to this. It is generally conceded that the nomination at Cincinnati increases the difficulty at St. Louis. A strong ticket will be required to beat Governor Hayes and Mr. Wheeler. In prospect of the Convention an effort is being made to heal the breaches in the Democratic ranks, and to ensure harmony of action. At present the prominent names are those of Tilden, Hendricks, and Bayard; but possibly some combination may take place similar to that at Cincinnati, and an unexpected man step to the front.

### Correspondence.

For the Standard.

Mr. Editor,—I was much pleased to notice the letter of "Nonsectarian" in the last issue of your valuable journal; and it occurred to me whilst perusing it that there are other causes of complaint in connection with the vocal exercises as pursued in the public schools of this town. I might ask, are not the songs and hymns contained in the "Authorized Songster" of a particularly sectarian stamp? the poetry having been enmeshed in many instances by ecclesiastics of the various denominations and being so it surely must be inferred that they convey to the mind of the pupil who sings them an impression, or idea, of the particular Christian belief of their authors. For instance, the hymns entitled "Thou O Jehovah," on page 129; "Thou O Lord art my Shepherd," page 131; "My God Look upon Me," page 142; "Lord for Thy Tender Mercies' Sake," page 145; "Chorus of Angels," page 138; "I will extol Thee," page 139.

This book called "Three-part Song"—one of the parts sacred—is authorized by the Board of Education, and has now been used in the schools of this Province for over three years, so that the teacher who has a penchant for "Moodily and Sankey" hymns is probably not so much blame after all, having the example of the authoritative power in school affairs before her eyes. By all means, Mr. Editor, let us have no innovations or exercises in the schools that will tend to destroy their efficacy or undermine their true nonsectarian character.

ANOTHER NONSECTARIAN.

St. Andrews, June 28th, 1876.

VISITORS are arriving daily at the hotels and private boarding houses. We will publish a weekly list from the registers, if furnished us.

WARNING.—ACADEMIA BANK BILL.—Says the Moncton Times:—Academia Bank bills are no good, the Bank having failed some time ago. We understand that foreign sharpers and blacklegs have been passing these bills in Salisbury, Moncton and other places, and the people should be on their guard against them. Also keep clear of sharpers who sell prize packages by lamp light. It is possible, if not probable, that these swindlers belong to the same company."

The Orangemen of Montreal met and decided not to walk, owing to the adverse feeling among Protestants. They will simply go to Christ's Church Cathedral on the 12th of July, dressed in black and as for an ordinary service.

PERSONAL.—James Macfarlane, Esq., Deputy Inspector of Weights and Measures for St. John Division, has gone to Ottawa on business connected with the enforcement of the new Act. Mr. Macfarlane will return with instructions to enforce the law.—Watchman.

During the thunder storm Sunday morning the Lloyd Hotel was struck by lightning, ten or twelve feet of the front cornice being torn off. The leaves of a tree at the corner of the house where the lightning struck took as though they had been slightly scorched.—News.

A boa constrictor which voluntarily took up his abode on an English ship at Port Natal, and made the voyage to London, completely cleared the vessel of rats and other vermin with which it was swarmed while at Port Natal.

### MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father on Thursday the 22nd inst. by the Rev. T. W. Crawley, EDWARD G. CLINCH, Esq., of the firm C. F. Clinch & Sons, Musquash, St. John, to MARJORIE HELEN, daughter of Mr. JAMES STEVENSON, of St. Andrews.

## Ship News.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

ARRIVED.

June 23, Esther, Maloney, Boston, ballast. Clara, Maloney, Eastport, ballast. 26, Sarah Glass, Glass, Providence, ballast.

27, Jane, Ingersoll, Eastport, four to Beckett & Co., J. R. Bradford, D. Clark.

27, Nettie, Britt, Boston, ballast.

CLEARED.

June 23, R. Ross, Clark, Portsmouth, 4000 sleepers, R. Ross.

26, H. V. Crandall, Maloney, Portsmouth, 3900 sleepers, R. Ross.

Queenstown, June 20, arrd.—Anna P. Odell.

At Rio Janeiro, May 15, lge. Christina.