

ADDENDA.

Since the above was in type, a copy of the *New York Courier and Enquirer*, of the 17th May last, has been furnished to the Executive Committee, containing the following paragraph bearing upon the transmission of the *Vigo's* news by way of Newfoundland :

"Here the Nova Scotia line closed, reporting their line down east of Antigonish.—We are consequently left without any news in relation to the War in Italy, or the first word of Commercial Intelligence. It is suspected that their closing is more for the purpose of depriving the Associated Press of important foreign intelligence than from any break in the line. We trust, for the credit of telegraphing, their story may be confirmed. That their story, however, is not true, and that the War and Commercial news is evidently kept back through design, would seem to be evident from the fact, that what they have telegraphed, they have taken care should not be of the slightest importance, and should not be exactly that for which the whole community is anxiously looking. There are no terms of condemnation too strong to apply to such a transaction. If their story be true, then all we say is, that there is a concentration of stupidity around the heads of the telegraphers at St. John's, thicker than any fog that ever settled around the headlands of Newfoundland."

Our readers may draw their own inference from the style of the above paragraph, as to its writer. Several charges, intended to injure the character of the Nova Scotia lines, have continually appeared in the American newspapers—none of which are based on fact. As to that above quoted, the Executive Committee repudiate the charge contained in it as utterly baseless. Such conduct they leave to men of Mr. Craig's stamp.

And as to the charge going through the New York papers, most probably furnished by the same gentleman, that the Executive Committee of the Nova Scotia Telegraph Company are lending themselves to gamblers and speculators—they repudiate that charge also as utterly untrue. The contract made with the United States Associated Press is *practically* the same as that previously made with the New York Associated Press; and the Nova Scotia Committee are satisfied that no efforts were wanting on the part of their operators to transmit as promptly as the state of the lines permitted the messages above alluded to.

The New York *Daily Tribune*, of 4th June, publishes a portion of the above correspondence, omitting the documents appended to Mr. Cogswell's letter to Mr. Cooper. This portion is prefaced by a letter from Mr. Craig, in which, among other erroneous statements, he says that "there is good reason to believe that the Nova Scotia Company desired to break with us in order that it might more effectually second the efforts of the unscrupulous parties who were striving to break up our foreign news arrangements for their own benefit, and the foregoing letters (alluding to one of the 12th October, 1858,) were seized upon by the Company as a pretext for putting an end to the arrangements with the Association, on the 1st of May of this year."

It was late in November that Mr. Gisborne made his first proposition, and it was not till last April that the Agent of the U. S. Associated