

NEWS ITEMS.

The smallpox is increasing rapidly in Boston, and a sickly season is anticipated.

Mrs. BEECHER STOWE is coming out during the approaching lecture season in America as a public reader of selections from her own works.

A FIRM of opticians at Manchester have presented 1500 pairs of spectacles for distribution to the poor of the work-house.

The Countess of Loudon has replaced the sword of Wallace in Loudon Castle, whence it was taken by the last Marquis of Hastings to England a few years back.

MEXICO is again in confusion—The U. S. Government have imposed a ten per cent discriminative tax on French ships, as retaliation for the policy inaugurated by Thiers.

IMPERATIVE orders (says the Paris correspondent of the "Telegraph") have been given by the French Government for the arrest of Don Carlos, who is supposed to be concealed on the frontier, waiting to put himself at the head of a new outbreak in Spain.

If we may credit the "Dresden Journal," the results of the shooting of the modified needle gun (Aptirtes Zundendelgewehr) have been very extraordinary. A Company of chasseurs at 1200 metres attained an average of 75 per cent, and at 800 metres a company of grenadiers attained the large percentage of 91—that is to say, 182 balls out of 200 fired reached the bull's eye.

This, according to the Pittsburgh "Leader" is the way Greeley talks: "His tone and accent were of the marked Yankee character, speech slow and drawing, each word set out clear, and free from those which preceded it, and which can only be described by stringing the letters of them together with hyphens and two-em dashes between them, thus: 'The—wise—king—s-a-y-s.—there—is—a—t-i-m-e—for—war—a-n-d—a—t-i-m-e—for—p-e-a-c-e.'"

NEWS INDEED.—The following intelligence from the "Courier de France" of the 16th ult. will be new to our Roman Catholic readers: "Monsignor Manning, the English Archbishop, who it is said, is called upon to succeed Pius IX., passed through Paris yesterday on his way to Rome, after having had a short interview with Mgr. Chigi. Mgr. Manning was accompanied by Lord Deburg, recently converted to Catholicism after the manner of Lord Bute."

RESULT OF THE INCREASED COST OF COAL.—It is stated that the high price to which steam coal has been raised in this country has driven one of the leading Steamship Companies trading between Liverpool and New York to transfer their purchases from this country to the other side of the Atlantic. It is affirmed that coal can be put on board at Pictou at 8s. per ton, for which 35s. is charged at Cardiff. Other steam Companies trading from Liverpool have been forced to lay up a number of vessels in consequence of the increased cost of coal having taken away the margin of profit which enabled them to carry on a remunerative trade.

A REMARKABLE instance of tolerance by the human system of the excessive use of tobacco is afforded in the case of Mr. Laes, of Rotterdam. This gentleman, who was known as the "King of Smokers," has just died in his eightieth year, and is said to have consumed during his long life more than four tons of tobacco. The ruling passion was apparent in the will of the deceased, and in his eccentric request that his oak coffin might be lined with the cedar of his old cigar-boxes, and that a box of French corporal and a package of old Dutch tobacco might be placed at its foot, and by the side of his body his favorite pipe, together with matches, flint and steel, and tinder.

EVERY MAN A FISH.—An ingenious Frenchman has invented a species of artificial fins, by the aid of which the swimmer can walk in the water with comparative ease. It is rather strange that of late years inventors desirous of enlarging the sphere of man's locomotion have confined their attention almost exclusively to the air. They have seemed bent upon making man a poor sort of bird, when it would have been much easier to make him a successful fish. Water being a much denser element than air, it follows that it presents fewer difficulties to the man who desires to become amphibious than are presented by the thin air to a man who desires to fly. Why should not man be enabled to walk or run on the water as easily as he does on the land? How to make this possible is a problem which inventors might profitably undertake to solve, and it would seem as though they would be far more likely to succeed in such an effort than in the often-tried attempt to make balloons or artificial wings of any practical value.

It will be remembered that Dickens wrote his stories from month to month; when one number was published he had not written what was required for the next—a method of composition which gives interest to the following incident, related by Mr. Charles Kent:—"Somewhere about the middle of the serial publication of 'David Copperfield,' happening to be out of writing-paper, he sallied forth one morning to get a fresh supply at the stationer's. He was living then in his favourite haunt, at Fort House, in Broadstairs. As he was about to enter the stationer's shop, with the intention of buying the needful writing paper for the purpose of returning home with it, and at once getting to work upon his next number, not one word of which was yet written, he stood aside for a moment at the threshold to allow a lady to pass in before him. He then went on to relate—with a vivid sense still upon him of mingled enjoyment and dismay in the mere recollection—how the next instant he had overheard this strange lady asking the person behind the counter for the new green number. When it was handed to her, 'Oh, this,' said she, 'I have read. I want the next one.' The next one she was thereupon told would be out by the end of the month. 'Listening to this, unrecognised,' he added, in conclusion, 'knowing the purpose for which I was there, and remembering that not one word of the number she was asking for was yet written, for the first and only time in my life I felt—frightened!'"

HAPPY ENGLAND.—The Spanish Consul in London has sent his Government a memoir on England, in which he remarks as surprising the scarcity of places suited to social relaxation, "cafes being almost unknown, and dancing halls maintained chiefly by foreigners and visitors for the season," while the clubs served mainly for the communication of fruitful ideas, for the development of industry, agriculture, and commerce, and for the discussion of the enterprises which promote the wealth, power and prestige of this great nation within and without the United Kingdom.

"Vanity Fair" says that the private claims of the King of Hanover are in the course of settlement, and his Majesty is in treaty for the purchase of a considerable estate in England, where he will probably reside henceforth. He will retain the titular rank of King during his life, but the Crown Prince will only succeed to the title of Duke of Cumberland and Teviotdale.

A paper suit of clothes for 2s is the latest novelty from New York.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF HARBOR GRACE.

ENTERED.  
Oct. 19.—Symmetry, Foxworthy, Halifax, empty barrels—Ridley & Son's.

CLEARED.  
Oct. 19.—William, Bailey, Pernambuco, fish—Punton & Munn.

PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.

ENTERED.  
Oct. 17.—Welcome, Cohen, Halifax, Baine, Johnston & Co.  
Georgina, Bridge, Sydney, LeMessurier & Knight.  
Charlotte, Palfrey, Glace Bay, S. March & Son.

Hibernian, Watts, Liverpool, A. Shea.  
18—Gilbert, Wheaton, Crispey, Cadiz, Bowring Brothers.  
Linda, McDonald, Antigonish, J. & W. Pitts.  
Comet, Cort, Cow Bay, A. Shea.  
Henrietta, Decent, Bermuda, Baine, Johnston & Co.  
Helen Isabel, Ralston, Greenock, Baine Johnston & Co.  
R. McRae, McLean, Baddeck, Clift, Wood & Co.

CLEARED.  
Oct. 16.—Albert Edward, McDonald, Wycocomagh, J. & W. Pitts.  
Gem, Facey, Halifax, W. Grieve & Co.  
17.—Arab, Forest, Glace Bay, Clift, Wood & Co.  
Rein de Prevoyance, Lewis, Sydney, W. & G. Rendell.  
Hibernian, Watts, Halifax, A. Shea.  
Tickler, Curtin, Pictou, J. & W. Pitts.  
18—Fearless, Martin, Pictou, N. Stabb & Sons.  
Lily, Ryan, Sydney, N. Stabb & Sons.  
Restless, Brown, Waterford, W. Grieve & Co.  
Zizine, Wills, Oporto, E. Duder.  
Ernest, Ball, Gibraltar, E. Duder.  
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