

EUROPEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrival of the Africa.

The steamship Africa which left Liverpool on the 3rd, arrived at Halifax on the 13th inst.—We have given a summary of the news from our English papers. Numerous arrests of Fenians in Southern counties in Ireland were made, numbers of them proved to be deserters from the Army.—The Head Centre of Carlow, named Morrissey, had been arrested, and the Vice Centre next to Stephens was also in custody. It was believed that Chief Head Centre Stephens would also be arrested, as information of his being secreted in Dublin, had been given. The following is a brief summary of the

ENGLISH NEWS.

The Board of Trade returns for last year were issued on Monday night. The declared value of the exports of British and Irish produce and manufactures for the year was £169,862,402, as compared with a total of £169,449,053 for the previous year, and £147,692,342 for 1883. The excess of 1885 over 1884 is thus £21,133,449, and over 1883 £19,260,060. The exports for the month of December were £15,030,083, about three millions above the figures for the corresponding month of 1884, but they were half a million less than in the previous month of November.

The army estimates just published may be considered to afford conclusive evidence that the Government does not anticipate war abroad or apprehend serious disturbances within the United Kingdom. If it anticipated either foreign war or serious disturbances in Ireland it would not have taken the present opportunity to reduce the strength of the army.

Mr. Fenwick, who had to seek re-election for Sunderland in consequence of his acceptance of office as a Lord of the Admiralty, was defeated on Wednesday by Mr. Cowlish.

At Tiverton there was a hard fight between the Hon. G. Denman, (one of the old Liberal members for the borough) and Sir J. D. Hay (the expectant First Lord of the Admiralty in the next Tory Administration) for the seat held by Lord Palmerston. The contest resulted in favor of Mr. Denman. The Right Hon. William Moncell (the new Vice-President of the Board of Trade) was on Thursday re-elected for the county of Lincolshire without opposition.

The Right Hon. H. A. Herbert, the member for Kerry county died on Tuesday night. Though he formerly ranked as a Conservative, Mr. Herbert of late worked with the Liberals. He was Chief Secretary for Ireland in 1857-58. The interview on Monday between the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Irish members relative to the land question is said to have been satisfactory.

The Lords of the Treasury have prepared a revised scale of salaries, which will improve the position of officers in the customs and render their promotion, now dreadfully slow, more rapid.

The annual rate of mortality in Liverpool last week was 40 per 1000. In London the rate was 28, in Edinburgh 38, and in Dublin 29 per 1000.

It is stated that the various railway companies in Great Britain have received instructions from the Government that from this time until further orders they must not, under penalty, carry any live cattle along their lines.

PARLIAMENTARY.
In the House of Lords, Earl Granville suggested that some arrangement should be entered into respecting the Cattle Plague Bill (Mr. Hunt's measure). The Government could not recommend the bill to the house, and he (Earl Granville) intended to propose very considerable amendments of it.

In the House of Commons, Sir G. Grey stated that the electoral returns ordered by the Government as data for the intended Reform Bill were not completed. On the motion for going into committee of supply.

In the House of Lords, the Cattle Plague Bill, on the motion of Earl Granville, read a second time, and referred to a select committee.

In the House of Commons, Lord J. Hay, who has been elected for Ripon in room of Sir C. Wood, took the oath and his seat.

The Queen's reply to the address of the house relative to the erection in Westminster Abbey of a monument to the memory of Lord Palmerston was brought up and ordered to lie on the table. In answer to a question, Mr. Stansfeld said the Government had reason to believe in the authenticity of the telegram from India announcing the restitution of the captured guns and termination of the Bhootan expedition.

The Fellow of Colleges Regulation Bill, the object of which is the repeal of certain tests and declarations imposed upon fellows of colleges in the different universities, was also read a second time.

Colonel Williams inquired whether the Government intended to introduce a bill making more stringent the enactments regulating the equipments, loading, and manning of vessels carrying passengers.

The appointment of the Prince Imperial, a mere child, to the honorary presidency of the Universal Exhibition of 1887, is regarded by many Parisians as a most ridiculous proceeding.

The "Times" says—It is understood that the Horse Guards have determined upon strengthening the depot battalions of the infantry in Ireland, and that they will shortly be augmented by the addition of several of the English and Indian depots now attached to the battalions in England.

It is believed that Prince Alfred will not take command of a ship for at least twelve months to come, and when he does so his first commission will most likely be in a frigate of the Galatea class.

The Volunteers have mounted guard at Fort Howe, St. John and all the different mili-

tary stations, warehouses, etc., are now guarded.

Mr. R. T. Babbitt, of Upper Gagetown while returning from the city on Saturday night with his two horses and a load of molasses, sugar, etc., fell through the ice near Gagetown, and lost his horses, load, etc., with difficulty saving his own life. The loss is very heavy, the horses alone being worth at least £100.

TELEGRAPHIC.

FREDERICTON, March 16.

A Bill to incorporate the St. Andrews Friendly Society passed in Committee. In conversation in reference to the protection of the Province from raiders, Attorney General stated that the agents in the employ of the Government were most vigilant, and reported no apparent danger in any quarter apparent, but action would be taken in House to-day.

House passed unanimously resolution in reply to Message from his Excellency, placing whole Revenue of the Province at disposal of Government for defence purposes.

McMillan replied to Attorney General on Want of Confidence motion, asking if Government did not intend to bring in measure of Union, embracing Representation by population; to which the Attorney General replied that he had no such intention, but would have no objection even to Representation by Population if it embraced check to secure safety of Nova-Branswick.

McMillan said Government had not confidence of country and was not worthy support of House.

Smith said Government offered to meet Canadian Government in Conference on new Scheme, but Brown declined.

March 17.

The Bill to alter the polling places in the Parish of Hampden agreed to.

Progress made in Bill to incorporate Provincial Mining Company, and Bill referred to special Committee.

Mr. Cudlip introduced a Bill to incorporate Intercolonial Telegraph Company.

Mr. Troop a Bill to amend and add to sec. 15, chap 28, Revised Statutes.

Bill to place roads in Sunbury, Queen's Northumberland and Gloucester Counties on the Great Road list, brought in by Messrs. Perley, Sutton and Young.

In reply to Mr. Fraser, the Provincial Secretary stated the Government had received none of Fleming's Survey Reports.

March 19.

The Governor called attention of the Legislature to the Imperial Act, placing cruisers on station at the disposal of the Provincial Governments.

A Bill to incorporate the Fredericton Railway Company agreed to.

Mr. Otty spoke on the Want of Confidence debate, justifying the course of Government, and expressing willingness to support a fair and equitable Union Scheme.

March 20.

Anglin introduced a Bill authorizing the Caledonia Mining Company to wind up its affairs.

Mr. Wymore a Bill to incorporate the people's Street Railway Company, St. John.

Mr. Otty presented a petition for an alteration in the Bill for the extension of Water Street St. John.

NEW YORK, March 16.

A special despatch, dated Quebec, Canada West, to-day has the following:—

"The excitement has nearly disappeared in the interior towns, but rages on the frontier in all its force. Volunteers are still being organized. Reports are current of arrests in Lower Canada for treason. At all points on the frontier there is a skirmish line extending many miles."

"The organ of the Irishmen speaks of the difficulty of getting volunteers. Some volunteers have been brought up to the mark by the bayonet, and in several cases have been dragged by the heels from under beds."

The officers of a regiment at Toronto had themselves to perform duty as sentries, and last week three privates were flogged and sent to prison for expressing Fenian sentiments."

Gold 130½.

March 17.

There is no news of importance to-day.

Gold 130½.

NEW YORK, March 18.

A Montreal despatch says I am informed by an officer of the Royal Engineers that orders were sent to England five weeks ago for ten thousand troops. They will land at Halifax, and march from thence to New Brunswick where the vulnerable point is feared to be.

These troops are expected in ten days, and on their arrival it is considered, will be safe.

Gold 130½.

Boston, Mar. 19.

Germania, Southampton dates to 7th instant, has arrived.

In the House of Commons, March 5, Mr. Gladstone said Reform Bill would be read on the 12th inst. It will only apply to England and Wales. He hoped then to state the course he taken relating to Scotland.

The sum of £5,362,000 had been voted for the army.

The Princess Helena Annuity Bill had passed.

Prince Alfred's Annuity Bill was committed pro forma.

The Princess Helena's marriage with Prince Christian will take place July 9th, at Windsor.

Reports from all parts of the Canadian frontier state that everything passed off quietly on St. Patrick's Day.

Gold—128½.

HALIFAX, March 19.

Great excitement here.

Startling rumors afloat.

The Royal and Provincial artillery are manning all the forts.

Proclamation issued, calling out Militia.

Arms and ammunition to be distributed to them to-day.

Engineers very busy since Friday, day and night.

St. Patrick's Day passed off with the usual ceremonies.

No disturbances.

PORTLAND, March 20th.

Peruvian with Liverpool dates to the 9th has arrived.

The House of Commons on the 7th, the annual Bill for the abolition of Church rates was debated.

The Bill was passed to a second reading by 285 to 252.

Fenian affairs are unchanged.

The Dublin Evening Mail says the number of prisoners committed in Dublin since the suspension of the Writ of Habeas Corpus, is 172.

The Prussian Government has dispatched to Vienna a summons in respect to Holstein, which is as peremptory in its tone as in its demands.

Bismarck is ready to face war and its consequences.

Breadstuffs very dull, except corn advancing.

Consols 86½ a 3. 5-20's 70½ a 2.

[By Telegraph to Standard.]

ST. JOHN, March 20.

NEW YORK, March 20. I. M.—Tribune has rumor that 5,000 O'Mahony Fenians left for parts unknown within ten days. [Had they the funds of their Irish Republic with them?] Sweeney and his regiment of Lancers to raid on Canada. Sweeney's army stated to be 50,000. [Do they serve for nothing and find themselves?]

Gold 128.

FREDERICTON, March 20.—Wilmot spoke against and Hatheway for Government, on Want of Confidence motion.

Bill empowering Government to procure Vessels and raise 200 men for naval defence of Province, agreed to in committee.

The Standard.

ST. ANDREWS, MARCH 21, 1886.

The Non-Confidence debate has exhibited some facts which are sufficient to justify its supporters in their course, and clever as the replies have been, and skillful the parries and to the house, the people, confident and anti-confederates were not prepared to hear the admissions made by the leader of the Government,—for he is the man his party look up to, as its members are simply local politicians and not much even at that. We said the people were not prepared to hear that the Government knew since September that the Export duty law had expired; and still less that our present rulers, elected to oppose Confederation to the death—and as late as August last wrote the Colonial Secretary that they were opposed to any closer political union with Canada, were now "prepared to consider any scheme of Union that would be for the welfare of the Province."

What will anti-confederates think now?—Is there not a tacit admission that the PROVINCES WILL BE UNITED, and the old cry of "we are well enough as we are—we don't want to sell ourselves to Canada," be wiped from the political card of the Anti's.

O what a change—what a come down—what a dodge to retain power; even an increase in the Council representation will be accepted; and the Quebec Scheme with this slight alteration. Is it probable that the constituents of the Province will tamely submit to such political thimble rigging? The object is too apparent, viz—to keep such men as S. L. Tilley, J. H. Gray, J. M. Johnston and others, who inaugurated the measure, and risked place and emolument to benefit the Province and people—out of the Councils of the country. It is to be feared, that there are some of those characters in the Province described by Dickens as—"political cheap-jacks," who promise a great deal to obtain a seat in the Assembly, and to retain their seats, will, like the weather cock, turn just as the wind blows; and the breeze now is strongly impregnated with Confederation spices! hence the change.

But as honorable men elected to oppose Confederation, they cannot with any pretension to consistency, bring forward a measure of Union without first appealing to the people.

An Industrial and Manufacturing Association has been formed in Nova Scotia, for the purpose of fostering and developing those interests in that Province, and it is added, that this is only the first step towards a thorough organization throughout British North America.

The abrogation of the Reciprocity Treaty has effected a complete change in the position and sentiments of many individuals who would otherwise still advocate free Trade, but are wise enough to perceive, that the only remedy for the loss of Reciprocity, is Free Trade among the Provinces and Protection from without.

The constitution and rules for the government of the Association were adopted, and the committee through their chairman, reported resolutions, which were discussed, voted on separately, and unanimously adopted.

The Sixth Annual Report of the Board of Agriculture has been sent us by the Secretary, Jas. G. Jevons, Esq. It appears to have been compiled with great care, and contains returns from the Agricultural Societies of the Province—Essays, useful information to the Farmers, and also suggestions as to a Model Farm. We will refer to this admirable report in a future number.

The ARMOY for January and February is received from Strahan & Co., Montreal.

These numbers contain the cream of literature; and are much preferable to the trashy Magazines published in the States, besides being exceedingly cheap \$1.75 per annum. For sale by the news vendors.

Will the publishers please send us the December number.

There appears at last a spark of life in the Militia authorities, and the Government.—Col. Willis has been placed in charge of the 1st Battn. C. C. Militia and Volunteers, and we learn that the Rifle Company (Volunteers) called out for active service on pay.

Capt. James' company of Home Guards will now be filled up without any delay, and we understand, they have an assurance that they will not be compelled to serve under Col. Boyd, who is represented so unpopular in the Battalion that the Commander in Chief has deemed it necessary to appoint Col. Willis to its temporary command. What an anomaly in Militia affairs the 1st Charlotte presents.

Capt. Phéasant's Volunteers and Capt. James' Home Guards, taking their orders from and reporting to the Commander in Chief direct.

Capt. Osburn's Battery of Artillery is attached and reports to Col. Foster of the N. B. Regt. at St. John! Where in the whole Province is there another instance of such disorganization in a Battalion? None. It is plain therefore that the so-called "new spur" is given to the Battn., confidence will be restored, and militia efficiency promoted. Such a step should be taken without delay, as the reports sent to Head Quarters amply testify.

The only move carried by the Legislature since its formation worthy of note, was "placing at the disposal of His Excellency the resources of the Province for the protection of the country."

St. Patrick's Day passed off here in an unusually quiet manner. Not even the hard working man had his heart warmed by a "swig of mountain dew." It was too quiet by half.

The Legislative Council, by a large majority passed an Amendment to the Address, affirming in plain language that a Union of the Colonies will cement us more closely to the Parent country, and promote the best interests of our Province.

[From the Halifax Citizen, March 13.]

The Mines of Nova Scotia.

The Report of the Commissioners of Mines for the twelve months ending 30th September, contains some valuable information on the gold, iron and coal mines of the Province, of which we give a condensed summary below.

The report reviews the state of affairs at the different gold fields in succession. Operations at the OVEN'S district have been nominal, but it is probable that mining will be resumed there in a short time with profit. At RENFREW there was a slight falling off in the returns; but this was caused by the almost unprecedented drought of the summer, in consequence of which the mills could not be kept at work. The same cause has affected the returns, to some extent, from every other gold district. At OLDHAM there has also been an apparent falling off, owing to the same cause, but the prospects of the district are very favorable, and the year's operations show a large increase in the yield of gold per man employed, as compared with 1884. Operations at the WAVERLY mines have been attended with marked success. At TANGIER there is a marked improvement. SHERBROOKE has more than maintained its previously established reputation, some new mines have been opened in this district on newly discovered quartz lodes which have proved exceedingly profitable.

At WINE HARBOR there has been a falling off in the number of men employed, but the yield of gold per man has been higher than ever before, reaching the amount of \$946.80 for every man employed—the highest average yet attained in any district. At ISAAC'S HARBOR the average result of the year's operations was about the same as for the preceding twelve months. At WAGAMATCOOK and UPPER MUSQUODBOIT very little has been done, owing to the want of roads by which to gain access to the auriferous districts. Discoveries of auriferous quartz have been made during the year at Unnack, Stewiacke, Dartmouth, Chetacoak, Head of Margaret's Bay, and several other places; and in most of these places claims have been taken out and mining commenced with fair prospects of success.

The average yield per ton of gold crushed for the year, shows an increase of about five per cent over the preceding twelve months. But the yield of gold per man is still more satisfactory and conclusive as to the value of the gold mines of the Province, amounting for the year to an average of \$664.80 for every man employed, being equal to \$2 13c per man per day.

Among the passengers by the "New Brunswick" last evening, was the Right Honourable the Earl of Gosford, a young nobleman, who is en route for Fredericton, on a visit to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor—[Globe.]

The weather has been variable for the last few days. Snow commenced falling early this morning, from present appearances we are likely to have an old fashioned snow storm, which will make good sleighing. "Winter still lingers in the lap of spring."

NOTICE.

On the 18th inst., by the Rev. G. W. Tuttle, Mr. W. H. Williamson, to Miss Elizabeth Gibson, daughter of Mr. George Gibson, all of this town.

On the 12th inst., by the Rev. John Ross, Mr. Robert Linton, to Mary Ann Elkington, both of Parish of St. Andrews.

On the 14th inst., by the Rev. John Ross, Mr. Reuben Haddock, to Mary Jane Heenan, both of the Parish of St. Andrews.

DECEASED.

On the 7th inst., Mrs. Anna Boyd, widow of the late William Boyd, aged 76 years, a native of Halifax.

On the 14th Feb. at 7 Charlotteville Mall, North Strand, Dublin, Harriet Buck, widow of Robert Andrew Buck, deceased, formerly solicitor of this city, at the advanced age of 85 years, to the inexpressible grief of her sons. She was beloved by all who knew her, and is deeply regretted. [The deceased was mother of our townsman, W. M. Buck, Esq.]

NOTICE.

WHEREAS my wife Sarah Jane, has left her bed and board without any just cause of provocation, I hereby forbid all persons trusting her on my account, as I will not pay any debts of her contracting.

St. Andrews, March 10. JAS. R. McCURDY.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any demands against the estate of the late Elizabeth Townshend, of Chamcook, are requested to present the same duly attested within three months from this date; and all those indebted are requested to make immediate payment to JOHN TOWNSHEND, Administrator.

March 14, 1886.

Meeting of Courts.

The Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Charlotte, will be held at the Court House, on Tuesday the 16th day of April next, at 12 o'clock, noon.

At which time and place all Magistrates, Coroners, and Constables of said County, and all persons required to be at those Courts, are hereby publicly notified to give their attendance.

ALEX. T. PAUL, Sheriff of Charlotte.

March 7, 1886.

TO LET.

THE Store occupied by Christopher Hatch—Possession given 1st April.

The Store and house occupied by Mr. Carsten. Store occupied by Mrs. McVay.

March 7. Apply to A. G. BERRY.

Music Books Lost.

WITHIN a few weeks, a Lady dropped out of a sleigh on Edward street, near the Standard Office, a Dukinier and an old Scotch edition of Sacred Music. The finder will be suitably rewarded, on leaving them at the Standard Printing Office, Feb. 28.

CRUSHED SUGAR & ALCOHOL.

Ex "Harriet" from Boston.

10 BLS Refined Crushed Sugar, 6 Puncheons Alcohol 95 per cent O. P. 5 Kegs Saleratus.

Feb. 21st 1886. J. W. STREET.

NOTICE.

A CALL of Ten per cent is hereby made upon the Shareholders in the

St. Andrews Rural Cemetery Company, payable at the Office of the Treasurer within 30 days from this date. Notice is also given that the Stock List lies at the Treasurer's Office, and is open for additional subscribers.

By order of the Directors.

ALEX. T. PAUL, Secy & Treasurer.

Feb. 21.

New Molasses.

To arrive from Halifax via St. John.

10 BLS choice Cienfuegos Molasses, 4 Puncheons Demerara Rum, 40 O. P. &c.

Feb. 21, 1886. J. W. STREET.

Herrings.

20 H ALE Bbls. Supr. Winter Caught Herrings.

12 Bbls. Grand Manan Do.

Feb. 21, 1886. J. W. STREET.

NEW BRUNSWICK HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

THE following was adopted as one of the Standing Rules of the House in the Session of 1862:—

"That no Bill of a private nature shall be received by the House after the fourteenth day from the opening of the Session, both inclusive; and that the Clerk of the House do, one month previous to the meeting of the Legislature, cause fifty copies of this Rule to be sent to each of the Clerks of the Peace in the several Counties, for distribution, and cause the same to be inserted in the Royal Gazette, and two Newspapers in such County where Newspapers are published."

CHAS. F. WETMORE, CLERK.

Feb 13

Molasses, Ginger Wine, &c.

JANUARY 17, 1886.

Just Received:

10 Hbls. Demerara Molasses, 2 Casks Ginger Cordial, 14 Cases Pale and Dark Brandy, &c. &c.

J. W. STREET.

NOTICE.

PICKED up at the Swallow on the 16th ult. A small twelve feet long, painted light the owner can have by proving expenses.

JON/

Grand Manan, Jan. 17, 18

WAR.

First quality White & Blued from Southern Cotton.

J. L. St. Andrews, Jan. 9, 1886

Molasses &c.

Just received

12 Pons. Cienfuegos Molasses 1 Hbls choice Barbadoes

J. W. Oct. 26th, 1885.</