Mental Rest.

When a locomotive is under full headway it cannot be safely stopped in a momen so when the nervous energy of the human system has been acting on the brain under a "full head" for an hour or more, as in the performance of the most harrowing tragedy, or in the delivery of an impassionate ad dress, or in the execution of some momentous surgical operation, it is not safe to arrest instantly the ourgoing of that power the collar slips and moves on the leather through the brain; the fact is, it is not pos- and not on the shoulder of the horse. Chafsible if the performers just named were ing is caused by the friction, hence you see carried direct from the theatre of their op-erations to a prison or vacant room, and were so bound that bodil motion was impossible, against the air, and sleep would be impossible, except as the result of sheer exhaustion; even then it would not bring its natural renovation; the tragedian, in spite of himself, would go over his part; the orator would rehearse his sentences; the advocate would join together again his points and the minister repeat his weighty appeals; and the surgeon perform again his terrible operations, all in the mind, vainly, and with the almost invariable acompaniment disagreeable and wearing—to wit, measuring the effects which might have resulted from certain variations in their performances, the surgeon would think that his operations might have been sooner performed, or would have a more favorable recovery if he had done this, that, or the other thing which he had not done; the clergy man will have his conscience touched by the reflection that if he had applied another text of Scripture, or presented another line of argument, or had summoned a desper feeling of the heart, this discourse would have made a more lasting impression, and might have eventuated in more ineffaceable convictions. In one sease these are vain thoughts; they increase the exhaustion attendant on the previous retual labors and are altogether unprofitable. The greatest ludy tragedinne of modern times, Rachel. after an exciting performance, would go home, and although past midnight, would sometimes spend an hour or more removing the furniture from one room into another, and in arranging it, as if it were to remain for some months, as a means of calming the mental excitement, so that she could go to sleep; the philosophy of the matter was that the nervous energy was diverted from the brain, and compelled, in a measure, to pass out of the system through muscular action, while the mental exercise necessary was such as to engage a different portion of the brain altogether, allowing those organs opportunity of quiescence, which had been so lately exercised to an unwonted degree. Our clerical readers know it often happens that Sunday night is the worst night for sleep in the week, especially for those lazy and improvident and unsystematic "unfortunates, who put off their preparations for the Sabbath, thus profaning holy time, in the feeling that the end sanctifies the means, or that it is perfectly legitimate labor, for getting that it is an unnecessary labor as it might and ought to have been in proper work-days. As we were saying, clergymen sometimes cannot get to sleep for hours after preaching at night; let such take a lesson from the above recital, and instead of going to bed as soon as they get home let tlem perform some muscular movements with the end above named in view; or that be not practicable at times, they should divert the current of nervous energy from usually exercised, to the consideration subjects which will employ other organs This may be done by reading a number of short articles on every variety of subject and by various authors, such as we have strung together in the preceding pages. This is very much on the same principal that one set of muscles are rested by the exercise of another set, which allows them to be quiescent.

There are times to all when the most industrious are utterly indisposed to do a single hand's turn, when the most diligent readers and thinkers lose the power of concentration, and would entirely fail to inter est the mind in reading the most exciting history; neither can they go to sleep, which indeed would be the very best thing they could do; and then again, in times of great calamity, or trouble, or despondency, which unfortunately come to all, sooner later, it will answer an excellent purpose to lengthened thought, which require no mental effort to take in; even in these cases the reading may sometimes be almost mechani- of the foot. cal, yet every now and then a paragraph will be met with which will compel attenness, or its profundity. Some of our weekly exchanges are valuable in this regard, by having half a column or so of miscellauies brevities, jottings down, &c.; those afford the means of mental diversion, recreation and rest, which are of great value in connection with the subject on hand. When a man "don't feel like doing a single thing," he is in danger because he is very apt, under such sircumstances, to dawdle or mope about and do nothing, the very state find, and is sure to take advantage of,

"For Satan finds some mischief still For idle hands to do.

as an unequalled Isaac Watt has written. rather than allow perfect idleness under any circumstances read the newspaper with its short and varied articles, even its advertisements, or even an antiquated scrap book. as a healthful mental diversion, recreation, and rest under the circumstances adverted to. To the Christian beart, to that happiest of human kind who can receive with an unquestioning confidence and childlike trust all that the Bible says, the Psalms of David and the Proverbs of Solomon are of incalculable value in this connection; they make the body forget its weariness, they bring comfort to the desponding, cheer to the broken hearted, courage to the fallen. and faith and rest and hope and happiness to all. - Hall's Journal of Health.

of Peru; supplement with all the sweapings about the stiffest clay that a fox hunter would not care about crossing, plant thickly with the "snags" or stumps of recently cut down trees, and scatter pools of water at frequent but irregular intervals, and the result in members of the stimp with the result give you a faint notion of the mud in which the army of the Potomac were liveraged.

A student actacle in one pool: the cabinet, and the thirty-nine members of Upper Canada who oppose him are ignored. Will anyone deny that it is upposed right and left, destroying the rederral feet, or the most important portion of the members of Upper Canada who oppose him are ignored. Will anyone deny that it is Upper Canada subjection and Lower Canada down trees, and scatter pools of water at frequent but irregular intervals, and the result might give you a faint notion of the mud in which the army of the Potomac were living less than a fortnight since. The mud of the dilatoriness and overcaution attributed to Cen. McClellan. How could any General without a hundred thousand pairs General without a hundred thousand pairs of seven-league boots, move an army through such mud? The soil was just practicable for horses, and under great show of leverage and good driving for ambulances; but for the passage of field artillery, to say nothing of heavy guns, it was simply impos-

Sin has a great many tools; but a lie is a publishers also by ha all their paper rags.

Chafing under the Collar. A gentleman who has tried the plan suc chaing ander the collar; —He says he gots a piece of leather and has what he terms a false collar made, which is simply a piece of the field which the Lord God had made."

It is needless to say that his deductions

OBSTINATE JUROR .- A novel mode of bringing an obstinate juror to his senses was adopted recently at Santa Crus, He held out against the other eleven, who had promptly agreed upon a verdiet of guilty. an hour of argument with no avail, it was at last proposed that the jury should return a verdict of "guilty, by eleven jurymen, who believe the other to be a confederate of the prisoner, and as great a rascal." This end-ed it. The obstinute juror saw twenty vigiance committees in his mind's eye, and ave minutes the jury unanimously returned a verdiet of guilty.

WHOSE OX WAS GORED ?- Here is amusing example of the difference between whose ox was gored by whose bull. Claremont (N. H.) Eagle says that a wallet maker in a neighboring town, an there was in the habit of reading the daily paper aloud to his friends. Reuding the rio aloud to his friends, news from New York, he stopped and said: "Glad of it, hope they will oppose the draft through the whole country." Next day reading of the riot in Boston, he stopped and said: "Good! glad of it." The next day reading the particulars of the destruction of property in New York, he read of a store eing broken into, he stopped short, and said: that is the store where my wallets are sold. I want to know if there is not power enough in the Government of New York stop a mob !?

A PLEASANT PRINCELY VISIT.—On the visit of the Prince of Wales to Dean Clough Mills, (says an English exchange), a pleas ing incident occurred in the vast chamber filled with a congregation of girls busy at their work. As the Prince entered, no more notice was taken of him than of any other individual. The girls drove their trade, and fixed their threads most uncon cernedly, but from end to end of the room a song was heard, passed from machine to machine, and spreading around the machinery—heard everywhere—perceptibly coming from nowhere. It was Brinley Richard's ong, "God bless the Prince of Wales." The effect of this subdued but perfect harmony. amidst all the bustle and life of the busy cene, was extremely touching, and was highly relished by the Prince and his com-

TEN FRIENDS .- "I wish I'd good friends o help me on in life!" cried lazy Dennis,

his master. "I'm sure I've not half so many, and those tha: I have are too poor to help me.

"Count thumbs and all." added the

"I have-there are ten." said the lad "Then never say that you have not ten good friends, able to help you on in life. Try what those true friends can do before you go grumbling and fretting because you do not get help from others.

What is the difference between forms

vantage, and opened a law office in mond. Va. A perpoise is always better able to blow than to fight.

divert the mind and rest it by reading a in London. They are like shoes, "rights whose enferced exit from office was hailed which fell 13½ at the first, 21 at the second variety of short articles, which require no and lefts," straight to the extremity of the great toe,

child's mind is nothing better than a sheet tion more or less; sometimes from its incon of letter paper; so mind, its address in gruity, its oddity, its fun, its ridiculous after-life will depend entirely upon the way in which you direct it .- Punch

always full of quotations, was asked, a few for Lower Canada; Mr. Galt is back to his said he, "he is quoted at eighty, but there is every prospect he will reach par, and pos- with this hopeful trio brought back to be Assembly. Following the example of the sibly be at a premium."

A child is never happy from having its own way. Decide for him, and he has but one thing to do; put him to please himself, mind which the great adversary delights to and he is troubled with everything and sat- the restoration of the corruptionist dynasty? troller has paid to all the State creditors, isfied with nothing.

The Andaman Islands must afford great attractions to those disposed to settle down than a thick covering of soft mud, which is put on regularly every evening, to protect them against the bites of mos juitoes, ticks, and other tormentors."

and two calves.

one firm and sweet temper, which controls aid of a minority in Upper Canada, propose without seeming to dictate. The essence of all fine breeding is in the gift of concilia-VIRGINIAN MUD.—Sala the English correspondent, gives the following sketch of Virginian mud:—Take all the sewerage virginian mud:—Take all the sewerage is in danger of forfeiting them all. A rude manner renders its owner always liable to manner renders its owner always liable to that is to be collected at the low level outlet, add the top-dresting of all the guano islands affront. He is never without dignity who foreshadowing a repetition of former insoavoids wounding the dignity of others.

of Cheapside and Holborn Valley after a three days' rain, and amalgamate with about the stiffest clay that a fox hunter he has narrowed his base till the centre of

"What is virtue? His simple and admirable reply was, "Virtue consists in doing your duty, in the several relations that we sustain, in respect to ourselves, and to our fellow-men, and to God, as known from rea by any party of honest men whether Consersitive Harbor, and will commend the commendation."

Baing our the Rags.—They are searce and high now, the paper makers say, and so they put up their prices terribly—higher than over before, with a single exception. The good housekeeper will consult her own interest, and that of publishers also by hunting up and selling all their paper rags.

Takives or Reformers. Its injustice and inexpedience a

vessel in her apron, entered a grocery store the other day and bought a pound of coffee. Removing the lid she dropped the coffee into said vessel, replacing the lid and was about to pay for it, when she discovered the half forgetter to being her approximately the limit has been seen as the so bound that bodil motion was impossible, the mind would run in ceaseless circles over the mind would run in ceaseless circles over the performances, would be vainly striking the performances, would be impossible impossible piece of leather, like that composing the outto have her honesty suspected, she said she side of a collar, without any lining or stuffing the mind would leave her purchase till she went home would leave her purchase till she went home and got her money, and accordingly set her crockery on the counter where it remained until the grocer thought something must be wrong, and on removing the lid, he found there was no bottom in the vessel, and of course the woman had gone off with the coffee in her apron.

NewYork city has a church for every three thousand inhabitants; a grocery for every

It would be a bad thing for a child to get a wasp in his mouth, but he can't even say his alphabet without gerting A B in it. Large license is accorded to beauty. Every woman can venture to be saucy she pleases but not if she displeases.

Mr. Smithers, how can you sleep The sun has been up these two dark while I'm up till after midnight." A London surgeon, it is said, lately put a

a piece of skull, inserted a watch crystal

through which he can see the changes in

the brain produced by sleep. A vender of hoops was recently extelling his wares in presence of eustomer's husband beautiful skirts," said the storekeeper 'Well, of course not," dryly replied the husshould be within them

Werald

CARLETON PLACE.

Wednesday, April 27th, 1864.

The Ministerial elections are not yet a The very fact of being in office, and in a hand, gives a prestige to candidates which they would not otherwise possess; and the promises of money and other advantages some of the constituencies, are well calculated to hide a multitude of sins. There is nothing so potent as money to blind people, or what has the same effect, cause them to shut their eyes.

very little importance to their election, be- and wealth were compelled to sacrifice largely ty in the House.

made themselves s) notoriously corrupt.

fact, which is not su-ceptible of misappre- upon the market, and, in many instances, siegers; and at Sonderburg in Denmark, the hension, that it is the old coalition back sacrificed, in order that their holders might Prussians fired, without notice, upon an inand ceremonies? You sit on forms, stand into power. It is not a Conservative Gov- realize from their sales sufficient to make Fat Humphrey Marshall has thrown aside untainted by former administrative acts, mense mass of stock upon the market caused adverted to in a speech by President Linhis sword, which he never used to any ad- It is plainly and simply a renewal of the a decline in even the most stable securities, Stockings to "suit the feet" are now sold incompetency disgusted the province, and reached. As instances, we cite Fort Wayne with rejoicing by even their party friends. board, and 16 outside; Erie old 61 at the while the outer is rounded off to the shape We appeal to honest, intelligent, Conserva- first and 62 at the second board; Hudson tives, themselves, if they were not pleased River, 23; Reading, 19; Illinois Central, ADVICE TO PARENTS .- Recollect the when they heard of the overthrow of that 231; Cleveland and Pittsburg, 17; Rock administration?

Mr. John A. McDonald ranks as the Upper have been the effect upon other securities PA AT PAR .- A broker whose mind was Canada leader; Mr. Cartier is the leader old post in the finance department; and towards repudiation, in the N. Y. State the dispensers of government favors and Senate, they have voted to pay the interest to a simple life. A writer on that region Coalition as long as it endured. They de- curities of the State have deservedly mainsays that "both sexes have no other clothing vised and engineered its plans. And they tained a high reputation in the money marwill be the ruling spirits of the present or ket. The alteration dictated by the Legisganization.

tence upon the same. Lower Canada is distion will go into effect. In families well ordered there is always again dominant. Its majority, with the lence and aggression. Twenty-four of Mr.

As we have before said, we trust th ment meets on the 3rd of May. The ar-

Waterloo and Er. Bowman elected, by a golden opinions and is reaping a large har- who may be travelling in the direction of ment. We are not amongst those who sym- the explosion on board the ship "Lotty pathine with him if indeed, there be any Sleigh," at Liverpeol. It appears that all false collar made, which is simply a piece of leather out in a shape as to lie singly be tween the shoulders of the horse and the collar. This fends off all the friction, as suffered to any that his deductions who is. Such recreases of principle, as he has lately shifted, cannot find a resumption, and the condition of their policies, for that, Reform uents. Not be

a Conservative has he been defeated at the cussion to buildings insured in the company polls, but became, for the sake of office, he sold himself to the Cartier-Macdonald party, the stockholders-a regular skinflint-sued have his constituents condemned him as un- the directors for diverting the Company's fit to be trusted as their representative in funds unnecessarily and unwarrantably in the House of Amembly. We have, frequently, protested against the constant abilling and double-shuffling

of offices ; and what is worse, the constant shuffling of primarples by the men who hold them. It is d ditable and disgraceful tolerated; and it is highly pleasing that the electors of North Waterloo have set an example worth of imitation.

his deserved panishment be a warning to public men. By his own act he has, for-ever, stript himself of every shred of confito him as a public man. by any party of politicians whatever. His dog to sleep with chloroform, and taking out onstant boast for years was that he had stuck fast to the Reform party from his eradle and would do so to the grave, that he would never submit, for a day, to see Upper Canada ruled by a Lower Canada majority, and that he losthed and despised the Cartier-McDonald Coalition." In one band, who was something of a wag, "she day he has trampled under foot every one of these pretensions. From miserable per sonal spleen, he deserted the Reform party at the very moment when his vote might have established them in power; and now bribed by a paltry office, he has gone over to the Tories unaccompanied by a single Reformer

And this bribe he has accepted from the hands of the very men who ruled Upper Canada for years, continually and systematically, by a Lower Canada majority; and against whom, for doing so, Mr. Foley's fierce invectives have been systematically position to dispense favors with a liberal levelled! Bribed by this paltry office, he not only forgets all the past injustice of these men to Upper Canada, but he has actually joined them for the express purpose of repeating what they did before-aye, an which have been so liberally held out to doing it in defiance of an Upper Canada majority larger by far than ever stood rang-

A regular panie was created in Wall street

one day last week, by the partial contraction of some of the banking business. It is said However, we are inclined to attribute that houses of the most undoubted stability our representative institutions. over a dozen others succumbed to the im- influences of war; but instances are daily We can scarcely believe that any honest mense pressure brought against them; and forcing themselves upon the attention of the stocks, over 100,000 shares of which, repre- the Federal newspapers, the negro garrison What is the use of trying to hide the senting over \$15,000,000, were thrown were put to the sword by the victorious be ernment, with members uncommitted and good inevitable losses otherwise. This im-Cartier-Macdonald government-a revival and with the crash all went down, some to of the ministry whose career of waste and a figure which has not heretofore been Island, 112. These are the most prominent The present Government is the same, stocks, and their decline shows what must less favourably known.

Another step seems to have been taken government patronage, is there any difficulty, of the state debt in "greenbacks" instead of judging by their antecedents, in realising gold. Up to the present the State comp-We think not. The three gentlemen we foreign and domestic, their interest in coin, have named were the life and soul of the and it is said that in consequence the selature amounts to repudiation to the extent But, that we have the genuine Cartier- of the difference between the value of gold Connecticut is celebrated for its basswood McDonald Government may be further prov- and the depreciated paper money, and as hams, but Massachusetts is rather ahead on ud from its sectional characteristics. Our such will cause Insternation among the spruce veal. For a Deputy Sheriff in one readers will not have forgotten, that the foreign holders of State bonds. Unless of its towns posted up the following notice: readers will not have forgotten, that the foreign holders of State bonds. Unless—"Taken on execution and will be sold by iniquities of the old Coalition were perpe- Governor Seymour vetoes the measure, the auction on the 24th, one express wagon, one-individual half of a lot of spruce logs estimated to make forty-five feet of boards

The present Coalition depends for its exis-

The war news, this week, is decidedly in favor of the South. Following hard upon the battle at Shreveport, in which the Federal forces were completely routed and severely beaten, there is another victory for the South at Plymouth, the particulars of which we publish in another column. A steam ram seems to have got excited and pushed right and left, destroying the Fede-

estand that Sergeant-Major Conway, has been appointed drill fastructor for vatives or Reformers. Its injustice and inex- 2nd of May. Sergeant Isom has received we may add that we think he carries with Ryan's, of Alice township, died a few days

MR. Formy has been defeated in North | The Royal Insurance Company has won vest of eulogy from the British public for hav- Prescott. Let them call at Campbell's Hoat constituency in parlia- ing paid the losses of its policy holders, by tel, where they will find everything neat, heart ; and we think losses by explosions, whether fire ensue Conservatives, alike, not, On this occasion the Royal Compan decided to override this clause in its policy and paid for the damages caused by the con

But this was not the end of it. One this direction; charging that it was obligatory upon them to administer the con pany's affairs solely in the interest of the stockholders. After a full argument of the case, the Vice-Chancellor decided that the deed of settlement of the Company gave the directors full power to place a liberal con struction upon the rules of the Company, and the conditions and stipulations of its policies. The stingy-souled plaintiff was Let Mr. Folers apostacy of principle and therefore cast in his suit, with the added cold comfort of being mulcted in the costs. The result of this trial has created quite a The result of this trial has created quite a Horse-scealing is one of the most prevalent and one of the most ingeniously managed of the Company has gained largely by being just. The same principle was pursued by the management here towards the policy bolders injured by the explosion at the Government Laboratory in Quebec

> The election in the Cataragui Division was appointed for Monday and Tuesday of this week, and we are sorry to see that the friends of Mr. Campbell are resorting to the Isaac Buchanan in Hamilton. The Tory papers are representing to the electors of the back townships, that "it will be of immense advantage to them to have Mr. Campbell. as Commissioner of Crown Lands, to represent them." What do they mean? duty faithfully, he will act the unworthy partizan and use the power, with which he is intrusted, for the peculiar benefit of his supporters in the back townships, at the expense of the rest of the province? If this be what they mean he is no better than Mr. Buchanan, and they are both dangerous men to preside over the interest of the country in any department of the Government, The settlers in the back townships and in the front townships are entitled to fair play and liberal treatment—no matter what their political opinions may be—and we trust enough to spurn with contempt and indignation, such disgraceful attempts to corrupt

> offensive village, killing some eighty women and children. The former affair has been coln, promising retaliation, and vet expressing a doubt as to the propriety of the retaliation man for man, such as is pres upon him by several politicians at Washing ton. Such a description of retaliation would undoubtedly aggravate the nature of the strife. The massacre at Sonderburg, which is a deep disgrace to the Prussian arms, excites as much comment in Europe as the Fort Pillow affair does in America, and i made in the same manner the basis for bitter feeling against the allies. Occurring as it has done, just in the face of the preliminaries of a Conference to effect a peace, the action at Sonderburg has done much to make peace impossible. The act must be remonstrated against by both England and France-perhaps by other powers-and fresh chances of complications, and a widening of the vertex of war. German civilization, of which so much has been said, has suffered in the hands of the Prussian Genwithout giving warning for the removal of the women and children; and Southern dian allies on capture, just as the Southrons have massacred the negro allies of the

onsiderable majority. The following statement shows the close of the poll :-Hamilton township 295 Haldimand 317 South Monaghan " Majority for Cookburn, 416.

We understand that His Excellency the Renfrew. Merchant, to be the Collector of Inland Revenue for the County of Renfrey. in place of George Ross, Esq., deceased,

His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to appoint Henry dellerby. Req., of the Village of Benfrew, Issuer of Marriage Licenses for the District of Ren-

panies which have been under his a piece of egg shall which had been swal-

clean, comfortable, and in tip-top style and the most obliging landlord to he met with anywhere.

Seedtime has come again, and those fresh flower or other sceds, will do well to ead the advertisement of Mr. John Hart who keeps a good supply, of the best kinds, lways on hand.

Dancan A. Holliday, son of Wm. Holliday, of the Township of Bagot, in the Co. of Renfrew, was killed, accidentally, on the 10th instant, on a Saw-log rollway on the Tittihawan River, State of Michigan. Deseased was 25 years of age, and much respected by all who knew him. He lieves many friends in Canada to deplore his loss.

STATES ARMY

A great many broils, outrages, assasana-

tions, are certainly averted by the liquor law. Still the predatory instincts in the scoundrel element of the great army are not so easily conjured away. Thett is common the offences committed. The stables are necessarily constructed in the most al freeco principle; the horses being in most cases merely tethered to trees, and sheltered from the sun by a scrap of canvass here and there or more commonly, by a screen of green boughs. Vigilant as the watch may be, horses, valuable ones sometimes, disaprear horses, valuable ones sometimes, disaprear every night. They are reldom recovered. The charitable mind may put down their absence to the account of the guerillas, select gangs of whom slyly permeating between the lines, are always lurking about the camp unfair and unstatesmanlike policy of Mr after nightfall. But the knowing ones are better informed. There is a cunning under ground railway for the spritting away of llicity annexed horsefish. There is an occult market for the sale of stolen cattle There are always sutlers and inferior em ployees of the commissariat and transport lepartments ab'e to procure permits for the staff. conveyance to Washington of cast or diswe to understand that instead of doing his abled horses. Blitchy up to Brandy then goes the stolen horse; and within a week perhaps, he is again purchased on Govern ment account, and is comfortably feeding in the Government corral, with a view of his being once more despatched to Brandy for the service of the army of the Potomac. Sala's letter.

safety of Dr. Livingstone, the African explorer, who was reported to have been killed by the natives on the Zambesi. The British war sloop Rapid has brought a letter from Bishop Tozer, dated at Murchison Falls (at the Loabo mouth of Zambes river on the 21st of December, which states hat Dr. Livingstone had come back from dy Island. The crew were saved. up the country, and arrived at the fcot of Murchison Falls in November, and they crossed the Prussian frontier in Poland, and intended to come down the river as soon as the water rose sufficiently to let the Maximillian leaves Trieste for Mex It is fearful to think of the demoralizing Pioneer down. Dr. Livingstone and the the 13th. Bishop and theparty were well in health. The mission party also intended to leave the inst. It is believed the demonstration will We can searcely believe that any honest mense pressure brought against them; and party of politicians in Canada desire to see asked time for sixty days in order to balance world. Under the excitement of war, even and would return to England by the Cape. men on the treasury benches, who, in their former administration of public affairs, the principal fall was in railroad and bank barbarism. At Fort Pillow, according to himse These were all the contents of the bique. These were all the contents of the Bishop's letter. ously sustained during the 7th. THE EARTHQUAKE .- This afternoon, beween one and two o'clock a smart shock of on earthquake was felt throughout this city parallel. lasting for several seconds. The houses in

SAFETY OF DR. LIVINGSTONE .- The

last foreign mail settles the question of the

the neighborhood where we were at the time were so violently shaken that all who were in them made their way to the street as quick as possible; and the alarm in every part of the city, we learn, was equally great. We are happy to state that no damage was done, so far as we have heard, except the falling of a few bricks from chimneys. The strong wind from the northwest. The pre-

distribution exclusively in the royal family circle. The Coburg Gazette now announces that Queen Victoria is engaged in writing the Memoirs of her Life and Times, and that this work accounts for her seclusion since Prince Albert's death

FAMINE AT THE CAPE DE VERDES .-FEARFUL STATE OF THE INHABITANTS.— The condition of Brava and St. Thiaga was truly frightful and desperate. The population of the two islands amounts to about seventy thousand, and for this population there were, when the advices left St. Thiag, only sixty bags of rice. But the "Northern soum" they affect to despise, in Brava the case was even worse; there whe, in the war of 1812, massacred our Infearful drouth had overwhelmed both man and beast, and those that were living were subsisting on the bark of the banana tree and the flesh of animals, which, in this country are considered as vermin. Although rain had fallen, the seeds sown in the earth were too much parched to sprout; and although the pastures were becoming green, there were no cattle to feed on them—all had died from want of food and water. Can died from want of food and water. Can correcter calamity? Can no succior Extra, \$4.10 to \$4.15; Fancy, \$4.45 to \$4.55; Extra, \$4.75 to \$4.85; Superior Extra, \$5.20 to \$5.40. Bags, \$2.27\frac{1}{2} to \$2.30.

A woman named Madeline Onofri, has just died in an Asylum at Rome, aged over 122, having been born in November 1742. She retained her intellectual facilities to

The Senate at Washington has passed a bill to amend the Constitution of the Unit-ed States so as to abolish and prohibit davery. The vote stood 38 for and 6 \$13.50.

SARCASTIC .- Avoid argument with ladies In spinning yarns among silks and sating man is sure to be worsted and twisted And when a man is worsted and twisted, he may consider himself wound up.

In view of the large concourse of mir In view of the large concourse of min-ers seeking the Chaudiere gold diggings, we hope the post office department will at once establish a daily mail between Quebec and the gold region, instead of the tri-weekly mail now existing. The junction of the Gil-bert or Derce with the Chaudiere River is indicated as the best distributing point for a new post office. A number of stores for supplying the miners are being erected there by traders from Montreal and Quebec.

We have a word to say to our friends ARRIVAL OF THE AUSTRALASIAN New York, April 20 .- The steamship Australasian, from Liverpool on the 9th via Queenstown on the 10th, arrived at 9:45. Efforts to float the "City of New York"

on the 7th and 8th inst., were ineffectual, Mr. Gladstone presented a favorable Bud get to Parliament. The expenditure was more than a million sterling under the esti mates. The surplus is over two and a Seedtime has some again, and those of quarter millions. He proposes to reduce our readers who are in the want of good the duty on corn from 1s. per quarter to 3d. Mr. Layard, in reply to enquiries, said that English Consuls confirmed the accounts f kidnapping Irishmen in New York and Boston, and Lord Lyons has made repreentations to the United States Govern

> The Attorney-General made explanations as to the commission sent to Egypt, to take evidence as to Laird's rams, and aids the commission was returnable on the 12th of May, when the Crown would proceed with the case with all despatch.

The Canadian line is reinforced by the purchase of the Hammonia, which is rechristened the Belgian. Liverpool, April 9-Breadstuffs:-The sual authorities quote flour very dull and nominal. Wheat inactive. Beef dull and

HORSE STEALING IN THE UNITED wards. Bacon dull and nominal. Butter steady. Sugar active and advancing. Cof-London, April 9.—Breadstuffs quiet and

steady. Sugar active, advanced 1s 6d since the budget. Coffee quiet and declined 1s, Tea quiet and steady, Consols for money 915 to 913.
Bullion in the Bank of England decrease £547,000.

London, Sunday, April 10,-Consols closed after official hours yesterday, at 917 to 92. Provincial securities are very good The Right Hon. C. Cardwell was re-elect ed for Oxford without opposition.

A privy Council was held yesterday a

Downing Street.

Her Majesty came to London yestorday. for the purpose of holding a Court at Buck-ingham Palace.

Mr. Cardwell, in his speech at Oxford, said that he thought the Conference on the Danish question would lead to a satisfactory result, and strongly urged neutrality in the

American war.
Gari baldi visited Portsmouth dockyard to-day. He was received by Admiral Sevmour and Lord William Paulet, and afterwards lunched with the Admiral and his

Placards were issued yesterday by the city police, offering £3,000 reward for infermation respecting certain cases of gold supposed to have arrived in London from San Francisco, forming part of the £25,000 of the treasure in the wreck, supposed to have The steamer Kewbrandt, from Stettin to

Australia, has been captured by a Danish man-of-war, and taken to Copenhagen. The Emperor of Austria has allowed the formation of a corps of 6,900 volunteers and 3,000 sailors for the Empire of Mexico. The Swedish loan was issued this after

noon at $92\frac{1}{2}$. The new steamer Matilda, stated to have been built at Glasgow for the Confederates, and bound from Cardiff for a rebel port, with iron, steel, &c., was totally lost off Lun-

A Polish insurgent detachment had had a sanguinary conflict with the Russians.

be unparalleled. The freedom of London has been voted to him. Lord Palmerston will give him a banquet. The bombardment of Duppel was vigor

The bombardment of Sonderburg recommenced on the 8th with extraordinary The Prussians have completed the second

The Conference meets at London on the All difficulties as to the Mexican Crown are adjusted. Maximilian receives a deputation on the 10th to formally support it, and sails on the 11th or 15th for Mexico. It is asserted that the relations between

France and England are again very friendly tmosphere at the time was clear, with a EARTHOUAKE AT SAN FRANCISCO. strong wind from the northwest. The present shock exceeded in power that which we ably close and "dead." the temperature beexperienced in October, 1860. At Farther Point two shocks were felt at 11 a. m. The and not a breath of wind coming to ruffle shocks were felt at L'Islet at 1:10 p. m., the bay, or wave the flags that hung in pennearly capsizing several of the cars. Two shocks were also felt at Danville.—Montreal At eleven minutes before nine o'clock a low meaning sound was heard coming from the QUEEN VICTORIA ENGAGED IN LITER-earth, and in an instant everything began to rock to and fre, like boats on the bay when ARY PURSUITS.—Queen Victoria, it appears, has literary tastes. In 1834, when she was but sixteen, a small volume of her poems was published in pamphlet form, for wast, or vice versa—there is a conflict of wast, or vice versa—there is a conflict of opinion as to the direction from whence the waves came—the motion continuing from twenty-five to thirty seconds, and the vibration of hanging doors, bells, gas fixtures, mirrors, &c., from the effect of the shock continuing from thirty seconds to a minute longer. People who stood about the wharves assert that immediately following the shocks heavy swells rolled in from the bay, and broke with considerable force upon the wharves. This is probably as heavy an earthquake shock as ever was experienced in San Francisco since its settlement by the Americans. The walls of a number of buildings are reported considerably cracked, and plastering in many places was broken, and in some instances plate glass windows were shivered .— S. F. Bulletin.

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Eggs—Good in demand at 15c per doz.

PORK.—New Mess \$16,00 to \$17.00; Old Mess \$15.50 to \$16; Prime \$12 to

LARD.—Barrels, 81c to 9c; kegs 9c; TALLOW.—Dull; 8c to 81c.
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