

The British Government is said to have determined on granting a Pension of £2000 to Lord Seaton, (Sir John Colborne.)

The papers now say positively that Lord Palmerston and the Dowager Countess Cooper are to make a match of it, but the day was kept secret.

The Thames Tunnel is advancing toward completion, at the rate of 8 feet per week.

The indictment against the new port Chartists, filled two columns and a half of the *London Herald*, close type and wide columns.

The Paris papers again say that Marshal Valce has been dismissed from the chief command in Africa, and that it has been given to General Fiezel.

The dispute between the King of Hanover and his subjects, seems drawing to a crisis. A report being in circulation that the King would dissolve the Assembly of the Estates, several towns have resolved not to elect Deputies to a new Assembly, and among the towns so resolving is Hanover itself, the capital.

There is yet nothing definite respecting the Turco-Egyptian question. The following declaration is said to have been officially made by Reschid Pacha, in answer to the urgent advice of M. Poutois the French Ambassador, who wished the Sultan to accede to the proposals of the Pacha:

"The Porte is resolved to act only in concert with all, or at least the majority of the powers; and in no case to place itself under the influence of a single power, as this would be in direct opposition to its previous declaration."

Accounts from Russia state that conspiracies are rife in every part of the empire, and that in many of them the civil authorities are deeply implicated.

The *Gazette of Leipsic* says, the King of Prussia, by way of reprisals against the Pope, is about modifying the laws on mixed marriages in every part of the monarchy so that all children henceforth born in those marriages shall be educated Protestants.

We are sorry to learn of another heavy failure here yesterday. Within the last few weeks we are in Glasgow alone failures to the extent of between £200,000 and £300,000.

**ASTOUNDING FRAUD.** Great excitement prevailed in the City yesterday, caused by the astounding discovery that false certificates of the stock of the *Bank of Kentucky* to the amount of more than ten thousand shares or upwards of one million of dollars, have been issued by the Cashier of the *Schuykill Bank*, which was the agency of the *Bank of Kentucky* in this city.

The affair is of long standing, but has now only come to light. Various rumours are afloat in relation to it. This transaction inflicts a severe blow upon the character of our city, which has been already too much tarnished by bold and daring frauds. *Philadelphia Paper.*

The spread of *Mathewism* has seriously affected the revenue in those parts of Ireland where it has been introduced. The Excise col-

lection in Cork district is twenty three thousand pounds deficient, compared with the corresponding quarter of last year; and the *Ferry* collection shows a deficiency of eleven thousand pounds, for the same period.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL LORD SEATON, G. C. B.

This gallant nobleman (late Sir J. Colborne) returned to Dover street on Friday, from a visit to Her Majesty. His Lordship was severely wounded in the arm in the *Peninsular* campaign, where he commanded the 52d *Light Infantry*. He was subsequently appointed Lieut. Governor of *Guernsey*, whence he proceeded to command the Forces in *Canada*. His Lordship has two sons the Hon. Lieut. James Colborne, of the 25th Foot, and the Hon. Lieut. Francis Colborne, of the 15th Foot. His Lordship having declined the invitation of the *Merchants of London* to a public dinner, a subscription has been set on foot by the leading mercantile firms in the city, to present this gallant nobleman with a handsome service of plate, as a testimony of esteem for the important services he has rendered in suppressing the *Canadian Rebellion*.

Testimonial to Lord Seaton (Sir J. Colborne.)

At a meeting of merchants and others interested in the welfare of the *British Colonies in North America*, which was held on the 16th December, it was resolved that a subscription be forthwith entered into, for the purpose of presenting a testimonial in Plate, with a suitable inscription, to Lieut. General Lord Seaton, as an acknowledgment of the eminent services rendered by him in his civil and military capacity in *Canada*; and that the following Gentlemen be appointed a Committee to receive subscriptions, with leave to add to their number and that such Committee be authorised to apply the funds raised in such manner and at such time as they shall judge expedient, and to make the necessary arrangements for the presentation of the Plate when completed:—

List of Subscriptions already received from thirty subscribers, £550.

In another column will be found a list of the subscribers to the proposed testimonial to Lord Seaton (late Sir John Colborne.) We are glad to find that the affair is proceeding in a manner worthy of its object. We trust that every person interested in our North American Colonies will mark their sense of the value of Lord Seaton's services by contributing their mite to this fund. *United Service Gazette.*

General Lord Seaton passed through Exeter, on his return to his residence at Lynnham. We understand that in intimation was made to his Lordship, to the effect that if it would be agreeable to his feelings, an address of congratulation would be presented to him in public by the citizens; but the gallant General, with the modesty belonging to true merit, respectfully declined the honor. What a contrast does his Lordship's conduct afford to that of Lord DURHAM! The one having deserted his post, courted the noisy clamours of a mob, to drown the reproaches of his own conscience,

the other declines the public acknowledgment of men of all parties, because his conscience tells him he has DONE HIS DUTY.

At an adjourned meeting, of the *Court of Common Council*, (London) a gold box, of the value of one hundred guineas, including the thanks of the Court, was ordered to be tendered to Lord Seaton, for his conduct in *Canada*.

**London Newspapers.** The number of stamps issued to the *London Times*, from January 5, 1837, to Jan. 5, 1838, was 3,355,000, and in the succeeding year 3,650,000. This last number is equal to an average of 11,660 for each publishing day. The number of the *Morning Herald*, in 1837, was 2,072,000, and in 1838, 1,925,000. To the *Morning Chronicle*, in 1837, 2,200,000; in 1838, 2,075,000. To the *Morning Post*, in 1837, 797,000, and in 1838, 875,000.

The *Calcutta Theatre* was destroyed by fire in July.

The Queen has ordered three shawls of the Berlin wool to be manufactured for her by the girls of the *Edinburg Asylum* for the blind.

The Pacha of Egypt, by the last accounts, was in excellent health, and had been on a visit to Cairo. The inundation of the Nile had been all that could be wished.

The young Sultan Abdul is getting restive under the detention of his fleet by the grasping viceroy of Egypt, and has addressed a note to the Five Powers to jog their memory and fulfil their promise. Meanwhile Louis Phillip is the backer to Mehemit, and tells him to hold on.

SIGNS OF INTEMPERANCE.

1. If you have set times, days, or places, for indulging yourself in drinking ardent spirits.
2. If you find yourself continually inventing excuses for drinking, or avail yourself of every little catch and circumstance among your companions to bring out a "treat."
3. If you find the desire of strong drink returning daily, and at stated hours.
4. If you drink in secret, because you are unwilling your friends or the world should know how much you drink.
5. If you are accustomed to drink, when opportunities present, as much as you can bear without public tokens of inebriation.
6. If you find yourself always irritated when efforts are made to suppress intemperance, and moved, by some instinctive impulse to make opposition.
7. Redness of eyes, with a full red countenance, and tremor of the hand, especially when connected with irritability, petulance, and violent temper.

ARDENT SPIRITS DOES NOT PROMOTE HEALTH OR STRENGTH.—If Ardent Spirits be necessary to Health and activity; how did the world get along without it for FORTY EIGHT HUNDRED YEARS? How could the Roman soldiery withstand the frightful onset of Hannibal, with nothing to drink stronger than vinegar and water? Take a soldier

of the present day, clothe him with heavy Roman armor, and give him the plume and short sword, weapons which "conquered the world;" and it will soon appear what blessings we have derived from alcohol. The modern Achilles cripples under his load, unable to raise from the ground the instrument with which he is to meet his foe.

The preparations in France for reinforcing the army in Africa were actively pursuing.

Henry Philip Hone, Esq. uncle to the M. P. for Gloucester, who died lately, has left one of the finest collections of diamonds and precious stones ever possessed by any private individual. It is valued at £150,000.

We are sorry to announce that an old established house in Leeds has suspended payment. By this unlooked for circumstance 700 hands will be thrown out of employment in Leeds, and about the same number in their establishment near Lancaster.

A letter from Alexandria states that "Viceroy had granted two Englishmen, Messrs. Joyce and Hill, authority to establish steam boats on the Nile.

On Saturday last, two persons by the name of Livingston, Palmer, and Hiram Munn, were arrested in this city by order of the Executive Council, and committed to gaol, on a charge of conspiracy against the established government of the province. In Palmer's valise, there were several blank military commissions found, signed, it is said, by John Montgomery, of Rochester. We understand that Palmer is an American, from Ann Harbor, in the State of Michigan; Munn was born in Scarborough, in this Province, and resided for some time in the neighbourhood, of Streetville, having married the daughter of Stevens, an innkeeper there. Palmer and Munn are committed for further examination.

Mr. Reuben A. Parker, brother of John G. Parker, was arrested on Sunday, and is now in gaol, on suspicion; and on Monday night, two persons from Whitby were brought in and lodged in gaol, on a like charge. Their names are, Achais Moody Fairwell, and Wm. Fairwell.—They are brothers. We understand the authorities are in pursuit of some others. We have since learned, that Parker and the two Fairwells were before the Executive for examination yesterday, and were afterwards discharged.—*British Colonist*, Jan. 15.

In addition to the pittance so justly conferred on His Excellency Sir John Colborne, we understand from private sources, that the Whig Ministry have thought proper to accompany it with a pension of £2,000 per annum for three lives, which we hope may be very, very long, for to that gallant General the empire is deeply indebted, and this act of justice towards him, like an Oasis in a desert, is a bright spot in Whig misrule. We learn also from a slip in the *Brighton Gazette*, that a meeting of Merchants was to take place on the 6th December—to consider the subject of presenting his Lordship with a service of Plate, as a token of their sense of the value of his long services.—*Toronto Patriot.*

The Star.

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DOWNING-STREET.

9th March 1840

Sir,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 8, of the 30th January, transmitting copy of the Address presented to you by the Council of Newfoundland, containing the answer of that body to the charges which had been advanced against them by the House of Assembly in their Address to the Queen, of the 10th October last.

I would, in the first place, remark in reward to this controversy which has unfortunately sprung up between the Council and Assembly of Newfoundland, that I disclaim, on the