

European Intelligence.

NEW YORK, April 8, 1854.

FURTHER DECLINE IN FLOUR.

The steamship Europa, arrived this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Czar's reply was not officially received. Eastern affairs remained unchanged.

Flour had declined 2s per bbl. Wheat 6d. Corn dull. Provisions active.

The Sarah Sands arrived at Liverpool on 24th.

The steamship Cambria left Liverpool on the 24th for Kingston to ship more troops for the East.

From Omar Pacha's camp on the Danube, nothing received, except that there was continued skirmishing with the outposts at Kala-fat.

An English and French frigate have gone to destroy the Russian Stockade at the mouth of the Danube—this will probably be the commencement of hostilities.

DARIEN EXPEDITION.

We are sorry to find that the three exploring expeditions, English, French and American, unite in considering the construction of a canal across the Isthmus of Darien an impracticable undertaking.

The accounts, given us by travellers of this country differ so much from one another and from the statements of the exploring parties, that we might almost suppose they had never seen the country they describe.

Baron Von Humboldt and Mr. Stephens resided a considerable time in this part of America, and in the course of their scientific researches became intimately acquainted with the greater portion of it.

Their widely circulated works had given rise to the belief, both in Europe and America, that the union of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans might be effected without much difficulty by means of a canal across the Isthmus since nature by a chain of lakes, had given her powerful assistance for more than two thirds of the distance.

The exploring parties bitterly complain of the want of accuracy in the statements of those who profess to have preceded them on this route. They report that the height of ground is far greater than has been stated, and that the interior of the country is traversed by deep gorges, and presents insuperable obstacles to the undertaking.

All the information that has as yet been published on the subject of the survey has been obtained, (we believe,) from private sources, for no official report has yet been made. The great importance of the enterprise in a commercial point of view, to the world in general, and to North America, especially, would make us hope that the difficulties of the undertaking have been exaggerated.—[Quebec Chronicle.]

THE COLONIES ASKED TO PAY A PART OF THE COST OF THE TURKISH WAR.

Lord Elgin, it will be seen by our columns, propagated the doctrine in the House of Lords, that Canada, from his knowledge of it, would be ready to pay her share of the expense of the Turkish war. If he had not consented to the *Rebellion Losses Bill*, he might have said so with some show of propriety. But it was too late for him to say so now. The question, however, of asking colonists to share in the cost of wars they neither advise nor exercise and control over—that they are not in the Imperial Parliament to discuss, nor in the Imperial Government to bring to an end—is far too important to be disposed of in a paragraph, or for Lord Elgin to dismiss in a few well rounded, but not very forcible sentences.—[Toronto Colonist.]

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

We observe, by the Boston papers, that a special Committee has been appointed by the Massachusetts Legislature, to "collect all the facts and statistics possible, as to effect of the abolition of the death penalty and make a full report at the next meeting of the Legislature."

The Board of Education of New York have under consideration a resolution providing for the entire abolition of corporal punishment, in certain of their public schools.

EXPORTS.

The following quantities of our staple articles were exported from this port to Great Britain during the three months ending the 5th instant:—Deals, 19,965,000 feet; Boards and Scantling, 735,000 feet; Spars, 1004; Pine Timber, 8119 tons; Birch Timber, 400 tons.—[Courier.]

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Isaac C. Burpe to be a Coroner in Queen's County, in the room of Ebenezer L. Burpe, resigned.

The following persons are appointed Sheriffs of the several undermentioned Counties for the ensuing year:—

Benj. Wolhaupter, Esq., York,

F. E. Beckwith, Esq., Victoria,

J. F. W. Winslow, Esq., Carleton,

John Hazen, Esq., Sunbury,

M. H. DeVeber, Esq., Queen's,

LeBaron Drury, Esq., King's,

Thomas Jones, Esq., Charlotte,

Thomas Gilbert, Esq., Albert,

Blair Botsford, Esq., Westmorland,

Joseph Wetmore, Esq., Kent,

William A. Black, Esq., Northumberland,

Thos. H. Carman, Esq., Gloucester,

John L. Barberie, Esq., Restigouche.

The above named Sheriffs are required to transmit their Bonds without delay as by law required.

A statue of Daniel Webster is contemplated by his friends in New York.

The most stupendous canal in the world is one in China, which passes over two thousand miles, and to 41 cities—it was commenced in the tenth century.

It is confidently asserted that upwards of £7,000,000 will be realized out of the standing timber in the Eastern Townships for the next ten years.

MATERIAL AID FOR THE TURKS.—The new clipper barque Grape Shot sailed from New York Friday, for Constantinople, having on board ammunition and the "Law" muskets.

THE STANDARD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 1854.

ST. ANDREWS & QUEBEC RAILROAD.

From an advertisement which we have published in our columns for the last two weeks, it will be seen, that the spirited contractors of the Railroad, Messrs. James Sykes & Co., are determined to push forward the work on the line, with all possible speed to Woodstock; and for that purpose are prepared to receive tenders from responsible parties, for the execution in sections, of one to three miles, commencing at the Conkock Dam, the work to include the completion of the road. This will give the residents of the County, and those who may desire it, an opportunity of taking contracts, and by that means, keep the money in the country, which formerly went into the hands of foreigners. We look upon this method, as not only tending to facilitate the work on the Railroad, but a judicious plan on the part of the enterprising parties who have the contract. We have much pleasure in stating, that notwithstanding the heavy snows, and cold weather, during the winter, Messrs. Sykes & Co. kept a large number of men at work on the line.

CANDIDATES.

There is any quantity of Richmonds in the field, for Legislative honours; and there will unquestionably, be a change in the Representation from this County. The constituency are resolved to take time by the forelock,—already there are requisitions numerously and respectfully signed calling upon John McAdam, Esq., to permit himself to be nominated as a candidate to represent this County in the General Assembly. With Mr. McAdam, we have no personal acquaintance, but from what we have heard from parties who know him, we have no hesitation in saying, he possesses the elements required in a good legislator, and will consequently receive that support which will ensure him a seat in the House of Assembly.

The Courier remarking upon the Civic Election held in Saint John on the 4th inst., says:—

"We are satisfied that a large majority of the people were formerly theoretically in favour of the ballot. Now that it has been proved, we are convinced that even the sceptical have given up their doubts, and that it is the universal opinion in this community that vote by ballot should in future be adopted for all elections."

There is yet time for the Legislature to pass the Bill introduced by the Hon. Mr. Brown, with such modifications as may be required; and we trust the difficulties which stand in the way of its being practically carried out at the coming election, will be met boldly and overcome, as may easily be done by men determined to find out the right thing and do it. Those men will deserve the gratitude of the country who introduce and carry through this measure.

A large majority of the people are also of the opinion that vote by ballot should be adopted at all elections; even the disappointed expectants of Office, much as they are chagrined at being defeated, admit that the ballot is the best method of obtaining the independent votes of a constituency. We heartily endorse the Courier's wish, that the Legislature will pass the Hon. Mr. Brown's Election Bill, with such modifications as may be required. By doing so, they will avoid scrutinies, and ensure a true representation from the various constituencies of the Province, which is not always obtained under the viva voce system!

SUPERVISORS OF GREAT ROADS.

From the last Royal Gazette we learn that the following persons have been appointed Supervisors of Great Roads for this County:—Joseph Moore, from Oak Bay to Little Digdegush, David Dow, from Little Digdegush to Eel River. Wm H. Mowat, from Wawaig to the Lower Bridge over the River St. Croix; from St. Andrews to Maguadavic, including the Bridge; from Boix's Farm to the Great Road between Fredericton and St. Stephen. Jeremiah Scott from Dead Water Brook Bridge to St. Stephen, Hugh Matheson & James Pratt, from Maguadavic to Lower Trout Brook Bridge.

The ice in the river St. Croix has taken its departure, and vessels now pass up to St. Stephens and Calais. The steamer James

Porter, made her first trip for the season from Eastport to Calais on Monday last.

CONCERT.

We beg leave to direct attention to the notice of a Concert in another column. The "Quartette Club" is composed of respectable young men, natives of this Town, and we bespeak for them a full house.

The Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, was opened yesterday, (Tuesday). His Worship Judge Chandler, presiding.

We omitted to notice in our last number, that we had received a Circular from the Editor of International Journal, Mr. STILES, in which he recommends that steps be taken to bring the North American Colonies more immediately under the notice of the people in Great Britain, with a view to increase emigration. He also recommends that a lecturer be employed to go through the Mother country describing the Provinces, and showing their encouraging prospects for the emigrant. A capital idea, but one we regret to say, has been rejected by the Assembly during the present Session.

A number of the most respectable Gentlemen have called to see Dewolfe's Museum and relative to the bird they one and all agree that he fully comes up to the description given of him in the show Bill, particularly as to combination of parts.

As to his picture gallery it far surpasses anything of the kind ever got up in Saint Andrews.—Com.

We do hope the Legislature will not think of calling out the Militia this year; all the talk of a Russian or Filibuster invasion of Canada is sheer humbug. People are all so busy, that three-fourths of those called out would pay the fine and attend to their private affairs; and three days' drill can in no case be of the least service in preparing men to be soldiers. Should the time ever come that a militia force would be necessary, one week or one month's hard drill of the young men of the country, as a preparation for actual service, would do more than twenty years of the usual force of what is called militia training.—Courier.

We learn from a gentleman recently from England, that our Railway Contractors are making preparations to go on with our Railways with all speed, and that it is their intention to finish this summer the line between Shediac and the Bend, and that between St. John and Hampton. A number of Mr. Peto's locomotives, we understand, came out in the Middleton.—Id.

[No question Mr. Jackson made these promises, but the people will be better satisfied when they are fulfilled, say by autumn next. Of course the lines above mentioned are no wrong the "new schemes" alluded to in Mr. Jackson's letter.]

Important Changes in Nova Scotia.

The Hon. Joseph Howe has resigned the Provincial Secretaryship of Nova Scotia and his seat in the Executive Council, on assuming the Chief Commissionership of Railways. L. M. Wilkins, Esq., of Windsor, succeeds him as Provincial Secretary. William Young, Esq., has been appointed Attorney General, in the place of Mr. Uniacke, who goes into the Crown Land Department, viz, Mr. Morris, who retires upon a pension. Stewart Campbell, Esq., M. P. for Guysborough, was elected to the Speaker's chair, vacated by Mr. Young, by a vote of 24 to 20—Mr. Johnson strongly condemning his selection by the Government party, in consequence of his having deserted the conservatives.

Mr. Henry is to be Solicitor General, in the room of McDougall, to whom no office appears to be assigned.

The other members of the Railway Board are said to be Hon. Mr. McCully, and Thomas Tobin, Wm. Pryor, Jun., P. M. Cunningham, (of Windsor), and John H. Anderson, Esquires.

Mr. Anand to be Queen's Printer, vice J. S. Thompson, who goes into the Excise Department.

OUR COLONIAL DEFENCES.—Filibustering in the United States.

The American papers state that organizations are going on in New York and elsewhere for the invasion of Canada, in the event of Great Britain being involved in a European war. It appears the invading force is to be composed principally of Irishmen, who are under the tutelage and direction of John Mitchell, who recently made his escape from a penal Colony, and has established a paper called the Citizen at New York.—The Sun thus notices the matter:—

"Sundry exciting rumours are current in regard to movements of the Irish in the United States, with reference to the war just begun between England and Russia. It is reported that a very extensive organization is in progress here among the Irish,—that companies have been formed, and that military exercises are constantly practised, with the intention to stir up and aid in a rebellion in Canada, whenever the condition of affairs in the East shall seem most propitious for such a movement. We have received detailed information of the extent of the organization, the numbers concerned and even the names of the active agents in the arrangement; but under present circumstances we refrain from making it public. It is said that a similar scheme is on foot in Ireland, and that a very large num-

ber of men have been enlisted for the project."

Mr. Mitchell appears to have a penchant for domestic broils, but unless he can fight better than he did in his own country, he need not come to teach the people of these Colonies the science of war. They know better than he does the use of warlike weapons, and the first attempt at invasion will convince him of the truth of this.

The idea is ridiculed by the respectable journals in the United States.

The Philadelphia Sun thinks that Canada can take care of herself, and that if Mitchell and his followers go there they will return with a flea in their ear.

The Halifax Sun is urging upon the attention of the authorities of Nova Scotia the expediency of enrolling the Militia, in case of any hostile demonstration on the part of the United States, which it thinks is not improbable. The editor thinks that there will be no lack of volunteers.

KING'S COLLEGE.

Last week a Bill relating to this institution was brought in and laid on the table of the House.

As it is very short, without being particularly sweet, however, we copy it for the benefit of our readers, and as an instance of the wonderful strides which the march of intellect is taking in this year of grace, 1854.

BE IT ENACTED.

1. That the third section of an Act entitled "An Act for the endowment of King's College at Fredericton, in the Province of New Brunswick and also to make new provision for the establishment and support of Grammar Schools throughout the Province" be, and hereby is repealed.

2. This Act not to come into operation until 1st January next.

Brevity is the soul of wit, and surely as much may be said for it when applied to an Act of Parliament, which within the compass of a few short lines will [when it is passed] destroy the College and ruin the Collegiate School.

We say when it is passed, without any great anxiety on the subject, because though the framers of the Bill seem to ignore the fact others will discover that section 3 of the Act of 1829, which is to be so unceremoniously repealed, grants to the Chancellor, President, and Scholars of King's College, and their successors, the sum of £1100 from the treasury of the Province, provided, says section IV, that his Majesty will be pleased to grant an annual sum of £1000 sterling for the further endowment of said College.

Now it appears to us that so long as this annual endowment of £1000 sterling continues to be paid either from Casual Revenue or from such other branch of the Royal Revenue as may be appointed for that purpose, the Act of 1829 binds the Province to continue the payment of the £1100 which by section III it undertakes to pay.

The grant from the Crown is clearly irrevocable, and will always be applied to the payment of the Principal and Professors.—That from the Province is as clearly contingent upon it.

Should it be discontinued the only real sufferers would be the students and the pupils of the Collegiate School: that is to say all the youth of the Province who seek to obtain a superior education.—Head Quarters.

The tonnage of the port of New York surpasses that of the ports of London and Liverpool combined. That of Boston is about one half that of New York.

Bogus gold dollars are in circulation; they are made of copper, covered with a thin coating of gold. The thickness of the coin is about the same as the genuine one, but it is a little larger in diameter.

Size of Ships.

A merchantile commission house in Boston, in June, 1846, reported, among other facts, "that within thirty years a vessel of 300 tons for foreign voyages was of the largest class; but those now built for the purpose are from 500 to 600 tons." It appears from a statement made to the Harbor Committee, by General Andrews, that the average tonnage of the ships registered in 1850 was 1019 tons; in 1853, 1236. There are now upon the stocks at East Boston two ships of 2000 tons each, and one of 4000 tons.

Discovery in Africa.

Dr. Bath, of the British Expedition to Central Africa, has discovered a magnificent river in the far interior, forming the upper course of the Chadda, a tributary to the Niger, and flowing through the extensive kingdom of Adamawa, the most fertile and beautiful of all the countries visited by the traveller.

In the neighbourhood of Bangor, the average depth of snow has for some days been about two feet, and in the woods, among the lumberers, there is at least, five feet depth of snow. The ice is about two feet deep in the ponds and streams, and remains almost as solid and strong as ever.

MARRIAGES.

On Thursday, 6th April, at St. James's Church, St. John, by the Rev. John Armstrong, Robert Morris Hazen, of Westfield, King's County, eldest son of Robert F. Hazen, Esq., to Mary W. eldest daughter of Alexander Grant, Esq., of Her Majesty's Customs at this place.

DEATHS.

On the 30th ult., Miss Sarah Califf in the 90th year of her age, Daughter of late Doct. J. Califf.

CONCERT

OF VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

On MONDAY EVENING next, the 17th inst., THE ST. ANDREWS QUARTETTE CLUB.

Will have the honor of making their first appearance before the Public, in the TOWN HALL, on which occasion they will sing a number of pleasing melodies, in character as citizens and southern Negroes. Tickets 1s. 3d. each—to be had at the Stores of Messrs. O'Hall & Turner, Little and Chas. O'Hall.

Doors open at half past 7 Performance to commence at 8 o'clock.

St. Andrews, April 11, 1854.

Charlotte County Bank.

3d April, 1854.

THE Annual General Meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank, for the choice of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank on Monday the first day of May next.

H. HATCH, President.

ROOM PAPER.

FOR Sale by the Subscriber 700 rolls of PAPER HANGINGS,

just received by Steamer Eastern City from Boston.

Also, a complete set Harpers Family Library, 158 volumes.

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April 11, 1854.

TO LET.

And Possession given 1st of May.

THAT pleasantly situated and commodious House, corner of Water and Sophia streets, with the garden attached. The House has been recently thoroughly repaired and painted and is well adapted for a private family.

For terms apply to

HUGH MELONEY, Agent.

April 10, 1854.

WANTED.

A BLACKSMITH to work in a SLAUGH & WAGON

factory, constant Employment will be given Winter and Summer, for 2 or 3 years if required.

A large number of waggons on hand for sale of all descriptions, Horse Carbs, Wheelbarrows, &c., &c.

EDWARD STENTIFORD.

St. Andrews, April 8, 1854.

MEETING OF COURTS.

The Courts of General Sessions of the Peace and Common Pleas for the County of Charlotte, will sit at the Court House in St. Andrews, on Tuesday the 11th day of April next, at 12 o'clock.

The Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Nisi Prius for the said County, will be held at the Court House in St. Andrews, on Tuesday the 18th day of April next, at 12 o'clock.

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

By Order of Her Majesty's Justices, THOS. JONES, Sheriff of Charlotte.

St. Andrews, March 29, 1854.

Notice.

THE Undersigned are prepared to receive Tenders from responsible Parties, for the Execution in sections of One and Three Miles, of the Works on the Saint Andrews and Quebec Railway, commencing at Conkock Dam, and continuing to Woodstock. The Work includes clearing the line 100 feet wide, Grading, Ditching, proving and laying Superstructure, Ballasting and Completing Road.

Specifications and conditions to be had at the Office of the Undersigned in Saint Andrews, and the Fredericton Road Station, Dumbarton.

Tenders will be received until 10th May next. JAMES SYKES & CO.

Fredericton Road Station, 8th April, 1854.

TO LET.

A moderate rent—the two Stores, Black Smith shop, and Dwelling House, together with the Wharf belonging to the estate of F. A. Babcock, formerly known as Col. Wiers wharf.

Immediate possession given.

Apply to

WM. BARCOCK, Administrator.

St. Andrews, April 4, 1854.

HOUSE FOR SALE.

BY AUCTION.

ON Saturday next the 22nd day of April next will be sold by Auction—the House and premises in Water St. at present occupied by Mr. John Fitzgerald—nearly opposite the Railroad Hotel.

J. W. STREET.

March 28 1854.

NOTICE.

MISS GILLEY a First Class Local

Teacher, respectfully informs the inhabitants of St. Andrews, that she has opened a School, in the house adjoining Dimock & Wilson's store. Miss G. hopes by a strict attention to the improvement of Pupils, to merit a share of public patronage.

St. Andrews, March 29, 1854.

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