

Telegraphic News.

Ottawa, Sep. 7.
Agent General Jenkins arrived at Quebec and is expected at Ottawa tomorrow.

The Governor General arrived at night. Hon. Mr. Robertson having resigned, it is said the whole Quebec Government has resigned.

The Opposition are not strong enough to form a Government, except a coalition.
London, Sep. 7.
A Congress of old Catholics opened in Friburg, Germany, yesterday.

It is announced that Dollinger had summoned a conference of evangelical Greek and Anglican clergy at Bonn, on 14th inst.

The following dispatch was received here today, dated on board the "Great Eastern," Sep. 6th. We are close to the skillets—going to buoy, and hope to make the final splice today. The cable is in perfect condition.

Mario, the famous tenor, has been arrested in Venice for violation of the press law. His residence has been searched, and he has been taken to Turin for examination.

Berlin, Sep. 7.
A fire in M-iningen destroyed half the place. Loss on buildings, 3,000,000 thalers. Upwards of 700 families homeless, and great destitution among them.

New York, Sep. 7.
The town of Mokelumne Hill, California, was burned on Friday last. Loss \$173,000.

The orders for the movement of troops to maintain order in the South have been completed, and arrests of guilty parties will begin as soon as they reach their stations.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's monster steamship, "City of Peking," arrived in Boston harbor last night.

In a recent battle between the troops and Kiowa and Comanche Indians, growing out of the arrest of a Chief by General Davidson, 9 white men were killed.

Gold 93.

A Healthy Stagnation.

The following feasible and seasonable comments upon the present depression of trade, are copied from a United States exchange, and are worthy of serious consideration. The remarks will apply in some measure to our own Province:

Business men tell us there has not in years been such a depression in trade as the past three months have witnessed, and we suppose it is true. But so far from joining with those who lament this condition of things, we rather rejoice at it, and hail it as a good sign of return to a healthier way of doing business. The truth is, there has been more business done than could find an outlet in proper legitimate channels, there has been much overtrading, and there has been speculation which, with the extended credits that have been so freely given have proved to be a great temptation for launching out in all directions.

We are glad to know, as we do, that there is less of this kind of transaction than there was; and so, too, in the building of railroads not justified by the conditions of the country in which the earnings of the hard working farmer and laborer have been invested only to be totally lost, we do not regret, we rejoice, that such operations have come to a stand still. And with all this energy for the time being suddenly conserved, is it any wonder that every branch of industry feels it, that there is less travel by railway and steamship, less extravagance in living, less vulgar ostentation at our watering places? We Americans need this lesson. We were living too fast. We are living too fast to day. We think, as people, too much of money and too little of cultivation and development of a higher life. As a rule, the wealthy business man of today does not enjoy life. He carries business with him everywhere. He takes it home; he sleeps with it; he thinks of it as he rides out; and when Sunday comes, he takes it with him to church and dreams of it in his bed during the morning.

We must have a change for all this. There are other panics yet to follow if we do not cease this crazy pursuit of money. We are glad to know that there is a healthy reaction from the wild and foolish and wicked manner in which so much of the business of the country has been conducted, and we trust will continue. Better that business should droop a little; better that steamers and ships should wait a little at the wharves, than that we may scrape the bottom off; better that man should have the opportunity of knowing his neighbor; better that he should know more and think more upon the country to which he is going.

THE POLICE OF LONDON.—In London during the year 1873, according to the report of the London Police Board, there was a marked decrease of crime, which is credited to the efficiency of the police force. This does not mean an increase of the force, the additions to which are not at all in proportion to the growth of the city, but to the fact that the members as a rule appear to grow more devoted to their duty. During the year out a body of 9858 men on police duty, only 17 were charged with offences before a magistrate; only 12 of these were convicted; and only two had committed more than minor offences. Of the 47 there were 12 who had served less than two years, while few if any of the number had served over five years. The men selected for police duty are chosen wholly on account of their physical and moral fitness for it, political and other irrelevant considerations having nothing to do with the matter. Candidates are examined by Commissioners of such experience that they are rarely imposed upon. Once appointed, the policeman is sure of permanent employment during good behaviour, and comes to regard his work as a profession to which he gives his life. He is encouraged to faithfulness also by knowing that if incapacitated by injuries received in the performance of duty, or invalid-

ed by long service and old age, he will be retired upon a pension. Last year over 200 men were thus provided for.

LAYING OF THE FIRST RAIL.—One of the most important events in the history of Yarmouth occurred on Wednesday, says the Illustration, when the first Rail of the Western Counties Railway was laid, near Lewis's Wharf. The first spike was driven by G. B. Doane, Esq., President of the company. The rails on hand—500 tons—will be laid in a few days, and, when these are ballasted, we understand a further lot will be forthcoming. The Company have advertised for tenders for sections Nos. 4 and 5, extending from the Yarmouth Co. line to Meteghan, a distance of about 11 miles. This will be put under contract about the 1st of October, and it is expected that the trains will be running to Meteghan—a distance of 30 miles—during next summer.

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ST. ANDREWS.—A SKETCH.—The Patriarch of the "Globe," and we might almost say the Grandfather of the Press in New Brunswick, paid St. Andrews an official M. M. visit last week, and viewed it apparently in all its aspects, commercially, politically, geographically, socially, and to borrow one of his own expressions, "lazily." It is to be regretted that his innocent remarks have been misunderstood by people here, who say they earn their bread and butter, and get it too, by the sweat of their brow. We fear the writer will not be the recipient of any gift from the gentler sex, who are rather severe and outspoken if we can judge their feelings by one fair correspondent's cleverly-written epistle, which we prefer to hold over for the present.

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POWDER.—The "Head Quarters" publishes the following startling item:—"We are informed that a quantity of gunpowder is stored in one of the cellars under the Training and Model Schools, and that a young lad is frequently sent to remove it as required. While the doors are open the children of the school have access to the place, and may at any time be the innocent cause of a serious disaster. This is not a suitable place for the storage of powder, and the persons granting permission to use it as such, should heed this timely warning."

YELLOW FEVER prevails to a fearful extent on vessels arriving at Baltimore from Havana, and a late despatch relates the terrible experience of the brig "H. E. Wheeler," "Castalia," and other vessels.

The War Department is active in its preparations to carry out the President's instructions in regard to the employment of troops to maintain order in the South. The destination of the troops is to be left to the Department Commander. The President is said to be much in earnest in the employment of the military arm of the Government for this work.

One of the latest innovations of fashion at Saratoga is the wearing of bows of ribbon upon most of all toilettes. The new shade of gambrine or Turkish red is much used for them, as also a deep mauve blue, verging on a purple. It is quite en vogue to wear a bow of ribbon upon the top of each sleeve, one at the base of the ruff at the back of the neck, while ribbon of the same color, about two inches wide, is passed around the waist in the place of a sash, and hangs in long loops and ends at the left side. With black and white costumes the effect is pretty.

The sailors saw a comet and were somewhat surprised and alarmed at the appearance. The hands met and appointed a committee to wait upon the commander and ask his opinion of it. They approached him and said: "We want to ask your opinion, your honor." "Well my boys, what is it about?" "We want to inquire about the thing up there." "Now before I answer you let me know what you think of it." Well, your honor, we have talked it all over, and we think it is a star sprung a leak!

The Empress of Austria is said to be the handsomest princess and one of the handsomest women in Europe. This depends a great deal on taste and love of the beautiful.

Two iron clad frigates for Turkey are being built on the Thames.

General Beauregard is President of a New Orleans base ball club.

A late marriage in London was between Mr. Pickle and Miss Union. One more union pickled.

that, all the blood disks likely to be mistaken for those of man being normally smaller, instead of contracting they would have to expand to become conformed to those of human blood. This expansion does not occur, so that the only possible mistake in diagnosis would be to suppose that ox blood were present when man's blood had actually been shed; so that at the worst we might contribute to a criminal's escape, but never to the punishment of an innocent person.

In order to afford a positive demonstration of the facts, Dr. Richardson obtained, from each of two friends, three specimens of blood coats, from the veins of a man, an ox, and a sheep respectively, selected without his knowledge, and by microscopic examination alone, he was able to determine, with perfect accuracy, the origin of each sample. The corpuscles of human blood averaged 1-3439, with a maximum of 1-3174 and a minimum of 1-3636, of an inch; those of the ox blood gave a mean measurement of 1-4662, with a maximum of 1-4347 and a minimum of 1-4874; while those of the sheep's blood afforded a mean of 1-5952, with a maximum of 1-5405 and a minimum of 1-6451 of an inch.

From these and other experiments, Dr. Richardson concludes that, since the red blood globules of the pig, ox, red deer, cat, horse, sheep and goat "are all so much smaller than even the ordinary minimum size of the human red