

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

LONDON, Jan. 20. A new cable in the interest of the French Company, to connect England and Brest, has been successfully laid; the shore end at Southampton, England, was completed last night.

Specie in Bank of England has increased £181,000 during last week.

PARIS, Jan. 21. The French Ministry has declared its intention of proposing that all offences of the Press be tried before a Jury.

PARIS, Jan. 21. A private letter brings a news concerning the loss of the steamer "United Kingdom," which left early in April last for Glasgow.

LONDON, Jan. 22. The Times to-day discusses the French commercial treaty and demonstrates therefrom the need of absolute free trade.

Much anxiety has lately been felt here for the safety of the steamship "Great Eastern," a vessel which arrived yesterday reports that the steamer was spoken 5th of December in the South Atlantic Ocean.

PARIS, Jan. 22. Rochefort's trial was brought to an end to-day. He was convicted and sentenced to six months imprisonment, and to pay a fine of 3,000 francs.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. Prince Arthur left this morning for Washington.

Admiral Farragut has gone to Portland to take charge of the naval ceremonies at the reception of George Peabody's remains.

LONDON, Jan. 23. The Cabinet have resolved on hurrying forward a measure at the next Parliament for the settling of the Irish land question by arranging for a fixed tenure of tenants similar in some respects to the English copyhold system.

The sentence of Rochefort includes deprivation of his political rights, though he remains a Deputy in the Corps Legislatif.

In the Corps Legislatif yesterday, M. Thiers made a great speech denouncing commercial treaties.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23. A member of the Nova Scotia Government in this City has recently held interviews with President Grant and Secretary Fish with a view to conciliatory measures toward that Province for purposes of a closer alliance with the United States.

On account of the approaching session of Parliament, Mr. Gladstone has issued the usual notice to the supporters of the Government in the House, to be in their seats on the 8th of February.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23. Prince Arthur visited the President and both Houses of Congress yesterday, and in the evening there was a dinner-party and reception in his honor at the house of the English Minister.

THE OREGON SUNKEN LAKE.—The greatest natural curiosity known as Sunken Lake is situated in the Cascade Mountains, about 75 miles northeast of Jacksonville, Oregon.

MORE MURDERS.—Under this head one page of last Tuesday's New York World contains accounts of the murder of a wife by her husband, who killed a former wife by striking her in the side with a bottle weighing five pounds; this last one first maltreated with his fists and then stabbed her several times with a pocket knife three inches long; the murder of a man in a liquor saloon by another man who kicked his victim to death; the stabbing of two men by each other in a liquor store; the slaying of a man by another, twice in the head; the cutting of a wife's throat with a razor by her drunken husband; the stabbing of a man with a Bowie knife in the hands of his wife or brother; it is not yet known which.

A vessel from any port putting into St. John on account of stress of weather has to pay a charge fee to the corporation if anchoring in the Bay of Partridge Island. If a vessel which has loaded in the port clears and sails on account of stress of weather has to pay back she is compelled to pay anchorage again. The anchorage is to be levied in April, and this unreasonable law should be repealed before that time.

The "Montreal Gazette" writing of the Riviere du Loup and Woodstock Railway, says:—

"We hope the Government of this Province will take the necessary measures to meet the New Brunswickers at the Province line with a railway of wood and iron, whenever the latter shall open up a mixed route of water and rail, or a complete railway from Woodstock northward to the Boundary. It is a scheme which deserves well of the Government and people of both Provinces. It will open up a country which should be opened up, and will doubtless furnish traffic enough to make an economically constructed line a paying one. But a cheap line—mixed water and wooden rail—will, we believe, in cases be the best until settlements are formed. When they are, and the population becomes dense enough to support it, a better style of railway will be substituted to answer the newly developed needs of the country. Meanwhile both the Provincial Governments have too many claims on their resources to admit of any very large expense here on a costly work. They could do a good deal, perhaps, by grants of land along the route, as their value would be largely enhanced by opening up the communication. We doubt the propriety of any grant by the Dominion Government, either to a mere branch line or colonization road, or to what, built in an expensive manner, must, of course, become a rival to the Intercolonial."

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The weather is still changeable. On Monday night and Tuesday morning, snow fell, sufficient to make good sleighing, but towards evening it commenced raining and the snow has nearly disappeared.

STEWART'S QUARTERLY has been received, it is really a most interesting number and fully sustains the high and justly merited character it has acquired. The articles are carefully prepared and are instructive. The number before us opens with an interesting history of Cape Breton, by J. G. Bourne, then follows twenty one articles, all of them original, in the department of science, criticism, poetry, philology &c, by leading writers in Canada, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and our own Province. How Mr Stewart can supply such an excellent Magazine of 475 pages of choice reading, for \$1 per annum, is surprising; if the letter press is also well executed. It should be taken by every family in the Province.

A COTTON FACTORY FOR HALIFAX.—A meeting, presided over by Sir William Young, and attended by some of the leading merchants of Halifax, was held in that city on Thursday last, to consider a project for the establishing of a cotton factory. It was resolved to form a Company and apply for a charter at the approaching session of the Legislature. The Company is to be formed on the limited liability principle, and the capital stock not less than \$100,000. The Directory of the Company is to consist of not more than five gentlemen, three of whom shall be a quorum.

The New Bishop of Oxford will be entitled with the Bishops of Salisbury, Exeter, Bath and Wells, and Carlisle, who have been consecrated since the prorogation of Parliament, to seats in the House of Lords at the commencement of next session. In consequence of the death of the Bishop of Manchester, Dr. Mackarness, Bishop of Oxford, will be the junior prelate, whose duty it will be to attend to read prayers every day at the sitting of the House. The new Bishop of Manchester, whoever he may be, will be without a seat in the House of Lords until a vacancy arises in some diocese other than Canterbury, York, London, Durham and Winchester.

HORRORS ON BOARD AN EMIGRANT SHIP. The ship "John Bertram" arrived in New York recently, from Hamburg, with 448 German emigrants on board. Her voyage lasted over 163 days. Being terribly overcrowded, poorly ventilated and intolerably filthy, the sufferings of the passengers were intense and indescribable. Ninety-nine of the unfortunate passengers, all in perfect health when they started, died on the voyage, and fifty others were prostrated by illness. The rest of them were, it is said, reduced to shadows.

An Ottawa Tel-gram to the Halifax "Colonist" contains the following:— "The prospect of a speedy settlement of the Red River difficulty are brightening. The Toronto "Globe" charges against Mr. Howe are emphatically and indignantly denied by his friends.

—There are 112 soprano, 34 contraltos, 37 tenors, 59 baritone and 46 basses waiting engagements in Milan.

—Men of a surance—Life agents.

—Sour characters—Men of assiduity.

—Aplight of hand—A marriage refusal.

—A collection of over 1,100 Chinese books have been given to the British Museum.

—Every cab and public carriage in London now has painted upon its door the rates of fare.

Wolves are so numerous in Western Illinois that the farmers talk of abandoning sheep raising.

—There were one thousand and ten buildings damaged or destroyed by fire in New York last year, and the loss was \$3,416,000.

BIRTH. On the 16th Dec. at Whitmitchell, near Selkirk, the wife of Col. Anderson, late Adjutant General of New Brunswick, and for-

very respectable figure. The total is 376,839 tons, and its currency value is \$12,000,000.

Mr. Archibald, the British Consul at New York, spoils a very pretty story that is going the rounds about his having paid a part of a legacy of \$10,000,000 to Miss Grey, a pretty milliner, left her by some one in England. Mr Archibald knows nothing of the story.

It is said that "Lord Hubert Ainsley" is now attending a bar-room in the suburbs of Boston.

To the Editor of the Standard. Sir:—The multitude of great hunting curs kept by individuals solely for the purpose of howling at night and occasionally dining off of children, has suggested to my mind that in future the tax on these Wolfine nuisances be increased to five dollars per annum. This perhaps would lessen their inordinate increase, and facilitate the bringing up of a family without the disfigurements resulting from the loss of an occasional ear or nose. The mania for dog raising is of quite a late date, and its amateurs are principally foreigners, whose delight consists in surrounding themselves with a retinue of many brutes after the manner of candidates for the honors of the rat pit or bull ring. Last week in one day no less than two children were severely mutilated by these ferocious and half fed brutes, who roam about seeking whom they may devour. Indian Point seems a favorite locality and supports a pack suggestive of the prevalence of carion in that vicinity, in fact it is likely to become as renowned as the perils of Grand Cairo. A few months ago Spanish held the ascendancy in the opinion of those engaged in this kind of puppyism, but of late the size of dogs has increased with their ideas, which are now embodied in immense Cerberuslike Newfoundlanders, whose piratical incursions into the butcher shops are spoken of with regret. A few who are mildly insane upon dogs find balm and consolation in the possession of rat and tan terriers. If these amateurs would give up their devotion to the canine species and console themselves by keeping a pig, the helpless portion of this community would breathe a prayer at the cessation of this reign of terror, and the too practical reminders they receive of Dr. Watt's hymn on dogs, "let dogs delight to bark and bite." As it is, it is utterly impossible to carry out "the love me, love my dog" principle at the expense of the calves of our legs, and I would suggest that the attention of the Justices of the Peace, next Session be directed towards the mitigation of this real and unnecessary nuisance.

P. S.—It has been suggested to me, that even the dogs are going mad at the closure of the Railway.

The Summerside (P. E. I.) "Journal" publishes the following telegram from the operator at Alberton, dated January 5: "A man at Lot 5 yesterday sawed ten maple trees, and got two pairs of sap from them. A woman at the Brae also made one pot of maple sugar from trees sawed this year—Spring is on us!"

It is said that the young gentlemen of African descent in Washington quite outshone the Anglo-Saxons in their New Year's calls, both in equippage and in the respects with which they were served.

The State of Maine has 672 miles of railway completed at a cost of twenty-one million dollars, and more than 250 miles are now in course of construction in different parts of the State.

Of the 3174 immigrants who arrived in 1869 at the port of Boston alone, 6028 were from Nova Scotia, viz, 3361 males, and 2665 females.

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ARRIVED. Jan. 8, Matilda, Stinson St. Stephen, mdly. J. R. Bradford & others.

Delta, Cook, Calais, Plaster, C. R. Goodnow. 21, Adolphe, Jackson, St. John Malasses, J. W. Street.

24, Calvin, Waycott, Lomb. r. CLEARED. Jan 17, Robert, Moses, Indian Island, tobacco W. Whitlock.

18, Utica, Maloney, St. George, ballast.

Intercolonial Railway. THE Commissioners appointed to construct the Intercolonial Railway give Public Notice, that they are prepared to receive Tenders for the following Building Stock:

40 Locomotive Engines and Tenders; 250 Box Freight Cars; 150 Platform Cars.

Printed Specifications according to which these Engines and Cars are to be constructed can be had, and general plans of a different vehicle can be seen, at the Office of the Chief Engineer in Ottawa, on and after the 16th January, 1870.

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway, marked "Tenders," will be received at their Office in Ottawa, up to 7 o'clock P. M., the 17th March, 1870.

A. WALSH, ED. B. CHANDLER, C. J. BRYDGES, A. W. MCGLENN, Commissioners.

Commissioner's Office, Ottawa, 14th January, 1870.

WOODBURY & JOHNSON, Surgeon and Mechanical Dentists.

WINTER ARRANGEMENTS. ON and after MONDAY, the 1st of February, the following TRAINS GOING EAST:

St. John at 9 A. M.; and five times at 4 1/2 P. M.; will reach Montreal at 6 P. M.; and St. Louis at 8 P. M.

TRAINS GOING WEST. Snows at 6 45 A. M., and 10 30 A. M.

No. 5 will leave Sackville commencing at Prince Rupert leaving Sackville at 8 A. M., 4 P. M.

(All these Trains will freight for St. John every day which it is to be forwarded east, before 3 o'clock daily. Freight to be forwarded delivered at that Station from other Stations than 8 A. M. or before the advertised time.)

The charges on all freight forwarded of the Goodfellow Railway Office, St. John, Dec. 28, 1869.

H. W. VALENTI. ESPECIALLY INTENDING of St. Andrew and Yken the house on Water Street, where he may be found his professional services. It is also corner building for the office in same building. Nor. 17.

THE "WAVEN" 79 KING STREET. THIS House has been in the PRINCE OF WALES, by all the British A by the English Nobility as the most distinguished dress or pleasure may have who have joined in pronouncing the favorite house.

The Proprietor, it would respectfully inform that he will spare no labor to the House still further. Every attention paid. JOHN

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT. AUTHORIZED discounter until further notice. R. S. Com.

Land, Stock & Co. ON THURSDAY, the 19th of Dec. at 11 A. M., at MR. JAMES GALL's will be

About 30 acres of Land cuts 10 tons of hay. About 1 Horse, 2 Cows, 8 Cattle, 30 Sheep of the 100 bus. Oats, 15 tons of 1-Rain and 1 Truck Harness, pair Job Steeple Farm implements articles.

Terms made known at Dec. 23. J. A. B.

Alcohol and Dominion Whiskey. 3 PUNCHONS pure Spirits 95 per cent 3 Casks Dominion Whiskey. Dec. 15. J. W. STREET.

The Standard.

SAINT ANDREWS, JAN. 26, 1870.

The great topic of interest—the Railway question—does not appear to flag, but rather to increase in intensity. When such a universal feeling of reprobation exists in a quiet and orderly community as this is admitted to be, it arises from the injustice attempted to be inflicted upon it by a persecuting power, exercised to divert a legitimate trade from its natural and proper channel—to cramp the energies of its people and ruin the prospects of the Town. To assert that this untoward event has resulted from indifference on the part of the people, their want of energy, and that no efforts have been made to promote trade on the St. Andrew end of the Railway, is unfounded in fact, and a gross slander upon our townsmen.

Proofs can and will be adduced to show the incorrectness of such statements, published by interested persons to cloak their unallowable designs. Acting under instructions may serve as an excuse for the time, to conceal the real design; but the questions arise—were these "instructions" (if given) based upon correct information from a reliable source? Were proprietors interests consulted and promoted, and was even bounded justice extended to the business men of the Town, and others whose preferences were in favor of transacting their shipping business at St. Andrews? These questions have been answered in the negative, by persons said to be well informed; and cases have been cited to show that justice and equity have been practised. It is also stated that for months past has been removed quietly to St. Stephen, but in such a manner as not to awaken suspicion of the ultimate object. All the Locomotives with the exception of a small one, have also been sent up the Line, and should a heavy fall of snow occur, the trains could not run. Are not these facts evidences of the intention to close this end of the Railway, months before public notice was given to that effect. The people generally do not believe that the assigned reason was the real one. Why was not this end of the Line which had paid its way, repaired if it was required; why lay down new rails and repair one portion of the line for the benefit of a certain locality to the disadvantage of others. Such positive unfairness is apparent to the most casual observer. Honor and justice are confined to the narrow limits of some men's pockets—their sole object appears to be to benefit themselves and make money at all hazards.

The course adopted with reference to the stoppage of the trains, (which by the way are still running) has been disastrous to trade and passengers, have gone to St. John, for transmission by rail to the upper country; and the policy has not made the promoters richer, but injured their neighbors.

It was a doubtful proceeding to pull down and remove a strongly constructed large building, centrally situated, which could be sold to advantage if it was not wanted for railway purposes. This piece of vandalism led to some remonstrance on Monday morning last, and had it not been that wise counsel prevailed, it is probable a very unpleasant occurrence would have taken place. The most peaceable and orderly, are not always able to control themselves under provoking circumstances. Such a proceeding would not have been tolerated in any other part of the County. How long, O how long will the peoples tempers be tried.

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The weather is still changeable. On Monday night and Tuesday morning, snow fell, sufficient to make good sleighing, but towards evening it commenced raining and the snow has nearly disappeared.

STEWART'S QUARTERLY has been received, it is really a most interesting number and fully sustains the high and justly merited character it has acquired. The articles are carefully prepared and are instructive. The number before us opens with an interesting history of Cape Breton, by J. G. Bourne, then follows twenty one articles, all of them original, in the department of science, criticism, poetry, philology &c, by leading writers in Canada, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and our own Province. How Mr Stewart can supply such an excellent Magazine of 475 pages of choice reading, for \$1 per annum, is surprising; if the letter press is also well executed. It should be taken by every family in the Province.