## The Cevenimy Despatch.



| gold and jewels that equals even the ap- pearance of the Knights of the (farter And now there is a long and solemn pause, during which even whispers are audible, and the rustle of the dresses comes with a noise as their fair wearers turn to sur- <br> es the scene. It is in truth a seene of such stately pomp and royal circumstance as few have erer seen before, where the noblest by birth and infellect, the greatest and most revered in power, are all assembled within the narrow precincts of this grand old choir, like the treasures of the nation in their carved oak casket. <br> the queen. <br> Suddenly there is just a perceptible movement-a kind of conscionsess that something has occurred which tells at has come. and all eyes are quietly directed toward the quaint old pew in the wall. In another instant the Queen herself appears acompanied by His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe Coburg and Cotha, the brother of the late Prince, and as we all know, so like him as to make the resemblance almost startling as he stands by the side of Her Majesty. The Queen wears the simplest and plainest of widow's weeds-a widow's cap, a black silk dress with white collar and cuffs, and black <br> The only colors which appear upon her are the star of the Order or to Cfarter, and its blue ribbon, narrowed to the width Her Majesty usually wears, in health, but thinner and older, with the jermanent tráces of deep grief and care stamped on every lineament of her features. <br> She stands at the window of the royal pew, a little withdrawn from general gaze, and only to be seen at all by those on the opposite side of the cinoir glancing quietly Coburg speaks, and apparently explains to her the arrangements going on below for the great ceremony which has drawn her from her mourning and seclusion. After a few minutes, she seats herself a little way from the window, and the Duke retires-Hon. Mrs. R. Bruce, clad like the Queen in deep mourning, takes his cheering can be heard outside, and then a pause, broken after a few moments by the great rustle and peculiar hum which the great mass of visitors in the nave make on rising. <br> (to be continued.) <br> NOTECE. <br> AyvERTISTMEXTS must be sent in to the Office appearance the same erening. |
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The Exrouing degenath.
THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1863.
CONTRACTORS' CLALMS.
We observe by Monday's despatch from Fredericton, that the bill for refer ring those long standing claims to arbi tration is again before the House; and for the sake of common justice to the jublic and to the contractors themselve we trust that it may pass into a law. The ease of these menis peeculiany hard. Th the Queen's name, the contractors canno rosecute in a court of law, as in case hetween two of Her Majesty's suljects. By the rules of law the Queen cannot be made a defendant; and thus, by a lega techinicality, the ordinary chanmels of ju. tice are closed against them. No matte whether their cluims are well founded o not, there ought to be some means proy ded of settling the question. If their have their just dues-if thencenseuld should be dealt with accordingly. A denial of justice altogether, is intolerable.

We are astonished at the opposition of the Attoruey and Solicitor Generals to
this bill. Surely the government are not afraid to face an open tribunal upon those claims! We fuean by an open tribunal something in the nature of a public court before which witnesses can be enamine on oath and subjected to the usual test of cross-examination. No such investigation has yet been attempted in refer ence to those claims. If ex-Attorne
General Smith is correctly reported, h General Smith is correctly reported, h public sympathy being roused in favor o the contractors, and that the arbitrator would, of course, yield to its influence This argument is not very complimentary to the people of this province. Might it not just be possible to find three referees above suspicion? If not, let the bill be amended so as to enable the several cases to be submitted to a court and jury. The
dread of public sympathy dread of public sympathy evinced in thi petration of injustice, and we trust tha it will be frowned down, as it deserves to be, by the Legislature.
Dr. Colenso's Repin to thie EngChurch of Encland recently addressed communication to Dit. Colenso and sug gested the resignation of his Eniscopa charge in consequence of the difficultie created in the Church by his work on the Pentateuch. In a note addressed to the Archbishop of Canterbury, under date of
March 5, Dr. Colenso returns to this March o, Dr. Colenso returns to thi
suggestion a firm refusal. He says: "I trust that I yield to none of your
lordshins in a hearifelt reverence for the Holy Scriptures. But certainly I do not believe, as the words of the address seem that all our hopes for eternity rest' on
the literal historical trut tive Toachian Deluge. But Inuet of the my books for a statement of the reasons Which justify to my mownt nind the course vould be to admit that my congny moffice would be to admit that my conduct ha
been legally or moraly wrong, which am very far from feeling. Rather, I an persuaded thot my duty. to God and the
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Amoxg the candidates for the Mayor $y$, we notice the additional name of $\mathrm{Mr}_{1}$ corge scoullar. The opinion shared by r. Woodward and Mr. Smith

It seems that we were in error in stat g that Mozarts F welith Mass would be unday Haydn's Co will be sung As a grand and beautiful composition, it favorably compared with the othe menticued.
The Church Witness deserves the credit being the first in this province to pub the London Times of the Prince of Wale's marriage, a portion of which description vill be found in this evening's Despatch The last number of our contemporary is one of the fullest and most attractive in the quality of its contents, that we hav een for a long time
We read that an Agricultural paper has beenstarted in Fredericton called Thu
Firmer. It is pullished by Mr. S. I. Lagrin.
An explanatiox:--Weowe an apolog. to our subscribers in the city and country in that the Weekly Desputch was printed解 Itogether unavoidable
Mr. Southern has playel Dundieary the Haymarket Theatre, London, more his fict " " debased condition of public taste,
IT is stated by the London papers that The plate on the table at the Prince of nillions of dollars !
"Lightning Line of Steamers." The first trip from St. John to Boston by the Admiral Duponit of the new line o ceamers is advertised to be made next North Market Wharf is the agent for St. John.
To-morrow, Good Friday, ${ }^{\prime}$ being public holiday
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