

TELEGRAPHIC.

Paris, March 2.
Cable despatches have been received here from Vera Cruz which state that communication between that city and the Capital had been cut off.
The Emperor Maximilian had consequently forbidden the transmission of despatches to Europe, giving opinions on the state of the country, lest they fall into the hands of the Liberals.
St. Petersburg, March 2.
The morning papers announce that the Czar of Russia has strongly urged the Sublime Porte to cede the Island of Candia to Greece.
London, March 2.
Consol. 91. 5 20's 73 1/2.
Gold 128 1/2.
The Colonial Ministers have resigned for reasons connected with the Reform question. The Reform bill proposed by the Government will be presented to Parliament on the 11th inst.
There is a report that despatches have been received here, announcing that war has broken out in India.
Consols 91. Five Twenties 73 1/2.
Berlin, March 2.
Herr Simon has been chosen President of the North German Parliament.
The King of Prussia gives a banquet to the members of Parliament.
New York, March 4.
Gold 128 1/2.
London, March 4.
Despatches have been received here from Dublin which announce the capture of the famous (7) Col. O'Connor, leader of the late revolt in Ireland. He was overhauled by the authorities at Appleton, West Meath County, nearly 200 miles from the scene of the insurrection.
Paris, March 4.
Strikes for higher wages among the operatives in France are very frequent; the cause is traceable to the price of food.
Florence, March 4th.
General Garibaldi, having sent his sons to Crete, promises now to go himself and take up arms.
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Paris, March 4th.
The Government has commenced legal proceedings against M. Emile De Giardin, for a leading editorial in his journal lately criticising the policy of the Emperor.
Berlin, March 4th.
Count Von Bismarck to day laid before the North German Parliament the draft of a new constitution for the confederation of the North German States.
London, March 4th.
Lord Brougham has made a speech strongly urging the adoption of the principle of Household Suffrage.
The following changes have been made in the British Cabinet:—The Duke of Richmond becomes Colonial Secretary, Sir John Lubbock, Secretary of War, Sir Stafford Northcote, First Lord of the Admiralty, Right Hon. H. J. C. Cony, under Secretary for the Colonies, and Mr. Stephen Cave, President of the Board of Trade.
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New York, March 5.
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HIGHLY IMPORTANT!—A Cable telegram, dated London, noon yesterday, conveys the important information that the Bill for confederating Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia has passed two readings in the House of Commons. The debate is always on the second reading of a bill, the third and last reading being a mere matter of form. We have, therefore, to congratulate the friends of Union on all but complete accomplishment and end of all their labors. The Bill will, no doubt, pass the ordeal of debate and receive the final hearing immediately, and her Majesty's assent will quickly follow. Our Delegates are to be able to leave for home this day, Saturday. [Telegraph, Mar. 2.]

A New York business man, of great experience in railroad matters, writes from London under date of January 20, to his friends in that city, naming some of things he has seen which he likes.
"Not the least is his extensive system of underground railways. It is perfectly wonderful how they jerk the people about, at the rate of about fifteen miles an hour, from one end of the town to another, and across and around—stopping about once every half mile, about once every half a mile, at some prominent corner, at a station from which you emerge to the upper air, and find yourself somewhere near where you want to be, and miles from where you were a half or three quarters of an hour ago. These trains run each way, being double tracks about every ten minutes; and morning evening they often consist of eight cars, holding thirty or forty people each. The cars are lighted with gas—not the tunnels, except at stations—so that you can read your papers; and there is no smell of smoke, or sense of suffocation. How they ventilate them so well I can hardly see. Where is any fair show for stock in the New York Underground Railway I want it."

On Tuesday night a girl named Eliza Kelly, a servant in the employ of Mr. Watts of the Rothsay House, fell asleep over the stove and her clothes taking fire, she was frightfully burned before the flames could be extinguished by those who were brought to her assistance by her cries and shrieks. Dr. Caritto was called in and rendered all the assistance possible, but after lingering in great pain for 24 hours, she expired.—[Journal.]

It is not improbable that the Chief Commis-

sioner of Public Works will soon proceed to Quebec to arrange for steam service for the Gulf of St. Lawrence in the coming season of navigation.

ROBERT OF A LETTER.—A merchant of this place mailed a letter, unregistered, last week, for a firm in St. John, containing a cheque, and bills, amongst which was a torn bill, which had been pasted on the back with a piece of letter. The letter arrived safely, but was not received by the person to whom addressed. It was subsequently found in the letter box, where it may have been dropped from the outside, with such of the contents as the thief, fearing detection, did not feel safe in retaining. The affair is undergoing investigation, and all that the Post Office Department can do to sift the matter thoroughly, will, unquestionably, be done, and it is hoped the offense will be fastened upon the guilty party.—[Globe.]

The new locomotive "St. James," built by Fleming & Humbert for the St. Stephen Branch Railway Company is completed, and ready for shipment. It is a fine looking engine.—[Globe.]

Subscribers in arrears, will oblige us by paying at their earliest convenience, as we dislike to diminish and have waited in some cases for years.

The Standard.

ST. ANDREWS, MARCH 6, 1867.

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

By the English mail which reached here yesterday morning, we received a copy of the Confederate Bill, or as it is styled—"A Bill, entitled an Act for the Union of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, and the Government thereof; and for purposes connected therewith." As the space at our command will not permit of publishing the Bill in extenso, we have given a digest from the "Morning Journal," which we heartily endorse having read the Bill. The Journal says:—
"It is, as might have been expected, more mature and equitable in its provisions than the Quebec Scheme, nor does it contain, so far as we have been able to discover any serious drawbacks. The dangerous sectarian provisions alleged to have been engrafted on the Bill do not appear on the surface to Section 91; but this, for the present, is all the reference we can make to the subject matter of that section.
It will be seen that the Kingdom of Canada is to embrace the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, (and other provinces may be hereafter admitted) and to be under the Government of one Parliament, consisting of the Queen, the Senate and the House of Commons. The Union will be deemed consummated so soon as it has been published by Royal Proclamation.
The supreme Executive power shall be in the Queen, who will be represented by a Governor General, who is to nominate a Privy Council under the Great Seal of Canada.
The Legislative power shall be in a Senate and House of Commons, the former consisting of 72 members, 24 from Ontario, 24 from Quebec, and 24 from the Maritime Provinces. Should Prince Edward Island join the Kingdom, there would then be more than 24 members in the Senate from the Maritime Provinces, but when the four seats in excess become vacant, two in Nova Scotia and two in New Brunswick, they will not again be filled up. The property qualification of a Senator is fixed at \$1,000 over and above all his just debts and demands. He is to hold his seat for life subject to certain conditions.
The Speaker of the Senate shall be appointed by the Crown, which may, also, in given cases, add six members to that body, but in the same proportion as are now observed in forming it.
The Senate may be nominated in whole or in part by the Governor in Council in advance of the elections to the House of Commons.
The House of Commons shall be summoned by writs issued not later than within six months after the Union shall have been proclaimed, the Electoral Districts of Ontario and Quebec are regulated by their local acts which are recapitulated in the bill. The Electoral Districts of New Brunswick shall be fifteen, of which the City of St. John shall be one, the remainder being formed by the fourteen Counties, each being one district.
The present House of Assembly is to last its full term, unless it be constitutionally dissolved prior to expiration. The elections for the House of Commons and for the local legislatures in the case of Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia, will take place on the same day, and in future elections this will always be the case throughout the Kingdom of Canada.
The qualifications of members of the House of Commons and the mode of conducting elections will, for the present, be regulated by the laws in force in the different provinces.
The powers of the Confederate Parliament and Government, save as to the transference of some Provincial Institutions to the Central Government, remain much the same as in the Quebec Scheme. They are, however, very carefully defined.
The building of the Intercolonial Railroad is provided for in the Act, and made incumbent on the Confederate Government.
The Local Constitutions of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, shall, subject to the provisions of the Act, continue as now established, until altered or amended by either province under the authority of this Act.
The Judges of the Superior District and

County Courts in each province shall be appointed by the Governor General. Until the consolidation of the laws of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, such judges shall be selected from their respective bars.
The subsidies and financial arrangements for the different provinces are precisely as formerly stated in the Journal.
From and after the Union and prior to the arrangement of a new tariff by Parliament, the productions and manufactures of the different provinces shall be admitted free of duty in any part of the Kingdom of Canada; the principle will also apply to the transport of imports from one province of the Kingdom to another, in all cases in which the duties now paid in both are the same. Provision is also made for the transit of goods on which differential rates of duty have been paid.
The Proclamation of Intercolonial Free Trade will instantly give an immense impetus to the manufactures of St. John, Halifax, and other cities.
We have not space to comment on what is new in this great and comprehensive measure. We can only reiterate our conviction that the act of Union is fitted to give an immense impetus to the prosperity of British North America.

The Concert given by "our Amateurs," in the new Wesleyan Church, of Monday evening, was well attended notwithstanding the unpleasant weather. Miss Reed presided at the Piano and occasionally at the Cabinet organ, and the various pieces selected were sung with much taste and in good time; many of them were encored, and the Amateurs kindly responded to the calls. Where each performed their part so well, it is unnecessary to particularize. The solos and duets were finely rendered, and gave evidence of flexibility of voice. A general desire was expressed that the Amateurs should repeat the Concert at no distant period. Mr. A. D. Stevenson thanked the audience for their liberal support and commending the efforts of the Amateurs. We are pleased to learn that a respectable amount was realized which has been handed to the Treasurer for the new Church fund.

The Bill to provide for a Union of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, does not satisfy the Anti-Confederate journals, (what would.) They find all manner of objections to it, "taxation—expense, &c.," asserting that its provisions can be evaded by Canada—the Intercolonial Railway may be postponed—the annual subsidy granted per capita taken away and numerous other objections urged; even the word "Kingdom" did not suit their taste, but no such word occurs in the copy of the Bill before us, which was presented in the House of Lords "by the Earl of Carnarvon," and "ordered to be printed 12 February 1867." The qualification of Senators is fixed at \$4,000 over and above all debts—the Senate shall consist of 72 members, the Divisions as follows:—Ontario 24, Quebec 24, Nova Scotia 12, and New Brunswick 12. In case of necessity the Queen, upon recommendation of the Governor General may add three or six members representing the three divisions. The House of Commons shall consist of 181 members—82 from Ontario, 65 from Quebec, 19 from Nova Scotia, and 15 from New Brunswick. As the Bill has been published by the Globe, Morning News, Morning Journal and Telegraph, all of those circulating in the Counties of this Province, the people will be made acquainted with its provisions.

The Forty-second Annual Meeting of the "St. Andrews Bazaar Society," was held in the hall on Tuesday. Upwards of \$100 were paid in, and the Society was reported in prosperous condition. Owing to the large sums paid out to sick members, and the loss entailed on the Society by the loss of a large amount of vested funds, it fell away for some years; but we are happy to learn that it is regaining its former position. At three o'clock, the members partook of an excellent lunch provided by Mr. Algar, to which ample justice was done. We understand that several toasts were given and responded to, and the company separated about four o'clock much pleased with the days proceedings.

A WELL MERITED COMPLIMENT.—The St. Stephen Branch Railway Directors, passed the following Resolution by a unanimous vote:—
Resolved—That the President be requested to convey to Mr. Buck, their high appreciation of his ability as a civil engineer, (his original survey and estimate having been verified by actual results to have been singularly exact, giving evidence not only of great engineering skill, but also of sound judgment) and conveyance to the perfect harmony and courtesy which have marked their official intercourse throughout the whole period of construction, and their best wishes for his future prosperity and happiness.
It is so very rare that a Line of Railway is completed within the estimate of its engineer, that such a complimentary resolution might have been enclosed in a neat open envelope of St. Stephen Bank bills—it would have added to its pleasure at all events.

The names of Hon. Peter Mitchell and Hon. Mr. Henry appear among the Directors of the new Telegraph Company, which purposes to lay a cable from Falmouth to Halifax.
The last of the Quodville Assemblies for the season, was held in Gove's lower Hall, on Friday night last, and we learn from a guest who was present, that it was a most pleasant affair, so much so, that every one was well pleased. The supper was all that could be desired, and served up in Mr. William Morrison's usual excellent style.
FIRE ON DEER ISLAND.—LORDS COKE.—The house of Mr. Aaron Cooke was totally destroyed by fire on Thursday the 21st of February; the fire was discovered about noon and made such rapid progress that only a very small portion of the household effects were saved all the wearing apparel and bedding was lost. The origin of the fire is unaccounted for. Mrs. Cooke had been in the room a short time before it broke out, no chimney, flue, or stove pipe near it and the only imaginable cause, is that a case of matches was lying in a position to be acted upon by the sun's rays. Thus in a few moments the earnings for fifteen years of a hard working honest man, were swept away; his policy of insurance, expired only a short time ago. Mr. Cooke was in the Agents office at Eastport to get it renewed, but as it was late in the day postponed it till the following morning, and in the hurry of business, forgot it.—[Communicated.]

Mr. Buck, who has been engaged to make the survey of the Houlton Branch Railroad, was in town last week, accompanied by his corps of assistants. He took some observations on the proposed line near the village, but concluded not to make a preliminary survey at present, preferring to wait until company was organized, and then make the preliminary and final survey at the same time. He apprehends no difficulty in running the road over the proposed route, commencing at a point on the Calais road near Pearce's brook, striking the St. Andrews line at the junction of the Woodstock Branch Road.—[Times.]

James G. Stevens, Esq., to be Queen's Counsel for the Province of New Brunswick. James Hannay, Esq., to be Reporter of the Decisions of the Supreme Court.

TORONTO, Feb. 27, 1867.
It is rumored in literary circles that a large body of volunteers will be called out in active service early next month. The officers at the military school here are instructed to report at their respective headquarters not later than March 8. Instructions have also been received by captains of companies throughout the country to see that they have a full complement of men, and to have arms and accoutrements complete and in good order.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Roland McDonald, of Richmond, N. B., was killed in the woods near his house, on Tuesday last, by the fall of a tree. He was at work alone, and not returning home as usual, several months, which result in finding his dead body the same night, frozen stiff. It appears that the tree which he was feeling, struck the branch of another tree causing it to fall, and striking him on the head he was instantly killed.

THE ENTRANCE-FEES for two St. John boats have been sent to Paris. Both entrances are for four-oared boats—the one an out rigger, the other a plain gig boat. A letter has been sent to the Secretary of the Regatta Committee at Paris, and one to Mr. Mitchell in England in reference to the matter.—[Globe.]

The Government in Council at Ottawa have we learn, decided upon making the changes in the Parliament Buildings necessary for the accommodation of the Confederate Legislature. The works will be proceeded with immediately. No important alteration is to be made in the Legislative Council Chamber, as in its present state can easily furnish room for the 72 members the Upper Confederate Body. In the Lower House, however, great changes have been decided upon.—[Montreal Daily News.]

A fine Moose was killed one day last week, a short distance beyond Moncton, in the yard of Mr. Martin Dowling. Having ventured out thus far with a view to relieve the monotony of forest life, he was set upon by Mr. D. and his dogs and killed.

E. & N. A. RAILWAY TRAFFIC RECEIPTS for month ending 28th February, 1867.—Passengers, \$2,900.09, Freight, 4,369.75, Mails and Sundries, \$44.00. Total \$7,713.85. Decrease, as compared with corresponding month of 1866, \$601.27. This difference is entirely made by the interruption of freight traffic, caused by the recent break in the line near Sussex. The receipts for passengers and sundries show a slight increase.

Dr. Innis made a successful hunting excursion last week. He succeeded in killing a bear and three deer in the vicinity of Schoodic Lake. The keen scent of his dog led to the discovery of the bear, in the hollow of a large tree. Bruin could offer but little resistance and was speedily dispatched in his den.—[Ibid.]

An editor can always get plenty of advice as to the best manner of conducting a newspaper. Every man thinks he knows how to do it a little better than any other man.

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Terms and further particulars at sale.
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March 1, Investigator, Holt, Eastport, Goods, Express, Co.
2, Jodie, Farming, Lubec, ballast, J. McAdam.

CLEARED.
Feb. 28, Schre. Princess, Mahoney, Calais, 62 M Lumber, Kelly & Co.

NEW BRUNSWICK & CANADA RAILWAY
On and after this date Trains will leave St. Andrews for Richmond every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9 a.m., and St. Stephens for Richmond every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 10 a.m.

Returning
will leave Richmond for St. Andrews every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9 1/2 a.m., and for St. Stephens every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 3/4 a.m., until further notice.
HENRY OSBURN, MANAGER.
St. Andrews, March 5, 1867.

Dissolution of Partnership.
THE business heretofore carried on by the Subscribers, under the style and firm of "HENRY & OSBURN," is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to, and by, the late firm, to be paid to and settled by Mr. Charles Stinson, who continues the business on his own account.
ALFRED M. MEALY, CHARLES STINSON.
St. George, Feb. 27, 1867.

ST. ANDREWS, 23d, Feb. 1867.
WE the undersigned Ratepayers, of School District No. 1, Parish of St. Andrews, request the Trustees of Schools for said Parish to call a meeting of the Ratepayers of said District for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of providing a sufficiently commodious Parish School House for said District, by Assessment upon the inhabitants, being Ratepayers.

W. WHITLOCK, and Eleven others.

Public Notice.
IN compliance with the above Requisition, we do hereby give Public Notice, that a Meeting of the Ratepayers of School District No. 1 will be held in the Parish School House, on MONDAY, the 12th MARCH, at 3 o'clock, P. M. For the purpose of Assessing the Ratepayers of said District, for said purpose.

A. W. SMITH, J. LOCHARY, Jr. Trustees.
St. Andrews, Feb. 25, 1867.

NOTICE.
ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of EDWARD WILSON, Esq., of St. Andrews, deceased, are requested to present the same duly attested within three months; and all those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to
Z. CAMPBELL, B. L. STEVENSON, Executors.
St. Andrews, Feb. 26, 1867.

Caves Brandy.
100 Cases Pale and Brown Brandy, vin. '64, just received.
J. W. STREET.
Feb. 5, 1867.

Notice.
ALL parties having accounts against the County of Charlotte, are hereby notified to send duplicates thereof to me, on or before the 1st day of APRIL next for audit.
JOHN S. MAGEE, COUNTY AUDITOR.
St. Andrews, Feb. 26, 1867. Courier 41

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