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purport.—Thirdly, the ministers of more than one denomination have been greatly pleased with the proficiency of the pupils and the qualifications and character of the masters, while those who superintended them have spoken of them as a right arm and a most useful and powerful auxiliary in imparting spiritual instruction and religious truth.

[The Society to which the above communication refers, is the one, the Anniversary of which was shortly noticed in our last number. Its mode of proceeding being so fully stated by our friend, we need not enlarge upon it, but will press upon the attention of our clerical readers, in the country—parts especially, the advantages which the ready organization of a Society offers for the efficiency of schools which they no doubt every where feel anxious to institute.

All that we say on the subject of schools dissenting from the plans of the Commissioners, applies of course to those cases where these gentlemen themselves form plans for the conduct of their schools which admit of their bringing them into union with the Society.

To the Editor of the Berean. Mr. Editor. Can You, or any of your readers, inform us whether any of the City Funds were formerly, or are now, expended on the preparation annually made for the Fete Dieu Procession?

Quebec 10th June 1844. [We are greatly afraid, the gentlemen of the Corporation will be much offended at the very thought entertained by our Correspondent, that any of the City Funds could be expended in preparation for the Fete Dieu procession.

Political and Local Intelligence.

SPAIN.

The Government of Spain had during the absence of Ferdinand undergone important changes. In the year 1812, the Cortes or representative body of the kingdom, were assembled and proceeded to form a new Constitution; the Inquisition was abolished, the liberty of the press established, and several laws tending to ameliorate the condition of the people recognized.

Under the authority of this treaty, numbers of men were enlisted in England by the Spanish Government to serve in Spain; and a large body under the name of the British Legion, commanded by Sir De Lacy Evans, took a prominent part in the struggle and contributed towards the success of the Christians, and the expulsion of Don Carlos, which took place in the year 1839.

In these contests for place, General Espartero who took a prominent part in the military struggle and commanded the army, kept quite neutral. But the Moderados who held the reins of government proposed a change in the municipal institutions of the country which was extremely unpopular; and they persisted in their determination, in spite of the manifest reluctance exhibited by the nation.

THE POCAHONTAS.—This steamer will leave for Grosse Isle every Tuesday during the summer. It is the intention of the Proprietor to send her to Riviere du Loup en bas and the adjacent parishes once a week, during the season of navigation instead of once a fortnight as was the case last summer, commencing this day.

FIRE.—On Friday last a fire occurred in Richelieu street, St. John suburbs, which destroyed two wooden buildings. Mr. A. Falloon lived in one, and Mr. Fiset, a joiner, in the other.

CENSUS OF THE COUNTY OF QUEBEC.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes: 8164 Heads of families, 3466 Proprietors of real property, 4998 Not do. do. Natives of England 1598, Ireland 7267, Scotland 981, etc.

POPULATION OF THE CITY AND SUBURBS OF QUEBEC.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Population. Includes: St. Lewis Ward 2784, Palace 2027, St. Peter 3619, Champlain 3656, etc.

We beg to acknowledge the following subscriptions, received on account of the Berean, since our last publication:—

Table of subscriptions: From Honble. R. Jones, 12 months; Wm. McGinnis, Esq., 12 months; Captain Aylmer, R.A. 12 months; Lieut. Fitzgerald, 12 months; Messrs. W. Penny, 12 months; etc.

MARRIED.—On Saturday last at the Chapel of the Holy Trinity, by the Rev. E. W. Sewell, incumbent, John Ross, Esq., second son of the late David Ross, Esq., King's Counsel, Montreal, to Eliza Janet, youngest daughter of the late Hon. J. Sewell, Chief Justice of Lower Canada and Speaker of the Legislative Council.

DIED.—At Montreal, on Sunday last, much and deservedly regretted, Robert Lester Morroch, Esq., one of the Prothonotaries of the Court of King's Bench, aged 49 years.

Port of Quebec.

ARRIVED.

June 6th. Brig Henry, McFey, Ardrossan, A. Gilmour, & Co. coals. Ship Brilliant, Elliott, Aberdeen, order, ballast. — Sherbrooke, Sterling, Liverpool, Pemberton, ballast.

Mersey, Northway, Teignmouth, LeMesurier & Co. ballast. — Manfred, Marwood, Whitby, Pemberton, timber.

Ship Sisters, Christian, London, G. B. Symes, general cargo. Brig Anteus, Goughly, Newcastle, G. B. Symes, ballast. — Fawcett, Flinn, Maryport, order, ballast.

CLEARED.

June 6th. Brig Edward, Henderson, Bridgewater, Atkinson, & Co. — Bark Bee, Mitchell, Liverpool, Levey & Co.

June 8th. Bark Clarinda, Fennis, Sligo, G. H. Parke & Co. — Tom Moore, Milligan, Belfast, J. A. Pirrie & Co.

Brig Comwallis, Davis, Portrush, LeMesurier & Co. — Eliza Ann, Johnson, Kinsale, do. — Bark Urania, Clarke, Cork, do.

ARRIVED.

June 12th. Bark Countess Durham, Stowe, Havannah, J. W. Leycraft. — Barbadoes, Greig, London, C. E. Levey.

Brig Transil, Ferguson, Dublin, Pemberton. — Kingston, Curry, Eyemouth, do. — Harvey, Cunningham, Southampton, LeMesurier & Co.

PASSENGERS.

Among the passengers in the steamship Britannia, from Boston for Liverpool—Maj. Elliott, W. Wilson and lady, of Kingston, U. C.; George Little, of Demerara; Maj. Egerton, of Montreal; Paterson, Roswell, of Toronto; Mrs. J. C. Fisher, of Quebec.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Capt. Parnall, of the brig Eagle, spoke on the 24th May, the bark Harp, (Qy.) 10 days from Quebec; also the bark Ebor, St. Pauls, N. W. distance 80 miles. Light winds and fine weather most of the passage;—passed a quantity of ice in lat. 47, 50, long. 57.

of ice on the Banks. On the 26th, spoke the brig Atlas, of and from Sunderland for Quebec, out 63 days; saw a ship with loss of main-mast. On the 29th, spoke the Symmetry, of and from Newcastle, for Quebec, out 50 days.

The Ship Saladin, from Valparaiso, Feb'y. 27th, for London, with Guano manure, 70 tons of copper and D8500 in money, was run ashore at Island Harbour, N. S., 20th ult., without officers. The survivors of the crew reported that the Captain, M'Kenzie, died about the 5th, and also the mate, that the second mate and two men were lost by falling from the yard-arm, and that the six remaining men were unable to navigate the ship, and she consequently came ashore, so far from her regular track.

LAUNCH AT ST. JOHN'S.—On Saturday before last the first vessel ever built at St. John's C. E., was launched from the yard of Mr. Alexandre Tremblay. She is a schooner of 120 tons, and intended for the new line between Whitehall and Quebec. She is named the Joseph Poirier, after the principal partner of the Company.

The schooner Ocean Queen, Leblanc, from Boston to this port, struck on a rock when in our harbour and sunk. It is expected that the greater part of her cargo will be much damaged.

The Brigantine Philippa, 125 tons. new measurement, was sold to-day pursuant to advertisement, and was adjudged to Messrs. G. H. Parke & Co. for £610.

Capt. Christian of the ship Sisters, spoke the brig Kepa of Sunderland, in lat. 49 13' long. 40 39'—out 50 days,—bound to Quebec. New York, June 5th—Up for Quebec—Bark Hebe, Wright; bark James Moran, Morrison.

Brig Hannah passed on 29th May, a Troop ship,—St. Paul's bearing W. S. W. distant 4 leagues—same day passed Schr. Unity from Jersey to Labrador.

The Bark Canton in lat. 45. 28. long. 58. W. passed a bark abandoned and water-logged;—on the centrepast of the stern were two gilt letters, "F B"—on the arch board "Brooke of Exeter"—the forepart of the name was obliterated.

LAUNCH AT PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND, from the Steam-mill Wharf, a beautiful copper-fastened vessel, of 180 tons burthen, called the Gunbar, built by Messrs. Peake and Duncan, for W. Stevenson, Esq., of Quebec. She was named by Lady Huntley in the usual manner, and glided off the launchways, amid the shouts of the spectators, in fine style. This splendid vessel is intended for the Surveying Service, and will be immediately placed under the command of Captain Bayfield, R. N.—Herald.

QUEBEC MARKETS.

Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 11th June, 1844.

Table of market prices: Beef, per lb. s. d. s. d. 0 3/4 0 4; Mutton, per lb. 0 5 0 6; Ditto, per quarter 4 6 5 6; Lamb, per quarter 5 6 7 6; Veal, per lb. 0 5 0 6; etc.

BIBLE DEPOSITORY.

NEAT AND CHEAP BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS.

THE QUEBEC BIBLE SOCIETY has just received from London, a NEW and SELECT ASSORTMENT of BIBLES, in English and French, which, in consequence of recent changes, are now offered for sale at greatly reduced prices.



THE POCAHONTAS.

THIS Steamer will leave the Queen's Wharf EVERY THURSDAY MORNING, at SIX o'clock precisely, for RIVIERE DU LOUP en bas, and the adjoining Parishes. For particulars apply to WILLIAM STEVENSON, at St. Peter Str. etc. Quebec, 10th June, 1844.

