

rica. This has arisen in a great measure from the violent and undignified course pursued by President Pierce's Cabinet, who instead of proceeding with the good sense and caution which become those who are exercising the government functions of a great nation, have either from mere personal pique, or more probably from some low electioneering motives, rather attempted to irritate than repress the popular feeling which has unfortunately sprung up in reference to the above questions. We can scarcely doubt, however, but that the good sense and good feeling which pervades so large a mass of the community in both countries, will overcome these evil counsels, and avert even any very serious threatening of a rupture between the two countries. To England the Russian war would have been but a minor calamity as compared with such an event, and to the United States the misfortune would, to say the least of it, be felt as great. As the Congress is at length fully organized by the choice of the Speaker, it is to be hoped that some manifestation will be made by that body against the foolish and wicked policy that would attempt to plunge the two nations into a causeless and fatal contest.

We deeply regret to state that no intelligence has yet been received from any quarter, respecting the American Mail Steamer Pacific which has now been out nearly a month from Liverpool. It is hoped she may have been merely disabled, and will ere long make her appearance on one side or other of the Atlantic.

Telegraph Despatches

Merchants' Reading Room, Feb. 25. 1856.

The following telegraphic despatches were received at the Merchants' Exchange Rooms, in this city, on Monday morning 25th inst:

The Collins' steamship Atlantic arrived at New York on Sunday morning last, bringing Liverpool dates to 6th inst.

The market for Breadstuffs considerably lower; transactions for the week small; Flour 1s to 1s 6d cheaper; Wheat 3d to 6d per bushel lower; Indian Corn dull.

Beef market quoted dull. Sugar dull—prices irregular. Money market reported as tighter. Consols 90 1/2 to 90 3/4.

Peace proposals stated favourable. Great excitement with regard to war prospects with the United States. Rumours of increased difficulties between Mr. Buchanan and Lord Clarendon. Reported tone of the press and Government insulting; popular feeling, however, the reverse. France and England decided to send an Envoy to Brazil (Belize, Honduras, probably) relative to the Central American difficulties.

The Cunard steamship Asia arrived at New York on Sunday with Liverpool dates to February 9th.

Cotton advanced. Breadstuffs considerably lower on the week; Flour declined 2s to 3s per barrel; Wheat and Indian Corn in like proportion.

Beef market easier—downward tendency. Sugar—prices considerably lower. Tea declined 1d to 1 1/2d per pound. United States Stock declined.

Consols quoted 91 to 91 1/2. Peace with Russia universally expected. Increased complication with the United States.

Bulwer mediating between the United States Minister and Lord Clarendon. Nothing of the missing steamer Pacific.

General Intelligence.

ROBBERY.—An extensive robbery, from the store of Messrs. Bell, Anderson & Co. was discovered on Monday last. A colored man, Moses Johnson, was arrested on suspicion and on searching his residence and that of his mother, there was discovered a room furnished with rich and expensive carpets, window curtains, etc., etc., was literally crammed with articles of every description, and of the finest qualities, which were at once identified by parties from the store who accompanied the officers, as the property of his employers. There were costly handkerchiefs by the dozen, costly vest patterns, carpets, window curtains, and blinds of the finest linen; dozen upon dozen of ivory handle knives and forks; dry goods of every description. He must have stolen hundreds of pounds worth in all the time he has been in this employ.

MECHANIC'S INSTITUTE.—The Hon. Financial Secretary, will Lecture this evening on the Intellectuality of Animals.

Our harbor was visited by three strange steamers last week. On Monday, a small American Steamer, the Arctic, direct from New York came in under sail. On Wednesday, we had a visit from the "Alabama." Both these ships were despatched from New York in search of the missing "Pacific." The "Alabama," had been as far east as Cape Race but heard nothing of the lost steamer. On Friday night, the "Etna," of the Havre and New York Line came into this port, on her way to the latter place. She had experienced head winds and rough weather all the way out, and came in here for a supply of coal. The Etna brought French papers of three days later date than those previously received from Liverpool; but they contain nothing of especial interest.

NOVA SCOTIA IRON-FOR WAR PURPOSES.—An experiment has been tried in the royal Arsenal, Woolwich, to test the strength of a six-pounder gun, made entirely of iron from the mines of Nova Scotia. The experiment is to test the resisting properties of the iron, and for which object it will be tried by successive charges until the charge reaches 90lb. of an iron cylinder.

There will be a partial eclipse of the moon on the 20th of April, which will be visible early in the morning, and a similar eclipse on the 13th of October, also visible in the evening.

New Brunswick.

The Legislature of this Province assembled, according to Proclamation, at Fredericton, on the 14th instant. The Lieutenant Governor's Speech upon the occasion is rather longer than usual; but is immeasurably superior, in statesmanlike style, to the speeches recently made on similar occasions by Her Majesty, and by Her Representatives in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. It does credit to the New Brunswick Cabinet; but contains one sorrowful and somewhat unstatesmanlike announcement.—The Governor states that the expenditure for the last year has largely exceeded the revenue for the same period; but states that "the amount of revenue is nearly identical with that stated in the estimate which was laid before the House of Assembly at the commencement of the last session." The question naturally arises: if the Government knew so well what their income was to be, why did they not regulate their expenditure in accordance with it?—Recorder.

On the 18th, an amendment to the address, equivalent to a motion declaratory of want of confidence in the Government, was moved by Mr. Gray. The opposition are stated to have the programme of their new Government all prepared.—lb.

A destructive fire occurred at St. John, on the South side of Sheffield St., on the 15th inst. The fire was supposed to be the result of design; and before it could be stayed, seven houses were consumed. Four of the houses destroyed belonged to Michael Caniff, and one to James Crookford, and one to Jas. Matthews. The locality of the fire is said to be the most disreputable in the town.—lb.

An interesting lecture was delivered in the St. John's Mechanics' Institute on Monday the 11th inst., by the Hon. W. B. Kingear, on the "Use and abuse of Fiction." He treated of fiction under three different heads:—1. Those which are written merely to amuse or interest. 2. Those intended both to instruct and interest. 3. Those which are reckless whether good or evil be the result.

On Monday the 19th the Rev. E. Clay, M.D., was to lecture on "The Direction, Culture and Government of the Passions in Children."

Prince Edward's Island.

The Legislature was opened, with the usual formalities, on the 14th inst. The Lieut. Governor's Speech represents that the anticipated decrease in the revenue of the past year, has proved to be unimportant. It recommends some alterations and a consolidation of the Revenue Laws; but does not, in any other respect, foreshadow the policy of the Government during the session.

The house of Ewen McMillan, Esq., at Brackley Point, together with all the property it contained, was destroyed by accidental fire. The fire was supposed to have originated about a farmer's boiler which was placed in an outer kitchen. No insurance on the lost property.

Canada.

We have received Quebec dates to the 11th and Montreal to the 9th. Chief Justice Macaulay had retired from the Canadian Bench. It was also rumoured that Chief Justice Sir John Robinson was desirous of retiring, and that his place had been offered to the Hon. J. H. Cameron; but declined by him. The Rev. Dr. McGill, did at the Montreal on the 4th inst., of concussion of the brain. The "St. Lawrence Murder case," or the trial of Rely and others for the murder of a man named Corrigan, was still going on at Quebec and continued to excite great interest. On the 11th, the trial had already continued for eight days, 28 witnesses having been examined; but was not yet concluded.

Letters Received.

H. S. Fillmore, Jan. 14, (1 sub; rem.) S. Webb, 13th, (rem.) Israel McNayer, 14th, (2 sub; rem.)—We enclose papers for J. Roope, W. McNayer, S. Saunders, T. McNayer, J. Grinton, Joseph Freeman and I. McNayer in one parcel to Israel McNayer, according to direction.—Hope they will be received regularly.) Ezra Layton, 16th, J. Thurber, 12th. Rev. C. Tupper, 13th, (rem.) John E. Melvin, 17th, (rem.) Asaph Marshall, 16th,—all right. Abel Strong, 15th, (rem.) E. D. Harris, 14th, (rem.) J. Sibley, 5th, (rem.) Albert F. Porter.—(J. P. P. has paid 1856 and E. G. to Sept. 1st, 1856.) C. Jost, 15th. Rev. J. C. Hurd. Rev. H. Achilles, 18th, (1 sub.) Rev. J. E. Balcom. Jos. Marsters, 18th, (rem.) Rev. A. W. Barss, 22nd. Rev. B. Scott, 18th. A. Whitman, 18th, (rem.) Rev. W. G. Goucher, 18th. W. H. Rogers, Esq., 18th, (rem.)—Yes. Accept our thanks for it.)

We have attended to the directions given in the above, and trust that those who have required alterations in their address and the new Subscribers will receive their papers regularly.

"Upsilon" is under consideration. We shall be glad if the writer will send us his name.

THE amount we have to pay for postage is no small item of expenditure in the management of a newspaper, and when we receive remittances enclosed, there is no charge we pay more cheerfully, but when we pay the postage of a letter, and on opening it find nothing more than marriage notices, and that from a brother who has forgotten to send his subscription for two years, we are of course disappointed, and can only attribute it to a want of consideration. We are always glad to make known the happiness of our friends who enter into this honourable relationship, and do not wish to make any change in the long established practice of inserting these notices free of charge, but the following extract from a Montreal paper will shew that the same privilege is not afforded there:—

Notices of Births, . . . 1s. 3d. each. Notices of Marriages, . . . 2s. 6d. each. Notices of Deaths, . . . 1s. 3d. each. Notices of Deaths, with invitation to attend funeral, 2s. 6d. each.

These rates to be paid in advance.

Dr. M'Lane's Vermifuge.

PREPARED BY FLEMING BROS. OF PITTSBURGH. [P] During a practice of more than twenty years, Dr. M'Lane had attended innumerable patients afflicted with every form of worm disease, and was induced to apply all the energies of his mind to the discovery of a vermifuge, or worm destroyer, certain in its effects; the result of his labors is the American Worm Specific, now before the public, prepared by Fleming Bros. of Pittsburgh, which is perfectly safe, and may be given alike to children of the most tender age, or to the aged adult; it purges mildly and subdues fever, and destroys worms with invariable success. It is easy of administration, and it does not contain mercury in any form whatever, no restrictions are necessary with regard to drinking cold water, nor is it capable of doing the least injury to the tenderest infant. An incredible number of worms have been expelled by this great vermifuge.

Purchasers will be careful to ask for DR. M'LANE'S CELEBRATED VERMIFUGE, manufactured by FLEMING BROS. OF PITTSBURGH, PA. All other Vermifuges in comparison, are worthless. Dr. M'Lane's genuine Vermifuge, also his Celebrated Liver Pills, can now be had at all respectable Drug Stores. None genuine without the signature of FLEMING BROS. Sold in Halifax, by JOHN NAYLOR, and WM. LANGLEY.

Indigestion with all its attendant evils cured in eight weeks.—Wm. Henry Harris, Esq., a contributor to many of the leading Canadian Papers, was afflicted with indigestion, the most simple food caused him hours of uneasiness by day, and want of rest by night, he had recourse to a variety of means to alleviate his sufferings, but without avail; however, he commenced using Holloway's Pills, and this extraordinary remedy restored him to health after he had despaired of ever being cured, and to the astonishment of all who knew him.

Gerry's Pectoral Tablets have already become a Household Remedy. Whenever the first symptoms of disease of the chest or throat appear, let them be used and a cure is speedily effected. They act like a charm, because they have a specific action on the diseased parts.

Price one shilling sterling by retail medical dealers everywhere, and Wholesale in Halifax, by the Proprietors agents, G. E. MORTON & Co.

Married.

On Thursday, the 14th inst., by the Rev. John Martin, Augustus F. W. Mack, Esq., of Mills Village, to Emily daughter of Charles Anderson, Esq., of Musquodoboit. At Ship Harbor, on the 30th ult., by the Rev. R. Jamieson. Mr. James Stoddard, of Clam Harbor, to Hannah Siteman, of Ship Harbor.

At Yarmouth, Jan. 29th, by the Rev. Henry Angell. Mr. Joseph Hulbert, to Edith, widow of the late Capt. James Durkee, both of Yarmouth. Also, Feb. 14th, by the same, Mr. George Sanders, of Chebogue, to Elizabeth Ann, second daughter of Mr. Comfort Haley, of Yarmouth.

At Norton, Kings County, N. B., on the 14th inst., by the Rev. Andrew Donald, Mr. William Sharp, of Cumberland, N. S., to Frances Amelia, daughter of the late Ezekiah Wetmore, Sheriff of Kingston, N. B.

At Tancook Island, Co. Lunenburg, Nov. 20th, by the Rev. G. N. Baker, Mr. Benjamin Stevens, to Eliza Baker. Also, by the same, on the 17th Jan. Mr. James Baker, to Matilda Cross. By the same, on the same day, Mr. John Hutt, to Sarah Seaburgh, all of Tancook.

Died.

On the 17th inst., James H. Tidmarsh, Esq., aged 78 years.

On Tuesday, the 19th inst., at Dutch Village, Mrs. Susannah Walker, in her 90th year.

At Dartmouth, on the 23rd inst., Mrs. Susan Moreland, widow of the late Joseph Moreland, in the 72nd year of her age.

At Dartmouth, on the 20th inst., after a severe illness aged 4 years, Harriet, second daughter of Philip M. Brown.

At Lahave, Bridgewater, on the 13th inst., Mary Moseley, aged 14 years, daughter of Mr. Henry Moseley, late of this city.

At Coal Harbor, on the 15th inst., after a short but painful illness, John, the only son of George and Hannah Bell, aged 11 years.

At Bath, Me., on the 11th inst., Mr. John Young, a native of Dumfries, Scotland, and for many years a resident of Sydney, N. S., aged 92 years.

At Londonderry, on the 1st inst., Mr. Alex. Verner, in the 69th year of his age. Also, Capt. Robert Eastman, in the 31st year of his age.

At Londonderry, on the 11th inst., Wm. Layton, aged 80 years. He died trusting in the Saviour.

At Yarmouth, Nov. 23rd, Mr. Edward Baker, aged 79. He was for many years a worthy and consistent member of the first Baptist Church. He died trusting in the Lord. Also, Jan. 24th, Mrs. Jerusha Ann, wife of Mr. George James Goudey. Mrs. G. was baptized a few years since, by Elder Burton, and united with the Baptist Church. Her end was peace. Also, Jan. 27th, of brain fever, Charles, infant son of Capt. Charles Pinkney, aged 7 months.

At North West Lunenburg, on the 22nd Jan., Mr. James Dory, about 66 years of age, leaving a widow, eight children, and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss. The deceased has been for several years confined to his house for the most of the time, by a prostration of the nervous system, during which time his mind was often called up to weigh the subject of religion. About 12 days before his death he was suddenly taken with paralysis, which deprived him of reason for a short time. When it was mercifully restored again he seemed to wake up to the importance of wrestling with God for mercy, which he now saw he must have or be lost for ever. I visited him three or four times whilst he lay there prostrate and helpless, and tried to point him to Christ as the only hope for poor sinners. The strong and rebellious man was bowed by the stronger arm of God's afflicting dispensation, and the tears would steal down his cheek whilst his soul was wrestling for mercy. He would not think of dying without being able to feel that Christ had received him. Thus he continued till a short time, before he breathed his last he called his wife to him and said, now I can put all my trust in the paradise of God, as we hope, to be admitted into the paradise of God, as well as the dying thief on the cross. O that sinners would learn before they come to a dying bed, that they must beg for mercy, or be lost eternally. May God bless the affliction to all the relatives, so that they may not put off seeking salvation.—Com. by the Rev. A. W. Buras.

At Beach Hill, Horton, on the 12th Jan., Mr. Nathan Schofil, aged 92 years. Mr. S. had stood connected with the first Baptist Church in Horton upwards of 50 years, during which he adorned the christian profession by uprightness of deportment and exemplary piety.—He retained in a remarkable degree his powers of intellect to the last, and with evident expressions of assurance in reference to a glorious immortality, he peacefully fell asleep in Jesus.

"Asleep in Jesus blessed sleep. From which none ever wakes to weep. A calm and undisturbed repose. Unbroken by the last of foes."

Shipping List.

Arrived.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20th.—Am. Steamship Alabama, Schenk, from a cruise in search of the missing mail steamship Pacific; reports has visited the coast of Newfoundland as far as Cape Race, looked at Sable Island, and fell in with immense quantities of ice, in which she was detained some 36 hours; has no tidings of the missing ship; brings Agenorica, Murphy, Cardenas, 13 days; Boston Lady, hence bound to the West Indies, returned from sea; schr Helen McGregor, McAlpina, Ragged Islands.

THURSDAY, 21st.—Schr Sylvia, Young, Liverpool, N. S., 7 1/2 hours; Telegraph, McNab, Boston, 56 hours; packet schr Lunenburg, Westaver, Lunenburg, 7 hours.

FRIDAY, 22nd.—Steamship Etna, Miller, Havre, 17 days—reports saw little ice—put in for coal. No news—no account of Pacific—has 10 passengers.

SATURDAY, 23rd.—Brigs Briek, Morrison, Boston, 48 hours; Africa Meagher, Boston, 3 days; schr Inkerman, Cleverly, Cienfuegos, 18 days.

SUNDAY, 24th.—Brig Humming Bird, Norfolk, 7 days; Govt. schr Daring, Daly, Sable Island, 2 days; schr Frances, from Nfld. for Boston; Uncle Tom, Locke, Nfld., 15 days; Lady Sals, Brough, do; Beverly, Maxwell, Fortune Bay.

MONDAY, 25th.—Brig Mary Housell, Bond, London, 78 days; schr Speculator, Randle, Nfld.

TUESDAY, Feb. 26th.—Brigs Lucretia, Foster, Matanzas, 23 days; Sword Fish, Brough, do, 18 days; schr Silvia, Lunenburg.

Cleared.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20th.—Schr Furr, Ryan, Baltimore; Magnet, Green, United States.

THURSDAY, 21st.—Brig America, O'Brien, Boston; brig Mary, Thomas, B. W. Indies.

SATURDAY, 23rd.—Steamer Etna, Miller, New York.

MONDAY, 25th.—Schr Linden, Desandale, New York.

TUESDAY, Feb. 26th.—Brig Fawn, Pugh, Jamaica; schr Telegraph, N. Y.; Wave, Wilson, N. Y.

Disasters.

Schr Uncle Tom, from Newfoundland for Halifax, has put into Jedore in distress—lost master. Was on the rocks getting into the harbour, and is now in possession of the Jedore people.

Schr Hope, Ozong, from Newfoundland for Halifax, has been wrecked at Cow Bay, C. B. Vessel and cargo a total loss. One man lost.

NOTICE.

FOUND on the Post Road, near the line between Cornwallis and Aylesford, on the 23rd ult., a BUNCH OF KEYS. The owner may have them by applying to GEORGE RAINFORTH, West Cornwallis.