

SATURDAY, 2nd.

The House resolved itself into Committee on Bills—Mr. Ryder in the chair. The following bills were passed after some discussion:—

A bill to add a polling place in the County of Halifax was read.

A general bill, embodying the different Bills before the House, on the subject of changes in polling districts in the different counties of the Province; passed after a long discussion.

Also, a bill entitled an act to regulate the manner of conducting Elections in Electoral Divisions.

A bill to amend the act relating to railway assessments in the City of Halifax, was taken up, and after a long debate Mr. Tobin moved that the Bill be deferred for three months—on division the motion was lost, and the bill passed.

European Intelligence.

ANOTHER FRENCH PLOT.—All the French newspapers state that the Princess Mathilde, accompanied by several members of her household, paid a visit to the Prefect of Police, a day or two since, to inspect some old records which are kept at the Prefecture. I have reason to think that the object of her visit was very different from the one alleged. About ten days ago, as I am informed on good authority, a person who appeared to be a domestic servant, and was clad in the Imperial livery, presented himself at one—I do not know which—of the railway stations, and asked for three boxes which the Princess expected by a train that had just come in, and which would be directed, 'To be left till called for.' He was told that two boxes only had arrived; and, after repeating that he had expected three, he took the two away.

The next day the missing box, bearing the same direction, arrived. The railway clerks at once sent off to the Princess Mathilde's residence in the Rue de Courcelles. The hall porter, on being told the story of the other two boxes, said he knew nothing about them. The Princess being informed of the message from the railway, came down herself to the hall: the box was opened in her presence, and was found to contain a quantity of bombs, rather smaller than those used by Orsini, but of precisely the same character. The utmost alarm was naturally felt at the reflection that the other two boxes, containing similar murderous materials, must be concealed in Paris, and in the hands of daring conspirators. I am not sure whether it was on that evening or the next that the Emperor went to the Opera Comique. It was observed by a correspondent of one of your contemporaries that most extraordinary precautions were taken on this occasion. I now hear that two squadrons of cavalry, a force quite unprecedented as a guard of honour for any ordinary visit to a theatre, were stationed on the Boulevards, and that all the approaches to the theatre were kept clear to an extent altogether unusual. The reason for these precautions is now evident. There can scarcely be a doubt that the Princess Mathilde went to the police-office for reasons connected with the alarming discovery above alluded to. It is to be hoped, though I have no information as to this, that she and "her household" may have been called upon to identify the two missing boxes, which it is possible may have been seized. An imperfect version of the above narrative, cited by some English journals from the *Opinion* of Turin, speaks of a box of explosive shells having been sent to the Princess Clotilde. I have scarcely any doubt that the correct story is the one which I have just told.—*English Paper.*

LENT IN FRANCE.—Great preparations are made for celebrating Lent in France with unusual attractions, whilst the good Father at Rome, ever mindful of the weakness of his children, has issued through his subordinates the following indulgences. It is a rich exhibition.—"Lenten dispensation.—Granted *de licentia S. Sedis*, 1857.—1. Flesh meat is allowed at the single meal of those who are bound to fast, and at the discretion of those who are not so bound, on all days except Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and Ember Saturday, and the four last days in Holy Week. On Sundays, even those who are bound to fast at their discretion. 2. Eggs are allowed at the single meal of those who are bound to fast, and at the discretion of those who are not so bound, on all days except Ash Wednesday, and the three last days in Holy Week. 3. Cheese, under the same restrictions, is allowed on all days, except Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. 4. The use of dripping and lard is permitted at dinner and collation on all days, except Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. 5. On those days, Sundays included, whereon flesh meat is allowed, fish is not permitted at the same meal."

The Emperor of the French in communicating to his Cabinet in a late council, the intended evacuation of Rome by the French troops, said:— "You know gentlemen, with what solicitude I have always surrounded the Holy Father, with what zeal I have sought to guard his dignity: He now believes he can renounce the support of my government, and I have taken the resolution to abandon him to the hazard to which the obstinacy of his government are going to expose him, in not following my disinterested counsels."

The French deputy, M. Mignon, whose election for Haut Rhine has been twice annulled, appeals again for re-election, and it is said with every prospect of success. It is pronounced unquestionably distasteful to the Emperor to have his renegade servant thrown back to him in this fashion.

The *Nord* of Sunday announces very coolly that "the Holy See is now engaged in recruiting a body of 5,000 men in Ireland, who are to be sent forthwith to Rome to form his Holiness's body guard!"

INDIA AND CHINA.—Lord Clyde, we are told, has fought his last battle, and is preparing to return to England. Oude is disarmed and pacified, and the revenue collected regularly. Nena Sahib, who had fled into Nepal, will not be allowed a resting-place there. Jung Bahador has undertaken to drive him out himself, and it is expected that by next mail we shall hear of his suicide or execution. He appears to be as abjectly cowardly as heartlessly cruel. Tania Topee is the only great rebel at large. He keeps away by long marches, in which he seizes the animals of the natives, leaving them his own worn-out ones. Lord Elgin has returned from his voyage up the Yang-tee-kiang; two of his vessels had grounded with the low water, and must remain till the spring. There have been unpleasant disturbances at Canton.

CAPTAIN NORTON'S LIQUID FIRE SHELL.—Capt. Norton, the inventor of several improvements in missiles, completed, on the 26th, a series of experiment which he has undertaken at Brompton barracks, for the purpose of testing the practical utility of several of his inventions. Captain Norton states that he is quite prepared to set fire to any line-of-battle ship in the navy by means of one of his shells, and that a succession of them poured into the hull of any vessel would in a short time burn her down to the water's edge. As soon as the authorities have taken up the invention some experiments on a very large scale will be made with the liquid fire shell.

ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY.—At a late meeting of the proprietors of the Atlantic Telegraph Company the Right Hon. J. Stuart Wortley, M.P., the chairman, stated that within the last hour he had received intelligence of the success of the negotiations with the Government, and that a guarantee will be given of 8 per cent. on 600,000*l.* for 25 years. The precise stipulations had not been fixed. The cable remains in exactly the same state as at the previous meeting, the directors having no adequate funds for lifting and repairing it.

THE TRIALS FOR TREASON IN IRELAND.—For the first time during six hundred years, there is a trial for treason in Ireland, without causing any excitement. The trials of the members of the Phoenix Club charged with treason, are in progress at Tralee, and the Attorney-General is in attendance to prosecute. In this case the extent of folly throws ridicule on the crime, but the nature of the case will not call for any great severity of punishment.

At her Majesty's levee on Wednesday, the honour of Knighthood was conferred upon Mr. Armstrong, the inventor of the new rifle gun, who is further described as engineer to the War Department for rifle ordnance. *The Times* remarks that this appointment is a very significant fact.

Switzerland appears to participate in the universal feeling as to the warlike state of Europe. On Saturday the Federal Council unanimously decided upon upholding by every means in its power the integrity and neutrality of the Swiss territory, with express reference to the present aspect of affairs.

The Russian Ministry of Education has appointed the sum of 300,000 roubles for the support of successful authors.

Sugar and Molasses.

THE SUBSCRIBERS OFFER FOR SALE—The Cargo of Brig. "Mary," from Mayaguez, P.R., just landed— 74 Hogsheds, 120 barrels, Strictly Prime Porto Rico SUGARS. 31 Pans, 3 Tierces, Choice Porto Rico MOLASSE. GEORGE H. STARR & CO. Halifax, N. S., March 22. 3 w.

CARD! W. H. RUDOLF.

Commission Merchant, and Wholesale Dealer in Fruits, Nuts, Confectionary, and all kinds of American Goods. Office.....Head of Long Wharf. March 9. 4 w.

BOOT AND SHOE STORE. JOHN HOAR.

No. 142 Lower Water Street. HALIFAX, N. S. (A few doors South of Wier & Co's Boston Packet Whf.)

An assortment of BOOTS and SHOES constantly for sale at Moderate Prices, for Cash. \* \* \* Orders from the country carefully and punctually attended to. Feb 16.

LIVERPOOL HOUSE. Mantles, Heavy Cloths, Furs, &c.

LADIES' and Childrens' MANTLES, in Seal, Whitney and Reversible Cloths, all newest designs. HEAVY WINTER CLOTHS, in Newfoundland Beavers, Pilots, &c. Also, MANTLE CLOTHS, a large assortment. Doeskins, Tweeds, Cassimeres, and Vestings. A Large Stock of BLANKETS, VERY CHEAP. FURS, Stone Martin, Fitch, Sable, Mink, Pomernian, Musk, Squirrel, Mountain Martin, &c., &c., with Cuffs to match. With a large variety of New and Seasonable Goods. All of which we offer at a low figure for cash or short credit. WETMORE, VAUX & McCULLOCH, No. 12 GRANVILLE STREET. Nov. 17.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. SEEDS—1859—SEEDS.

FRESH KITCHEN GARDEN SEEDS, FRESH FLOWER SEEDS, FRESH CLOVER SEED, FRESH TIMOTHY SEED.

The Kitchen Garden, Flower, and Clover Seeds having been just received from the first seed houses in the world, and the Timothy being the growth of Nova Scotia, we can confidently recommend them all. BROWN BROTHERS & CO., No 3 Ordnance Square. SUCCESSORS TO JOHN NAYLOR. April 6.

RAILWAY NOTICE.

ON AND AFTER MONDAY, the 4th of April, the Trains will run twice a day to and from TRURO AND WINDSOR. Leaving Halifax for Truro at 7.30 and at 2.00 " " Windsor at 8.00 " 2.30 " Truro " Halifax at 7.00 " 1.30 " Windsor " " at 8.30 " 3.00 JAMES McNAB, Chairman. Railway Office, 30th March, 1859. April 6.

NEW GOODS. Just received at.

No. 145 Granville Street, Per Steamer Niagara.

Several Bales and Cases Staple Goods,

—AMONG WHICH ARE— WHITE, Grey, and Printed COTTONS, Superior, SERGED SHIRTINGS, Book, Jaconet, and Mul Muslins.

A select and extensive assortment of Ladies' and Misses' BONNETS and HATS, in newest styles and fashions. SAMUEL STRONG. 3 ins. April 6.

Protestant Alliance OF NOVA SCOTIA.

THE EIGHTH LECTURE of the Course, in connection with the Protestant Alliance, will be delivered (D.V.) at Temperance Hall, on FRIDAY Evening next, the 8th instant, by M. H. RICHIEY, Esq.

SUBJECT:—The Spirit of Popery, and the Duty of Protestants with regard to Public Education.

Tickets of admission 3d. each, will be sold at the Hall on the evening of the Lecture. Doors open at 7; Chair to be taken at 7 1/2 o'clock. JOHN HUNTER, GEO. R. ANDERSON, Joint Secretaries. April 6.

Provincial Hospital for the Insane.

IN order to prevent disappointment to intending visitors to the above Institution, Notice is hereby given that admission can be had on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS ONLY, between the hours of 2 o'clock and 5 o'clock P. M., this being considered necessary for the benefit of the patients. By order of the Commissioners, JAMES L. LIDDELL, Treasurer & Secretary. 6 ins. March 30.

For Sale or To Let, With immediate Possession,

WHAT eligible Property situate in Wolfville, the late residence of Joseph Starr, Esq., deceased, containing about Seventeen Acres of LAND, all in a high state of cultivation, four and one-half of which is dyke. There is on the premises a thoroughly finished new House, with Ice House, Barns, Granaries and Outhouses, in first rate order, together with a Garden, Young Orchard, &c., &c. This property is well adapted for a gentleman's residence, or for a farmer—is within half a mile of the College and Academy—is in the most desirable part of the beautiful and thriving Village of Wolfville, and is altogether the handsomest property that has been offered in the market for some time. Terms easy, as a large portion of the purchase money may remain on mortgage. The House and Property will be let together for one or more years, or separately, as may be agreed upon. For further particulars apply to J. W. JOHNSTON & SONS, 42 Hollis Street, Halifax. March 23.

LONDON HOUSE, MARCH 29th, 1859.

Arrivals per "Niagara" and "Alps." 17 CASES SPRING NOVELTIES!

4 CASES PARIS MANTLES, 1 do Bonnet Ribbons, 1 do Fancy Silks, 1 do Parasols, 2 do Millinery and Straw Bonnets, 1 do Ladies' and Misses' Hats, 8 do Fancy Dresses, 1 do Shawls, 1 do Worked Muslins, 1 do Lace Goods.

16 BALES AND CASES STAPLE DRY GOODS!

11 bales Fancy Prints, 1 do White Shirtings, 2 cases Linings, 2 bales Cloths and Doeskins. We respectfully invite attention to the above first arrivals of SPRING GOODS. We have bestowed more than ordinary attention upon the selection of our FANCY GOODS, and a rich display of London and Parisian Novelties in Shawls, Mantles, Bonnets, Ribbons, &c., will be submitted for inspection. As a consequence of our being in the British Manufacturing districts very early in the season, and the continued advance in prices which has since taken place, our STAPLE GOODS are, at a moderate calculation, 10 per cent under present values. E. BILLING, JUNR. & CO. March 30.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. IN THE PRESS:

SECOND EDITION! Revised: with an Appendix.

Scripture and Tradition; A REPLY TO MR. MATURE'S LETTER

"The Claims of the Catholic Church."

By J. M. CRAMP, D. D.

The Appendix will contain articles on the following subjects:—

- 1. WAS PETER BISHOP OF ROME? 2. THE EARLY HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY IN BRITAIN. 3. THE INSPIRATION OF THE SCRIPTURES. 4. APOSTOLIC SUCCESSION.

"Christian Messenger" Office. 49 Granville Street, Halifax.

WANTED.—A Recording Secretary and Librarian for the Halifax Young Men's Christian Association. Applications will be received till Tuesday, the 14th instant. Any further information may be obtained from the subscriber. By order of Committee, R. MURRAY, Secretary. April 6.

Notice of Dissolution.

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the Subscribers under the firm of ALBRO & WIER,

is this day dissolved by the withdrawal of FREDERICK O. WIER therefrom. All persons indebted to the said firm are requested to pay the amounts to FRANCIS J. ALBRO, who alone is authorized to receive and settle the same, and who has assumed all the liabilities of the late firm. FRANCIS J. ALBRO, FREDERICK O. WIER. Halifax, N. S., April 1st, 1859.

Referring to the above Notice, the Subscriber begs to inform his friends, and the public generally that the

Iron and Hardware Business

Of the late firm of Albro & Wier, will be continued by him in all its branches, under his own name, at the old stand, sign of the Circular Saw, Stone Store, head of Power's wharf. FRANCIS J. ALBRO. 1 m. April 6.

REVIEW OF E. MATURE'S LETTER,

By Rev. John Hunter, A LECTURE BEFORE THE PROTESTANT ALLIANCE,

is now ready and may be had at the Wesleyan Book Rooms and at the Stores of Messrs. A. & W. Mackinlay, James Gossp and James Tracey. April 6.

NEW BOOKS!

ANNUAL Scientific Discovery, 1859. Surgeon's Daughter. Waverly Magazine for April. Ballou's do. do. AMERICAN BOOK STORE. March 30.

E. W. SUTCLIFFE & CO., Family Grocers,

No. 37 BARRINGTON STREET, (Opposite the Grand Parade,) HALIFAX, N. S.

COFFEES AND SPICES ground by steam on the premises, and warranted genuine. March 23.

Sweet Oranges.

Just received—in good order: 1500 Sweet Jamaica Oranges, 150 boxes Prime Figs, 2 lbs. each, —AT— SUTCLIFFE & CO'S., 37 BARRINGTON STREET, Opposite the Parade. March 23.

NOTICE!

THE Subscriber begs leave to announce that the next Quarter of his School will open on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, when a few more pupils may be received.

He would also announce that the usual assortment of DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, HARDWARE, BOOKS, STATIONERY,

Paper Hangings, &c., &c. May be found at his establishment, where he hopes, by strict attention to the wants of customers, to merit a continuance of the patronage, which has been so liberally bestowed heretofore. JOHN CHASE. Wolfville, March 1, 1859.

Redwood!

A Quantity of STICK REDWOOD just received, and for sale by BROWN BROTHERS & CO., No. 3 Ordnance Square. SUCCESSORS TO JOHN NAYLOR. Jan 19.