

The Great Western Railway freight sheds and their contents at St. Catharines were burned on Thursday night.

The Dominion Parliament has been summoned to meet for the despatch of business on the 18th of March.

The "Globe" announces that Edward Jenkins, M. P., for Dundee has been appointed by the Ottawa Government as their representative in London, in room of the late Mr. Dixon.

The returns from Manitoba are:—Ministerialists—Selkirk, Smith, Lisgar, Shultz. Opposition—Provencher, Riel, Marquette, Qyan. The last named district not all heard from.

It is stated that Riel intends to present himself at opening of Parliament.

McManus & Co., (?) whose tender was lowest, have been awarded the contract for additional works on the Railway at Richmond, Halifax. The work is to be carried on at once.—*Tel. to Chron.*

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The N. B. Legislature was opened on Thursday. His Honor the Lieutenant Governor noticed the general prosperity of the province in its agricultural and shipping interests, also the arrangement made with the Dominion Government for \$150,000 per annum, as an equivalent for the export duty on lumber. He also referred to the action of the Dominion Legislature on the schools question and said, "I am satisfied that you will steadily resist any attempt to violate the Constitution."

The Address in reply to the opening speech, passed on Saturday.

We understand that no dissolution is expected at present.

UNITED STATES.

Important correspondence has passed between Generals Sherman and Sheridan, concerning the Indian difficulties. The latter wrote confirming recent outrages, and Sheridan authorized him to begin active operations against the Indians.

At a meeting of the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Philadelphia on the 9th inst., four surgeons were appointed to conduct an autopsy of the bodies of the Siamese Twins.

The contract with the family of the late twins provides that the examination be conducted only so far as to settle scientific mysteries. It forbids any unnecessary mutilation of the corpses. No photographs are to be given to the world. All negatives are to become the property of the widows, and all money reverting to them. The contract also forbids cutting of the connecting band in front, and strictly insists that all dissection of the same shall be made from the rear, so as not to interfere with the appearance of the bodies after the scientific curiosity is satisfied. It is evident that the families of the late twins intend to use the corpses hereafter for their own emolument.

Two men employed in a rolling mill in Allerton, Penn., were smothered to death while engaged at the bottom of a mill.

Frauds are alleged against the tax collector's office in Brooklyn of over half a million dollars.

Eight men were killed by falling of a brewery house in Philadelphia on Friday.

By the capsizing of a pot of molten metal at the steel works of the Cambria Iron Company, in Johnstown, Pa., sixteen men were seriously burned. One man died. Several had their clothing completely burned from their bodies.

The N. Y. Herald devotes a whole page to actual cases of destitution and suffering from involuntary poverty in that city, showing many heartrending scenes. Applications for lodgings at the police stations are beyond the accommodations, as is also the case at all the charitable institutions.

The Army Appropriation Bill passed the Lower Branch of Congress on the 11th inst., after being cut down four and a half million dollars from the original estimate.

Edward S. Stokes says he has a comfortable berth as book-keeper in the hospital. He is very much altered. His hair, that was sparsely tinged with grey during the period of his incarceration in the Tombs, is now almost entirely white. His eyebrows seem to have changed their color, and his face looks haggard and careworn. He wears negligently a well-fitting suit of stripes, at his own expense to measure. Instead of regulation cow-hide shoes, he has velvet slippers. From the moment of his taking up quarters in prison, his health has been somewhat precarious; and thus far he has, because of that reason, escaped the necessity of sleeping in one of the forbidden cells.

An ice thaw has begun on the Hudson. A break up has already taken place near Troy, where considerable damage was done.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16th p. m.—Gold 124. Sterling Exchange \$4.85 to \$4.88.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.—The correspondent of the "Times" with the Ashantee expedition, in announcing the successful termination of the war, says that Sir Garnet Wolseley has made arrangements for himself and the white troops to leave the Gold Coast for England on the 1st of March.

Numbers of persons were injured in the election riot at Stowbridge, when the military干涉ed.

Mr. Disraeli delivered an address at Buckingham on Tuesday the 10th Inst. He

congratulated his Constituents on the result of the election, and his speech justified the policy of the Conservative party in introducing and carrying the Reform Law when it last held power.

Taylor's Pantheon in Bulgaria caught fire on Friday, the fire ravaged in the vicinity till midnight. Its progress was finally stayed by blowing up the walls. Two firemen were killed and several hurt. At least a hundred thousand persons were present. There was much confusion among the crowd and considerable violence. A battalion of Regulars had to be called out to preserve the peace. The buildings were insured for two hundred thousand pounds. The loss is estimated at \$15,000 000.

Among other destructions caused by the fire were five stables, in which were a number of horses many of which were burned to death. The loss on stock is estimated at three millions of pounds sterling.

The German bark "Hercules" has been wrecked, and eleven of her crew perished. The American schooner "Hart" from Liverpool for Tybee, is ashore off Billy-Milton, in the 75th year of her age.

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Marriages.

November 27th, 1873, by Rev. P. F. Murray, Mr. Warren Marshall, to Miss Phoebe Mesenger both of Wilmette.

December 21st, 1873, by the same, Mr. Silas Charlton, to Miss Lucinda Sabean, both of Port Williams.

January 1st, 1874, by the same, Mr. Silas Daniels, to Miss Emma Banks, both of Wilmette.

January 31st, by the same, Mr. Timothy R. Milierry, of Hampton, to Miss Clara Rhynard of Middleton.

On the 4th inst., by the Rev. P. G. McGregor, Mr. Isaac Davis, to Miss Charlotte Maria Andrews, both of Shubenacadie.

At the same time, by the same, Mr. James W. Faulkner, of Burncoat, Hants Co., to Miss Louisa Davis, of Shubenacadie.

At the residence of David Huile on the 5th inst., by Rev. I. J. Skinner, Mr. Alfred Walker, and Miss Besse Graves, all of Chester.

Deaths.

Washed overboard from the schooner "Alexander William," on the 13th of October, 1873, on the voyage from Bridgewater to Barbados when only two days out, Joseph Porter, aged 19, eldest son of Jacob and Caroline Porter, of Hartford, Yarmouth Co. Although he never made a public profession of Christ, yet in his life gave evidence of a change of heart and in his day a walk and conversation ever evinced the Christian character. He was an honored member of Hartford Lodge I. O. G. T. and his early death has cast a gloom over the Temple. We deeply sympathize with his sorrowing parents, brother, and sisters, in this their hour of sorrow; but we feel that they should not mourn as those that have no hope, but rather rejoice that he has been taken from a world of sorrow, to one of eternal joy. We desire to be able to say, as did Job, when in deep affliction, "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."—*Com. by J. P. N.*

At Westport, on the 28th inst., Mr. Edward Morell, aged 62 years. Deceased had been for many years a member of the Baptist Church here and we doubt not has made a happy exchange. He leaves a widow and four children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and parent.—*Com.*

At Dartmouth, 10th inst., Harriet, wife of S. Caldwell, Esq., aged 55 years.

At the Poor's Asylum, on the 7th February, 1874, Saul Lusty, age 80 years.

On Monday, Hugh Kennedy, aged 86 years.

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On Thursday, 12th inst., Henry, son of the late Daniel Spike, of this city, in the 79th year of his age.

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On Friday, the 13th inst., Thomas Stephen Tobin, Esq., eldest son of the late Hon. Michael John Tobin, in the 69th year of his age.

At Urbania, Shubenacadie, Jan. 10th, 1874, Lucinda, wife of James Rose, aged 41 years, leaving a sorrowing husband and 2 children and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

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Shipping List.

ARRIVED.

TUESDAY, Feb. 10.—Schr. Alliance, Ritchie, Liverpool, N. S.; Eltham Jane, Fraser, Lower Prospect.

WEDNESDAY, 11th.—No arrivals.

THURSDAY, 12th.—Brigs. Ariel, Doane, Boston; Caroni, (Lockport), Stevens, St. Martin's bound to Lockport; schrs. Annie May, Hopkins, Cienfuegos; Rival, Smith, Liverpool, N. S.; British Eagle, Keans, St. Margaret's Bay.

FRIDAY, 13th.—S. S. Alhambra, Angrove Portland; bt. Edith Miller, Cleanting; schr. Frank Wellington, Maxner, Lunenburg.

SATURDAY, 14th.—Brigs. M. H. Morris, Patterson, Boston; Am. scir. Helen H. Dennis, (of Gloucester), Western Banks.

SUNDAY, 15th.—Steamer Alpha, Shaw, Bermuda and St. Thomas.

MONDAY, 16th.—No Arrivals.

CLEARED.

TUESDAY, Feb. 10.—Steamer Canadian, McKenzie, Liverpool, G. B.; schrs. Ontario, McAuley, Port au Prince; Switzer, Oxner, La-Have; Rosanado, Zwicker, do.

WEDNESDAY, 11th.—Brig. Sultan, Davis, Plymouth, G. B., for orders; schr. Frank Newton, Burns, Lunenburg.

THURSDAY, 12th.—Brig. Teazer, McGregor, Jamaica; schrs. C. C. Pettengill, (Am.) McLellan, Fortune Bay, Nfld.; C. H. Price (Am.), Demif, do.; Kate, McDonald, Burgeo, Nfld.; Quartette, Bollong, Little Glace Bay.

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PRIVATE BILLS.

PARTIES intending to make application to Parliament for Private Bills, either for granting