

the continuance of any French troops within the Belgic territory.

MISCELLANEOUS EUROPEAN ITEMS.

Steam Boat Precautions.—It has been suggested since the loss of the unfortunate *Rothsay Castle*, that all steam vessels should be supplied with the means of making night signals in cases of running on shore, such as a few signal lanterns—i. e. lanterns kept and used only for that purpose; also a few lights and rockets:—added to these precautions, all steam vessels navigating in the open seas, and in large rivers, should be obliged to carry a boat on each quarter instead of the one on the stern.

Levy of Catholic Troops.—The following extraordinary statement is extracted from the *Roman Catholic Magazine* for August, 1831, under the head 'Rome.'—'We have heard from good authority, that His Holiness has, through the Nuncio, Monsignor Spadaccini, applied to the British Government for permission to raise a body of 10,000 troops in Ireland, and that the application has been successful.'

King's Printer.—The situation of King's printer is now vacant by the death of Andrew Strahan, Esq, who expired on Thursday week, at the age of 83. The office it is hoped, will be abolished. Mr Strahan has, it is reported, left £700,000 in legacies, £300,000 of which is devised to the second son of Sir John Paul, the banker, who is to take Mr Strahan's name.

Suicide by two Brothers.—The Rev. C. Semple, of Goldington, Bedfordshire, last week blew out his brains, and was found in his bed room in the agonies of death. His brother, Captain Semple, of the 3rd regiment of Guards, on hearing the melancholy intelligence became gloomy and abstracted, and on the morning of his brother's funeral, cut his throat with a razor, and immediately expired. He was 35 years of age, and fought at the battle of Waterloo.

Steam Navigation.—H M Steamer *Echo*, sailed on Monday to join the squadron under the command of Sir Edward Codrington. The *Echo* is the vessel which has been fitted with cylindrical boilers and serpentine tubes, by which four great objects are obtained—increased safety, considerable space, a great saving of fuel, and an accession of power. The safety of the vessel is increased by the greater strength of the cylindrical than the square boilers; space is obtained by the new being much smaller than the old boilers; the consumption of fuel is lessened very considerably, we believe to the extent of one third; and an accession of power is obtained by being enabled to work the engine at its greatest power, without fear of injury to the boilers, which will bear sixty or seventy lbs on a square inch. The *Echo* made her passage from hence to Plymouth in four hours and forty minutes, drawing 12 feet water, quite a calm, to the perfect satisfaction of all on board. The engines worked at their full speed, at the same time expanding the steam more than one half the stroke. *Falmouth pa.*

The Bishopric of Derry has been bestowed, it is said, without curtailment or spoliation, upon Dr. Ponsonby, Lord Bishop of Killaloe.

Sir Walter Scott's Manuscripts.—On Friday week the autograph manuscripts of Sir Walter Scott's novels were sold by auction by Mr Evans. The highest price obtained for the manuscript of one novel, was 50l, for the MS of *Rob Roy*; the lowest price obtained was 12l for *Ivanhoe*. Captain Basil Hall purchased the MS of the *Antiquary* for 42l; the whole of the manuscripts produced 316l: 4s.

New Island in the Mediterranean.—The following extract from a letter from Malta, dated the 6th instant, contains some interesting particulars relative to the volcano island which has recently appeared on the Sicilian coast:—'Doubtless you will have heard of the volcano Island which has lately appeared on the coast of Sicily, between Sevaeca and Pantalania. About eight days ago the Admiral sent his tender, with Captain Senhouse (of His M S St Vincent) and other naval officers, to survey it, which gentlemen returned last evening, and confirm former reports of its increasing daily: When they left it, the Island was about two miles and a half in circumference, and upwards of 200 feet above the level of the sea: Captain Senhouse made an attempt to land, and succeeded in

planting the English flag upon it, and named it Graham's Island. The eruptions continues unabated, throwing out immense columns of smoke, red hot cinders and fire, to the height of at least 1,000 feet.

Telegraphs.—A succession of experiments has just been made at Sannois, about eight miles from Paris, to ascertain the merits of a new telegraphic invention for night service, which is effected by the use of lanterns of stained glass. The experiments established the practical merit of the invention. During the night of Saturday last, it was intended further to try the adaptability of fuses, and a telegraphic machine of a novel construction having a similar object in view.

PURITY OF ELECTION.—The last Leicester election but one cost Mr. Evans £19,000, Mr O. Cave, £10,000, Sir Charles Hastings, £16,000, and the Corporation 16,000.—Warwick cost 27,000, without bribery. Stafford, £14,000, where the voters displayed the Beaumont cockades, said to be worth £5 each, in their hats. The China of the Camelford voters was occasionally wrapped, as if by accident, in £1 bank notes. The Northumberland elections cost a large sum; Mr Bell probably paid between 60 and £70,000, for his seat of two months from February, and his four sessions' seat from July, 1828. Mr Liddel probably £50,000, Lord Howick, £100,000, and Mr Beaumont was charged upwards of 109,000, but he contrived to pay a much smaller sum—Yorkshire 1807, in the great party contest between Earl Fitzwilliam, and the Earl of Harewood, cost the former 130,000, and the latter 100,000, whose son (the present Earl of Haywood, then the Hon. H. Lascelles), lost the election; £95,000 were raised in five days by subscription, to support Mr Wilberforce, but only £65,000 were expended, the remainder being given by the committee to the general infirmaries at Leeds, Sheffield, York, and Hull. The contest between Lord Belgrave and Sir J. C. Egerton, for Chester, cost Grosvenor £70,000, and eventually it is estimated at more than £300,000.

QUARANTINE.—There are at present about 50 vessels riding quarantine in our river—a greater number than ever was known to be in a similar situation here. We are not aware that sickness prevails among any of their crews.—*Dundee Courier.*

BENGAL.—The population, towns, villages, and houses, in lower Bengal, which forms only a small portion of the Anglo-Indian empire, is as follows:—Towns and villages, 154,268; houses, 7,781,250; population, 39,957,561.

Imports and Exports of Ireland.—Accounts have been ordered by the House of Commons, of the official value of English and Irish produce and manufactures, and of Foreign and Colonial produce and manufactures, exported from Great Britain, distinguishing the several countries; together with the imports into Great-Britain from the same countries, for the year ending the 5th January, 1831; of the official value of British and Irish produce and manufactures, exported from Ireland, distinguishing the several countries; together with the imports into Ireland, from the same countries, for the year ending 5th January, 1831.

POLITICAL EJECTMENTS.—We are sorry to find above six hundred poor people are on the eve of being turned out upon the high road, either, to starve or rob for existence, by a noble proprietor to the west of the city.—*Limerick Evening Post.*

WHIRLWIND.—On the day succeeding Goodwood races, the wind on the course was so violent that two horses, waiting to be put to a waggon, were blown down on their sides; two large fir-trees near the same spot were uprooted, and one of the booths was lifted in the air and carried over a range of trees to the distance of full 300 yards.

The remains of HENRY CRAPMAN, will be interred to-morrow (Wednesday) at St. Paul's Church—procession to move from Mr Cunard's House, precisely at two o'clock. Chatham, October 25.

Notice to Road Contractors.
The Sale of forming pieces of ROAD situate between George Flitt's Farm, upwards through the reserve Lands; and opposite to Barnaby's Island, will take place as follows. On SATURDAY the 5th NOVEMBER; at 12 o'clock, on the premises. The above jobs will be set up in Lots—and will be struck off to the lowest bidder, a description given at Sale. The different contracts will be paid in cash, agreeable to description.
ALEXANDER FRASER Jun, Commissioner
Chatham Head, 25th October, 1831.

CONVEYANCE BETWEEN MIRAMICHI AND RICHIBUCTO.

The SUBSCRIBER respectfully announces to the Public, his intention of running a weekly STAGE between the above places. He proposes commencing on the 1st November, and shall provide an easy and commodious Waggon until the approach of winter, when that vehicle will be super-eded by a large Sleigh, abundantly provided with Furs, and drawn by two excellent Horses.

The Stages will depart from, and arrive at the above places, precisely at the same time with his Majesty's Mails.

FARE, Ten Shillings for each Passenger. The Subscriber pledges himself to pay every attention to the comfort of Passengers; and he trusts that this assurance; the expence and difficulties attending such an arduous undertaking; and the moderation of his charges, will entitle him to a liberal share of public support.

ALEXANDER M'BEATH.

October 24, 1831.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

To be sold at Public Auction at Hamill's Hotel, Newcastle, on Saturday the Twenty-fifth day of February next, between the hours of 12 and 5 in the afternoon.

ALL the Right, Title, Interest and claim of SAMUEL PORTER, of, in and to all that certain LOT or TRACT of LAND, situate lying and being in the parish of Ludlow on the North side of the south west branch of the Miramichi River, known and distinguished as Lot No 68, in the grant to George Sutherland, bounded easterly by lands granted to John Pond, and westerly by lands now or lately ungranted. The same having been seized by me by virtue of an Execution issued out of the Supreme Court of this Province at the suit of James D. Berton against John Brown and the said Samuel Porter.

R. S. CLARKE, SHERIFF.

Sheriff's Office, Chatham, August 18, 1831.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

To be Sold by Public Auction at Hamill's Hotel, Newcastle on Friday the 20th day of January next, between the hours of 12 and 5 o'clock.

ALL the Right, Title, Interest and Claim of THOMAS MOORE, in and to that certain Lot, Piece or Parcel of Land situate lying and being in the parish of Blackville, (the parish of Ludlow) on the north side of the South West branch of the Miramichi, and distinguished in the original Grant to Ephraim Betts & Associates, as Lot No. 31, granted to Lewis Mitchell, being 100 Rods in front and containing 190 acres, with the usual allowance of ten per cent. And also all other Real Estate of the said Thomas Mooers, situate in the said County of Northumberland, the same having been seized by me by virtue of an Execution issued out of the Supreme Court of this Province against the said Thomas Mooers at the suit of James Donald Senior, and others.

R S CLARKE, SHERIFF.

Sheriff's Office, Chatham, July 18, 1831.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

To be sold by Public Auction on the Twelfth day of February next, at Hamill's Hotel, Newcastle, between the hours of 12 and 5 of the same day.

All the Right and Title of DAVID BETTS, Senior, to all that tract of Land and Premises, and also to the Buildings and Improvements thereon, situate on the south side of the south west branch of the Miramichi River, in the parish of Blissfield, in the County of Northumberland, lately in the possession and occupation of his family, together with all other Real Estate of the said David Betts, in the County of Northumberland, wheresoever situate, the same having been taken by me under an Execution issued out of His Majesty's Supreme Court of this Province against the said David Betts at the suit of John A. Street, Esq.

R. S. CLARKE, SHERIFF.

Chatham, 4th August, 1831.

DIVIDEND.

The Creditors of the Rev. A. M. QUERN, late of the parish of Chatham and County of Northumberland, who have rendered adjusted accounts and Executed the Trust Deed, may receive a DIVIDEND on their respective claims on application to the Subscriber, at his House, Chatham, on Wednesday the 30th November next, between the hours of 10 and 2 o'clock.

By Order of the Trustees.

JOHN M. JOHNSON, Accountant.

Miramichi, 26th August, 1831.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having any just demands against the Estate of SAMUEL HOLMES late of the parish of Northesk in the County of Northumberland, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested within three months from the County of Northumberland, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested within three months from the date hereof, and all persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

DANIEL YORK, } Administrators.
WILLIAM FOWLER, }

Newcastle, August 18.