

ed over the cabbage heads plentifully, and the work of destruction ceased. The writer did not know whether the discovery was a new one, but it seems to have been a very easy and effectual one, and well worth a trial.

News of the Week.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

From British Papers to the 4th November, by the Acadia.

From various British Journals.

Extensive and Destructive Fire at Glasgow.—On Friday morning, about five o'clock, it was discovered that the large bonding warehouses of Mr Oliver Wingate, in Ann-street, were on fire. The whole force of the Glasgow fire establishment, as well as the West of England brigade, were immediately brought into action, aided by a plentiful supply of water from the well bus, and from the various fire plugs in the neighborhood. The store is a very large building of three stories and attics, upwards of 150 feet long, and about 70 broad, and was filled with merchandise of all sorts—cotton, grain, sugar, wines, spirits, &c. When the engines arrived, and an entrance had been forced into the building, the smoke was so dense, and escaped in such immense volumes, that it was impossible for the firemen to discover to what quarter they ought to direct their efforts, or in what position of the building the fire really was, and it was only after repeated trials at various points, and nearly an hour after the arrival of the engines, that the water became of any service. The flats were so packed with goods that the nucleus of the fire could not be reached, and all that could be done, was to pour water on the property, to save, if possible, some portion of it. At length the flames burst out at the roof, which in a very short time fell in, carrying with it the two upper floors into the street story, which exhibits a heterogeneous mixture of all sorts of articles, among which the fire continues to smoulder, requiring the utmost exertion of the firemen to prevent it again breaking out into a blaze. There is every probability of a considerable quantity of cotton being ultimately saved, and a number of cases of spirits and wines have been recovered from the ruins. Fortunately the vaults below, which are filled with spirits, wines, &c., are untouched. It will evidently be some days before the firemen can with safety be withdrawn. The origin of the fire is a mystery, no light having been used in the warehouses, which are regularly locked up before dark. We have not yet heard whether the various owners of bonded property are insured. 'The Tabernacle,' having been occupied as a place of worship by the late Dr. Greenville Ewing. Subsequently, we believe, it was occupied as a theatre or circus, but of late years it was converted into a store. We regret to state, in connexion with the above, that a boy lost his life in one of the adjoining streets, about twelve o'clock on Friday, being run over by a horse and water-butt.—Glasgow Constitutional.

Rumoured Retirement of Lord Lyndhurst.—It is rumoured in legal circles that, in consequence of the declining state of his health, the veteran Lord Lyndhurst will shortly retire from the woodsack, which his brilliant talents have so pre-eminently adorned, and that he will be succeeded *pro tem.* by Lord Abinger, now Lord Chief Baron, who will shortly afterwards retire in favor of Sir William Follett. These changes will involve the elevation of the present Attorney General to the dignity of Chief Baron, and, in all probability, the promotion of Mr Fitzroy Kelly and Cresswell Cresswell.

Death of Grace Darling.—This heroic woman expired at Hamburg on Thursday, the 29th inst., in the 25th year of her age. She had been in a delicate state of health for a considerable time past, and her medical attendant recommended her removal from the sea. She in consequence went to reside with a friend at Wooler, and afterwards removed to Alnwick, accompanied by her sister, where lodgings were engaged for them by their Graces the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland, by whom the greatest attention was paid to the amiable girl. Her complaint having assumed the form of a decided consumption, and all hopes of her recovery being abandoned, her father anxiously desired that she should return amongst her

family, and she was accordingly removed from Alnwick to Hamburg only about ten days ago.—Newcastle Journal.

A failure in the Canada trade was announced yesterday. It does not appear to be for a large amount, but the high respectability of the parties concerned has made the circumstance a matter of very general regret among their friends, especially as they had been but a twelvemonth in business.—London paper.

Intelligence had been received at Constantinople, according to the Augsburg Gazette, that the Schah of Persia had accepted the mediation of Great Britain to arrange the differences between him and the Ottoman Porte.

Caledonian Canal.—Aberdeen, Oct. 28.—Mr Walker, engineer, from London, has just finished his survey of the canal, by order of government, preparatory to the arrangements for repairing and completing this great national work.

Statue of the Queen at Edinburgh.—The Royal Institution.—On Tuesday an immense block of freestone was brought to town from Binny Quarry. It is the last of a number of huge blocks supplied by Mr. Rhind, tacksman of the quarry for the erection of a colossal statue of her Majesty Queen Victoria, now being executed by Mr. Steel, sculptor, and which is to be placed on the north front of the Royal Institution, Prince street. This stone is upwards of twenty two tons weight, and was brought to town on a wagon drawn by 16 powerful horses, assisted at certain difficult parts of the road by a number of Mr. Rhind's men.

Death of Allan Cunningham.—This distinguished artist, poet, and prose writer, died suddenly, on Saturday night, at his residence, Lower Belgrave place, Pimlico. Mr. Cunningham was the son of humble parents, and born in Scotland, in 1786. After receiving an ordinary school education, he was apprenticed to a stone mason, and followed that occupation several years. His poetical taste, which was early developed, attracted the notice of Sir Walter Scott, and he was already favorably known as an author when he was intrusted by Sir Francis Chantray with the management of his extensive statuary establishment.—London paper.

Death of the Rev. Solomon Hershell.—Died on Monday morning, in the 83rd year of his age, the Rev. Solomon Hershell, 41 years Chief Rabbi of the Great Synagogue in London, and few men acquired or deserved a higher character. Not only among the Jews, and particularly the higher classes of them, was he beloved for his learning and exemplary character, but by every body who knew any thing of his charity and benevolence, and his loss is therefore deeply and generally deplored. He has left his family a sum over £20,000, besides a vast quantity of plate with which he had been from time to time presented.

Lord Morpeth and the Americans.—It is said that Lord Morpeth is preparing his observations on the Americans for the press. The opinions of so distinguished a statesman, so honest a politician, and so good a man, with regard to the Americans and their institutions, would be particularly useful at this period. All classes of politicians would look with anxiety, and be prepared to receive with reverence, his lordship's opinion with regard to the working of the ballot and 'the man suffrage' in America—points that will inevitably be brought forward and disclosed in the next session of parliament.—Sheffield Iris.

The equestrian statue of the Duke of Wellington by Wyatt, intended to be placed on the triumphal arch opposite Apsley house, is just completed. It is twenty eight feet two inches high, and a Life Guardsman, armed *cap a pie*, can ride with ease under the horse's belly.

Mr. Sergeant Spankie, the celebrated pleader at the English Bar, expired in London on the 2d inst. He commenced his career as a reporter for the Morning Chronicle, more than half a century ago.

Numerous commercial failures are taken place in Paris nearly 40 bankrupts have applied to the Tribunal of Commerce between the 1st and 21st of October.

Heworth.—On Thursday, the 25th ult., the lately erected chapel at Windy-nook, in the parish of Heworth, was consecrated by the Lord Bishop of Durham. It is called St. Alban's, in commemoration of the first martyr of the Anglican Church. The consecration was attended by thirty six of the Clergy of the neighbourhood. The prayers were offered by the Rev. Mr. Plummer, and the sermon preached by the Ven. Archdeacon Raymond. The church was

crowded by a devout and attentive congregation, who by the manner in which they made the responses, evinced the interest which they felt in the impressive service. A house of prayer was much needed in that populous district, and cannot fail to prove a blessing to it. The building is plain, but elegant and ecclesiastical. It is in the early English style, and is fitted up with open seats instead of the closed pews, by which, since the time of the Puritans, our churches have been so shamefully defaced. On the altar, according to the direction of the Church, are placed two candlesticks, for the signification that 'Christ is the very true light of the world.' These and the salver, which are very handsome, are the gift of R. C. Powles, Esq., Fellow of Exeter College, Oxford. The altar cloth was presented by Mrs. Adamson, of Newcastle; and the chairs by Mrs. Forster, of White House. The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge presented the books for the altar, reading desk, and lectern. The Bishop at the conclusion of the service was pleased to express his satisfaction with the arrangement and decoration of the chapel. Large and commodious schools have also just been completed, so that the children of the poor will enjoy the inestimable benefit of sound education in the principles of the Church.

Canal between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.—It has been decreed by the Congress of New Grenada, that all the privileges which have heretofore been given to the French and English, in opening a canal through Panama be forfeited and withdrawn, and the project of connecting the Atlantic with the Pacific be thrown open to the competition of the whole world.

Paris.—The Commerce states that the superficies of Paris contained within the present wall is 34,398,800 square yards. When the *enciente continue* at present in progress of construction is completed, the superficies will be 267,538,000 square yards—nearly as great as the superficies of the city of London. The population of Paris, according to the census taken in 1841, amounted to 912,350 inhabitants. To which being added the troops of the garrison and strangers would increase the population to 1,035,000.

Indisposition of Viscount Melbourne.—On Wednesday evening letters were received at the Reform Club from Brocket-hall, Herts, from which we learn that the Noble Viscount had nearly recovered his indisposition. We understand it was on Sunday morning when his Lordship was attacked by symptoms which caused considerable alarm to Lord and Lady Beauvale, who were staying with Viscount Melbourne at the time, and an express was immediately dispatched to Viscountess Palmerston, the Noble Viscount's sister, to apprise her of his Lordship's illness. The messenger arrived at Viscount Palmerston's mansion, on Carlton terrace, late on Sunday afternoon, and both Viscount and Viscountess Palmerston being in town, they instantly departed for Brocket. Dr. Holland, the Noble Viscount's medical attendant, was also sent for, and likewise waited upon his Lordship with the least possible delay. On Monday his Lordship was exceedingly unwell, but has since continued to improve, and we are happy to hear is now fast approaching a state of convalescence.

The accounts from the coast relative to the effects of the dreadful storm which raged during Saturday and Sunday are of a most distressing description. The loss of life and property has been immense, and it is feared many vessels foundered that never will be heard of, the unhappy crews perishing with them.

The casoon erected on the Goodwin Sands, from which so much benefit was expected to shipping on these dangerous sands, has, we are sorry to see given way to the late gales. It has caused much regret in the mercantile circles, who looked to the result with considerable interest, although many persons have all along doubted the practicability of the plan.

COLONIAL.

WEST INDIES.

From the Bermudian, October 15. We have Jamaica papers to the 27th ult., together with files from Barbados, Grenada, and Nassau, by the steam packet Medway.

From Jamaica we learn that the prospects of the agriculturalist were most promising—heavy rains had fallen—and vegetation was in a high state of luxur-

ance. The island was very healthy. Complaints continued to be made of the indolence of the negro population—and of the spread of vagrancy and crime; some cases of highway robbery and assault had occurred; and yet there seems to be the utmost vigilance among the island police.—The Legislature was summoned to meet for the despatch of business on the 25th October. The Earl of Elgin had become a zealous patron of Agriculture. His Excellency had offered £100 for the best essay on the culture of the Cane. Trade continued very dull, and commercial distress seems to be very great. Dr. Bancroft, Inspector General of Army Hospitals, died at Kingston.

Early in Sept. the Bahamas was visited by a violent gale. Much damage was done to the shipping and tenements on the different Islands, and some lives were lost. At Havana and Matanzas the gale was also severely felt.

Barbados had been visited by thunder storms; but fortunately no damage was done.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Halifax Novascotian, Nov. 23.

British American Association.—In the letter of our London Correspondent an allusion was made to some proceedings had before the Lord Mayor of London respecting certain doings of the Association. We find, however, in an Emigration Gazette, received by the same mail, a full statement of the whole affair. We are unable this week to lay before our readers, any portion of their proceedings, or to give a review of them editorially—but shall turn to them in our next. In the meantime we might remark, that his Lordship Sir John Pirie is charged by the Gazette with having perverted his high office of Chief Magistrate for the purpose of injuring the association, and furthering his own interests as a shareholder in some land jobbing company in one of the Colonies.

We understand that the Association contemplate forming a settlement in Cumberland county. A grant of about 400,000 acres of land will be required for this purpose.

Halifax Morning Herald, Nov. 21.

We are happy to learn that there is every probability of a Mechanics' Whaling Company being got up in this city. The attempt last year to establish a company completely failed, from what cause, we cannot possibly say; but all we know is that if the Mechanics succeed in fitting and sending out the Brig built by Mosely, which we understand is the vessel intended for the trial of their scheme, it will be rather derogatory to the character of our Mercantile community, to have it said the Mechanics alone, succeeded in doing what they with the assistance of other monied men were unable to do. We trust that this last attempt will not fail, all it requires, is great exertion and perseverance, with a little capital.

CANADA.

Cornwall, Nov. 10th.—St. Lawrence Canal.—This noble work is almost completed under the able superintendance of the Board of Works. Such is the state of forwardness of this great undertaking that the chairman of the Board of Works intends to fill the canal on the 22nd instant, when it is said the Highlander will give a benefit in the shape of a free passage to the good people of Cornwall.

Quebec Gazette, Nov. 16.

The Season.—The rainy weather continued from the 9th instant till the 15th, when there was a sprinkling of snow, sufficient to whiten the fields and the roofs of the houses. It disappeared in the town and on low lands in the course of the day, but a little of it remains on the higher grounds. This morning, the 16th, the first floating ice was visible in small quantities on the St. Lawrence; but the temperature is mild. The climate of Canada is not to be trusted to, at this season, particularly as concerns the navigation of the river, and the sooner vessels get away or laid up the better, although the navigation, in extraordinary seasons, has continued open a fortnight or three weeks longer.

ADVERTISEMENT.

Mr Editor,

SIR—Agreeably to my pledge in your last number, I hereby avail myself in your present number to redeem it.

And first, I must begin by informing you, that in my last communication you have made, perhaps, a typographical mistake in the initials annexed to my sur-name—the M. A. is a degree of graduation I never took. I wish to assume nothing I am not entitled to. The M. D. I claim. Let those who are disposed to dispute my claim to that degree of the profession, call upon me, and if I do not convince them of their error, then, but not until then, will I submit to their aspersions.

And now to the case of the deceased. I have already stated that it was not until Campbell had called on me the third time that I reluctantly attempted