

past year, are £101,305 15, and the expenditures, £105,851 2 9. Your Committee will only add, that the expenditure of this vast sum, like those of the latter preceding years, is now powerfully telling upon the destinies of men, in almost every section of the earth. It was gathered from the kingdoms of light, it is scattered among the kingdoms of darkness; and these copious streams, with which the friends of the Bible are watering others, will be rolled back upon themselves, with the glorious increase of the Divine blessing.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

NEWCASTLE.

Per Miss MALTBY, Collector.

Table listing names and amounts for Newcastle subscriptions, including Mrs Driscoll, Allison, Dr Thomson, Miss Henderson, Mrs Harkins, A.A. Davidson, E Williston, Willard, Sargeant, Street, W. Loch, Esq., C. Simonds, Esq., Mrs Foster, Miss M'Tavish, Mrs Niven, Walker, W. Grimley, Driscoll, Napier, Miss Mathews, A Friend, A Friend, Two Friends, Mr E. Whitney, Mr J. Bowie, W. Brown, J. Kerr, W. Mathison, and Somebody.

Per Miss JOHNSTONE and Miss CHALMERS

Table listing names and amounts for Miss Johnstone and Miss Chalmers subscriptions, including Mrs J Urquhart, A Ramsay, J Urquhart jr, Abbott, Crane, Sinclair, McKillop, Jas Miller, A McKillop jr, A Friend, Mrs Stewart, Matheson, McCombs, Mr E. Taylor, A Taylor, A Rankin Esq., Mr John Boyd, G H Russell, C S Hawbolt, K Smith, A Morrison, B Mackie, A Friend, J M'Cullam, Esq., Mr D Stewart, W. Coward, T Wallace, E Rogers, David Bass, A Taylor, W Stewart, Chas Lockart, Wm Reid, Miss Chalmers, Perry, Mrs Hutchison, D Johnstone, VP, R Robinson, Miss Wishart, Mrs Hamilton, A Friend, Mr Geo Fidler, J Burr, and W Girven.

CHATHAM.

Per Miss THOMSON, Collector.

Table listing names and amounts for Chatham subscriptions, including G Johnston, A Friend, Hon J Cunard, Mrs Salter, H.B. Allison, E. Williston, H. Cunard, W Forbes, Mrs Abrams, P., Clarke, V.P., Miss Abrams, Mrs M'Laughlan, J Hea, J Spratt, J. Nesbit, H. Cunard, Miss Cunard, G Kerr, Esq., Hon J Montgomery, Mr J Johnston, Miss Stevens, Mrs Stevens, Hunter, Dunlop, and B. Miller.

Per Miss A. THOMSON, for Miss SPRATT, Collector.

Table listing names and amounts for Miss A. Thomson for Miss Spratt, including A Friend, Mrs J Cunard, M'Curdy, T., and A Fraser.

Table listing names and amounts for other subscriptions, including J Thomson, C Thomson, D Perley, VP, Craigen, WE Blanchard, Hon J Cunard, A Friend, Mr J Wolhaupter, E Hatch, J Samuel, R M'Callan, R L Thomas, S J Frost, W J Fraser, T Ford, C M'Callan, jr, Mrs M'Bean, Mrs Joseph, and J Caie, Esq.

NAPAN.

Per Miss M. JOHNSTONE, Collector.

Table listing names and amounts for Napan subscriptions, including Mrs Jas Dickson, Mrs G Johnstone, D P Howe, Mr F M'Dearmid, A Friend, Mrs D Steel, M Wilson, John Dickson, and A Friend.

ABSTRACT OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT, FOR YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1846.

Table showing financial summary: On hand last year £83 10 1, Interest on the above 19 6, Total £89 9 7.

Free Contributions.

Table listing free contributions: Per Miss Maltby, Collector, £10 0 0; Miss Johnstone, do, 15 12 11; Miss Thomson, do, 16 8 9; Miss A. Thomson, do, 9 15 10; Miss M. Johnstone, do, 1 18 5.

Sales.

Table listing sales: Per Rev. J. M'Curdy, £13 4 1 1-2; Mrs M'Laughlan, 0 10 11; Miss Percival, 0 5 3.

Paid.

Table listing payments: For Bill of Exchange remitted to London, £32 15 stg., cy. £39 9 7; Postage, 0 1 4; Duty on Case Books, 0 2 1; Do. Do., 0 2 6; Freight to Wallace, 0 0 6; Stationary, 0 2 6. Total £39 18 6. On hand, £67 7 3 1-2. Total £107 5 9 1-2.

HALIFAX.—The steamer Hibernia, on her passage from Boston to the above-named port, on the evening of her sailing, during a heavy fog, and while going at the rate of 11 knots, ran into the American fishing schooner Maine, which almost instantly went down; and notwithstanding every exertion was made by the persons on board the steamer, six of her crew, out of eleven, met with a watery grave. The parties saved were conveyed to Halifax. A subscription of \$350 was made for their relief, as well as for the families of those who perished. All the parties on board the schooner were below at the time of the accident, except two boys. No blame is attached to the officers of the steamer.

The following scraps of intelligence are given from the American journals, which are to the 16th of this month.

Congress had adjourned after a session of upwards of eight months. The President has vetoed two bills, one appropriating upwards of \$1,000,000 for the improvement of rivers and harbours, and the other providing for the payment of claims for "French spoils," assumed by the government of the United States. Considerable dissatisfaction is in consequence felt and expressed by the parties who would have benefited by these appropriations.

Measures appear to be in train with a view to affording a pacification with Mexico. In the mean time, with the intention perhaps of giving an impetus to the negotiations, General Taylor is said to be about to move against Monterey. A corps of his army, 3000 strong, had reached Camargo, without opposition, and his headquarters were to be immediately transferred to that place.

The Comanche Indians having been instigated by the government of the United States to acts of hostility against the Mexican frontier, the American troops are now obliged to turn their arms against their own allies, to protect the inhabitants of the conquered localities.

Little resistance, it is said, is expected to be encountered by the expedition against Santa Fe, the Mexican commander, Armijo, being considered favourable to the invaders.

The only thing that seems certainly known with regard to California is that it is very

inadequately provided with the means of defence, and that the government and people of the United States have set their hearts upon its acquisition.

Several vessels with supplies for the American army have been wrecked off the Brassos Santiago. Winocousin has been admitted as one of the States of the Union.

The crew of the Vesuvius are reported as rapidly recovering. Only one death had taken place, and this person was beyond the reach of medical aid when the steamer arrived.

CALIFORNIA.—By recent news received, we perceive that the inhabitants of Upper California had pronounced themselves independent of Mexico, and put themselves under the protection of the United States. The commander of the squadron of the last named power, in consequence of this movement, had hoisted the flag of his country in that portion of the Mexican territory.

CANADA.—The meeting recently held in Montreal, for the purpose of forwarding the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railway, by way of Portland, is reported to have been the largest ever witnessed in that city. Upwards of 300 shares were taken.

A man of the name of Thomas Cains has been tried and found guilty of murder. He was to be executed on the 28th instant.

The Quebec Gazette of the 19th inst., the latest paper in our possession, contains the following paragraph:

"A fire broke out at Montreal at Mr. Thompson's Grocery, at the foot of the current, yesterday morning about one o'clock, and communicated to the neighbourhood. It was still burning at 4 o'clock last evening. Five or six houses were destroyed besides that of Mr. Thompson, among them that of Mr. Ross and Mr. Smith."

ST. JOHN.—The papers state that nearly all places of business in this city have been fitted with the necessary apparatus for being lighted with Gas, and it is expected the company will be ready to go into effective operation on or about the 16th of next month.

SMALL POX.—The schooner Indian Queen, from Quebec, on board of which Small Pox was reported, came up on Thursday from the Quarantine Station.

THE WEATHER.—The weather still continues unusually warm, and as but little or no rain has fallen during the month, the cattle are suffering in the pastures, which have a withered and parched appearance. The reapers are busily occupied in the fields, cutting their wheat ardoats, and it is with much thankfulness we learn that the former has not suffered by the weevil to the extent at one time apprehended. The Potatoes throughout the county, look exceedingly healthy, and are of excellent quality. We would advise our agricultural friends, should they discover any symptoms of rot, immediately to cut off the tops, for we have had personal experience that in so doing, parties have stayed the plague, which, their appears to be no doubt, is communicated to the potatoes by the diseased stalk.

We were shewn four Beets, raised in Chatham by Mr. Joseph Thompson, which weighed seven and a half pounds. Can any of our neighbours beat this? If so, let us hear from them.

RAILWAY SURVEY.—On this subject the St. John Courier of Saturday furnishes the following paragraph:

Capt. Pison, R. E. Railway and Boundary Commissioner arrived here from Halifax via Windsor yesterday, and left this morning in the Steamer New Brunswick for Fredericton. We learn that Capt. Pison, has examined the harbour of Canseau, and several other harbours to the eastward of Halifax, with Capt. Owen, in H. M. Surveying S. eamer Columbia.

Lieut. Henderson, R. E., another Commissioner has been engaged in examining the eastern part of this Province to Miramichi, where he is now supposed to be; from thence he joins Capt. Pison at Fredericton. Arrangements are to be made at Fredericton, for des-

patching various parties to examine the line of country between Boies Town, and the St. Lawrence, as the general course of the Railway line, will depend in a great measure on facilities which may be found for passing the Topique Mountains; these are supposed to present the most serious obstacle on the line.

The party alluded to, have examined the country from the Bend of Petticodiac, to the Miramichi, and report that it is well adapted for a railway, offering not the slightest impediment to its construction. Mr. Wightman, with several engineers, and labouring men, left Chatham on Thursday morning last, and crossed the Northwest branch, for the purpose of exploring the country to the Restigouche, and from thence to the St. Lawrence, where the greatest difficulties are expected to be met with. They will be joined by Lieutenant Henderson in the course of a few days, he having proceeded to Fredericton on Tuesday last. The whole country explored from Halifax to the Miramichi, we understand, with the exception of the Cobequid Mountains, is reported as presenting but few obstacles to the great undertaking, and even there, the difficulties, it is expected will be surmounted with comparatively trifling expense.

NOVASCOTIA.—During a recent excursion, through a portion of the western part of this Province, we perceived that in the district of country lying between Windsor and Wilmot the crops look exceedingly promising, but some patches of potatoes are slightly affected by the rot. From Wilmot to the town of Annapolis, both the rot and the weevil have committed sad havoc. We saw many fields which had the appearance as if a heavy frost had passed over them—the stalks being black and withered. The wheat looked exceedingly well, but we learned that the weevil had seriously affected it, more particularly in Kentville and its neighbourhood. In this place, a gentleman informed us that his man, who had been reaping in a field which we were then admiring, had but a few minutes before informed him, that he would not accept what he had cut for his day's work, so much was it destroyed by this destructive insect. He also stated, that the same complaint was made by the farmers generally, residing in the valley, but on the high lands both wheat and potatoes looked healthy, and promised a rich harvest. Large quantities of indian corn and beans had been sown, and their appearance indicated both an early and heavy crop. These remarks will also apply to oats and buckwheat. Apples it is expected, will yield a full average return, although in some districts the early frosts and high winds destroyed the blossoms. The grass crop was most luxuriant, and as the weather had been exceedingly fine, the hay was secured in the best condition. On the whole, the earth has yielded a rich reward for the labours bestowed on it by the husbandman, for which we ought to be thankful to a wise and gracious Providence.

RIVER ST. JOHN.—A gentleman residing on the upper part of this river has informed us, that the crops generally in this district, look well, and that an unusually large quantity of hay had been cut. Neither the wheat or potatoes were affected by the prevailing evils.

FIRES IN THE WOODS.—Our atmosphere for some days past has been thickly enveloped in smoke indicating that extensive fires are raging in the woods. We learn that Boies Town has been in great jeopardy, and that large quantities of timber lying in the woods on the Renous and Barnaby's rivers, have been consumed; on the Black river, we understand, some damage has been done to fences, and that the mill of H. Carman Esq., was saved from destruction through great exertion. The bridge across Bay du vin river, on the post road, has been burnt. There is a report in circulation, but whether true or not, we cannot say, that the Land Company's town of Stanley, has been nearly destroyed by the devouring element.