

L'Angelier likely to commit self-murder, and in such a manner as wilfully to bring on Madeline Smith the suspicion of the deed? These questions are now beyond human investigation. The jury by their verdict have declared their inability to decide. In this verdict we must concur: yet see we no reason for the cheering and manifestation of joy which greeted it.—Madeline Smith goes forth free from the penalties of the law—and that is all."

**A BURDELL REVELATION.**

WE perceive by our New York files, that the Burdell tragedy of last winter has been revived again, owing to the discovery by the police of a plot on the part of Mrs Cunningham to substitute a supposititious infant as her own, with a view of inheriting the estates of the late Dr. Burdell, whose widow she represents herself to be. From the New York Courier & Enquirer, we take the following account of the proceedings:—

"A development of a most startling character was brought to light yesterday morning, connected with the contested estate of the late Dr Harvey Burdell—a mock birth in order to secure the entire property of the murdered Doctor, and the arrest of the alleged conspirators, Ex Judge Dean, one of the counsel of Mrs Cunningham, during the summoning up before the Surrogate, it may be remembered, remarked 'if it was true, that in the ordinary gestation, a child should be born to Harvey Burdell, then not only all the ties of blood and nature, but all the dictates of humanity, demand that the Court should lean in favour of that innocent, unborn child, rather than those who had no direct claims upon the property.' This announcement prepared the minds of the claimants among the blood relatives of Doctor Burdell to fully expect a pretender to the estate, and Mrs Cunningham was looked upon with renewed interest. A few days after the announcement by the learned counsel, Dr. Uhl, who was formerly Mrs Cunningham's medical adviser in Bond Street, was sent for to wait upon her in the Tombs, where she was then confined on a charge of murder. Dr. Uhl called as was requested, and the prospect of an heir was suggested. Mrs Cunningham announced herself enquire, and wished the Doctor to make an examination and report the fact, as well as to be in attendance at the accouchment. Dr. Uhl declined making an examination alone under the circumstances, and wanted two other physicians with him as witnesses, to confirm the true state of the case.—Mrs Cunningham declined having any doctor but him, and his suspicions were therefore aroused to the conspiracy on foot. After calling several times on Mrs Cunningham, she finally confessed that she was not enquire, but was bound to procure a child, who would be heir to the estate. She wanted Dr Uhl to undertake the part of procuring an infant and managing the affair, for which entire job she was willing to give the sum of \$1000. Dr. Uhl declined at the time, and on advice of counsel immediately informed District Attorney Hall of the conspiracy. This was about July 10th. The doctor stated the facts but declined on affidavit in the matter for the present, as he did not wish his professional delicacy or confidence to be at issue.

"Mr Hall told him that if such a thing was contemplated by Mrs Cunningham, it was a very serious felony, and referred the doctor to that section of the Revised Statutes, which says, 'Every person who shall fraudulently produce an infant, falsely pretending it to have been born of parents whose child would be entitled to a share of any personal estate, or to inherit any real estate, with the intent of intercepting the inheritance of any such real estate, or the distribution of any such personal property from any person lawfully entitled thereto, shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in a State Prison, not exceeding ten years.' Mr Hall further argued with the doctor that he might have it in his power to prevent the crime accomplishing its guilty fruits, or from being an undiscovered mystery; that under the strange circumstances surrounded this woman and her world-wide notoriety, and the unfortunate results which might flow to the community if her crimes should baffle detection, it was the duty of every man to do all in his power to thoroughly expose her. Dr Uhl said he would reflect upon the matter.—He did so, and on the following day told Mr Hall that he would place himself entirely at his disposal and at those of the authorities, and engage in any plan which Mr Hall might then project. The advice of the District Attorney was, that he should go, and concealing his doubts and suspicions, learn from Mrs Cunningham her full views and arrangements.

"The plans were all made known. For procuring the unborn child and assisting at the accouchment, Dr. Uhl was to receive \$1,000. The doctor on returning to the District Attorney and report progress, was advised to invent a tale about an unfortunate patient of his, a Californian widow—who would soon give birth to a child, and that on a convenient day, said child could be borrowed from Bellevue Hospital, under pretence of being given for adoption. That at the time appointed for the reception of the child, Mrs Cunningham should affect being seriously indisposed, and the announcement would then be made of the birth of a young Burdell. Mrs Cunningham had also secured Dr. C. Catlin, of Brooklyn, (the physician of Mr Cunningham, her first husband)

to be privy to the plot, and be present at the accouchment. This doctor she claimed was in her power, and she could depend upon his secrecy in the matter. A nurse was also engaged. Every arrangement having been made, Dr. Uhl wished to know what time Mrs Cunningham, who it seems had resorted to certain devices to deceive real appearances, and what time it would be convenient for her to be a mother, and on Monday night, the 3rd inst. was settled upon for the distinguished birth.

"District Attorney Hall was kept posted on the subject, and with Dr. De La Montagne of Fishkill, a friend of his, selected to take part in the drama, Dr. Uhl, Mr Kellock of the Alms House, and Governor Smith, held a conference on the 1st inst., as to the best mode of procedure. It was resolved to proceed on Monday to the 'lying in' ward of Bellevue Hospital, and see what there was there in prospect. A child was forthcoming, and would be ready for the occasion. It was deemed advisable to fit up a room down town where Mrs Cunningham could send a messenger and get the youngster, and No 190 Elm Street, over a lager beer saloon was selected. Dr. Montague, in disguise, attended at this place. Dr. Uhl gave notice to Mrs Cunningham that all was in readiness. She would not trust a messenger, but dressed in disguise and rode down in the carriage to receive the child in person. Having obtained the precious little gem, she returned to 31 Bond Street, in ecstasies. On arriving, Dr. Catlin and the nurse were present, and she immediately changed her raptures by throwing herself upon her bed, and affecting severe sickness.

"Mrs Cunningham's cries from her pretended suffering, were so alarming as to attract the attention of the neighbours, but in a short time they were reported to be over. Mrs C. was convalescent and there was the joyful announcement of a daughter born to the estate of Dr. Burdell. The farce was too barefaced even to the passers by, and the police, posted on the programme of arrangement, consisting of Inspectors Speight, Dicks, and Hopkins, and Sergeant Smith, and officer Walsh, rushed in and concluded the piece by arresting Mrs Cunningham, Dr. Catlin, Mrs Jane Bell, the nurse, and Ann Burns, Mrs Cunningham's sister.—The latter three were immediately locked up in the 16th ward station house, to await an examination. Mrs Cunningham, with her attendants was thrown into great consternation, still persisted in being sick, and claimed the child hers by birth. She acted her part admirably. The police did not insist on her going to the station house, as she claimed to be so seriously indisposed, but a posse of officers was placed in custody of the bedroom and the entire premises, with instruction to neither permit ingress or egress until such time as the matter could be investigated. Mrs Cunningham is reported to have said, after the pretended birth of the child, 'I have put my trust in God, and he has favored me; I shall now be revenged on my persecutors.'

"When the police entered she pretended to be very indignant, and claimed the child. The police told her the child was not hers, and they would take it away, when she screamed, 'Don't take my dear little innocent baby, my darling little daughter.' They persisted, however, and sent the child back to Bellevue to its mother, who was anxiously awaiting its return, and was delighted to find the child in a very rich dress. The mother expressed herself greatly obliged to Mrs Cunningham for dressing her child so gaily.

"Affidavits were made yesterday by District Attorney Hall and others, before Justice Davison, and the accused parties were held for examination."

**EUROPEAN NEWS.**

THE British Mail Steamer Canada arrived at Halifax on the afternoon of Tuesday last, and her mails reached Chatham yesterday morning. Her files are to the 2nd inst., and in another page will be found copious extracts which we have culled from our Liverpool and London papers. The all-absorbing topic is the mutiny in the Indian Army, which is extending and assuming a serious aspect. The Government preparations for the departure of the troops are proceeding with great expedition, and during the week preceding the sailing of the Canada, six steam transports, besides sailing vessels, were chartered for the transportation of the troops to India. It is announced that the Emperor and Empress of the French will shortly visit Osborne and remain the guests of the Queen for six or seven days. The most cheering accounts of the potato crop have been received from Ireland, they are said to be more than usually sound and abundant. The Revolutionary movement in Italy has been completely suppressed, and the trial of the prisoners taken with arms in their hands, and those implicated with them in the movement is shortly to come off in the Court of the Province of Salerno; the fate of those unhappy men may easily be predicted. The attempted revolution in Spain—for the present—has also been put down, and military executions are the order of the day.

The accounts received of the Harvests from

all parts of Europe are of the most encouraging kind. In France the grain has been gathered in splendid condition, and the vintage also is very promising.

**LOCAL.**

**LOCK-UP-HOUSE.**—Upon another page will be found an advertisement calling upon the Freeholders and Householdors of the Town of Chatham, to meet on Monday, the 24th inst., at the Sons of Temperance Hall, for the purpose of taking into consideration the utility of such a building being erected in our midst, and whether an assessment should be levied upon our Town, for the purpose of defraying the expenses thereof. This is a subject that has been before the public for years, and time after time has it been agitated in the columns of the Gleaner, when the want of such a building has been severely felt by our inhabitants. In vain have meetings been called and speeches made for the attainment of the same object, the people would not be convinced against their will, they would not allow themselves to be taxed, and therefore we are at present without a Lock-up-House. But lately a change seems to have come over their minds, they see things in another light; for that which heretofore they looked upon as nought but a useless expense, is now considered a necessity for which they are ready and willing to go heart and hand. That the second seaport in our Province should be without a building of this kind, is a disgrace to our inhabitants that should no longer exist, and we hope that when the day arrives for them to act they will give their votes as the have expressed their opinions in favour of a Lock-up-House.

**OBITUARY.**—It is our painful task in this week's issue of the Gleaner, to record the death of Mr WILLIAM FORBES, Chemist and Druggist. Mr F. was in the 35th year of his age, and for many years carried on the above business in Chatham. He was a valuable and useful member of our community, and his early departure from a life of usefulness will long be regretted by all, but more particularly by the poor, who have lost in him an attentive and kind friend, who was always ready and willing to stretch forth the helping hand of relief in their hour of trouble and affliction. May be, after life's troubled voyage, find the harbour of refuge, where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.

**BATHURST.**—We understand that during the night of Wednesday last, the store of Thomas H. Carman, Esq., was broken into, but owing to the Gentry not succeeding in getting at the Dry Goods part of the establishment, they were obliged to decamp minus their expected plunder. Attempts have also been made upon several other Stores in the town with the like success. We should imagine by this that these midnight prowlers are not up to their business, and would therefore advise them to travel abroad, not only for their own edification, and instruction, but for the good of the town.

**COUNTY RESTIGOUCHE.**—By letters received from Dalhousie, we learn that they are progressing very slowly in raising the ship, the parties engaged are sanguine, others doubtful. All are anxious for dry weather, as there is much grass to cut, and hay to make.

**BOAT RACE.**—We learn by Telegraph that the race between the Halifax and St. John boats took place on Wednesday last, the latter gaining the victory, by leading her opponent a distance of two boats length.

**DIOCESAN CHURCH SOCIETY.**—All aid in opening new Missions, however urgent the need, or deplorable the destitution, is asked for in vain from the English Society, for the Propagation of the Gospel; and at every vacancy in an established Mission, a large portion of the allowance is in each case withdrawn.

Extract from the Twenty-first Report of the Church Society; to whose Treasurer, contributions, as follows, have been lately remitted from the under mentioned Churches and Stations in this County.—Northumberland.

Point Escuminac,	£0 12 9
Glenelg, Church of St. John the Evangelist,	0 16 5
Newcastle, S. Andrew's,	6 3 5
Ludlow,	1 4 10
Boies Town,	0 8 11
Sundry offerings,	0 4 7
Sale of Church Books,	0 19 1
Blackville, Holy Trinity Church,	0 19 6
Nelson, S Peter's Church,	1 17 6

—Communicated.

We learn by telegraph from Halifax that the Merchants Magazine, above the Dockyard, was blown up on Thursday last, killing two persons and wounding several others.

**MARRIAGES.**

At the Wesleyan Church, Chatham, by the Revd. William Smith, Wesleyan Minister, on Wednesday, 12th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., WILLIAM M. KELLY, Esq., to MARGARET, second daughter of Alexander Fraser, Jun., Esq., formerly of Chatham Head. We thank the happy couple for an ample slice of the cake.

On the 4th inst., in S. Andrew's Church, at Newcastle, by the Revd. James Hudson, B. A., Rector of Nelson, Mr JOHN OXFORD, to Miss CATHERINE MURPHY.

**DEATHS.**

On Saturday, the 8th inst., after a short illness, Mr WILLIAM ANDERSON, son of the late James Anderson, in the 54th year of his age. At Chatham, on the 12th instant, after a long and protracted illness, CATHERINE MCKAY, relict of the late Revd. James Thomson, Presbyterian Minister of this place, in the 72nd year of her age, leaving a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

**PROPOSITION.**

It has been suggested to us frequently of late to publish the GLEANER TWICE A-WEEK. We tried the experiment in 1853, and after having incurred considerable loss, had to resume the publication of the paper once a week, in its present shape.

If the inhabitants of Newcastle, Chatham, and Douglastown, who are the parties that will reap the advantage of a more frequent issue of our sheet, will subscribe such an additional number of names as to indemnify us for the extra outlay it must incur, we shall have no objection to meet the wishes of the public.

To ascertain what success the undertaking will receive, subscription lists will be left in several places in the respective towns on the river, and on the amount of patronage obtained will depend the prosecution of this undertaking. It will be the same size and form as it was when we formerly printed semi-weekly. Price 12s 6d in advance.

**COMMUNICATION.**

Mr Pierce, Sir—In answer to the enquiry of a member of the Highland Society, regarding the Pic Nic, you will please inform him, that at a meeting of the Society, in March last, a committee of six were appointed to carry out some such demonstration. Those gentlemen being duly notified of their appointment; if such an excursion does not now take place, the neglect must rest with them. I am Sir Your Obedient Servant, ALEX. MORRISON, Secretary. Chatham, August 12, 1857.

**SHIP NEWS.**

**PORT OF CHATHAM—MIRAMICHI.**  
 ENTERED—Aug. 10—William Sorlei, Giffert, Halifax, W. J. Fraser, & Co.  
 12—schr. Rambler, Pillman, P. E. I., cattle, Master; Sophronia, Siteman, Pictou, coals, Chatham Gas Company; Gold Finder, Collins, Sydney, C. B., R. Crocker, coals; brig. Siolette, Hermoni, Peroni, Wm. F. McLaughlin.  
 14—bark Ditke of Malakoff, Jenkins, Halifax L. P. W. DesBrisay; schr. Loucia, Fournier, flour, & H. Bain and others.  
 CLEARED—brig John and Eleanor, Bell, Hurdlepool, D. & J. Ritchie, lumber; schr. Ruby, Gallant, P. E. I., W. Hubbard, salt.

**PORT OF RICHIBUCTO.**  
 ENTERED—Aug. 1—brig Fremant, Algiers, L. P. W. DesBrisay.  
 3—brig H. B. Emery, New York, Holderness & McLeod.  
 11—brig Martha Hill, Savannah, Holderness & McLeod, pitch pine timber.  
 12—Diamond, New London, Holderness & McLeod.  
 CLEARED—Aug. 5—bark Longsand, Hull, Hon. D. Wark, deals; brig Panama, Bristol, L. P. W. DesBrisay, do.  
 8—brig Black Prince, London, L. P. W. DesBrisay, deals; bark Eclipse, Bristol, do. timber.  
 10—bark Jamaica, Hull, Holderness and McLeod, deals.  
 14—schr. Jewess, Cork, for orders, M. S. Levy, boards and lumber.

**PORT OF DALHOUSIE.**  
 ENTERED—July 27th—schr. Lady Poudreau, Quebec, W. Hamilton, & Donald Stewart; Mary Jane, Irvine, Campbellton.  
 Aug 3—schr. Clifford, Siteman, Halifax, Wm. Hamilton, and J. H. LaBillois.  
 4—schr. Charles Allison, Bourdage, Quebec, W. S. Smith, & Donald Stewart; Speedy, LeBlanc, St. John, Nfld., John McNair.  
 11—schr. Ellen, Curry, Miramichi, Ceals, Master; Henry, Casey, Shediac, goods, E. J. Stewart; brig Ariel, LeBlanc, Boston, A. C. DesBrisay.  
 12—schr. Unity, Poutier, Quebec, McMillan & Travis.  
 CLEARED—July 24—brig Amphitrite, Stewart, Stockton, timber, A. Ritchie & Co.  
 25—brig. Ant, McMinn, Workington, timber, A. Ritchie & Co.; Henry, Casey, P. E. Island, shingles, A. C. DesBrisay.  
 28—Lady Bondreau, Carleton.  
 29—Mary Jane, Irvine, New Richmond.  
 Aug 4—Chas. Allison, Bourdage, Bonaventure.

5—brig Goshawk, Richardson, Stockton, timber, A. Ritchie & Co.; Monarch, Scott, Grangemouth, timber, Wm. Hamilton.  
 7—schr. Clifford, Siteman, Halifax, shingles, J. & H. LaBillois.  
 10—bark Margaret, Dennis, timber, W. Hamilton.  
 12—brig. Ariel, LeBlanc, Carleton.

**BLANKS OF ALL KINDS**  
 For sale at the Gleaner Office.