Sir Robert Peel was his contemporary, and it is now with very odd feelings that we read the anecdote in Byron's life, that when a great fellow of a boy-tyrant, who claimed little Peel as a fag, was giving him a castigation, Byron came and proposed to share it. "While the stripes were succeeding each other, and poor Peel writhing under them, Byron saw and felt for the misery of his friend; and although he knew that he was not strong enough to fight - with any hope of success, and that it was dangerous even to approach him, he advanced to the scene of action, and with a blush of rage, tears in his eyes, and a voice trembling between terror and indignation, asked very humbly if --- would be pleased to tell him 'how many stripes he meant to inflict?' 'Why,' returned the executioner, 'you little rascal, what is that to you?' 'Because, if you please,' said Byron, holding out his arm, 'I would take half.'" -William Howitt's Homes and Haunts of British Poets.

From Washington.—In the Senate on Monday, Mr. Webster offered two resolutions, in which he proposes that the Senate shall embody their sentiments in regard to the war, and lay the foundation for some appropriate measures for restoring peace.

The first of these propositions is, that the war ought not to be prosecuted for the acquisition of territory; and the second, that the government ought to signify to Mexico, that the United States does not desire to dismember that Republic, but is ready to treat for peace, by a liberal adjustment of boundary, and a mutual adjustment of private claims.

By the adoption of these resolutions, a step will be taken towards the restoration of peace. Until some such sentiments are expressed by the Senate, or by the people of the United States, and so long as the administration is suffered to prosecute the war for the purpose of acquiring territory, and for making conquests which shall indemnify the country for the expenses of the war, and is freely supplied with the means of thus prosecuting the war, there can be little hope of peace. We are gratified, therefore, to learn that a proposition is made, which must test the opinions of Senate on what is the true question of peace or war.

The House of Representatives has passed the three million appropriation, with the Wilmot proviso, amended by a small majority of 115 to 105. It does not appear what is the nature of the amendment. It remains to be seen whether the Senate will consent to encourage the prosecution of the war, under the pretext of authorizing the administration to purchase peace. - Boston Daily Advertizer.

A NEW ERA IN STEAM NAVIGATION .- In previous numbers of this Journal we have drawn attention to the inventions of Mr. Stephen R. Parkhurst, of New York, for which he has obtained patents in England, and other parts of Europe, and also in America. Yesterday we were shown, by a practical engineer, the design of a steam engine, invented also by this gentleman, the construction of which is so simple, so powerful, and so direct, that several engineers and machinists assert, that it will supersede the present steam-engines, both on land and water. For the turning of the steamship propellers this engine is admirably adapted; its action is direct upon each shaft of the propeller, leaving the entire hold of the vessel free of the bulky machinery which now fills so much valuable space in steamers—the boilers and coal occupying but a small space of the hold of the ship. Several features will distinguish Mr. Parkhurst's "Steam-ship Propeller and Direct Marine Steam-engine." amongst which, economy of time, of fuel, and other items, will form a large saving in the present expenditure of steam navigation. It is proposed to bring

PEEL AND BYRON AT SCHOOL. Last, and not least, these important inventions immediately into operation in this country, for which a company is now forming, with a view of testing upon a large and practical scale their utility. In company a few evenings since, with a party of nautical gentlemen of New York, Boston, and Philadelphia, it was asserted that, before long, steamships would leave Liverpool daily, running alternately to New York, Boston, and Philadelphia. And why not? There are now already, upon a rough calculation at least from three to four hundred vessels leaving Liverpool annually for the above-mentioned ports; and by the application of Mr. Parkhurst's inventions, they can readily be converted into steamships at a comparatively small expense .-- N. Y. Paper.

> WEALTHY MEN OF BOSTON.-Peter C. Brooks, is said to be worth \$6,000,000, J. P. Cushing, \$2,000, 000, Abbott Lawrence, \$2,000,000, Amos, \$1,500, 000, and William, \$1,000,000, T. H. Perkins, \$1,500, 000, Daniel Sears, \$1,500,000, the three Appletons, \$1,000,000, Jonathan Phillips, R. G. Shaw, and Wm. Sturgis, \$1,000,000 each—or \$22,000,000 owned by 13 men.

> We notice that Mr. W. J. Brittain, of Kingston, of King's County, New Brunswick, has been presented by Her Majesty, with an Ensigncy in the Royal Canadian Rifle Regiment. Mr. Brittain is a son of John Brittain, Esquire, and grandson of the late Col. Brittain, whose services, rendered to his King and Country, during the American rebellion, have procured for this young gentleman, through the recommendation and interest of His Excellency Sir William Colebrooke, a Commission in one of the first Regiments of the service. This appointment must be gratifying to the feelings of New Brunswickers, particularly to those of them who are descendants of the old and respected Loyalists of 1783 .-St. John Courier.

RAIL ROAD ROOMS, Saint Andrews, 23d February, 1847.

TOTICE is hereby given, That Four per cent. of the subscribed Stock in the SAINT ANDREWS AND QUEBEC RAILROAD COMPANY will be called for, and made payable at Saint Andrews on the first Tuesday in May next.

JOHN WILSON, President.

GEO. F. CAMPBELL, Act'g Sec'y.

ABSCONDING DEBTOR'S NOTICE.

DUBLIC Notice is hereby given, that a general Meeting of the Creditors of James Quinlin, late of Hopewell, in the County of Albert, Yeoman, an Absconding Debtor, is appointed to be held at the Office of Thomas B. Moore, Esquire, in Hopewell aforesaid, on Thursday the twenty ninth day of April next, at two o'clock in the afternoon; the said Creditors are requested to attend at the time and place mentioned, to examine and see the debts due by the said James Quinlin to each person ascertained.

Given under our hands at Hopewell aforesaid, the seventh day of February, A. D. 1847.

THOS. B. MOORE, GEO. CALHOON,

Trustees for all the Creditors o ELISHA S. ROGERS, James Quinlinf

NOTICE.

LL Persons having any demands against, or being indebted to the Estate of Zechariah B. Brown, Junior, late of the Parish of Burton, deceased, are requested to present the same, within three months, for settlement, to

LYDIA BROWN, Administratrix, WM. C. BROWN, Administrator.

Burton, 15th February, 1847.—3w.

NOTICE.

THE Co-partnership heretofore existing between the Subscribers trading in Stanley, under the style of Wigan and Main, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to the said Firm, are requested to make payment to William J. Bedell & Co., Fredericton, who alone are authorized to grant discharges for same.

Fredericton, 30th December, 1846.

In presence of GEO. A. MUNRO.

THOMAS MAIN. LEWIS D. WIGAN.