

THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER

THE CLOSING EXERCISES at the Sackville Institution were unusually interesting this season. Rev. Mr. Sprague delivered the oration before the Alumni Society, on Tuesday evening, 25th. Subject—*Poetry and Eloquence in America*. His Excellency Gov. Wilmett was present, and took an active part in the proceedings. An address was presented to him by Dr. Pickard, on behalf of the Institution, to which His Excellency replied in his usually eloquent and happy style. We are glad to learn that this Institution is in a highly prosperous condition, and constantly increasing its efficiency for imparting a sound education to the students.

TRAGEDY AT DETROIT.—On Tuesday night, 25th inst., the dwelling of Mr. Alexander, a short distance from Bathurst, was destroyed by fire—supposed to be accidental. Three persons—two of them children, and the other a young woman—were burned to death before assistance could be rendered. Mr. Alexander, the unhappy father, was awakened by the heart-rending shrieks of his poor children, who slept upstairs, and in attempting to rescue them was so severely injured that his life is despaired of. Unfortunately he could not reach his children, and the sufferers were left to the mercy of the flames. The Tragedy had cast a gloom over the district and the County.—*Telegraph*.

Governor Wilson has commenced a course of improvements in the country about the Government House which bid fair to make them rival in beauty the grounds about his former residence which were and are so much admired.—Journal.

STONE ISLAND.—On the night of Monday last, the store of Mr. D. J. McLaughlin, on the North Wharf, was broken open. Nothing was taken off the premises.—*Journal*.

THE PAPER COMPANY, who have just learned, have purchased the printing privileges on South Branch, known as the Diamond Mills property, about 8 miles from Pensacola Station. The stream is a natural curiosity, taking its source from under the face of the mountain where the water at once assumes the breadth and depth sufficient for a large mill power. It is also remarkable for its purity and is always cold and refreshing, masking in fact, the daintiest stream for the purpose we know of in the Province.—*Telegraph*.

It is stated that J. Wright, Esq., of this city, who has invented an improved spinning wheel, is about to dispose of his patent right in the United States to a Company in Boston for the sum of \$100,000.

The Greenwood Cemetery Company has been organized with Isaac Noble, Esq., as President, Mr. G. F. Hardin, Treasurer, and Messrs. Noble, D. W. Clark, Jas. Quinton, M. P. G. H. Clark, Lewis H. Brown, and John McLachlan as Directors.

The Company have purchased a beautiful piece of ground near Sand Cove, Lancaster, containing about 60 acres of land.

Rev. W. G. Ketchum, Rector of St. Andrews, has received the degree of S. T. D. from Columbia College, New York. This is the largest and wealthiest Episcopal College in the United States.

There were in the port of St. John on Saturday last nearly one hundred foreign going vessels of all kinds, including 29 ships, of 33 159 tons; 29 barges, 15 673 tons; two brigs, 616 tons; 8 brigantines, of 1,649 tons; and 32 schooners, of 4,172 tons. Considerable additional tonnage is expected. The high freights are causing much delay in the receipt of timber from up river.

H. M. Troop Ship *Saratoga* is expected here this week to embark the Royal Artillery and the 1st battalion 22d Regt., now stationed at Fredericton.

CABLE TELEGRAMS.—The new Tariff will come into effect on the first of June. The charge will then be from these Provinces and States East of New York city, to any part of Great Britain or Ireland, for ten words, including address, etc., ten dollars, and one dollar for each additional word.

UNITED STATES.

The distance from New York to San Francisco by rail is 3,350 miles. Chicago is 969 miles from New York and 2,599 from San Francisco. The fare from Chicago to the latter City is \$316.95 (greenbacks).

President Grant has issued a Proclamation affirming that workmen in Government employ shall receive the same pay for eight hours per day's work as formerly received for ten.

In Bremen, S. C. April 22nd, Mr. Joseph McLeary, aged 23 years, leaving a wife and five children to mourn her loss. He died in a fit of apoplexy, in his 34th year, while engaged in a riot at Cork.

The French Elections are progressing quietly and a heavy vote is being cast.

The German Zollverein will meet third of June.

The assassin of Prince Michael of Servia has been released on bail.

LONDON, May 25.—The Austrian Consul at London has been assassinated. Hon. John Jay, American Minister, has arrived at Vienna. The French Government has thus far secured 193 members, while the opposition elect but 26, or a few more than half the number in the old Corps Legislatif. This number is so small, however, that there is reason to doubt the accuracy of the despatch.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.—ARRIVED.

21st—Steam Linda, Davis, Boston and Yarmouth, C. McLaughlin & Co., owners; 22nd—Steamer, Puman, New York; J. V. Troop & Son, bal.; bal. J. M. Chisholm, Killian, Boston, Steamship Bros., bal.; bal. Stephen, Munster, Newport, Eng., Steamship Bros., railroad iron; A. L. Parker, Kay, Liverpool, Sea small iron, bal. 23rd—Steamer, Ida, J. Parker, Portland, Steamship Bros., bal.

22nd—Steamer Bird, Kelley, Boston, Geo. Thomas, bal.; son, Lemire, M. Clark, Boston, bal.; bal. George, G. Stewart, & Co., dealers; bright Marcellus, C. McLaughlin & Co., bal.; bright Bayay, Oulton, Barbadous, E. & F. Parker, bal.; bright Marcellus, Village Belle, Thomas, Boston, D. J. McLoughlin, bal.

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