

the left bank of the Sarabas, were upwards of seventy prahus, which the natives were busy clearing of all valuables and destroying.

The punishment inflicted on these barbarians has been most complete. Of the 120 prahus which it is said started on the expedition, and all of which were in the bay on the preceding evening, more than 87 were destroyed, and the loss of life on their side must have been immense; indeed it has been placed as high as 1200 men.

EXPENSES OF THE CANADA GOVERNMENT.—That the outcry on this subject is not without reason, is amply substantiated by a statement which has appeared in the Avenir, showing the expenses of our civil government in the year 1848.

The Governor General's salary and contingent expenses connected with his office, £11,624 19s. 8d. The Executive Council, £12,567, making altogether the sum of £24,261 between 29 individuals.

Cost for public edifices, £15,240, for rent, taxes, insurances, repairs, &c.

Provincial Secretary's Department, 19 persons' salaries, £3,507.

Receiver General's Department, 14 clerks and 2 messengers, salaries, £3,692.

Cost of the Customs' Department, employing 300 individuals, £34,000.

Cost of Excise Department, about 20 persons, £3,430 19s.

Cost of Registrar General's Department, 6 persons, £1,383 12s. 1d.

Militia Department, £2,020.

Emigration Department, £752 4s. 2d.

Pensions, £5,257 11s. 4d.

Education Department, 6 persons, £1,175.

Administration of Justice, 147 persons, with salaries amounting to £54,000.

Queen's Printers, for the session of 1848, £6,241 4s. 11d.

Eight Commissioners, for 1848, £662 14s. 6d.

Geological Department,—Salaries of three persons, and contingent expenses, £2,160.

Public Works—exclusive of the salaries of the two heads of the Department, £36,520.

Public Lands Department—entire cost, £29,121 2s. 9d.

Cost of the Legislature of 1848, with various contingent expenses, £25,624.

Total, £265,905 for the civil government of a million and a half of people.

A faint idea of the ruthlessness of the whole system of our responsible government may be formed, from the assertion that when the Executive came from Upper Canada to Montreal, five years ago, it brought 300 followers—it now returns with 600!—Quebec Gazette.

CANADA.—L. J. Papineau has written a letter in the Quebec Independent, in which he comes out strongly in favor of annexation to the United States.

The Toronto Globe, on the contrary, comes out with an address, breathing warm attachment to England, signed by 2,000 men of all parties in that City. It is said that a Toronto Annexation Manifesto will appear early in the ensuing month.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—During the last three years, (remarks a writer in the St. John's Times,) the prosperity of Newfoundland has greatly declined.

Poverty and debt sorely press the majority of the fishermen. The system of trade, the great expense and risk in prosecuting the fishery, and the various calamities which have of late afflicted the colony, have been the united cause of our present distress.

THE AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY.—We have received a slip from the "American Messenger" office, announcing the following facts:—

The Committee of the American Tract Society met on the 19th inst., Rev. Dr. Knox in the chair. The receipts of the month were \$20,844; total since April 1, \$146,989.

The number of new colporteurs commissioned during the month was 31, of whom 26 were for the Southern and Western States.

Since April, 274 colporteurs have been commissioned, including 153 students for vacations. The number now exceeds 350, including those in Canada, Mexico, and California.

The issues from the depository for October, amounted to \$29,079. Gratuitous issues since April, 22,712,239 pages. The expenditures average nearly \$1,000 a day; and the daily product of books is about 3,500, and of smaller publications not far from 30,000, exclusive of 145,000 copies of the "American Messenger," monthly.

The number of printers and binders is 236. Power presses employed 14. The treasury demands large and constant donations to sustain benevolent operations on a scale so extensive.

At the meeting letters were presented from Canada, various parts of India, China and the Sandwich Islands, asking for large appropriations to sustain the Christian press abroad.

In view of these and other appeals, the following sums were appropriated, to be raised and remitted before April 1, viz. For France and Belgium, \$1,000; Germany and Hungary, \$1,000; Italy, \$1,000; Turkey, Russia, Greece, Syria and the Nestorians, \$3,000; Southern India, \$3,000; Northern India, \$2,000; China, Siam, Assam, Burmah, and the Sandwich Islands, \$3,000; and other claims, \$1,000; total \$15,000.

COLT'S REVOLVER OUTDONE.—A new Rifle has been patented, and taken the name of Jenning's Patent, which promises to make war a work so murderous as to be impracticable. By a simple contrivance within the stock the breach pin of the barrel is opened as the gun is cocked. A cartridge is placed in this opening, and on pulling the trigger, the pin closes the barrel tight, a strong block of steel falls behind it, and the gun primes itself, and is discharged, all at one motion. It is so simple, that it can hardly by any accident, get out of order. It is capable of being loaded at the breech as often as it is fired off, and as rapidly as a man's hand can move to throw in a cartridge. This is at the rate of 12 shots per minute, for a person who has practised with the gun. Another variety of the same gun is now nearly completed by the patentees, in which the ram-rod is a tube of the same size, capable of containing 24 cartridges, which are so arranged that they are placed in the barrel one by one, and fired successively without interruption. The moment that the 24th ball is fired this gun may be used as the first one, loaded at the breech.

THE NICARAGUA ROUTE.—It is now proposed to establish a ship canal between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, across the Isthmus of Nicaragua. The apprehended difficulty with England about this canal will doubtless be adjusted, by an agreement to admit all nations to equal privileges of transit. The route is by the San Juan River 104 miles to Lake Nicaragua, up the lake 90 miles to the river Tipitapa; up that stream 20 miles to Lake Leon, then 35 miles to the head of the lake; thence 29 miles by canal to the Pacific; total distance 278 miles. The shores at each end are favorable sites for populous cities. It is doubtless highly desirable that there should be a navigable communication between the two oceans; and its accomplishment at an early day seems now highly probable.

JAMES GRATTAN.—We understand, says the Pittsburg Mercury, that the Right Hon. James Grattan, eldest son of the late Henry Grattan, the great Irish orator and patriot, has sold out his Irish property, and intends settling in Virginia, in which State he has purchased five thousand acres of land. James Grattan represented for many years the county of Wicklow, in the Imperial Parliament. He was much respected in the House of Commons, and was elevated a few years ago to the position of Privy Counsellor.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 16.

Awful Steam Boat Explosion!—One Hundred and Sixty Lives Lost!—A terrible steamboat explosion occurred here last evening. The steamer Louisiana, bound to St. Louis, when about starting from her wharf, burst both her boilers, shattering her to atoms, and also badly injuring the steamers Storm and Boston, that were lying alongside. The Louisiana was crowded with passengers, as were also the other two, which had just arrived. Already 50 dead bodies have been recovered. The levee is strewn with the dead and dying, and hundreds of our citizens are around the melancholy scene, rendering all the assistance in their power to those in whom a spark of life remains. Dead bodies, legs, arms, and heads are scattered in every direction, and the sight presented is most awful. The explosion is attributed to carelessness, and the captain has been held to bail in \$3000. It is supposed that the number of killed is 200, besides many are dreadfully wounded. The flags of the shipping in port are hung at half mast. A searching investigation will shortly take place.

UNIFORM RATE OF POSTAGE.—Letters from Washington state that the Postmaster General will recommend to Congress a uniform rate of five cents postage, without regard to distance.

Father Mathew has administered the pledge to one hundred thousand persons since his arrival in the United States. His health being now improved, he is about leaving New York for Philadelphia and the South.

F. W. Hatheway, Esq. of this City, the principal owner of the Forest Queen, has commenced the erection of a new Steamer on the bank of the river near the old Market House. She is to be 155 feet clear, and 24 feet beam. The engine, which is a horizontal condensing one, was purchased in Toronto, Canada West, by Mr. Hatheway, and is about the same power of that in the Forest Queen. The work is placed under the direction of Mr. Dow, who has proved himself well qualified, from his former success in building.—[Fred. Reporter.]

LECTURES ON ANATOMY, &c.—Dr. Dow delivered a highly interesting and instructive course of Lectures on Anatomy and Physiology, last week, at the Mechanics' Institute, including remarks on Indigestion, its causes and effects, &c. in the course of which he dealt out some prime "hits" relative to "fast and great eaters," tobacco consumers, &c.—The Lectures, which were delivered in a very pleasing manner, were illustrated by beautiful Manikin, or model of the human form, and Skeletons of various sizes.—We are happy to perceive that the Directors of the Institute have engaged Dr. Dow to deliver a course of Physiological Lectures shortly after the opening of the Lecture season, which we trust will be numerous attended, as they cannot fail of being both entertaining and instructive.—Observer.

FREDERICTON.—A petition from the Magistrates, Merchants, and other inhabitants of Fredericton, has been presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary steps be taken to erect Fredericton into a Port of Entry, by the establishment of the necessary Custom House Officers, and thus enable the petitioners to participate in the advantages to which they believe they are entitled, in common with Her Majesty's subjects similarly situated in other parts of Her Majesty's dominions on this continent and elsewhere.

His Excellency, in reply to the petitioners, stated that their application shall receive the most careful consideration of His Excellency and the Executive Council.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT.—Mr. Abner Seely, of the Parish of Bolton, to be Coroner in the County of Sunbury, in the room of Henry T. Partelow, Esquire, deceased. By His Excellency's Command. J. R. PARTELOW, Secretary's Office, 20th November, 1849.

NOTICE.

We omitted to give notice a few weeks since that the several Treasurers of Domestic Mission Boards, of Foreign Missions, of Education, and of Superannuated Ministers, could apply for their proper proportion of the funds of the Union Society, to brother Solomon Hersey, the Treasurer of the General Union, with whom orders in behalf of each have already been left. E. D. VERY, Sec'y of Gen. Union.

Just Received from the Shakers' Village.—Gent's. UNDER SHIRTS, superior to English. PANTECHNETHECA, Corner of King and Cross Streets

MARRIED.

On the 21st instant, by the Rev. W. Harrison, Rector of Portland, Mr. M. F. Gordon, of Fredericton, to Abigail C., daughter of John Haws, Esquire, of the Parish of Portland. On Thursday, the 22d inst., by the Very Rev. James Donphy, V. G., Mr. James McWilliams, of the Parish of Portland, to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. James Olson, of this City. On the 23d inst., by the Rev. Alexander McLeod Staveley, Mr. John Austen, Mate of the Brig Ellis, to Miss Anne, eldest daughter of Mr. David Clements, all of this City. At Portland, on the 22d instant, by the Rev. Mr. Donald, Mr. Joseph Armstrong, of the Parish of Lancaster, to Mary E., eldest daughter of the late Captain William Gray. On the 16th inst., by the Rev. R. Cooney, A. M., Mr. Henry Sharpe, to Miss Hannah Ruddick, both of this City. At Fredericton, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. John M. Brooke, Sergeant James Houston, Royal Regiment, to Miss Ann Maclean, daughter of Mr. William Edgar, all of that City. At the Cathedral of Christ Church, on Wednesday morning, the 14th inst., by the Rev. W. Q. Ketchum, A. M., Mr. Thomas Tozer, of the City of Fredericton, to Miss Elizabeth Pomeroy, of the same place.

DIED.

On Saturday, the 17th inst., Emily, wife of Mr. E. Mc-Nichol, of this City, and daughter of Mr. David Daly, of Red Head; aged 22 years. On Saturday, 17th instant, after a painful illness of five months, Isabella, youngest daughter of Mr. James Bennett, aged two years and seven months. In Portland, on Thursday morning, Mr. John O'Leary, in the 86th year of his age, a native of Wexford, Ireland. At Sussex Vale, on Sunday the 11th inst., Henry Leonard, Esq., aged 76 years. At Kingston, King's County, on Monday the 19th inst., after a short illness, Elizabeth C., eldest daughter of Mr. Elijah A. Perkins, aged 11 years. At Douglas, County of York, on Wednesday last, Mr. Elijah Miles, son of James A. Miles, Esq., in the 33d year of his age, leaving a wife and three children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and parent.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

ARRIVED.

Friday—Schr. General Jackson, Kelly, Boston, 4—Jewett & March, ballast. Saturday—Barque Wm. Glen Anderson, Hull—John Robertson, coals. Brig. Margaret, Dunham, Sydney, 7—R. P. McGivern & Co., coals. Schr. Alabama, Wall, Boston, 6—Jewett & March, ballast. Sunday—Barque Olive, Olive, Liverpool, 36—Geo. Thomas, general cargo. Schr. Granville, Greenwood, Sydney, 8—master, coals. Emily, Wood, Boston, 8—master, ballast. Monday—Brig Citizen, Brown, Machias, 3—ballast. Brig. Margaret, Dunham, Sydney—R. P. McGivern, coals. Emily, Alexandria, 2—J. & R. Reed, wheat. Schr. Mariner, Welch, Halifax—Master, tea, sugar, &c. Tuesday—Brig Czar, from Dundee—Schr. Lord Fitzgerald & Vesel, King, New York, 10 days—Schr. Somerville, and Hero from Boston, ballast.—A brigantine and schr. below, not known. CLEARED. Nov. 20th—Ship Argyle, Irvine, Liverpool, timber and deals—John Wisburt. 21st—Brig Lafayette, Clifford, Newport, (Mass.) boards, scantling, &c.—Collins Whitaker; schr. Sultana, Whittier, Gloucester, (Mass.) boards, plank, &c.—E. D. Jewett; Julia & Martha, Crowley, Boston, boards, plank, &c.—E. D. Jewett.

Ship Thomas, Betts, of this port, from Quebec, arrived at Plymouth on the 21st Oct. At St. Catherine, Sept. 21st, ship Royal Saxon, Sweeney, from Patagonia, for Philadelphia, first wind. Cleared at Boston, Nov. 22d, Schr. Cuba, Kavanagh, St. John; 23d, ship Maranham, Jamieson, do.; brig Oitawa, Urquhart, do.—At New York, 21st, brig Jane Allison, ditto. At Newport, 21st, brig Sarah, hence, for Providence. ARRIVALS FROM ST. JOHN.—November 1st, Emperor, at Leith; 2d, Velocity, Waterford; 5th, Standard, Limerick; Isabella, Falmouth, and sailed 6th for London; Planet, Waterford; 6th, Rolla, Hull; Orleans, Liverpool; Goliath, do.; Eneas, Newport; 7th, Essex, and Palenlar, Gravesend; Pero, Queenstown; 8th, Catherine, Liverpool; 6th, Thetis, off Maryport; 8th, Portland, Liverpool; 10th, Avon, off Liverpool. Arrived at Queenstown, 4th, Susan, Quebec. Cleared at Liverpool, ship Zealand, for New Orleans, Loading at Liverpool, Sultana, for St. John; Harriott, ditto. GALWAY, Nov. 5.—The Charlotte, Fowles, of Yarmouth, N. S., from St. John, N. B., and Queenstown, in running up the Bay last night, got on shore on Mutton Island; she is discharging deck-load, and is expected off this evening's tide. LOCHMADDY (North Uist), November 2.—The St. John, Burns, of St. John, N. B., which was at anchor near Vallie Island, 20th ult., drifted on the reef off Ardrossan, and after remaining four days, drifted off and brought up about one mile south of Pabby Island, near the Sound of Hams; her masts have been cut away, and she is now at anchor at that place. WESTPORT, Nov. 5.—The Charlotte, from St. John, N. B., to the Clyde, has put in here, leaky, with loss of sails, spars, &c., and out of provisions.

Notice to the Public. GENERAL POST OFFICE, St. John, November 12, 1849. MAILS will in future be received at, and despatched from this Office, for Saint George, Saint Andrews, Saint Stephens, and the United States, daily, Sundays excepted. Hour of closing, 7, 30, A. M.—Hour of arrival, 4, 15, P. M. J. HOWE, D. P. M. G.

MEDICINES. THE Subscriber begs to offer his services to his friends and the public, and assures them that no Drug or preparation shall be suffered to leave the shop, unless good and serviceable.—Also, all PATENT MEDICINES warranted strictly genuine. Prescriptions solicited and faithfully prepared. JOHN CHALONER, August 10, 1849.

True Swedish Leeches. TUB Superior HEALTHY LEECHES, just received and for sale by Nov. 2. FELLOWS & CO.

A HISTORY OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION IN AMERICA AND OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD. By DAVID BENEDICT—1,000 pages royal octavo, with engravings. Sheep, 17s. 6d. Cloth, 15s. From Edward B. Underhill, Esq., Cor. Sec. of the Hanserd Knollys Society, England.—The volume is indeed an Encyclopedia of Baptist Literature and Baptist history a book for perpetual reference in everything relating to our external affairs.

The Christian Reflector and Watchman.—What days and nights must have been given to tedious reading, to hard study, to the collection of documents, the examination of dry details and extensive correspondence, very few can fully understand.

The New-York Baptist Register.—It presents an astonishing amount of statistical information, and excites the wonder of the reader, how, in all its detail, it could have been collected.

THE BAPTIST LIBRARY. Three volumes in one, royal octavo, bound in a style uniform with the History, consisting of more than 1,300 pages. The Library has been before the public sufficiently long to be known as containing a large amount of valuable reading, and a number of excellent and distinct works nowhere else to be found. If what it contains were published in separate books, TWENTY DOLLARS would not purchase them. The above Works are for sale at the Colporteur Depository, GARRISON & MARSTERS' Office, Custom House Building, Saint John, N. B. August 10.

Colporteur Depository. JUST RECEIVED.—THE BAPTIST ALMANAC and ANNUAL REGISTER, for 1849, price 4d. A new lot of the Illustrated Family Christian Almanac, the beautiful Almanac of the American Tract Society, price 4d. The Boston ALMANAC, (18 mo. bound,) containing a Map of the City, and also a complete Business Directory, price 1s. 3d. The PEARL OF DAYS, by the Laborer's Daughter, price 1s. 10d. Memoirs of Mrs. Ann H. Judson, price 2s. 8d. Do. of Mrs. Sarah B. Judson, price 3s. 2d. E. D. VERY, Chairman of Committee. April 20.