

RAIL ROAD TO SAN FRANCISCO.—A public meeting was held last week in Boston, with a view to favor the construction of a Railroad from St. Louis to San Francisco, upon a plan proposed by Mr. Legrand, of Boston.

The main features in the plan of Mr. Legrand, as sketched by the Boston Journal, are that a Company shall be chartered with a capital of \$100,000,000; of this \$2,000,000 is to be paid in by private subscription, and the remainder to finish the road, not exceeding \$98,000,000, it is proposed to borrow of Government in stock payable in London.

The material for building and furnishing the road are to be exclusively of American manufacture. To secure the loan of U. S. stock, and the carrying out of the Company's contract, it is proposed that the U. S. shall take a mortgage of the road and its property.

It is of good augury to the early success of a Railroad across the Continent—whatever be the plan finally agreed upon—to see Boston moving in earnest in its behalf: for Boston is undoubtedly the headquarters of Railroad enterprise in our country.

THE RECENT COLD WEATHER.—Our exchanges bring us deplorable intelligence of the destruction to the growing crops, caused by the recent cold weather. According to the accounts, vast quantities of corn and cotton have been destroyed. In South Carolina the injury is so great that more than one half of the cotton must be replanted.

We would call the attention of our readers to an advertisement under the title of "Prize Essay," in another column. The Lady is unknown to us, but she has sent us Twenty Dollars, to be appropriated according to the advertisement. They will be deposited in the Savings' Bank until the Adjudication is made.—Observer.

SEIZURES.—During last week, about 1400 gallons of Spirits have been seized at this Port by Provincial Officers.

The brig Magog, which arrived last evening from Ayr, has on board nineteen passengers, among them Mr. Gray and family, who intend settling on the fine farm above Fredericton, late the property of Col. Allen. Mr. Gray brings with him some very superior stock and farming implements.

POSTSCRIPT.

NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The English Mail, by the steamer America, arrived late last night, and we regret our inability, by the present arrangements, to lay it before our readers. We do not however anticipate that this will be generally the case, as the steamers will oftener than otherways arrive in season to allow us to give it fresh to our readers.

From a hasty reading of the English News, we see nothing of special importance. Continental affairs remain unsettled, giving to commercial matters a dull aspect. A blockade of the German ports is considered inevitable.

The provision market is without change; Flour selling at 23s 6d; Indian Meal at 14s. Money continues abundant, and the Funds have been quite steady.

The Jury are discharged, not being able to agree in the trial of Mr. Duffy.

PARLIAMENTARY.—In the House of Commons on the 19th April, the Navigation Laws Repeal Bill was brought under consideration, but it engaged the House for a very short time.

Mr. Gladstone moved a clause empowering the Crown to allow to foreigners (upon petition of any Colony) to carry on a coasting trade in the British Colonies. The proposition was accepted, with a slight change by Mr. Labouchere, and adopted, and the Bill was ordered to be read a third time on Monday.

The House then went into Committee upon the Irish Rate in Aid Bill. After the Chancellor of the Exchequer had given a short exposition of the nature and objects of the Bill, Mr. Hume asked whether the proposed advance of £100,000 was to be dependent on the passing of the Bill.

Lord John Russell replied, that the advance was to be so far dependent on the fate of the Bill, that no more than £5000 or £6000 of the advance would be paid.

In the House of Lords, in reply to a question by Lord Beaumont, Lord Lansdowne said that the British Government, though aware of the French expedition to Rome (supposed to be intended for the restoration of the Pope), had taken no part in suggesting or promoting it, though he acknowledged that they did not disapprove of it.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.—EASTER TERM, 12TH VICTORIA.—GENERAL RULE.—Taxation of Costs.—It is Ordered, that the following Regulations be observed in the Office of the Clerk of the Pleas:—

I. Every Affidavit used before the Clerk, on the Taxation of Costs, to be retained and filed on a File to be kept for this purpose.

John Simonds, Gentleman, having produced the requisite Certificates, and having been examined as to his fitness and capacity, is admitted, sworn and enrolled an Attorney of this Court.—[Royal Gazette.]

NOTICE.

Baptist Association of Nova-Scotia and Eastern New-Brunswick.

The Subscriber at the request of a number of persons wishing to attend the above Association, will sail the newly built Schooner "Harvest Home" on the 20th of June, at 11 o'clock A. M. from the Bank in Harvey, Albert Co., for Horton, Nova-Scotia, and return the following week, at the close of the Association in that place; in time to attend the New-Brunswick Eastern Association to be held in Rowwell, commencing Saturday the 7th of July next.

Fare for Passengers going to and from, 7s. 6d.; those going either way and not returning, 5s.

OBADIAH CLAPP, Master, Harvey, April 12th, 1849.

N. B. Captain Rufus Reed will hold himself in readiness to sail the Schooner "Pacific" if necessary under the same regulations.

MARRIED.

On Tuesday, by the Rev. Dr. I. W. D. Gray, Rector, John W. Goldinch, Esq., Salmon River, Grand Lake, to Miss Jane Marjoribanks, of this City.

By W. W. Eaton, on Thursday evening, Mr. John McKinnon, to Miss Olive Jane Kenney, daughter of Captain Kenney, all of this City.

On the 26th ult., by the Rev. Robert Irvine, Mr. Thomas Millar, to Miss Margaret Kyle, both of this City.

DIED.

On Sunday, 22d ult., Mrs. Elizabeth Peel, widow, aged 76 years.

On Tuesday last, Mr. Henry King, a native of Halifax, in the 62d year of his age, leaving a wife and family residing in Boston.

At Fredericton, on the 26th inst., Sarah Jane, widow of the late Mr. Donald Ross, of St. John.

At Cornwallis, N. S., on Tuesday morning, April 24th, William Staveley, third son of the Rev. William Sommerwill, aged three years and six months.

At New York, April 24th, Sarah VanWart, wife of Mr. George Stewart, late of St. John.

At St. Peters, in the Island of Guernsey, on Sunday, the 1st April, Richard E. Armstrong, Esq., formerly of this City, in the 67th year of his age.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

Wednesday—Schr. Cuba, Kavanagh, Boston, 4—Master's assorted cargo.

Thursday—Brig. Widow, Gorum, New York, 5—L. H. Waterhouse, flour, meal, &c.

Friday—Brig Kijkwood, Cape Enrage, 6—Colin E. Cross, cordwood.

Saturday—Ship Queen Pomare, Wiseman, Greenock, 23—Wm. Parks & Son, general cargo.

Sunday—Ship Wm. Dawson, White, Hull, 58—R. Rankin & Co., coals.

Portland, Leavitt, Liverpool, 33—Wm. Leavitt, general cargo.

Barque Humber, Lawson, Hull, 29—R. Rankin & Co., ballast.

George, Chitt, Hull, 40—order, do.

Harriott, Stitt, Liverpool, 44—J. & T. Robinson, general cargo.

St. John, Dick, Hull, 41—R. Rankin & Co., ballast.

Brig Marys, Arkyle, Lancaster, 34—R. Rankin & Co., ballast.

Victory, Minto, Hartlepool, 56—J. Robertson, coals.

Camilla, Harris, Yarmouth, 2—C. M'Lauchlan, oars.

Hibernia, English, Glasgow, 30—order, coals.

Brig. Ellis, Holmes, Windsor, plaster.

Monday—Barque Olga, Crowe, Sunderland, 31—order, coals.

Facide, Mather, London, 40—R. Rankin & Co., ballast.

Brig Caroline, Morehouse, New Edinburgh, 3—J. Robertson, ballast.

Magog, Shank, Ayr, 35—Jardine & Co., coals, &c.

Tuesday—Ship Thomas, Brewer, Liverpool, 4—D. & T. Vaughan, general cargo.

Harmony, Jamieson, Liverpool, 3—S. Wiggins & Son, general cargo.

Barque Glasgow, Ritchey, London—R. Rankin & Co., ballast.

Hampton, Graham, Grangemouth—R. Rankin & Co., coals.

British Queen, Bell, Londonderry—Adams & Ketchum, passengers.

Brig Charlotte, Fowles, Antigua—C. M'Lauchlan, ballast.

Czar, Moore, Dundee—R. Rankin & Co., coals.

Brig. Mickmack, Kelly, Yarmouth—C. M'Lauchlan, ballast.

Schr. Chance, Francis, Eastport—Master, flour and meal.

April 26th—Brig Eliza Helen, Clements, Trinidad—fish and lumber.

30th—Schr. Charles, Wallace, Halifax, general cargo; Dolphin, Holder, Providence, boards and plank.

May 1st—Ship Miramichi, Main, Bristol, timber and deals—R. Rankin & Co.; Wandsworth, Dunlop, Greenock, timber and deals—R. Rankin & Co.; Barque Brothers, English, Waterford, deals—S. Wiggins & Son; Schr. Eliza Jane, McLean, Bath, U. S., ship knees—Thos. M'Henry.

The brig Vanguard, Card, of Windsor, was lost at Black Rock, near Parshora' 11th inst.—No insurance.

The brig Enterprise, of Yarmouth, N. S., lumber laden, water-logged and dismantled, was passed the 14th ult., lat. 41, lon. 44.

Arrived at Savannah, 18th April, ship Spartan, Fisher, Liverpool.—At New York, 19th, brig Banshee, M'Murtry, St. John; 21st, ship Victoria, Briggs, Liverpool; brig Zenobia, Halpin, Newcastle, via Fayal; 27th, (by Telegraph) brig Lydia, Dublin.—At Boston, 23d, schr. Meridian, Braanen, do.—At New Orleans, 17th, ship Belmont, Grant, Liverpool.

Cleared at Mobile, 18th April, ship Juno, Moran, Liverpool.—At New York, 23d, Victoria, St. John.—Sailed from Norfolk, 20th, barque Charlotte, New Orleans.

Arrived at New York, 29th (by Telegraph)—barque Acadian, Warroa Point.—At New Orleans, 17th, ship Belmont, Grant, Liverpool.

D. R. FITCH has removed to the house formerly occupied by him, in Germain Street.—Office in the building corner of Germain and Princess Streets, next door to his residence.

May 1, 1849. [Cour. 3 i.]

NOTICE.

GARRETT & SKILLEN have REMOVED their STOCK to their New Stand, Corner of King and Cross Streets. May 1st, 1849.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having demands against the Estate of the late WILLIAM LOUNDER, of the Parish of Greenwich, King's County, are hereby requested to hand in their accounts, within one month from this date, to the undersigned, for adjustment; and all parties indebted to the said Estate, will please make immediate payment.

CHARLOTTE LOUNDER, Executrix. JOHN CRABB, Executor. Greenwich, K. C., May 4, 1849.

Prize Essay.

LADY, who has for some time past felt much concern for the state of many of the Young Men of this City, proposes to give a Prize of Twenty Dollars for the best Essay—

"On the present demoralized state of many of the otherwise respectable Young Men of St. John, and on the best means of providing a remedy for this deplorable evil, and preventing its growth."

She wishes to appoint as Adjudicators, the Rev. Dr. Wm. Gray, Rector of St. John, the Honorable Judge Parker, and Dr. Paterson, the Principal of the Grammar School, Gentlemen, whose deep interest in all that is truly beneficial to this community is well known.

She wishes the Essays to be given in on or before the 1st of September next to the Rev. Dr. Wm. Gray, accompanied with a letter having on the outside a motto, which is also to be affixed or prefixed to the Essay. The letter accompanying the successful Essay only to be opened.

She wishes also the successful Essay to be published under the direction of its Author, with the assistance of the Adjudicators.

All Newspaper Editors in the City, who feel an interest in the moral well-being of our population, are requested to give one or more gratuitous insertions of this advertisement. St. John, 1st May, 1849.

New and Valuable Books.

At the Colporteur Depository, GARRISON & MARSTERS' Office, Custom House Building:—

MACAULAY'S HISTORY OF ENGLAND, from James II., £9 1 3. Noel's Essay on the Union of Church and State, 0 6 6. The Clergy of America, by Dr. Belcher, 0 5 0. The Family and Village Library, 24 vols., 0 15 0. Dick's Works, 0 8 0. Benedict's History of the Baptists, 0 17 6. Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge, 1 0 0. Wayland's University Sermons, 0 6 0. Wayland's Moral Science, 0 5 7 1/2. Wayland's Political Economy, 0 5 7 1/2.

Every variety of Library Book, and all the usual helps for Sabbath School instruction, published by the American Sabbath School Union.

CLASSICS—in Hebrew, Greek and Latin, for the Colleges and Academies of the Provinces.

Histories, Geographies, Natural Philosophies, Reading Books, Copy Books, Paper, Pencils, &c., &c., for Common Schools. Many standard Theological Works. All the Works of the American Tract Society.

The above extensive assortment of Books are worthy the attention of purchasers, who may often find them from 20 to 50 per cent. cheaper than they have usually purchased them.—Price of all Books the same or less than the Publisher's retail price where the Books are issued.—Sales for Cash.—Orders punctually attended to.

Expected by Steamer this week:—

A beautiful re-print of ERSKINE'S GOSPEL SONNETS; 542 pages of substantial Scotch Theology, in rhyme, which has passed through at least a hundred editions at home.

Cash orders, Post-paid, addressed to, E. D. VERY, Chairman of Committee.

April 20, 1849.

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,

Post Office Notice.

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury having been pleased to amend their Warrant of the 8th ultimo, and to issue another Warrant dated the 3d instant, fixing the Postage of Letters transmitted direct by British Packets between the United Kingdom and any part of British North America: the Public is hereby notified, that henceforth Letters from the United Kingdom to New Brunswick, and vice versa, will be chargeable with a uniform rate of 1s. sterling, when not exceeding half an ounce; a Letter weighing above half an ounce, and not exceeding an ounce, will be liable to two rates of Postage, and so on according to the scale at present in operation. The payment of this Postage will be optional with the sender.

J. HOWE,

Deputy Post Master General.

General Post Office, St. John, N. B. April 20, 1849. } 4i.

REDUCED FARE.

The fast and splendid steamer "SAINT JOHN," is now fitting up as a NIGHT BOAT, in a superior style, and will commence plying on the River as soon as the navigation will permit, leaving Indian Town every Evening (Sunday excepted), and Fredericton every Morning—at greatly reduced prices!

Cabin fare only One Dollar! Forward do. 2s. 6d. Freight taken at Six-pence per Barrel. The Steamer St. John is well adapted to carry Freight, as there can be a thousand barrels put under cover.

The proprietors of the above Steamer having spared no expense to fit up this Boat in a superior style with two new Cabins, and several state-rooms, trust, by strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage. ISRAEL MERRITT, Agent.

April 6.

1849,

Spring Fashion of HATS.

Height of Crown, 7 1-4 inch. Bell at Sides, 5-16 inch. Bell Front and rear, 3-16 inch. Breadth of Brim, 1 3-4 inch. Slope of Brim at Sides, 1-8 inch. Curve of Brim, 3-8 inch. Oval of the top of the Crown, 11-16 inch.

THE Subscribers having received per "Admiral" three Spruce Style of HAT BLOCKS, are now manufacturing Fashionable HATS of all kinds and qualities.

As they anticipate increased sales under the new Tariff, they are prepared to sell at still further REDUCED PRICES, and would therefore respectfully invite the public to call and examine before they purchase elsewhere.

Parties leaving their orders can be furnished with HATS, varying from the Fashion to suit their fancy.

A supply of Cloth and Glazed CAPS shortly expected, which, with those manufactured by themselves, will make a complete assortment.

Old Hats repaired. Terms—CASH.

C. D. EVERETT & SON March 28.

"PUBLIC NOTICE."

TWELVE DAYS SALE ONLY!

£3000!! Worth of

SPRING CLOTHING,

Got up under our own immediate care and inspection, previous to our removal on the 1st day of May to Bragg's Building, corner of King and Cross Streets, lately occupied by Dr. Hamilton.

We are induced, from the very depressed and almost prostrate state of trade and labour, to offer our present

LARGE SPRING STOCK

AT A REDUCTION OF AT LEAST

TWENTY PER CENT.

below the Importers' prices.

Black Dress Coat, } Full Dress Suit, only  
Silk or Satin Vest, } £2 10s.  
Black Pantalons, }

Shepherd's Plaid } Only 17s. 6d.  
Shooting Coat }

Every description of Clothing at equally low prices. No goods permitted to leave the shop until PAID FOR.

GARRETT & SKILLEN, Pantchotheca, 20th April, 1849.