

States Post Office allowed, on the principal lines of railway, \$300, or £75 per mile, per annum. For the like service it was anticipated that the British and American governments would allow to this railway, at least £125 per mile, per annum, for the transportation of all the mails between Europe and America; and when the immense traffic which would be drawn over this line, as part of the great thoroughfare of all nations, and as the highway for all intercourse between the Old World and the New, was taken into consideration, no doubt could be entertained of its being not only a safe but a profitable investment. The only point then which remained to be considered, was the means for the construction of the line; and he begged to detain the meeting a few minutes, while he furnished some information as to the manner in which this was managed in the United States. In a report presented by the Directors of the Portland and Montreal Railway, so recently as the 6th inst., it was stated, that the whole uncompleted portion of that railway, both in Maine and in Canada, had been lately put under contract, with a stipulation for its entire completion in three years from the 8th day of January last. The contractors were Messrs. Wool, Black & Co., most responsible persons, who had agreed to finish the line, in all respects ready for equipment, at \$26,200, equal to £6,550 currency, per mile. For this sum they were bound by the contract to furnish the right of way, (six rods wide,) the fencing, grading, masonry, bridging, superstructure, and rails, with the necessary side tracks or turn-outs. Least any misapprehension should arise, it was necessary to state also, that besides the prices to the contractors, the Company had to provide depot grounds, outside the six rods breadth of way, as also buildings, Engine-houses, and water-stations, with turn-tables, and equipments. These, with the expenses of the Engineers employed to overlook the work performed by the contractors, caused an additional outlay of \$3000 or £750 per mile, making the total cost of the road, fully completed and equipped, £7300 per mile. The manner in which the contractors were paid, Mr. Perley said, would no doubt be interesting. Messrs. Wool, Black & Co. were to receive in payment for the performance of their contract, one-half of the stipulated price in cash: one-fourth in the bonds of the Company, payable in 20 years, with interest half-yearly; and the remaining one-fourth, in the stock of the Company, at its par value. This would show what amount of cash it required to build Railroads in the United States—but this was not all. The cash part, consisted chiefly of bonds of the City of Portland, and other public securities, payable in 30 years, bearing interest at 6 per cent, which were considered equal to cash. The City of Portland had been authorized by law to loan its bonds to the Montreal Railway Company, to the extent of One Million of dollars; about three-fourths of this amount had been actually issued, and although the railway was only completed, and in operation to Paris, a place in the forest, about 47 miles from Portland, yet its earnings had paid the interest on these bonds, as also 2½ per cent. toward a sinking fund for their redemption, and had likewise yielded a dividend to the Shareholders! The City of Portland had not been called upon to pay one farthing towards the bonds, nor was it likely that it ever would have to contribute a single cent towards their redemption!

With these observations, Mr. Perley said, he would conclude by expressing his feelings of gratitude toward the hospitable and generous citizens of Portland, and all others from whom they had received so great kindness and attention at the Convention, and he would urge the passage of the resolution before the meeting.

[Interesting addresses were also made by W. Jack, Esq., Mr. Reading, J. H. Gray, Esq., Mr. O'Brien, Wm. Wright, Esq., Mr. J. Macfarlane, Mr. S. L. Tilley, and others.]

SAD ACCIDENT.—On Monday the 12th inst., a boy of four years of age, named Chesterfield Bingley Colwell, only son of Mr. Charles B. Colwell, of Gagetown, while driving a few miles from that place, was thrown from the wagon with such violence, that he was killed on the spot. It is supposed that the horse became frightened from some cause. —[Observer.]

SHIPWRECK.—The ship *Bridgetown*, Capt. John Mills, of Cork, from Liverpool to Quebec, with 300 passengers, exclusive of the crew, went ashore on Sunday night the 4th inst., at Clam Cove, near Cape Race, Newfoundland, and became a total wreck. The crew and passengers succeeded, with much difficulty, in climbing the cliff, and were saved, but with the loss of almost every thing except what they had on. The Rev. Mr. Hebbden, Episcopal Minister, and his family, cabin passengers, lost property worth £1000, not insured. The unfortunate passengers and crew reached St. John's on the 9th, in a vessel from the scene of the disaster.

[The above particulars are taken from a letter from Capt. Mills, to his brother in this City, which has been obligingly shewn to us.]—[Lb.]

SERIOUS CASUALTY.—It is with much regret we have to announce a serious casualty which occurred on Friday morning, to Mr. James U. Thomas, Clerk to Messrs. S. Wiggins & Son, by falling from the rail of a new ship, against her side and fender, and upon a stage. His head is seriously injured, and he still lies in a very precarious state. —*Courier.*

The British Mail Steamer *Canada* left New York on Wednesday last, for Liverpool. She took out 90 passengers for Liverpool, and 11 for Halifax, and \$310,500 in specie. She arrived at Halifax on Friday, and left again in a few hours for Liverpool.

SUDDEN DEATH.—On Saturday 10th inst. an elderly man entered the village of Masquash, and having partaken of some refreshment at the house of G. C. Carman Esq., took his leave, apparently in good health; he had not pro-

ceeded far when he called at another house and asked for a drink of water, after resting awhile he started on his journey, but ere he had taken a dozen steps he suddenly fell backwards, and almost immediately expired. From a petition found in his possession, (which it seems he was carrying through the country seeking relief,) it appears that his name was David Caldwell—that he had served 7 years in the 80th Regt. of Foot, and for the last 25 years had resided in this Province—that sometime during the last year he was burnt out at the New Jerusalem Settlement, and having lost all that he had, he, with five children, were thrown destitute on the world. If this should meet the eye of any of his family or friends, it will be gratifying for them to know that his body was decently interred, under the direction of G. C. Carman, J. P., the funeral service being read by the Rev. the Rector of the Parish. —*Chron.*

FURIOUS DRIVING.—George Hume and Holly Bulyen, were on Friday convicted before Jacob Allan, Esq. Police Magistrate, Portland, the former in 20s., the latter 10s., for furious driving in the streets of Portland. —*Ibid.*

The first train of cars over the Kennebec and Portland, entered the city of Portland on Tuesday at 11 o'clock precisely, at Deering's Bridge.

THE ADMISSION OF CALIFORNIA.—The whole country, or the best portion of it, will rejoice at the passage of the California Bill by the Senate yesterday, as an important step in the hitherto slow progress of legislation. The vote was nearly two to one, the nays being all "Democrats" except three—Messrs. Berrien, Morton, and Pratt—and all of them from slaveholding states. The Bill must now go to the House, where we fear a desperate contest will be waged against it by the Southern ultras.

ARREARS OF MINISTERS.—The Episcopal Convention of Pennsylvania are in a habit of reporting for their annual statistics, the amount in which each church is in arrears for the salary of its minister, and it is worthy of notice, that the aggregate arrears thus reported, is, as might be expected, exceeding small.

PROPOSED NEW OFFICIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—It is said to be now definitely arranged that the judicial and legislative functions of the Chancellorship are to be divided. Sir Thomas Wilde, (now Lord Truro,) is to be permanently appointed as Speaker of the House of Lords, by the title of Lord Keeper; and in that capacity will discharge the duties of presiding judge in matters of appeal from the inferior courts, and will also have the distribution of the patronage heretofore in the gift of the Lord Chancellor. Sir John Romilly, the present Attorney General, will speedily be appointed to the office of Judicial Chancellor. Mr. Cockburn, the appointed Solicitor-General; and Mr. Page Wood and Mr. Crowder are spoken of as likely to succeed Mr. Cockburn. At present, the salary of the Lord Chancellor is £14,000 a year; that is £10,000 as a judge, and £4,000 as Speaker of the House of Lords. When the offices become separated, it is believed that Sir John Romilly will have £8000 a year as Chief Judge of Equity, and Lord Truro the same sum.

NOTICE.

BAPTIST SEMINARY, FREDERICTON.—The office of Steward being vacant, the Committee are prepared to receive applications from persons of piety and respectability, who may be competent to fill so responsible an office.

Terms, &c., may be known by applying to the Principal. By order of the Committee. C. SPURDEN.

The Fourth Presbyterian Church, Sidney Street, St. John, will (God willing) be opened for public worship on Sabbath, the 25th instant, by the Rev. ALEXANDER FORRESTER, of the Free Church, Halifax, and the Rev. JOHN THOMSON, Pastor of the Congregation.

Services will be commenced at 11 A. M., half-past 2 P. M. and 6 P. M.

An extraordinary Collection will be made at each diet towards the liquidation of the debt upon the Church.

A special thanksgiving service will be conducted in the Church, on the evening of Monday, the 26th instant, at half-past 7 o'clock.

Parties desirous of purchasing Pews in the Fourth Presbyterian Church, will have an opportunity of doing so on Tuesday, the 27th inst., on which day the Pews will be put for sale by Public Auction, the sale will commence at 11 o'clock, A. M., and be continued to 2 o'clock P. M. The sale will be resumed at 6 o'clock in the evening of same day, and continued for an hour. All the Pews remaining unsold at 7 o'clock, will then be leased by Auction. For further information apply to

THOMAS MAIN, Secretary, Nelson-street. Aug. 20.

MARRIED.

On Wednesday, by the Rev. A. McL. Staveland, Mr. Matthew M. Saffrin, of this City, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. C. Weldon, of the Parish of Portland.

On the 14th inst., by the Rev. Robert Irvine, Mr. Thomas Carr, to Miss Elizabeth Irvine, both of this City.

On Sunday last, at St. Peter's Church, by the Very Rev. James Dunphy, V. G. Mr. William Cotter, of this City, to Honora, eldest daughter of Mr. Thomas Corkery, of Portland.

On the 14th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Daniel, Mr. George Archer, to Miss Rose Duffy, both of the Parish of Lancaster.

On the 15th inst., by the Rev. R. Knight, Mr. James Wilson, to Miss Matilda Jane Camp, both of Chipman, in the County of Queen's.

At the residence of the Bride's father, at Windsor, on the 14th inst., by the Rev. J. Marshall, Wesleyan Minister, Mr. Thomas Frederick Knight, Merchant of Halifax, and

second son of the Rev. Richard Knight, Chairman of the New Brunswick Wesleyan District, to Mary Augusta, eldest daughter of the Rev. Matthew Richey, D. D., President of the Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada.

At the English Cathedral, Quebec, on the 29th July, by the Rev. George Mackie, D. D., Captain G. Robinson, of Ship *Elizabeth Bentley*, to Sarah Matilda, eldest daughter of Captain R. G. Moran, all of St. John, N. B.

On the 24th July, at Hale Church, Liverpool, England, by the Rev. William Stewart, M. A., Captain Ebenezer Lawson, of St. John, New-Brunswick, to Betsey, daughter of Captain Joseph Brown, Fair Oaks, Hale.

DIED.

On Monday evening last, Stephen, infant son of Mr. James Williams, aged four weeks and two days.

On Monday the 12th inst., Charles George, infant son of Mr. A. J. Lordly, aged ten months.

On Sunday morning, Mrs. Letitia McCullough, aged 68 years.

On the 20th inst., Joanna Henrietta, infant daughter of Capt. John B. Johnson, aged fourteen months.

At Bellisle Bay, Parish of Kingston, on Wednesday the 24th July, Captain John Nutter, in the 80th year of his age, a native of the County of Wexford, Ireland.

At Norton, King's County, on the 11th inst., Mr. James Wilson, aged 63 years, a native of the County Tyrone, Ireland, leaving a wife and nine children to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and tender parent.

At Kingsclear, County of York, on the 7th instant, Francis Rainsford, Esq., in the 77th year of his age.

At Sheffield, Soubury County, on the 8th inst., Tyler C. youngest son of Mr. George Burpe, aged six years.

At Sheffield, on the 20th ult., Mr. Joseph Barker, aged 66 years.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

ARRIVED.

Friday—Ship *Avon*, Johnston, Liverpool, 49—J. Ward & Sons, general cargo.

Barque *Florentia*, Tindal, New York, 8—R. Rankin & Co., ballast.

Brig *Francisco*, Smith, Wiscasset, 3—Collins Whitaker, ballast.

Sunday—Barque *Black Friar*, Williams, New York, 8—J. W. Cudlip, flour.

CLEARED.

16th—Brigt. Nimrod, Roberts, Bangor, (Wales,) timber and deals—John Robertson; Schr. Western, Bisset, New Haven, deals and scantling—Lunt & Pickup; Mercator, Leland, Lynn, (Mass.) pine boards, clapboards and shingles—E. D. Jewitt.

17th—Ship *Lady Blaney*, Shaw, Liverpool, timber and deals—R. Rankin & Co.

17th—Ship *Waterloo*, Collins, Grimsby, timber and deals—S. Wiggins & Son; brig *Nautilus*, Taylor, Newcastle, timber and deals—S. Wiggins & Son.

19th—Ship *Onward*, Healy, Cork, deals—John Robertson; *Lady Blaney*, Shaw, Liverpool, timber and deals—R. Rankin & Co.

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These are all selected with the greatest care, an important consideration due from the Apothecary to the Invalid, in order that only the choicest Medicines shall be used in putting up the prescriptions of the Physician; that their Chemicals are the manufacture of the most eminent Chemists is sufficient guarantee that they cannot fail to give the highest satisfaction.

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It shall be the aim of F. & Co. always to keep the best assortment and freshest SEEDS that can be procured. The stock on hand is mostly from the English and Scotch markets, selected by an experienced and honest Seedsman in Liverpool.

PATENT MEDICINES &c., may be had at this establishment, genuine.

The Proprietors are grateful for the patronage bestowed upon them since commencing business in this City, and solicit a continuance of the same at their new Store; the strictest attention will always be given to the various branches of their business.

A competent person will always be in attendance to dispense Medicine at night. And the premises will be kept open on SUNDAY from 7 A. M. till 5 P. M., for dispensing Medicine only.

Pure Cold SODA WATER, highly Carbonated, with rich Syrups as before. Wholesale and Retail. May 9.

ROBB'S OATMEAL.

JUST received from Dorchester, a fresh supply of ROBB'S OATMEAL; for sale by JARDINE & CO. May 28.

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JOHN G. SHARP, Chemist, Market Square & FELLOWS & Co, Chemists, King street; ST. JOHN HOTEL, ditto; EXPRESS OFFICE, Prince William Street; WILLIAM MILLIGAN, Indian Town;

The Boxes will be examined and deliveries made at 10 A. M. and 3 P. M., daily. Parties wishing to prepay can place their names on the package—the charges will be from One Penny, upwards, according to size and value.

The most prompt attention will be given to this branch of the Express Business, and the Proprietor trusts that the public will avail of this arrangement, which is calculated to provide great accommodation with a saving of time and expense.

CHARLES L. STREET.
Street's Colonial and Foreign Express Office.
August 20.—1m.

REMOVAL.

THE Subscriber has removed to the uppermost store in LAWRENCE'S BUILDING, Head of King Street, opposite the St. John Hotel.—He has just received per *Lisbon* from London, a very superior lot of DRUGS, CHEMICALS, &c., suitable for Prescriptions, which he hopes will not be overlooked. He also begs to recommend to the notice of the public his new stock of PERFUMERY, BRUSHES and SEEDS, which are all of excellent quality.

LEECES kept constantly on hand; personal attendance given to Prescriptions, and every effort will be made to accommodate his customers.

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JOHN CHALONER,
Apothecary, &c. &c., Head of King Street, North Side St. John, N. B. May 17, 1850.

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Walking and Riding Trowsers;
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A great variety of BOYS' CLOTHES.

IN drawing attention now, at the commencement of the Spring Trade, to our large Establishment, corner of King and Cross Streets, we wish briefly to enumerate the advantages which we offer to our customers and the public. We have always studiously avoided claiming to ourselves any power of selling at thirty or forty per cent under others in the trade, but simply rested our claims on our extensive experience—buying our Goods direct from the best Manufacturers at Cash Prices.

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PRICES THE LOWEST.

Quality the best—and Workmen superior. And by thus continuing to progress during the few years we have been in business, we apprehend we have now brought our business to a point surpassed by none.

The superiority of our style of Cutting is well known. The newest Paris and London Styles are introduced as early as in New-York or Boston, and every improvement is at once adopted. In alluding to the large stock of CLOTHES in our Establishment, we may merely state that it comprises the best assortment of French and German *Woolled CLOTHS* and *DOESKINS* of every shade and colour to be found.

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Of this branch we may say that every article in our Establishment is made up as carefully as if ordered. No workman is too good to be employed by us. We have all descriptions of Garments, up to the highest priced Coats. Numbers have proved and acknowledged the value of being at once fitted.

In commencing the Clothing Business some time ago, in St. John, in addition to our large Custom Trade, we introduced a scale of prices little known previously to the respectable class of the public, this we were enabled to do, by entirely rejecting the long credit system and supplying first rate articles at a moderate scale of profit for Cash.

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