your consideration. It has been usual to take a census of the population at decennial periods. I recommend you to consider what Legislative enactments may be requisite to faciliate a census next year and to ensure its correctness.

The conflicting claims of the lessees of the crown, and of the owners of the soil for many years, impeded or prevented the development of the mineral resources of the Province. These impediments have been removed and I recommend you to consider whether it would be expedient to institute a more searching enquiry into the real character and extent of these resources. I fervently hope that your deliberations will,

by the favor of Providence, conduce to the honor and welfare of the Province.'

Immediately after the Speaker had read the Speech, Mr. Lawrence moved for Committee to take into consideration all questions relating to European and North American Railway, excepting any demands made by contractors against Commissioners or Government. After some litthe talk Mr. L. consented to allow the Resolution to stand over till to-morrow.

Mr. Chandler moved the Address in reply to His Excellency's speech. W. E. Perley seconded-to be considered on Monday next:

FREDERICTON, Feb. 10, 1860. Large number of members have not arrived .-Lawrence moved his resolution of vesterday leaving out the last clause. Government invited a searching enquiry. Tilley read a letter of the 29th Jan. from Reed to Jardine overlooked, not before Committee. He explained the discrepancy between the original and the printed correspondence. Lawrence expressed dissatisfaction with the printed report; he objected because the Committee did not recommend publication .-Gray spoke at length, vindicated the report : it carried out the conclusions of the committee: the investigation discovered nothing to justify the imputation of fraud. Any member of the Committee dissatisfied ought to have expressed it at the time. The Report was unpopular and Lawtence might take the benefit of his refusing to sign it, he (Gray) regardless of the consequences did right. The subject was referred till to-morrow. Ordered 1500 copies Journals, 4000 Debates. Some committees appointed. The motion

The House adjourned 20 minutes to 4 o'clock. The address in reply to His Excellency's speech to Legislative Council passed without any amendment offered.

to rescind the £7 10 rule for private Bills

FREDERICTON, Feb. 11. On Thursday Mr. Gray introduced a Bill to provide for the examination on oath, and the attendance of witnesses before the Legislature or Committees thereof.

Mr. Lawrence introduced eight Bills, which were read a first time. Some discussion arose as to the necessity of having such Bills, printed at the expense of the Corporation during which the Attorney General suggested the propriety of the Common Council asking such an alteration in the charter as would give it the power to enact local measures for the regulation of the

Mr. Wilmot expressed his determination to oppose every bill calculated to increase taxation

The usual debate took place on the resolution of Mr. Waters to have French Debates published which occupied the whole of the morning. Lengthy speeches were made extolling the

superior intelligence, honesty, innocence, etc., of the French, by Watters, Smith, Mitchell, Brown. End, and others. Tilley, McLeod, McLellan, and others opposed the resolution, which at 11 30 was disposed of for the present, by the previous question being moved and carried; when the House adjourned till Monday morning-the Speaker having some engagement for the after

FREDERICTON, Feb. 13th. At 12 to-day, the Address was taken up.-Various sections passed without division. the section relating to the settlement of lands, a Liscussion arose on a question raised by Mr. Wilmot, as to the acts and intentions of the Government in the matter. The Government stated their intention to lay out roads through blocks of lands and open them up when applications were made for actual settlement. This course members approved of, if strictly carried out .- It was stated that during the year land for labour to the extent of 20,000 acres had been taken, and land sold to the extent of 54,000 acres.

Mr. Lawrence introduced the resolution of Friday. He was dissatisfied with Mr. Tilley's explanations respecting the missing letter, and dwelt upon still another important letter of the 29th Dec., which was not forthcoming. He intimated that the Government had exceeded their power to retard the publication of the correspondence last winter.

Mr. Tilley denied this. Mr. Lawrence went at large into the Railway Report, and declared that either from ignorance or fraud it conveved incorrect information. He emphatically declared that he never approved of the report of the Committee. Mr. Gravimust have known he had other objections besides the absence of the recommendation to print. He told Mr. Gray in Mr. Wilmot's presence that he could not sign

Mr. Tapley eulogized Mr. Gray as Chairman, and thought Mr. Lawrence had not treated Mr. Gray fairly, Mr. Lawrence having objected only because the recommendation to publish was not

Mr. Mitchell comoborated Mr. Tapley's remarks. Adjourned at 5 o'clock.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 14th. Several local bills and petitions submittedtalk about municipal institutions. Smith expressed hostility-they have failed to accomplish good

McIntosh and others charged him with inconsistency as a liberal.

claimed on introduction.

1 o'clock, House went up with address. Afternoon, Lawrence's resolution taken up, Tilley spoke over an hour and a half. Read letter of 29th January, and other correspondence appended, likewise letter of 29th Dec. referred to by Lawrence, to show nothing of importance in them. Charged Lawrence with prejudicing Railway management, same time seeking position of Chairman of Committee. Lawrence said he would not act as Chairman.

Wilmot expressed want of confidence in Jardine; intimated letter read had been withheld because contained false statement, that road would cost £5,000 per mile; heard Lawrence tell Gray could not sign report because evidence did not warrant it either before or after.

Botsford justified conclusion of Committee; no evidence of fraud, impressed that Lawrence had other objections than reference to publication. Dr. Vail said heard Lawrence say he had other

objections, but did not explain what they were, specials in yesterday's report.
Lawrence went into Railway Report, should read into Railway Commissioners' Report and

House adjourned 5.30.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 15th. Mr. Cudlin moved an amendment to Mr. Law. rence's resolution to have a Committee elected by ballot, as under the election law. Mr. Smith opposed the amendment, and condemsed in strong terms the language used by Mr. Wilmot yesterday, with reference to Mr. Jardine. Mr. Watters followed in the same strain. He said Mr. Wilmot's course was unmanly and ungenerous. Mr.; freasure was lost in the ship.

W.1 Lot said he would not retract one word. Mr. Lawrence then spoke, referring largely to the Jackson Contracts, and read extensively to prove the superior character of the men. He reflected upon the course of the Government in giving up the Contract. He believed the contract would have been carried out if three months ex- OF THE FINANCIAL AGENT TO THE N. 1 tension of time asked for had been granted.

The Attorney General said that when in Engand, Mr. Robertson became satisfied that they did not intend to carry out the contract. Mr. Gray referred to Canada's success in Rail-

roads as a guarantee of ours, had the old bargain been allowed to stand. Mr. Mitchell said our road when built would be owned by ourselves, while those of Canada were owned abroad.

Mr. Tilley made a long speech on the general nuestions involved in the debate,—referred to have obtained £151 18s 5 1-2d. for the restore the statement that Mr. Jardine had put up posters to injure Mr. Wilmot, and said that from reliable information Mr. Jardine was perfectly innocent of the whole transaction. Adjourned at 5.15

The Christian Visitor.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., FEBRUARY 16, 1860

INCREASE OF THE WORK IN THE CITY The Holy Spirit is graciously moving amongst us in mighty power. Christians are experiencing a renewed baptism of the love of Christ, the wanderer is returning in penitential sorrow to the foot of the cross, and the tongue of the blasphemer is being sanctified by converting power to celebrate the praises of free and sovereign grace. The Union Meetings of Germain and Brussels Street Churches are in healthful progress still; and our vestries from evening to evening present spectacles of interest such as make angels rejoice. All these meetings are attended 1859. more or less with an unction from the Holy One but the one in Germain Street on Tuesday evening last, was a season of overwhelming solemnity. Nov. 6. Christian voices warned and entreated in strains of convincing and melting power the unconverted to surrender their hearts to the Redeemer, and many bowed under the burthen of conscious guilt said, " pray for me."

The Pastor of Germain Street baptized seven rejoicing converts on Sabbath evening last in the Dec. presence of an overflowing and deeply affected assembly. Both Pastors expect to administer the sacred rite next Sabbath.

Brother Cady baptized two persons last Lord's Jan. 9. Nashwaak, day in Portland.

THE UNION AGENCY.

Rev. T. Todd in a note dated St. George, Feb 13th, says ,- "The Visitor is a most excellent harbinger for the Agency. My path here has been marked with prosperity. The good people of St. George with their worthy pastor, Bro. March, has taken hold of the Union nobly. I thank God and take courage." This is just what we expected our esteemed brethren in Saint George would do They would be the last to throw an obstacle in the way of denominational organization. They have had for some time past an independent missionary society. But Bro. Todd says they have paid the funds over to him for the Parent Society. This is right. Let us dear Brethren consolidate all our missionary movements into one comprehensive and efficient organization, filled with unity, life, and power, and God will enable us to reap a rich and glorious harvest of souls.

PRAYER FOR COLLEGES.

The last Thursday in Feb. is the day observed other portions of the Province. by the American churches as a season of special prayer for Colleges. We trust our brethren all over the Province as well as in the City will meet in concert on that day to offer up united supplication for the sanctifying blessing of the Almighty upon Institutions of learning in general, and especially upon those in our own beloved Provinces that are under the immediate care and guidance of our own denomination. Frequently have the Institutions at Fredericton and Wolfville shared in the converting grace of God: and many of those who occupy prominent places in teemen should be called upon to be awake. our Zion were brought to a saving acquaitance with the truth while pursuing a course of study Feb. 10, 1860. to fit them for the duties of the present life. Our esteemed brethren, who have charge of the Edu- pondent " Hopeful." cation of our youth feel deeply the responsibilities that rest upon them. Let us co-operate with | thunder roared, the lightning flashed, and th them by our earnest prayers that those commit- | rain began to drop, and by and by a heavy storn ted to their care may commit themselves in the | deluged the fields far and wide. spring time of life to the guidance of him who teacheth as never man taught. The Secretary of the Western College Society has gathered from Mary's. Most of them who could not wait, go Dr. Sprague's Annals the names of eighty-five drenched through and through before they could clergymen, distinguished as preachers, pastors, presidents, professors, authors, &c., who were converted in college.

PREACHING IN SMITH'S BUILDING.

The Young Men's Christian Association has decided to have a series of discourses delivered in Smith's Hall. Prince William Street, by the ministers of the several evangelical churches in the city, in the hope that in this way they may bring the Gospel to bear upon some who do not attend in other places. This is a most praiseworthy effort on the part of our young men, and one that will doubtless be attended with great good. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. I. E. Bill, on Sabbath last, at 3, P. M. Subject, Cire of the Soul. Attendance good, and the impression highly encouraging.

The noon-day prayer meetings in the same place are increasing in attendance and in spiritual fervor and power. It is truly delightful to witness the blessed concord with which the ministers and people of the several denominations of the city approach the mercy seat. If persons wish to have their souls refreshed with spiritual food, they should visit, if possible, these precious meetings for united prayer. Surely God is in the midst of his people. Let the people praise thee O, God! let all the people praise

THE CLOINTING DEPARTMENT

Comprises a general assortment of OVER COATS, in the
Interest from California.—The overland
mail with San Francisco dates to the 16th Jan.
has arrived. The steamer Northerner, Capt. Fail,
bound for Portland, Oregon, was wrecked on the
6th Jan. on the rocks near Mendocineto, and several of the passengers and crew were lost.—
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REPORT.

UNION SOCIETY. DEAR BROTHER,-I beg to submit first Quarterly Report of the Financia Having commenced my work on the last November, I have steadily prose agency since that time. I organized Union Society in the Baptist Church, town. Since then I organized nineteen in the Counties of Carleton, York and 5

subscription, of which £52 16s 7d is pa agent also took collections on each Sal Domestic Missions, which amounts to may which would make the sum total £171 11; and for Domestic Missions and the Union, stances £72 14 11 is now paid. There have been 19 Secretary Treas on the en-

pointed, and 47 Collectors. villactached

The Agent has travelled 1052 miles, feel tin." 77 religious meetings; is happy to say, CA ministers and Churches received him vero an listri and all are waking up to the necessity of lenc ous Financial System for the furtherangrue denominational interests. So fully docomy spective objects of the Union meet the tten the donors, that almost without an and have they embraced each object con-arms

> Yours, very respectfulyears is so Yours, very respected gardi THOMAS TODD, Financial at prein

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For the Christian Visitor. To the Rev. I. E. Bill, President of the New

30. 2d. Cambridge Ch. 5 18 9 1 11 3

Brunswick Boptist Education Society: Dear Brother,-Pray allow me kindly to invite your attention to my note in the Visitor of the last week in January, asking for a statement of students and pupils in our Educational Instit tion at Fredericton, for the year ending June last -similar to the list and statement published in the report of June, 1856, by our managing Committee-with the weekly average attendance of those pupils belonging to Fredericton, and a separate weekly average of those belonging to

From your order, appended to my note, I understood the information desired would be forthcoming at an early period. May I therefore, ask how soon I may expect to see "the list and statement" published.

Living as I do, in sight of our Educational premises, and occasionally hearing and seeing some thing of what has been going on, I think it desirable that just now, when we are told by high authority that New Brunswick is shortly to have a " University," our staff of officers and Commit-

By the bye, what has become of your corre

Amongst all the people assembled to pray for rain, there was but one umbrella, and that wa reach their home, while Mary and her friend walked home dry under the old family umbrella

Mary's was a simple faith; she expected Goo to answer prayer, and prepared accordingly Here is a good example.

Be ever kind to woman; she is the mother sister, daughter, and companion, without who life would be intolerable to man.

GREAT REDUCTION.—GREAT REDUCTION.—BARBOUR & SERLY COmment this day to sell their entire stock of Mantles, in the New Designs; Shawls, in great vari ty ;-an Furs, in the newest make at a great reduction in price Purchasers may depend upon getting decided Bargains. dec 14 57 King S reet.

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Sore Nipples, Frost Bittin Parts, sprains, Corns, Wens, Cancers, Ulcers, Whitlows, Warts, Bunions, Ringworn, Sties, Sore Lips, Sore, Eyes, Nettle Rach, Salt Rhuem, Misquito Bites, Spider Sting Flea Bites, Erup tions, Pimples, Ingrowing

Freckles, Tan, Sunburn Blisters, and seases and Eruptions generally SALISBURY, 25th Jan., 1860.

ADDRESS TO THE REV. GEO SEELY. PASTOR OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SALISBURY, NEW BRUNSWICK.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,-I am requested by the Committee, and have great pleasure in being the medium through which the ladies of your Salisbury congregations beg to present for your acceptance as a token of esteem and affection, this ceptance as a token of esteem and affection, this purse, containing seventeen pounds thirteen shillings, being the proceeds of a Tea Meeting given plosions having occurred in unprecedented numat Salisbury last evening.

I am also requested to convey to you their best wishes for the continued good health of yourself and lady Trusting that you may long live to one or other of these means; and though we enjoy the high p sition in their affections which should learn from them the uncertainty of life. you and your amiable lady now occupy; and af and the precariousness of our tenure of it, yet ter a good old age, and you have finished your that speedy measures be taken to prevent this members of your Salisbury congregations may constructed buildings, by the fraud and dishoappear as stars in the crown of your rejoicing.

I have the honour to be, Rev. and dear Sir. Yours, &c., ALPHONZO G. TROOP, Sec. to Com.

REPLY

Salisbury, Jan. 30, 1860. CAPTAIN A. G. TROOP, SECRETARY OF TEA MEET-

ING COMMITTEE. RESPECTED AND DEAR FRIEND .-

l'ermit me to say it affords me much satisfaction to accept the very handsome donation presented by the ladies of our congregations through you as the Secretary of Committee. To myself and companion the Tea Meeting was a most un-expected event. The motives which prompted, the liberal manner in which it was conducted, and the very large attendance of our people from far and near, are to me very pleasing and encouraging indications of their confidence and esteem. I wish through you to thank the good ladies of our congregations for this and other instances of their kindness, and desiring that the good Shenherd may lead our dear people in green pastures and beside still waters, and always spread a table before them in the wilderness supplied with Heaven's richest gifts, both temporal and spiritual .-I pray that they may long live to be helpers in the cause of our dear Saviour. May the Lord

in heaven to part no more. I have the pleasure to be, dear Captain. Yours, most affectionately,

continue to crown you all with his loving kind-

ness and tender mercy through life's changing

scenes. And, finally, may every one of us meet

Foreign und Domestie Items.

MEMBAMCOOK FREESTONE COMPANY .- This Company has become organized, and has applied to the Legislature for an act of Incorporation, which will probably be granted to them. The stone produced by this company is of the finest kind, and we have no doubt but they will do a large business. Messrs. Thos. & David Main, of this city have exercised a great deal of nor of this city, have exercised a great deal of perseverance in this matter, and are entitled to great hope the Legislature will grant the charter, and that the Company will be successful .- Globe. We hope so too .- [Ed News.

19th March, leaving Boston on that day for St.
John. The Admiral will commence on Thursday

A youth named Devine, was killed on the railBroad Cloth, Sattara and way at Salisbury, while unhitching the horses ochs, Sealskin, Mohair, Sic. Unssimeres, doe kins, from the dirt cars, and getting them off the track, it he wost Fashionable foct 269

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ST. ANDREWS RAILROAD .- It is quite currently reported that information was received by the Wood, and Fustic, warranted pure and good.

Also,—I case White Wax, pure for making Wax last English Mail that arrangements have been An experienced Nurse and Female Physician, presents to Canada, for the actual completion of this line the attention of mothers, her

For Children Teething,

which greatly facilitates the process of teelbing, by softening the gums, reducing all inflamation—will allay ALI PAIN and spasmodic action, and is

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mencement of the works.

New Brunswick Railway Bonds are selling in

UNITED STATES.

A WEEK OF HORRORS.

The week ending Feb. 4th, 1860, will long household necessity, being used alike by 11ch and Jan. 20th, a destructive fire occurred in Ann poor; and has proved itself the best and surest reme street, extending to Fulton, and destroying pro-Burns, Scalus, Felons, Old Sores, Flesh Wounds Piles, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Eryspelas, night, a fire in Prince street led to the serious and probably fatal injury of two firemen, and the ex-plosion of a steam boiler in Williamsburgh killed two men and wounded several others, while a child was suffocated in a fire occurring in Fulton Avenue, Brooklyn. On Thursday night, by the terrible calamity in Elm street, New-York, nineteen persons lost their lives, and seven more were seriously injured; and on the following morning the steam-boiler of a large hat-factory in East Brooklyn exploded, and seven persons were killed, and nineteen more severely injured. Several other fires destroying large amounts of property occurred, and the footing up gives a loss of some 400,000 dollars of property and the sacrifice of thirty or more lives.

> In other parts of the country, too, destructive fires and explosions, accompanied with loss of life, have occurred—one at Hyde Park, Penn,. bers, and with terrible destructiveness of life and property. Not less than 300 human beings within the limits of the Eastern and Middle States, have within that time come to a violent death, by we are also bound to see to it, as good citizens, nesty of contractors, and by the indulgence of that selfishness and reckless greed for money, which will wantonly peril the lives of the poor, innocent and helpless, to put a few dollars more in its purse.—Examiner.

HAT FACTORY BLOWN UP .- Ames & Moulton's hat factory, Brooklyn, had just blown up. Ten to fifteen workmen are buried in the ruins.

The Post-office, a block of six stores, and the Gaiety stables adjoining, were entirely destroyed by fire at Memphis last week, Forty-one horses were burnt with the stable.—Loss \$70,000; mostly in ured.

A patent pocket umbrella is among the latest inventions that have been patented. A company with a capital \$10,000 and employing fifty men, has been started for their manufactu

A writer in the New York Evangelist, who has made a careful estimate, says that the religious newspaper is far cheaper, in the amount of matter it furnishes, than the tracts issued by any

EUROPEAN NEWS

From the London Freeman. HOUSE OF LORDS.

The second session of the sixth Parliament summoned in the reign of the present Sovereign was inaugurated yesterday by her Majesty in person. As early as twelve o'clock the peeresses or those who passed as such, and acted as their representatives, began to take their places in the House of Lords; and soon after that hour the galleries and the greater part of the body of the house were completely full. By one o'clock nearly the whole house was occupied, irrespective of the Peers. At two o'clock the Lord Chancellor entered the house, preceded by the Mace, Great Seal, and Serjeant-at-Arms; and there-upon the junior bishop present offered prayers in the usual form.

a long file of gentlemen-at-arms, the heralds credit. Such efforts do a great deal towards developing the resources of the country. We carrying respectively the sword of state, the cap of maintenance, the crown, and the baton of Earl Marshal. The Prince Consort walked on the The Directors of the Company owning the steamer Admiral met here on Tuesday the 7th, the Directors of the Calais Steamboat Company, and made arrangements to run the two steamers in connection the coming season, the same as in the former seasons. Each boat will make 36 trips, the Eastern City to commence on Monday the 19th March, leaving Boston on that day for St.

The house awaited their arrival in profound HUNTER,

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April 5th, and make the last trip of the season and Packet Ship "Lampedo" from Liverpool his Fai from Boston on the 6th December. Both boats have undergone extensive repairs and will be varied assortment or CLOTHS, CLOTHING, FURNISH in excellent condition on resuming their trips.

The earnings of the Eastern City were some-Prices for Cash, or approved payments.

The CLORETING DEPARTMENT, thing more than the Admiral's, owing, we sup-following gracious.

SPEECH: "MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

It is with great satisfaction that I again meet you in Parliament, and have recourse to your

My relations with foreign Powers continue to be on a friendly and satisfactory footing.

At the close of the last session I informed you At the close of the last session I informed you that overtures had been made to me to ascertain whether, if a conference should be held by the great Powers of Europe, for the purpose of settling arrangements connected with the present state and future condition of Italy, a plenipotentiary would be sent by me to assist at such a con-

ference. I have since received a formal invitation from the Emperor of Austria and from the Emperor of the French to send a plenipotentiary to a congress to consist of the representatives of the eight Powers who were parties to the Treaties of Vienna of 1815; the objects of such congress being stated to be to receive communication of the treaties concluded at Zurich : and to deliberate, associating with the above-mentioned Powers the Courts of Rome, of Sardinia, and of the Two Sicilies, on the means best adapted for the pacification of Italy, and for placing its prosperity on a solid and durable basis.

Desirous, at all times, to concur in proceedings having for their object the maintenance of peace, I accepted the invitation, but, at the same time, I made known that, in such a congress, I should steadfastly maintain the principle that no external force should be employed to impose upon the peo-ple of Itlay any particular government constitu-

Circumstances have arisen which have led to a postponement of the congress, without any day having been fixed for its meeting; but whether in congress or in separate negotiation, I shall en-deavour to obtain for the people of Italy freedom from foreign interference by force of arms in their internal concerns; and I trust that the affairs of the Italian peninsula may be peacefully and satisfactorily settled. Papers on this subject will soon be laid before

I am in communication with the Emperor of the French with a view to extend the commercial intercourse between the two countries, and thus to draw still closer the bonds of friendly alliance between them.

A dispute having arisen between Spain and Morocco, I endeavoured, by friendly means to prevent a rupture; but, I regret to say, without

I will direct papers on this subject to be laid

My plenipotentiary and the plenipotentiary of the Emperor of the French having, in obedience to their instructions, proceeded to the mouth of the Peiho river, in order to repair to Pekin, to exchange in that city the ratifications of the Treaty of Tien-tsin, in pursuance of the LVIth Article of that Treaty, their further progress was opposed by force, and a conflict took place between the Chinese forts at the mouth of the river. and the naval forces by which the plenipotenti-

aries were escorted. The allied forces displayed on this occasion their usual bravery, but, after sustaining a severe loss, were compelled to retire.

I am preparing, in concert and co-operation with the Emperor of the French, an expedition, intended to obtain redress and a fulfilment of the stipulations of the Treaty of Tien-tsin.

It will be gratifiyng to me if the prompt acquiscence of the Emperor of China in the moderate demands which will be made by the plenipotentiaries shall obviate the necessities for the employment of force. I have directed that papers on this subject shall

he laid before you. An unauthorised proceeding by an officer of the United States in regard to the Island of San Juan, between Vancouver's Island and the mainland, might have led to a serious collision between my forces and those of the United States. Such collision, however, has been prevented by the judicious forbearance of my naval and civil officers on the spot, and by the equitable and con-ciliatory provisional arrangement proposed on this matter by the Government of the United States.

I trust that the question of boundary out of which this affair has arisen may be amicably set-tled in a manner conformable with the just rights of the two countries, as defined by the first article of the treaty of 1846.

The last embers of disturbance in my East Indian dominions have been extinguished; my Viceroy has made a peaceful progress through the districts which had been the principal scene of disorder, and, by a judicious combination of firmness and generosity, my authority has been everywhere solidly and, I trust, permanently established. I have received from my Viceroy the most gratifying accounts of the loyalty of my Indian subjects, and of the good feeling evinced by the chiefs and the great landowners of the country. The attention of the government in India has been directed to the development of the internal resources of the country; and I am glad to inform you that an improvement has taken

place in its financial prospects. I have concluded a treaty with the Tycoon of Japan, and a treaty regarding boundaries with the Republic of Guatemala. I have directed that these treaties shall be laid before you.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. I have directed the estimates for the eusuing year to be laid before you. They have been pre-pared with a view to place the military and naval services, and the defences of the country, upon an efficient footing.

I am glad to be able to inform you that the

public revenue is in a satisfactory condition. MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN, I have accepted, with gratification and pride, the extensive offers of voluntary service which I

have received from my subjects. This manifes-tation of public spirit has added an important element to our system of national defence. Measures will be laid before you for amending the laws which regulate the representation of the people in Parliament, and for placing that representation upon a broader and firmer basis.

I earnestly recommend you to resume your labours for the improvement of our jurisprudence, and particularly in regard to bankruptcy, the transfer of land, the consolidation of the statutes, and such a further fusion of law and equity as may be necessary to insure that, in every suit, the rights of the parties may be satisfactorily de-termined by the court in which the suit is com-

I am deeply gratified to observe that the great interests of the country are generally in a sound and thriving condition; that pauperism and crime have diminished; and that, throughout the whole of my empire, both in the United Kingdom and in my colonies and possessions beyond sea, there reigns a spirit of loyalty, of content-ment, of order, and of obedience to the law.

With heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty Ruler of nations for these inestimable blessings, I ervently pray that His beneficent power may guide your deliberations for the advancement and consolidation of the welfare and happiness of my

The paragraphs relating to the Italian question and to commercial intercourse with France were the portions of the speech which were listened to with the greatest interest.

Immediately after the speech had been delivered, her Majesty retired with the same state that she had entered, and the house, having formally adjourned till 5 o'clock, broke up in picturesq

On the reassembling of the House of Lords at o'clock, the LORD CHANCELLOR having read her Majesty's speech to the House,

Lord FITZWILLIAM and Lord TRURO respec-

Lord FITZWILLIAM and Lord TRURO respectively moved and seconded the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne.

Lord GREY rejoiced that her Majesty was able to lay so satisfactory an account of the foreign and domestic relations of the country before Parliament, and viewed with the greatest satisfaction the paragraph on Italian affairs, and the policy which was therein enunciated. He could not, however. express the same satisfaction at that part of the Royal Speech which related to recent commercial treaty between this country. recent commercial treaty between this country and France. In regard to China he also could not concur in the words of the Speech, as he thought that the whole question ought to have been brought before Parliament previously to the fitting out of any expedition, in order that improper expenditure might have been avoided