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Quebec and Richmond Railroad Company. AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY, held at the Office in the City of Quebec, on Tuesday, May 18th, it was unanimously resolved—

STORAGE. THE Subscriber is prepared to receive on STORAGE, GRAIN, FLOUR, PROVISIONS, SALT, or other Merchandise, in the First Class Warehouse at PEARSEVILLE, (formerly occupied by the Quebec Warehousing Company) on moderate terms.

REMOVAL. THE subscriber having removed his Bookstore on the 1st instant to No. 124, St. John Street, opposite Palace Street, where he intends continuing himself to the Bookelling and Stationery business, will dispose of his whole stock of PRINTING MATERIALS—comprising one Imperial Press, No. 2, not two years in use; one Demy Press; a Standing Press, (wrought iron screw); upwards of 50 Founts of Types, including Book, Newspaper, and Job Type, with a quantity of Borders and Flowers; Brass Rules, Leads, and Quillets; Compositors' Sticks, Chases, Imposing Scales, Rallies, Furniture and every thing necessary to a well regulated Printing Office.—The whole in excellent working order, as may be seen on inspection.

REMOVAL. THE undersigned has REMOVED his BOOK and STATIONERY ESTABLISHMENT, to the Shop formerly occupied by F. MILLIGAN, next door to Grace's Confectionary.

DENTISTRY. MR. W. TAPP, SURGEON DENTIST, removed 1st May, 1852, from No. 24 to 34, St. Ann Street, facing the entrance of the Scotch Church.

NEW APOTHECARY AND DRUG ESTABLISHMENT, CORNER OF PALACE AND ST. JOHN STREETS, Opposite "La Maison Tetu." THE Subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the Public that he is now prepared to supply DRUGS, CHEMICALS, and MEDICINES of unexceptionable purity, together with all the variety of TOILET and FANCY ARTICLES, consisting in part of richly CUT GLASS TOILET and SMELLING BOTTLES, LUBIN'S DEMARSON and CHATELAIN'S, and other genuine Perfumes; COMBS and BRUSHES of every description, FINE TURKEY SPONGE, &c., &c. Also, GENUINE BEMUDA ARROW ROOT, PATENT MEDICINES, and every other article in the line.

COMMISARIAT. SEALED TENDERS will be received at the COMMISARIAT OFFICE AT HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, until 12 o'clock on SATURDAY, the 19th June next, for the erection of

Officers and Soldiers Barracks, Wells, Sewers, Surface Drains, &c. on a piece of Ordnance Land situated between the Admiralty House and Fort Needham, near the City of Halifax.

THE BELVIDERE SCHOOLS. MR. and MISS JENKINS beg to inform the public that they will OPEN the above Schools on MONDAY, the 31st inst.; and as they deem it expedient that no interruption should take place until the Schools are properly organized, and a course of instruction established; the summer vacation will not commence until the first Monday in August.

FOR THE RICH GOLD REGIONS OF AUSTRALIA. FARE ONLY \$120, Including Provisions and Bedding. PORT PHILLIP DIRECT.

THE SPLENDID FAST SAILING CLIPPER BRIG RADIUS, CAPT. JAMES WESTLEY JEANNETT, Will Sail from New York, on WEDNESDAY, 24th JUNE.

Board of Notaries for Three Rivers. NOTICE is hereby given, that Mr. PIERRE JOSEPH ANTOINE GAGNON, Student at Law, of the parish of St. Antoine de la Riviere du Loup, in the District of Three Rivers, will present himself before the said Board, during the sitting thereof on the said Wednesday, seventh day of July next, to be admitted to the practice of the Notarial profession in and for Lower Canada.

WANTED. A HOUSE MAID—Apply at the Mercury Office, Quebec, 7th June, 1852.

PORTNEUF BOARDING SCHOOL WILL REOPEN (after vacation) on the FIFTH DAY OF JULY. The course of instruction comprises French and English; Arithmetic, general and commercial; History, Geography, Astronomy, Mathematics, including Navigation, Algebra, &c.

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W. H. ASHWORTH & Co., IMPORTERS AND MANUFACTURERS OF HATS, 22, FABRIQUE STREET, 22. RESPECTFULLY announce the completion of their Spring Importation of HATS, comprising every variety and style of LONDON, PARIS, and NEW YORK SATIN HATS, expressly manufactured for their Establishment, which for quality and price will be found equal, if not superior, to any yet offered to the public of Quebec. They beg leave to introduce the

PATENT VENTILATING CORK HAT. For the sale of which they are appointed SOLE AGENTS for Quebec, by the Manufacturers. Stout Waterproof Satin Hats... 6s 3d Best French Velvet Nap... 20s 0d

NOTICE. FRENCH PAPER HANGINGS, JUST RECEIVED direct from Paris, an assortment of the RICHEST PAPERS yet offered in Quebec, consisting of—Flock and Gold, Crimson, Blue and Green.

New Books, &c., by Express. THE Experiences of a Barrister, by Warren Warner, 3s.

MILL STONES. 2,000 BURR STONES, and some Mill Stones, for Sale by BOSSANGE, MOREL & CO., 12, Buade Street, Quebec, 10th June, 1852.

FRENCH PAPER HANGINGS. THE undersigned offers for sale a splendid assortment of FRENCH PAPER HANGINGS, with BORDERS and CORNERS, just received from their Parisian House.

FANCY FAIR. TO be held on the HEIGHTS OF POINT LEVI, on the TWENTY-NINTH OF JUNE, for ONE DAY ONLY, for the purpose of raising funds for the Church. It is requested that those who wish to contribute will send in their contributions on or before the 25th instant, to any of the undermentioned Ladies:

The Cheapest Building Lots in the City. 5 BUILDING LOTS, forming part of the property known as KINGARDINE PLACE, on the Grande Allée, for Sale on very moderate terms.

FOR SALE. A FEW Horseheads, Gentrys, Rynde & Son's Fine Apple Brand, 229 half boxes Window Glass, 50 kegs Wrought Nails, 1 case Blue German Sycobes, an assortment of Writing Paper.

WANTED. A COMPETENT Person to fill the situation of MATRON to the FEMALE ORPHAN ASYLUM. A thorough knowledge of needle work will be required.—Applications to be made to Mrs. Mountain, Rectory, Quebec, 8th June, 1852.

FOR SALE. 17 Books or Volumes—containing 22 Volumes of Journals, viz: 15 Volumes of Journals of the Assembly of Lower Canada—full bound law calf, lettered.

NOTICE. ALL persons having CLAIMS on the Estate of the late J. H. KERR, Esq., are requested to send them in to the undersigned, on or before the 1st of August next, preparatory to a dividend being declared.

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Extracts from late English papers. A GENEROUS REVENGE.—If Sir Harry Smith had been a cunning master of rhetoric, which he is not, he could not have devised a more bitter rejoinder to the dispatch of Earl Grey notifying his recall, than the one which is published in the Gazette this week.

Disgraced, told to bear the whole burden of the failure, the veteran seeks no vent for spleen, no transfer of blame, by scolding his subordinates. On the contrary, although accused of hyperbole before, in praising his officers and men, with a cordial obstinacy, he now insists that the praise had been fairly and hardily earned; and he clutches it with repetition.

THE FRENCH BUDGET.—It appears from the budget that the Government proposes to increase the stipend of the Archbishop of Paris from 40,000 francs to 50,000 francs, those 14 archbishops from 15,000 francs to 20,000 francs, and 65 bishops from 10,000 francs to 12,000 francs.

TETIMONIAL TO REV. J. F. CANNON, CORNWALL, C. W.—We have pleasure in stating that the Reverend Mr. Cannon, Roman Catholic Priest of this Parish, was, last week, presented by the Ladies of his Congregation, with a magnificent set of sacerdotal vestments, as a testimony of their esteem and gratitude.

JEW AND CATHOLIC MARRIED.—A young Jew, in Paris, wished to be married some weeks since, to a young girl of a Catholic religion. The young lady applied to her pastor, who said he could not bless the marriage of a Jew. The pastor referred her to the Archbishop of Paris, who referred her to the Court of Rome.

SCENE AT A SPANISH BULL FIGHT.—A terrible scene took place on Monday afternoon at the bull fight. A hunchback handerillo, a stout heavy functionary in those dangerous garbs, slipped just as he was on the point of sticking his handkerchief or dart into the bull's shoulder.

From United States Papers. NEW YORK, June 8.—On the 3d inst., three fugitive slaves, on their way from Kentucky to Canada, were arrested at Detroit. The sheriff made the arrest by orders received by telegraph from Toledo.

PHENOMENON IN HYDRAULICS—BUFFALO, June 2.—This morning, about eight o'clock, while the workmen were engaged in pulling down the walls of the old Eagle street Theatre, a portion of the back wall came down, falling into a pool at its base, and throwing a column of water between two and three hundred feet with great violence.

THE HAT HUMBUG. Poor William Cooper, the poet and rabbit fancier of Olney, has immortalized a polemical geologist who found "sermons in stones!"

A POOR CUSTOMER.—A countryman happening to meet a physician, tried to conceal himself behind a wall. The doctor asked him the reason for this strange behaviour. "Why," he replied, "it is so long since I have been ill, that I was ashamed to meet you."

From Provincial Papers. THE telegraphic wire was struck near Galena last week by atmospheric lightning, and melted for about three hundred yards, and more or less injured for half a mile. A spectator who saw the stroke, describes the electrical exhibition as a chain of fire, stretching both ways as far as he could see across the landscape.

The Atlantic and Ohio Telegraph Company have declared an extra dividend of Sixty per cent, in addition to the regular annual dividend for the past four years of 18 per cent, making 132 per cent in four years.

The elegant steamer Mayflower, which was stranded last Fall on Lake Erie is again on her route between Buffalo and Detroit.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1852.

We publish below an article from the Times, in which that paper deals with its usual ability and force on the conduct of the new minister for the colonies, which he thought proper to slight in the persons of their representatives.

(From the London Times of 31st May.)

"The construction of a line of Railway to connect the port of Halifax or that of St. John with Quebec and the banks of the St. Lawrence, has long been regarded with interest, for obvious military and commercial reasons, not only by the provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, but by the Imperial Government of Great Britain."

"The surveys conducted by Major Robinson, have shown that the best military line for this purpose would proceed from Halifax to Truro, thence to Bathurst, on Chaleur Bay, in New Brunswick, along the shore of the Bay of Restigouche River, and across the ridge of the Metapediae, to the St. Lawrence."

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rest to the general strength and welfare of the Empire, than to the jobbing interests of the country through which it would pass. The Colonies have done all in their power, and if they had been asked to do more, they would have done so; but, if nothing be done on this side to give effect to the proposal, the measure they have prepared is a dead letter, and they naturally demand to break off the negotiation, to treat with the Railroads of the United States, and to secure their own interests as they may see fit."

HON. F. HINCKES TO SIR J. PAKINGTON, BART.

MORLEY'S HOTEL, London, 1st May, 1852.

Sir,—At the interview with which the Hon. Mr. Grey honoured by the Earl of Derby, we were given to understand by his Lordship that he would examine the various papers on the subject of the British American Railway, and that he would see us again after the arrival of Mr. Howe, of Nova Scotia. I left his Lordship in the confident hope that I should receive an early communication of the intentions of the Hon. Mr. Grey, and, although at great inconvenience, I determined to postpone my departure from England until the 22d instant. I must, however, be permitted to say, that Mr. Howe's arrival can have no effect whatever on the question of route—the only one yet raised by Her Majesty's Government. If a final arrangement were agreed to, Mr. Howe's presence to adjust some details as to the mode of constructing the work would doubtless be an important one; but the Legislature of Nova Scotia has passed an Act settling the route by the city of St. John, Mr. Howe would not be in a position to enter into any new arrangements; and even if he were, as Mr. Chandler and I could be no party to the negotiation, unless based on the Valley of the St. John route, which is the one to which I am now more than ever attached, and which, I may be permitted to say, is not only the most desirable one, but the one which is most likely to be successful, and which, I believe, will be the one which will be adopted by the Imperial Government. It is not, I think, to be expected that the Hon. Mr. Grey will be able to do more than to give the Imperial Government a general view of the merits of the various routes, and to express his own opinion as to which is the most desirable. I have, therefore, no objection to your communicating to the Hon. Mr. Grey, the substance of the views which I have expressed to you, and which I believe will be the views which will be adopted by the Imperial Government. I have, therefore, no objection to your communicating to the Hon. Mr. Grey, the substance of the views which I have expressed to you, and which I believe will be the views which will be adopted by the Imperial Government.

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Ex-Governor, Lieutenant General Sir Harry Smith, recalled from the Cape of Good-Hope, had arrived in England, landing, with his lady and suite, at Portsmouth, on the 30th of May. On the 31st a complimentary address was delivered to him, from the Common Council, to which he thus replied:

Gentlemen, I thank you with the grateful heart of a veteran soldier for the address you have just presented to me. The most gratifying thing to a soldier is to know that his comrades and his country's services will meet with his country's approval. (Loud cheers.) In the midst of the many difficulties which surround the soldier, he is ever cheered by knowing that, whilst he is doing his duty, if even he is not quite so successful in the performance of that duty as others may think he ought to be, he is ever cheered by the belief that the country will do him justice. (Loud cheers.)

You have well touched on the military of my position in South Africa. Without egotism, I may say, and I do assert it, that no man was ever placed in command in South Africa. (Hear, hear.) I was a commander-in-chief without an army. (Loud cheers.) I will admit that my chief cause of the smallness of that army, for if I had not had the smallness of that army should be reduced or increased, I could better have furnished reasons for reducing it than for increasing it. My wish was, as far as I could, to save the money and blood of my country from being uselessly squandered in a distant colony. (Hear, hear.)

I am ready to say that the Minister of the day supported me with reinforcements. I asked for none from home or from the neighbouring colonies. I was endeavoring to hold my ground as others had recommended, feeling that, if the Minister of the day wished to reinstate Kaffraria, he would furnish me with the men to do so; while, if he did not want to keep Kaffraria a good rest might be made with a large force. (Hear, hear.) But reinforcements arrived, and I had to extend the scene of my operations, and thus assumed a formidable character; but great difficulties then arose.

I had not only 30,000 or 40,000 warlike savages to contend with, but I had a large number of Hottentots who were supposed to be my friends—(as savages they stood alone in a storm in which I maintain no man ever did before in our own time.) (Cheers.)

But, the Minister sending out forces, time should have been given me; but he like myself, of an ardent temperament, believing I was slowly acting—though I was not asleep—(Cheers.)—I could be done, and I speak the opinion of a general who has been in every description of warfare. (Hear, hear.)

The affair of the Lobos Islands continues to be a subject of interest in commercial circles. The English Admiral on the Pacific station is said to have expressed an opinion that the Islands are as much an integral part of Peru, as the Scilly Islands are of England. His opinion is strongly controverted by the commercial press. The decision of the right of sovereignty in this case is regarded as the more important, as it is believed there are other Guano Islands on the Pacific, to which the decision will form a precedent. Meanwhile vessels are being dispatched from England to lead there.

The crops throughout England are luxuriant. Between Liverpool and London the country is clothed with the richest verdure, and similar accounts reach us from other parts of the Island, and from Ireland; the wheat crop is especially thriving, and other grains and also potatoes look well. There is prospect of a fair hay crop. Hops have a strong growth, with the appearance of being untouched by blight. The Pope has confirmed the translation of Dr. Cullen to the Roman Catholic Bishopric of Dublin.

FRANCE.—The Moniteur publishes the returns of the merchandise imported into France this year, to the 1st of May. The duties amounted to 46,773,364 francs, being an advance of ten millions francs over the receipts of the corresponding period of last year. The salt tax alone has this year produced nearly nine millions of francs. The imports are chiefly of raw materials. Cotton shows an increase during the four months of 227 millions metric quintals, against 187 millions in the same period of the previous year. The exports do not present so favourable a statement. The Commission on the Budget have exhibited an independence that was scarcely looked for, by rejecting the President's demand of 23 millions francs to defray the expense of the 31,000 men that have been added to the army. This refusal will reduce the effect it consisted previously to 369,000 men, of which he declined to grant the credit demanded for a new Ministry of Police, and further they express regret respecting the confiscating of the Orleans property.

The gossip from Paris is that M. Heckeren whose return from a private mission to the Emperor of Russia and Austria at Berlin we have already announced, was personally well received, but his mission was a failure. The answer he received to his propositions is said to have been that a revision of the treaties of 1815 is inadmissible. That a Congress, to which England shall be invited, to discuss the political constitution of Europe, is equally so for the reason that the Parliamentary Government of Europe, and Spain, Portugal, Piedmont, and Switzerland, are at the present moment anything but formidable, and with respect to England, her relation to Parliamentary Government is already decided; and finally that so long as France remained within the limits demanded by the independence of Europe, the powers will not interfere with her form of government. But if an opinion were asked by the President, they would advise him to remain satisfied with the title and power he at present possesses, and take part in political affairs.

The British journey to the South is postponed till September; meantime he will reside at the Royal Palace of St. Cloud.

ITALY.—The Papal Government is very uneasy at the intelligence of frequent conferences between Louis Napoleon and some of the chiefs of the Italian liberal party. M. Thiers had a friendly interview with the Pope.

SWITZERLAND.—A correspondent writing from Berlin, says it is there rumored that negotiations have been concluded between the Central powers, with the consent of England, to restore the canton of Neuchâtel, to Prussia.

AUSTRIA.—The financial embarrassment of the Empire, are as complicated as ever. The result of the Frankfurt and London loan has not transpired with certainty.

We learn from the Exchange Register,—by telegraph, via the Halifax Line,—that the Cunard steamship Europa, 5th instant, from Liverpool, arrived at New York last evening. She brings no news worth reporting. France is still quiet. The Directors of the European and North American Railway have held a meeting and adopted the new agreement made with Mr. Archibold's friends. They now confidently expect the work will be commenced, and prosecuted with little delay as possible.

Flour and wheat remained as last quoted. Cotton unchanged in price, but demand very large.

Among the proceedings of the Town Council, at their quarterly meeting, reported in another column, will be observed the passing of some important measures. Firstly, they have decided on the widening of that narrow thoroughfare, the only entrance and exit of visitors to the city,—Mountain street. Though at first sight this may appear an improvement entailing considerable outlay, it is a most necessary step, and which, it is in the end, result in adding materially to the city revenue, instead of diminishing it. The advantages that will arise from this movement, are absolutely incalculable, and it cannot but meet with public support.

A decision of still greater moment than the above is the determination of the Council to take stock in the Richmond Railroad to the amount of £50,000 in lieu of the conditional loan of £100,000. Our early connection with the other railways surrounding this district is thus secured beyond a doubt, and we therefore earnestly look forward to the speedy accomplishment of this great and necessary work.

We have received a correspondence relative to the present laws for maritime cases, which suggests to us the following queries:—Under what law is the master of a vessel trading in the colonies, who ships a crew in a colonial port without application to the shipping office? Is he under the Provincial or Imperial Statutes? Is the latter allowing him so to ship his crew, the former forbidding it? We shall enter into this matter in our next.

The warm season having commenced, those of our citizens able to withdraw from their families from the busy pursuits of the dusty and smoky city will hail with pleasure the information that the steamer Rowland Hill, will resume her summer pleasure trips to Kakouna, River-du-Loup and the Saguenay, about the end of this month. She has been supplied with new boilers, her saloon extended, with the addition of several new state rooms. Her beds and bedding, furniture and carpets, have all been renovated. In fine, nothing has been spared to fit her expressly for the route, with every appurtenance for the pleasure, comfort and safety of passengers.

Her new commander, Capt. Ryan, is a gentleman of nautical experience and favourably known in this community.

Murillo's great painting, the "Conception of the Virgin," belonging to the gallery of the late Marshal Soult, was sold for upwards of a hundred thousand dollars. The whole gallery was disposed of by auction, in Paris, on the 19th of May. The picture is eight feet six inches in height, by three feet in width. The Paris correspondent of the London Times thus describes the painting and the sale:

This almost divine picture represents the Virgin in the act of being carried up to heaven. Her hair floats on her shoulders, and her white robe gently swells in the breeze, a mantle of blue at the same time falling from her shoulders. Groups of angels and cherubim of extraordinary beauty surround her in the most evident admiration, those below throng closely together, while those above open their ranks as if in the ascending Virgin.—All the writers on the Spanish school of painting agree in declaring this to be the chef d'œuvre of Murillo; and never, perhaps, did that great master attain to such sublimity of expression or such magnificent coloring. The bidding fully responded to the high character of this picture.

The first bidding was 150,000*fr.*, but that price seemed so inadequate to the value of the picture, that offer after offer soon brought the price up to 400,000*fr.* The three great competitors up to this point were the Marquis of Herford, an agent for the Queen of Spain, and another agent for the Emperor of Russia. The bidding then continued with great spirit until they reached 500,000*fr.* when an involuntary round of applause burst out on that sum being reached. At 528,000*fr.* a pause ensued, but the bidders were again resumed, and almost without a check, the great price of 850,000*fr.* was reached. Here the gentleman for Spain, who had apparently determined to buy the picture, was again, however, went on for a bidding of two more, when at last, on 850,000*fr.* (23,440) being offered by a gentleman in front of the auctioneer, the Spanish agent gave in, and the picture was knocked down amid loud cheers of admiration at such a price being given. But this applause became absolute enthusiasm when the Emperor of Russia, the purchaser was M. Lieuwewerke, the director of the national museums.—The crowd rushed forward, shaking him by the hand and cheering most heartily. The auctioneer then announced in due form that the purchase was for the Museum of the Louvre, and the cheers redoubled. In fact, the delight appeared universal, and it was several minutes before the sale could proceed.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

CANADA, PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE: being a statistical and geographical account of CANADA WEST, showing its resources and capabilities as a great agricultural and manufacturing country; with a particular account of its mineral wealth and other valuable resources, etc. By W. H. Smith, author of the Canadian Gazetteer.

The concluding parts of this extensive work—Nos. 7, 8, 9, and 10,—were received this morning from the Publisher, T. Maclear, Toronto, whose agent, Mr. A. Cridge, is staying a few days at Miss Poncey's boarding house, St. Peter near Sous-le-Port Street, and has with him a full supply in nos. and vols, complete. As but 1500 copies are left, which will be sold in a few months, those wishing to get the only account of Canada West written from personal observation, should secure it without delay. The enormous expense of circulating the work will preclude the issue of a second edition.

The book will form two volumes, and the beautiful maps and accompanying letter press must be of infinite service to all desirous of knowing what the Upper Province is, and likely to be hereafter. It should meet with the especial patronage of the mercantile community.

CORPORATION PROCEEDINGS.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

14th June, 1852.

Present His Worship the Mayor, Messrs. Lee, Tessier, Lampron, Sewell (Dr.), McDonald, Paradis, Lepper, Russell, Robitaille, Murray, Alley, Sewell (W. S.), Dorval.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

PAYERS PRESENTED.—Letter from W. Howard, stating that his tender for the railing around the City Hall, had been accepted, &c.—Referred to the Road Committee with power to indemnify him.

A note of the Corporation in favor of the Quebec Bank, for £600, dated 9th March last, which having been paid, was cancelled.

Letter from J. Maguire, Esquire, containing his resignation as a City Councillor, in consequence of his appointment to the office of Inspector and Superintendent of Police.

Legal opinion of the Honorable F. W. Primrose, on the question whether the Quebec and Richmond Railway Company is subject to the provisions of the Railway clauses consolidation act. Ordered, that it be published in both languages.

Mr. Paradis, published by Mr. Lee, moved and it was—

Resolved,—That the legal opinion of Messrs. Caron, and Bailarge, be obtained on the question whether the resignation of Mr. Maguire, can be accepted by this Council, and if a new election can take place for the nomination of another member.

The 21st Report of the Road Committee, having reference to the flag-staff erected on the Place d'Armes, and to an Engine-house to be built at the north east angle of St. Antoine and St. Ours streets, which was put to the vote and adopted.

Read the 21st Report of the Road Committee, which being put to the vote was adopted. Thereof—

Resolved,—That so much of the lot of ground belonging to Mr. Charles Chateaubert, as may be necessary to prolong du Coteau street, to St. Genevieve, and St. George streets, in St. John's Ward, be acquired at the sum of seventy five pounds, besides paying the expense of a wall along the portion of the lot remaining to Mr. Chateaubert, to prevent the earth from falling; and reimbursing him the cost of the work made for a drain and a fence, viz. twelve pounds ten shillings—Ordered, That the deed be passed immediately.

Read the 15th Report of the Fire Committee, which was put to the vote and passed.

Read the 19th Report of the Finance Committee, which was put to the vote and passed.

Resolved,—That the carter standing in Notre Dame street, be removed to the Coteau-Sac.

Resolved,—That the City Constable, Mr. Kussel, do cause the existing laws respecting the closing of taverns on Sundays and holidays, to be strictly enforced in every portion of the city.

Resolved,—That the fee charged by Mr. Blanchet, with the permission of His Worship the Mayor, for the drawing of the bonds at the foot of the license certificates, be discontinued, as the bill along with the bonds in question to be prepared and filled up elsewhere.

Read the 19th Report of the Finance Committee, which being put to the vote was adopted. Thereof it was—

Resolved,—That Mr. Serrell's Report on a Suspension Bridge near Quebec, be published for the information of the public.

Ordered,—That this resolution be put into execution under the direction of the Finance Committee.

To be moved next Friday, in pursuance of notice given by Dr. Russell,—That instructions be given to the Gas Company, to place three gas lamps in Sault au Matelot street.

By Mr. Lampron.—That all the materials and articles required for the Water Works, be submitted to public competition by asking tender, according to the By-Laws of the Corporation, such as mining powder, spades, shovels, iron, cast steel, blaster steel, picks, &c.

Resolved,—That the question on the report of the printing of Mr. Serrell's Report on the Suspension Bridge, be reconsidered at the next meeting.

Adjournd.

15th June, 1852.

Present His Worship the Mayor, Messrs. Sewell (W. S.), Lee, Hall, Paradis, Lepper, Robitaille, McDonald, Tessier, Russell, Murray, Morrin, Sewell (Dr.), Alley, Lampron, Guay, Morrin, Dorval.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Presented a letter from Mr. Chief Constable Russell, on the enforcing the law concerning tavern keepers. Referred to Police Committee.

Read the Report of the Special Committee on the widening of Mountain street, which being put to the vote, Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Lee, moved and it was—

Resolved,—That the Report of the Special Committee on the widening of Mountain street, be referred back to the Committee, to make a final report on the matter in consideration with a view to adopting some plan by which the ways and means may be raised to pay the interest on the sum required; and that the Finance and Special Committees be instructed to acquire such property as they may consider reasonable.

Resolved,—That the question of the 26th May last, of the Special Committee on the conversion of £50,000 to the capital of the Quebec and Richmond Railway Company, which being put to the vote, Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Tessier, moved in addition—

That the question of subscribing £30,000 of shares in the undertaking of the construction of the Quebec and Richmond Railway, be put and submitted to the voters of the Municipal Electors of the City of Quebec, under the shape of a by-law framed according to the requirements of the law, which by-law shall contain the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Special Committee on Railroads now before this Council.

Which motion being put to the vote was rejected, on a division of 6 against 11.

Resolved,—That the names of Messrs. McDonald, Paradis, Lepper, Morrin, W. S. Sewell, Dr. Sewell, Lee, Alley, Murray, Paradis, Hall, (11.)

Then the Report was adopted on the same division reversed, on each item.

Resolved,—That so soon as the Company shall have entered into a contract to be approved of by this Corporation, for the construction of the Railway, the contractors taking £75,000 sterling in the Company's stock, and shall have obtained the guarantee of the Provincial Government, as stated in the memorandum of Messrs. Jackson, Thomson, Peto, Brassey and Betts, the Corporation of the City of Quebec do take stock in the said Company to the amount of £50,000 sterling, to be represented by the debentures of the said Corporation at par, payable in London, bearing interest at six per centum per annum, and redeemable in twenty years; but that before any such debentures can issue, the company be held to make provision for the payment of the interest of the said debentures, as the same becomes due, until the entire line of railway be opened from the St. Lawrence to its junction with the Montreal and Portland road at or near Richmond, and to give, to the satisfaction of your Council, security for the payment of such interest.

Resolved,—That a By-Law, if deemed necessary, be enacted to authorize the issue of such debentures. —Adjourned.

The opinion alluded to in the proceedings of the Council is as follows—

embt the Quebec and Richmond Railway Company, or the Railroad intended to be constructed under it, from the provisions of any general act relating to Railroads or Railroad Companies, which might be passed during the then or any future session of the Parliament of Great Britain; this clause in my opinion must be construed to mean, a general act to be passed in general terms relating to all Railroads and Railroad Companies whether already constructed or incorporated, or to be so under acts of the Legislature to be passed in future, and the act designated "The Railway Clauses Consolidation Act" cannot be considered such a general act as was intended by this clause, but on the contrary as a special act applicable only to such Railways as should by any act to be thereafter passed be authorized to be constructed.

It is a general principle in the construction of statutes that no statute is to be presumed to have a retroactive effect, or be construed as having such, unless it be so provided in express terms; or that it is necessarily to be inferred from its provisions that such was the intention of the Legislature in passing it.—Now, not only does the first section of the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act limit its general application to Railways which should by any act to be thereafter passed be authorized to be constructed, but it also contains a special clause, in which it is enacted that wherever the expression "The Special Act" is used, it shall mean an act to be thereafter passed authorizing the construction of a Railway; thus emphatically explaining the intention of the Legislature to be, not to subject Railroads or Railroad Companies already authorized to be constructed, or incorporated, to its operation. To give these provisions any other interpretation would be, in my opinion, to reverse the rule of construction to which I have alluded.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Yours faithfully, F. W. PRIMROSE, Q. C. Secretary.

To E. P. MACRIE, Esq., Quebec and Richmond Railway Company.

RUSSELL'S HALL.—The popularity of Mr. Lee, as a good amateur performer, and the special claims which he has upon the public for his endeavours to promote the study of the drama in this Province, would have ensured a good attendance at his benefit on Tuesday night last, if the weather had not been so very unfavourable. The audience, however, on that as on last evening, was by no means small, indeed, the crowded houses which nightly witness the performances of Mr. Nickinson and his accomplished daughter sufficiently attest that the favor caused by their appearance has not yet subsided.

The benefactor, on Tuesday evening, appeared as Duke Aranza in the "Honey Moon," and excellently sustained that character. As Juliana the Shrew, Miss Nickinson's display of perverse spirit was exceedingly amusing—whilst Mr. Nickinson as the mock Duke, was perfection itself. The farce of the "Omnibus" was repeated with immense effect, and the drollness of Mr. Peters as "Tom Dobbs" the fat boy, is worthy of especial notice.

The "Wonderful Woman," last evening, lost nothing by its reproduction. As we have before noticed it and "Kate Kearney," we shall only say that, in both, Miss Nickinson and her father appeared to great advantage, and that the latter piece is skillfully managed. As it is to be repeated to-night with the "Laughing Hyena," under the patronage of the Commandant of the garrison, we advise those who have not seen it, not to lose this opportunity.

On Saturday evening, Mr. T. P. Benard will make his first appearance in his great part of "Gerald Pepper" in Lover's celebrated drama of "The White Horse of the Peppers." "Naval Engagements," before so enthusiastically received, will complete the performance of the evening. The performances that evening will be under the patronage of the Shipmasters in port; with us and has been eliciting the willingly proffered patronage of all classes.

We learn from a gentleman from New Liverpool, that Mr. Robert Hamilton's house at that place, was struck by lightning during the storm of Tuesday night. It struck the chimney of a kitchen that is built adjoining the house, and scattered it in all directions. Fortunately no person was hurt, although some of the servants were sleeping in that part of the building. The family, as may be supposed, were much alarmed.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.—Yesterday two gentlemen—strangers were while viewing the Chaudière Falls, one of them somehow lost his foot-hold, slipped into the water and was carried over the Falls a height of 120 feet; fortunately he was floated into a shallow part of the river, where he regained his footing and remained there until assistance could be rendered to him. He was severely bruised in tumbling over the rocks, so much so that he had to be conveyed to New Liverpool yesterday afternoon on a bed in a cart.

The mail steamer to Montreal will in future call at Port St. Francis.

BAR OF LOWER CANADA.

SECTION OF THE DISTRICT OF QUEBEC.

Meeting held for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting to the Honorable Sir James Stuart, Bart., Chief Justice of Lower Canada, an address from the Bar upon the occasion of his restoration to health and return to Quebec.

Resolved,—That the Bâtonnier be requested, in the name of the Bar of Lower Canada, Section of the District of Quebec, to convey to the Honorable Sir James Stuart, Bart., Chief Justice of Lower Canada, the congratulations of the members thereof on his restoration to health, and his return to this Province, to resume the duties of his high office.

True Copy. (Signed) C. DELAGRAVE, Secretary, B. L. C. S. D. Q.

Quebec, 5th June, 1852.

QUEBEC, 12th June, 1852.

Sir,—Being charged by the Quebec section of the Bar of Lower Canada to convey to you their congratulations on your restoration to health, and your return to this country, to resume the duties of your high office, I perform an agreeable duty in communicating to you their congratulations on this occasion. At the same time I express to you the feelings of a Bar in assuring you that they have taken a lively interest in the improvement of your health, and derive the greatest satisfaction from its restoration, as well with reference to yourself personally, as to the important duties devolving on you.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, (Signed) G. O'KILL STUART, Bâtonnier.

The Hon. Sir James Stuart, Bart., Chief Justice of Lower Canada.

QUEBEC, 12th June, 1852.  
 Sir,—I have been honoured with your letter of the 11th day, communicating to me the congratulations of the Quebec section of the Bar of Lower Canada, on the occasion of my return, to resume the duties of the office I have the honour of holding. It is gratifying to me to receive such a testimony of the good opinion and friendly sentiments of so enlightened and respectable a body as the Bar of Quebec, for which my warmest acknowledgments are due; and I beg you will assure the Bar that, in our renewed intercourse, these sentiments will be cordially reciprocated on my part.  
 I have the honour to be, Sir,  
 Your most obedient humble servant,  
 (Signed) J. STUART.  
 George Okill Stuart, Esq.,  
 Barrister.

**RUTLAND AND BURLINGTON RAILROAD.**—The arrangements for this shortest and most expeditious route between Montreal and New York, are now complete. The admirable advantages of this line cannot fail to share the public patronage; it is one of the most expeditious in the country, and accidents are unknown on it. Passengers leaving Montreal at 4:20 A.M., by the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad, arrive at Burlington at 7:30 A.M., and at New York at 12:30 P.M., where dinner is ready, and Boston about tea time (say 8 P.M.). Those going to New York change cars at Rutland, in connection with the Troy and Hudson River Railroads and reach New York at half past nine P.M.  
 Passengers coming from Montreal, at 2:30 P.M., arrive at Burlington, at 9:30 P.M., to lodge—leave at 7:30 next morning, dine at Bellow's Falls, arrive at Boston, Lowell, and Worcester at 6 P.M. For New York, change cars at Rutland at 10 A.M., arrive at Troy to dine, and New York at 8:30 P.M. Having thus directed attention to the summer arrangements of this excellent communication between us and the cities of New York and Boston, it is only just and proper to observe, that the persons entrusted with the charge of this route, are in every respect well qualified for their duties. They are sober, steady, and indefatigable in their exertions to please the public, and to accommodate travellers; and those who have passed over this line cannot fail to observe their polite conduct, and the great attention they devote to the baggage department of their enterprise. Mr. H. Barnes is agent for Montreal, he is well and favorably known, and moreover, uniting in his zealous efforts to secure the best interests of his employers.

**THE CAUSES OF THE DEFEAT AT WATERLOO.**—The battle of Waterloo was lost, not by the army, which was never more indefatigable, more devoted, and more brave, but by the commission of four faults: the tardiness of Ney on the evening of the 16th in turning up; the want of Bras' order in the morning; the marching towards the cannon of the battle and neglecting the waves; the too great distance left by Napoleon between his army and his right wing commanded by Grouchy; and finally, and above all, the loss of seven hours of daylight by Napoleon on the morning of the 18th in front of Wellington; fatal hours, which gave time to the Prussians to arrive on the field of battle, and to the French army a second enemy upon its flanks, before it had vanquished the first. Of these four errors two must be ascribed to Napoleon's general, and two to himself, none to the troops. Neither his genius nor his resolution are recognized in separating himself from one third of his army, by an immense and unknown space on his right, without even verbal communication with this wing; nor when he hesitated till eleven o'clock in the forenoon before he advanced to storm Mont-Saint-Jean, and to deprive Wellington of the hope of being joined by the Prussians, already in sight on the horizon, but still three hours' march from the field of battle. He left Ney, half a victor upon the reverse of Mont-Saint-Jean, to wait for three hours the mass of the army and the Imperial Guard, instead of profiting by the breach opened by the marshal in the English army, to hurl upon it his centre and his reserve, and to sweep Wellington, scarcely resisting, from the field, before Blücher should be in a position to prevent the defeat of the English. Finally, his decisive impulse amidst the fire of battle could not be recognized in his ten hours' immobility on the plateau of Rossomme, and in his passive inertness behind the hillock at Mont-Saint-Jean, whilst his army was actually sacrificing itself by mounting to the breach opened by Ney, and waiting for nothing but the presence and example of its Emperor to rise above itself and superior to destiny. One of these faults alone was sufficient to ruin an ordinary army, but all combined destroyed that of France. Let us add, in order to be just, that Wellington and his army equalled by their intrepidity the first general in the world, the soldiers in France. The English general represented the true genius adapted for desperate struggles; the determination not to be conquered, his troops possessed the real genius of defence, passive obedience unto death. The Scotch regiments covered, without yielding an inch, the spot on which they were ordered to die.—[Lamartine's History of the Restoration of Monarchy in France.]

**A FUSY MAN.**—To see a fussy man get himself ready for the steambath. When he finds his razor, his lather-brush is gone, while his lather-brush is no sooner found away in one of his "Sunday boots" than he goes into a fever because that ruffled shirt has been mislaid. When the shirt turns up he discovers that his carpet-bag is already so crowded with brushes, boot jacks, and coloured vests, that to make room for his life-preserver, he has got to put his feet in it, and pull it on like a boot—a feat which terminates in the discovery that he has caused a bottle of liquid blacking to burst a blood-vessel "spoiling every blessed thing he has got from the wash." Although the fussy man is an early riser, he is invariably too late for the train. Should he, however, by any chance be in time, he gets so bewildered about "the boy that ran away with his bag," that it takes four policemen to keep him from getting under the locomotive.—[Punch.]

**SHERIFF'S SALES**  
 FOR THE DISTRICT OF QUEBEC.  
 (Abridged, for the Quebec Mercury, from the Official Gazette.)  
 IN JUNE.  
 Thomas Fagny vs. Michael O'Callaghan.—A lot of ground, of 16 feet in front, by the depth as may be seen from Champlain street to Cape Diamond, with a two story brick house thereon, in Pêr-de-Ville, Lower Town, to be sold at the Sheriff's Office, on the 28th June, at 10 o'clock, a.m.  
 Miles Kelly vs. Archibald Fraser.—A lot of ground, of 24 feet in front by about 74 feet in depth, in Mount Carmel street, Upper Town. To be sold at the Sheriff's Office, on the 28th June, at 10 o'clock, a.m.  
 Jean Papillon vs. Jean Baptiste Trudelle.—An emplacement, of 41 feet by 52 feet in depth, with a brick house thereon, in St. Louis street, Upper

**TOWN.** To be sold at the Sheriff's Office, on the 28th June, at 10 o'clock, a.m.  
 Jean Thomas Tachereau vs. Francois Barbeau.—An emplacement, of 20 feet in front by 72 feet in depth, with a house thereon, in Ste. Genevieve street, St. John Suburb. To be sold at the Sheriff's Office, on the 30th June, at 11 o'clock, a.m.  
 Augustin Faguy vs. John Fountain.—An emplacement, of 46 feet in front by 60 feet in depth, with a house and other buildings thereon, in St. Antoine street, St. Roch Suburb. To be sold at the church door of St. Roch, on the 30th June, at 10 o'clock, a.m.

**MEAN TIME OF HIGH WATER, AT QUEBEC,**  
 From the 6th to the 12th June, 1852.

June.	Morning.	Evening.
SUNDAY.....	13	3 16 3 48
Monday.....	14	4 12 4 41
Tuesday.....	15	5 4 5 27
Wednesday.....	16	5 45 6 5
Thursday.....	17	6 26 6 44
Friday.....	18	7 1 7 21
Saturday.....	19	7 41 7 59

The stream of flood eads at Quebec about 45 minutes after it is high water by the shore.  
 To find the time of high water at the under-named places, subtract the time opposite to each, from that shown in the table:—

	H.	M.
Madame Island,.....	0	57
Pillars,.....	1	37
South Traverse,.....	2	7
Kamouraska,.....	2	37
Brandy Pots,.....	3	37
Green Island,.....	3	52

JOHN MACDOUGALL.

**PORT OF QUEBEC.**  
**ARRIVED.**  
 June 15.  
 Bark Messenger, Walker, 27th April, Limerick, H & E Burdall, ballast, 114 passengers.  
 Ship Canada, Herbert, —, Cork, LeMessurier & Co, iron, 404 passengers.  
 Bark Horens, McDonald, 15th April, New Ross, P. Lemmens & Co, ballast, 2 cabin and 253 steerage passengers.  
 17th  
 Ship Sisters, Thomas, 30th April, London G B Symes & Co, ballast, 204 passengers.  
 — Confidence, Phelps, 1st May, New Ross, —, sat, 482 passengers.  
 — Malabar, Fraser, 2d June, New York, Pemberton Bros ballast.  
 Bark Clarissa, Handley, 23rd April, Bordeaux, LeMessurier & Co, general cargo.  
 — Cosmo, Outerbridge, 30th May, New York, A Gilmour & Co, ballast.  
 — Foam, Keays, 26th May, New York, A Gilmour & Co, ballast.  
 Prus. Bark Der Alte Agent, Schultz, 3rd June, New York, A Gilmour & Co ballast.  
 Brig Lion, Morrison, 27th April, Aberdeen, A Gordon, —, ballast.  
 — Walnut, Herm, 3rd May, Bordeaux, Pemberton Bros, ballast.  
 — Sir Wm Wallace, Jaffrey, 30th April, Aberdeen, A Gordon, ballast.  
 — Neptune, Barnaby, 25th April, Painsobouf, H & E Burdall, ballast.  
 — Governor, Hemsworth, 1st May, Limerick, C E Levey & Co, ballast, 178 passengers.  
 Schr. Marie Adèle, Bernier, 2d June, Halifax, order, sugar.

**ENTERED FOR LOADING.**  
 Names. For. By Whom. Where.  
 Lord Brougham, Carillif, Gilmour & Co, Wolfe's Cove, Kilkick, Wood, Belfast, do.  
 Hindoo, Carnarvon, Henson & Co, New Liverpool, do.  
 Royal William, Holyhead, do, do.  
 Noble, Whidby, do, do.  
 Worthy of Devon, Bideford, do, do.  
 Thomas James, Liverpool, Sharples & Co, Sillery C. Pomona, Leith, Dean & Co, Lampson's Blocks, Dock of Manchester, Falmouth, C E Levey & Co, Leith, do.  
 Pallas, Cork, C E Levey & Co, Blais' Booms, Recovery, Swansea, LeMessurier & Co, do.  
 Victoria, Galway, do, do.  
 Virginie, Halifax, H J Noad & Co, Levey's Wharf, do.  
 Indefatigable, Liverpool, Sharples & Co, Sillery Cove, Britannia, do, do.  
 Emigrant, Liverpool, H & E Burdall, Oliver's Wharf, Envoys, Londonderry, Levey & Co, Levey Wharf, Victoria, Miramichi, Noad & Co, Point Levi, Wilkison, Belfast, A Parke & Co, Point Levi.

**CLEARED.**  
 June 16.  
 Bark Ays, Gillard, London, Wm Price.  
 Ship Collins, Simpson, Cardiff, H & E Burdall.  
 — Harmony, Anderson, Arica, do.  
 — Aurora, Cammish, Chester, do.  
 Brig "redo, Griffiths, Aberystwith, G B Symes & Co.  
 — William Kerr, Whitehaven, do.  
 Schr. Lord David, McNeil, Dalhousie and Caraqueite, H J Noad & Co, do.  
 17th  
 Bark Ann McLester, Evans, Gloucester, Burdall.  
 — British Queen, Brown, Shields, Symes & Co.  
 — Caroline, Marsh, Dundee, C E Levey & Co.  
 — Hope, Fitzgerald, Limerick, do.  
 Brig Salem, Denis, London, Gillespies & Co.  
 — Christiana, Hodge, Hayle, J E Oliver & Co.  
 Schr. Virginie, Boucher, Halifax, H J Noad & Co.  
 — Victoria, DeRoy, do, do.

**Shipping Intelligence.**  
 S, a.m.—Therm. 69. Bar. 29.62 Wind East. 4 p.m.—Wind East—Weather fair.  
 The steamer Alliance arrived from Montreal yesterday afternoon, with the Erromoaga and the Druid in tow.  
 The brig Amy Ann has been overhauled on Taylor's Patent Slip, at Point Levy, under the superintendance of Lloyd's Surveyor, and classed with the "Red Star."  
 We believe that the last instance of a British built vessel having been classed at this port.  
 St. Johns, Nfld., May 25—Arrived—Schr. Emma Duca, Quebec. 28th, Brig. Thomas Marchaliden, Quebec. Cleared—May 25—Blessing Smith, for Quebec. 26th Nancey, Power, Quebec. Loading—May 21—Minna, for Canada. May—27—Mary Taylor, Canada.  
 Port of Dalhousie, May 25—Entered—Schr. Marie Dolphine, Jones, Quebec, general cargo.  
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 With the written signature of I. BUTTS On the Wrapper.  
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 Various conjectures and surmises have arisen respecting its composition; some physicians have supposed it to contain iodine, other ignorant pretenders say it must contain mercury, and to some such substance they attribute its singular efficacy. As such opinions are altogether erroneous, and calculated to prejudice many persons against it,  
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fold virtues, and it is now hailed with delight at the toilet of beauty, taste, and fashion. This, with Bogle's celebrated Hyperion Fluid, may be had of the undersigned.  
**JOSEPH BOWLES, Medical Hall, Upper Town Market-Place, Quebec; JOHN MUSSON, and G. G. ARDOUIN, Quebec.**

Montreal, 9th May, 1851.  
 Sir,—In compliance with your request, I proceed to give you my opinion of the Plagiogenetic Waters, after two years experience of their use. Having been the first to predicate their probable virtues, from the Chemical Analysis, I feel some gratification in finding my predictions so abundantly borne out by the experience of so many of the profession, and of the laity.  
 The following are some of the cases in which these waters have been found of the greatest service:—Chronic Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, some forms of gravel, and of gonorrhoeal diseases, and incapacity of the liver. Habitual constipation is a most fruitful source of disease, whether depending on sedentary habits, neglect of the calls of nature, torpor of the liver, or pregnancy; in all these cases they are of the greatest service, inasmuch as they tend to restore the healthy function, whereas the host of antibilious and laxative pills, usually employed, only increase the mischief. The waters have proved of the greatest service in two cases of plethoria, with determination to the head. They form a useful die drink in suitable cases of continued Fever.  
 You ask me whether they would prove hurtful, as a refreshing summer drink. I consider them as innocuous as Soda water, and such like beverages.  
 In conclusion, being satisfied of the superiority of the Plagiogenetic Waters, I prescribe them exclusively, when I consider salubrious spring waters advisable.  
 I remain,  
 Your obedt. servant,  
 S. C. SEWELL, M. D.,  
 Lecturer on Clinical Medicine, in the University of Montreal, &c., &c., &c.

**Mr. C. Larocque.**  
 For Sale at the depot Fabrique Street, 2 doors from St. John Street, Upper Town, and 18 Notre-Dame Street, Lower Town.  
 A. MANN, Agent.  
 Quebec, 2nd June, 1852.

**CONSUMPTION!!!**  
 Every body knows, is a flattering disease. It commences and progresses so insidiously, that before one is aware of it, the lungs are a mass of ulcers, then a sudden exposure or change from heat to cold, produces an inflammation, and in a few days of weeks, it is said, she or he died of CONSUMPTION. For all troubled with cough or lung complaint, we would refer to the advertisement on the outside of this paper of Judson's Chemical Extract of "Cherry and Lungwort," which is said to be a certain cure for this awful disease.

**Married.**  
 On the 15th instant, by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Quebec, Miller Clifford, Esq., Captain, Royal Artillery, youngest son of the late Col. Miller Clifford, C. B., 58th Regiment, to Harriet Amelia, second daughter of Henry LeMessurier, Esq., of this city.  
 At L'Assomption, on the 9th instant, J. G. Ribaud, Esq., M. D., to Marie Eugénie Virginie, daughter of Joseph Peltier, Esq.  
 At Kingston on the 1st inst., John Ham Perry, Esq., of Whitby, to Jane M., only daughter of the late Geo. Hall, Esq.  
 At Hamilton, on the 3rd inst., Mr. Richard Russell, to Miss Agnes Christie, both of that city.

**Died.**  
 At his residence, in New Limerick, State of Maine, John Dow, Esq., aged 74 years, formerly of Ormococt New Brunswick, for many years extensively engaged in ship building.  
 At Rome, on the 12th May last, in the 27th year of her age, Louisa Matilda, wife of Gen. W. Allan, Esq. of Toronto, and daughter of the Chief Justice of Upper Canada.

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