

ago at Dover to a son of Sir T. B. Beevor.

Archbishop Hughes, of New York, has arrived in Paris, en route to Rome, in company with Lord and Lady Fielding.

The Earl of Shaftesbury is at present in Rome, busily engaged in setting all matters to rights about the Queen's Irish Colleges, to the establishment of which he is quite favourable, disapproving of the resolution of the Synod of Thurles.

At a vestry meeting at Exeter, last week, the following extraordinary resolution was adopted:—"that this meeting defies the Pope and the Devil; and they also repudiate all bishops, deans, canons, priests, or deacons, who have the least tendency towards Puseyism."

ATTEMPTED ESCAPE OF MR. SMITH O'BRIEN.—On Sunday and Monday the Victoria cutter, commanded by a man named Ellis, was observed hovering about the island, the wind being light until the evening, when it fell calm. Shortly before sundown, Mr. S. O'Brien, who, notwithstanding his avowed intention of escaping should an opportunity offer, has considerable liberty allowed him, went down to a sandy cove, one of the few places where boats generally land, and just as he reached the shore a boat with three men put in, and he rushed up to his middle to meet it. A constable on duty covered him with his piece, and called to him to forbear, seconding this by rushing at the boat and knocking a hole in her bottom with his carbine. He then pointed out to all four the folly of resistance, and required them to submit quietly, which they did. The officer in charge, meantime, having missed his prisoner, came rushing down the beach, and secured him while still in the water. He was then conducted to his house, and the three men confined for transmission to Hobart Town. A whale boat with six hands was sent on board the cutter, seized her, and brought her in. She too, with the parties on board, will be sent up immediately. It has not been thought necessary to impose any restraint on Mr. O'Brien greater than that to which he was previously subjected.—*Sydney Advertiser.*

A great meeting was held at Sydney, N. S. W., August 12, at which strong resolutions were passed, condemnatory of the Colonial Office, and the Lieut. Governor of the Colony, Sir Charles Fitzroy. One of these prays the Queen to remove the Governor from Office.—There is evidently trouble brewing in that quarter, and except some effectual steps are taken to appease the people of Australia, such as granting them more extended reforms, bad blood between the parent and offspring will be engendered.

CURIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE.—A few days since, as some sportsmen were hunting wild bears in the Forest of Villegusien, near Langres, the servant of one of the party fired at a bear, which fell, and the man, thinking he was dead, ran to take possession of his prize, when the animal, which though mortally wounded, had still strength to rise up, attacked his assailant, and striking him with his tusks, divided an artery, from which he bled to death in a few minutes.

IRELAND.

DUBLIN, Dec. 14.—The Limerick election is virtually over, and doubtless, Mr. Wyndham Gould, for "Liberal Conservative" candidate, will be the member for Limerick. The numbers at the close of the poll on Saturday were—for Mr. Gould, 236; Captain Dickson, 159; Mr. Ryan, 128. Very few voters remained unpolled, and it was said that even if all of them voted for Captain Dickson, he would still be in a minority.

On Saturday night last a fishing boat was upset in Dundrum Bay, and six men lost their lives.

The *Galway Mercury* states that a deputation from America has arrived in London to support the claims of Galway as a transatlantic packet station.

The *Limerick Chronicle* states that the Earl of Hoth is to be married to Miss Barefoot, with a fortune of £50,000, and that the lady is in the 28th year of her age.

Alderman Guinness has been elected Lord Mayor of Dublin.

SPAIN.

There was a Ministerial crisis in Spain on the 9th. All the Ministers had resigned, and it was at one moment considered certain that a Mon and O'Donnell Ministry would be appointed. Narvaez had a long conference with the Queen in the evening, at the conclusion of which the Ministers withdrew their resignations and consented to remain in office.

RETIREMENT FROM OFFICE.—We observe by the Halifax papers received on Monday, that the Hon. Herbert Huntington, M.M.P. for Yarmouth, has resigned his post as Financial Secretary, his seat in the Cabinet, and the other offices held by him under the Government of Nova Scotia. The reasons assigned for his resignation are—long-continued ill health, and a conscientious difference in opinion with his colleagues in the Government in reference to the proposed Railway. Mr. Huntington has been a most zealous and efficient member of the Administration, and has always stood high in public favour. The Hon. Hugh Bell has been commissioned to fill, for the present, the office of Financial Secretary.

THE DELEGATION RESPECTING THE RAILROAD.—The last English Mail, says the Halifax Recorder, brought private letters from the Provincial Secretary, now in London. At the time of the departure of the Mails, he had not, it seems, accomplished the object of his mission. Mr. Howe had been waited upon by a delegation of Galway Merchants, in relation to the subject of his mission; but their immediate business, or the result of that meeting, we have not been able to ascertain. Mr. Howe was then engaged in submitting and urging a most comprehensive scheme upon the attention of the British Cabinet. It embraces Emigration and Colonization, as a principle, in connection with the erection of the Railroad. The tone of his letters, we learn, were healthy and encouraging.

In the Supreme Court now sitting we are glad to learn that there are no cases of any consequence for trial. His Lordship the Chief Justice, in charging the Grand Jury on Tuesday, congratulated them on the lightness of the calendar.

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ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

MONTHLY MEETING OF COMMITTEE.

JANUARY 1, 1851.

Present—Hon. S. Rice, 1st Vice President; Hon. Judge Peters, 2d Vice do.; Thomas Pethick, Esq.; W. W. Lord, Esq.; Mr. George Beer, jun.; Benjamin Davies, Esq.

Read the minutes of the two last meetings.

Ordered, That the Secretary write Mr. Thomas Whally, Liverpool, respecting the loss of 439 lbs. White Dutch Clover Seed, (through bad package,) on its passage from Liverpool, via Halifax, to this port, requiring satisfaction for the loss.

Ordered, That the Secretary import 150 sets of Edington's Plough Mounting, 25 sets Grey's do., and 4 of Grey's Iron Ploughs.

Ordered, That the Secretary be allowed to import Tares and Horse-beans for any member who may wish it, and who will engage to take the same at cost and charges on their arrival.

Ordered, That the Secretary import 5 cwt. "Old Purple Top" Swede Turnip Seed, and 1 cwt. Lang's Purple Top do.

Ordered, That one Galloway Bull, of one year old, and one Durham Heifer, in calf, be imported in the ensuing Spring.

Ordered, That a special meeting of the Committee be held on Wednesday, the 16th inst., at 12 o'clock.

Ordered, That these Resolutions be published in the Gazette, Islander, and Advertiser, Newspapers.

By Order,

GEORGE BEER,
Secretary

Though our paper is not included in the last of the foregoing resolutions, we do not ask leave of the Committee to reprint them, because very many of our readers, who seldom see either the Gazette, Islander, or Advertiser, may be curious to know what the Society "is doing for the benefit of the Island," if we may borrow the modest language of its well-paid trumpeter.

Another "resolution" come to, at the meeting reported above, is omitted from the printed list, through inadvertence, we presume. The resolution to which we allude would run as follows:

"Ordered, That the sum of £2 4s. be paid to the Proprietor of the *Examiner*, being the amount of his account for advertising certain resolutions ordered to be published in the Newspapers."

When the impartial Committee thought proper to repudiate our account for advertising, at the same rate as that allowed to the other Printers, we found, on examination of our file, that resolutions somewhat similar to the above, were copied into the *Examiner*, the order for the publication of which run thus: "Ordered to be published in the Newspapers." Our paper not being expressly excluded, we saw that we had an undoubted claim upon the Society, and furnished an account accordingly, intimating at the same time, that if they did not choose to pay it, we should bring it into the Magistrates' Court. Our claim not being recognised, the Clerk to the Commissioners issued a Summons at our suit, when the Committee took wit in their wrath, and resolved to pay the account without going to trial. So they have been compelled to pay for a few publications, charged at the regular rate, very nearly as much as six months' indiscriminate advertising would cost. This is a rare instance of economy, and shews how little the Society has profited by the liberality practised towards us. Most creditors receive their demands with gratitude, but we have none of that sentiment towards the Society, when we know they have responded to ours so much against their will.

THE SNOW STORM of Monday last was the heaviest which has been experienced in this Province for several years. It has almost put a stop to the travelling in every direction. In some parts of the country it is six and even eight feet deep. We have no later papers from the United States than those we received on Monday. It will be seen by a telegraph report that the storm was very severe in Boston and its vicinity, causing serious damage to the shipping along the coast.—*New Brunswick, St. John, Dec. 28.*

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—Between 11 and 12 o'clock on Saturday night a fire broke out in the store owned and occupied by Mr. James O'Connor, Water-street. The flames had gained considerable headway before the alarm was given, and the building, with nearly all its contents, was destroyed. Our Engine Companies were early on the ground, with their usual alacrity, notwithstanding the depth of the snow rendered the roads almost impassable, and owing to their exertions the fire was prevented from spreading any further. Mr. O'Connor, we regret to say, is a heavy loser. He had a large stock on hand, and was not insured. His loss amounts to about £1000. This is the

most destructive fire we have had in our city for many months, and had the alarm been given sooner, a greater portion of the contents of the building might have been saved. Even after the alarm was given, the Police neglected to ring the bells in the back of the city, and consequently many of the inhabitants did not hear of the fire at all.—*New Brunswick, St. John, Dec. 31.*

UNITED STATES.

BARNUM'S ENTERPRISE.—It is stated in a New York paper, that Barnum has chartered a vessel, which is now on its way to the East Indies, for the purpose of importing into the United States twelve large elephants, which are to perform in a mammoth moveable circus, which is to be carried from city to city. What next will be resorted to, to gratify a heartless cupidity, and an inordinate love of mere amusement?

A NEW SWINDLE.—On Friday last two of our Exchange Brokers were waited upon several times during the early part of the day, by a gentleman making inquiries if they had received orders to pay certain notes. He was answered in the negative; but before the close of business hours, each of the brokers received a despatch from their correspondents in New York ordering them to pay certain notes.—The aforesaid gentlemen again called, and received his money, giving up the notes, which were for \$450 and \$900. On sending the notes to New York, it was discovered that the whole transaction was a fraud. The despatches were written here on blanks stolen from Baia's office, and of course did not come over the wires.

This will show the public the danger of ordering money paid by Telegraph; we understand the New York Banks long since refused to countenance such orders.—[Boston Transcript.]

THE WAY THEY DO IN THE STATES.—We learn from a late Boston paper, that the friends of Daniel Webster, in that city, were to have presented that great statesman and patriot with the munificent sum of \$25,000, as a New Year's Gift, as a small token of their esteem.

DESTRUCTIVE CONFLAGRATION IN MISSISSIPPI.—*Yazoo, Miss., Dec. 7.*—A destructive fire in this city, a few days since, consumed the greater part of the business portion of the place.

A fire broke out in Broad-street, New York, last week, which destroyed property to the value of \$250,000, consisting principally of cotton, flour, and other produce. The buildings destroyed were worth about £50,000.

DEAD.

On the 27th Nov., in his 80th year, at his residence, Regent-street, City-road, London, James Broderick, Veterinary Surgeon, formerly Captain and Adjutant of the 1st Royal Lancashire Militia.

SHIP NEWS.

Vessels arrived from P. E. Island.
Appledore, December 13—Domestic;
15—Decision.
Liverpool, December 6—Orpheus; 13—William; 18—Hornet; 29—Missy.
Bideford, December 17—Mary Jane.
The Clyde, December 17—Margaret.

CALAIS, Dec. 17.—The "Isle of Skye," *McCrone*, from Prince Edward Island to London, had masts cut away, and lost bowsprit, off Cape Gris, and is now at anchor in Wissant Bay, about three leagues West of this port, with one anchor down, the other having parted, and is in great danger, should the wind get into the West. It is now blowing strong at W.N.W.

NOTICES.

As the Subscriber intends removing his Business from Town, he requests all those whose accounts remain unsettled, to call and settle them immediately; and those to whom he may be indebted will please send in their accounts for settlement.
Dec. 11. Jno. B. COX.