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W. B. WILNER, City Clerk.
July 4th, 1856.—Ex., Is. Ad.

THE following clause of the Revenue Act is published for public information.
Aug. 1. WM. F. CLARK, COLLECTOR.
After three months from the time when this Act shall come into operation—no Rum, Brandy, Gin or Alcohol, shall be imported, brought into this Island, in casks or vessels, not capable of containing at least sixty gallons, and any person offending against the provisions of this section shall forfeit ten pounds for every cask or package, and the liquor shall be forfeited.
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SUMMARY OF NEWS.
SIR ALLAN M'NAB.—Our readers will be glad to learn, that Her Majesty has been pleased to bestow a Baronetage on this public spirited and patriotic Canadian gentleman. His name has been recently before the world as having held for nearly two years the responsible post of Prime Minister of Canada, under the successive Governments of Lord Elgin and Sir Edmund Head. Sir Allan M'Nab is descended from a Scotch gentleman who emigrated to Canada about a century ago: he was born and educated in Canada, and became a member of the Canadian bar. For many years he was Speaker of the Canadian House of Assembly, and as he held at the same time the command of the militia of Upper Canada, he was able to assist the Government materially both in a civil and military capacity. In December, 1857, he rendered sufficient aid to Lord Seaton, then Sir John Colborne, who was in command of the British forces in Canada, in rescuing Sir Francis Head from the rebels and disaffected, aided by some hostile Americans. He surprised her crew, and sent the ship over the Falls of Niagara. By this means, which Lord Palmerston held to be fully justified under existing circumstances, Sir Allan M'Nab, in the opinion of Sir Francis Head, saved England from an open rupture with America. Sir Allan is in the prime of life, but a widow—his daughter was recently married to Viscount Bury, eldest son of the Earl of Albemarle.

THE CHURCH PROPERTY IN MEXICO.
The Mexico correspondent of the New Orleans Picayune explains the late decree of President Comofort, concerning the property of the Catholic church in Mexico:

"The great measure of importance which has attracted the most attention and created the most discussion, is the decree of Comofort against the real estate of the greater part of all the lands, both city and rural, in Mexico, are held by the clergy. The Government has determined that the church shall not hold lands, but must sell them within three months, and take mortgages for the purchase money. The decree commences by saying 'that considering the prosperity and improvement of the nation is the want of business, or, the free circulation of a large portion of the lands, the foundation of the public wealth, therefore, it goes on to say, that property now rented to the church, or other public corporations shall be turned into freeholds to the renters, who shall give mortgages for the principal of the sum which their rents will amount to in six per cent, and they shall hereafter pay the interest, instead of the rent, as heretofore. This would appear as all the same to the classes, as their annual payments would amount to the same sum and they will then own the lands, instead of being tenants at will, liable any day to be turned out. But the Government exacts a tax or fee of five per cent.

upon the value of the mortgage when it is given, which will for this year produce a revenue of at least \$500,000. It is said the clergy are pleased with this decree, as they expected one much worse, and as it does not deprive them of any portion of their income. Comofort is at this moment the most popular President since the war of independence."

SUPPOSED SLAVER.—The *Newport News* of the 18th instant, gives the following particulars respecting the abandoned vessel which was fallen in with at sea by Captain Young, and towed into Newport:—"The whaling schooner Richard, of Provincetown, arrived at this port on the 15th, having in tow the schooner William Lewis, of Bucksport, Maine. The Richard has had her in tow 13 days; when found, every sail, except the mainmast, was set, and the vessel was on her beam ends. To right her, the masts were cut away. Captain Young, of the Richard, finding that she was supposed, judged that she had a valuable cargo, and therefore held her. Yesterday morning, upon pumping her free, nothing but casks of water could be found in her hold, and a large quantity of herrings, in her cabin, nearly a barrel of molasses, salt, &c. Her name and place of hail are entirely scraped or painted out, and with great difficulty the words 'William Lewis, Bucksport,' could be discovered. The masts and shrouds on her bottom are of very large and many persons who know pronounce them as prevalent in the waters of the coast of Africa. A large quantity of blankets and possession caps of a very large size, has also been discovered. The word 'Emigrant' was cut on the side that was out of water. No papers or articles of clothing have been found. It is thought that she has been engaged in the slave trade. The United States Marshal has taken possession of her and the fullest investigation in regard to her will be made. She was found in lat. 38 29, long 73 1-2. She was in the direct line of the Ocean steamers, and buoyed up by her crews, was in great danger of being run into by other vessels.

"Since writing the above, the floor of the forecabin was found to be broken, and upon examination, two holes were discovered, both of an inch width. This fact unquestionably solves the mysterious circumstances already referred to."

Advices from Hayti announces that the Emperor Soulouque was about to acknowledge the independence of the Dominican Republic, and that a treaty of peace will shortly be concluded between the two parties who inhabit the Island of St. Domingo. Comofort has been appointed by both governments for the purpose of fixing the boundaries, and the English and French Consuls are to act as umpires in any dispute which may arise. Hopes are entertained that the peace may be lasting, and that much good will result therefrom to all parties concerned.

The Emperor of China, instead of paying the indemnity he was to, was unwilling to do, the instant he is taken ill stops the pay of his physicians, and does not renew it until he is quite well again.

The Kingston City Council, on Monday evening, voted 2750 towards the expenses of the Provincial Election, to be held in that city, in September.