

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

THE WAR.

(Special Despatch to Daily Examiner.)

LONDON, March 3. In the Commons, this afternoon, Robert Bourke stated that Henry Elliot, British Ambassador at Vienna, in reply to an enquiry as to his authority for a statement in his despatch to Earl Derby of the 23rd ult., that he had been trustworthily informed that Gortschakoff told the Roumanian agent at St. Petersburg for Russia, not to allow the question of the cession of Bessarabia to be discussed by the Congress, said that the Roumanian agent at Vienna was his authority.

The Times' editorial says that the main fact in the present position of affairs is that Austria and England are as one in their view of the Treaty of San Stefano and as to the only means by which, without war it can be brought to harmony is with the just claims of other powers. The public opinion of Europe is with them, and if they act together with firmness and loyalty, Russia may be induced to withdraw from her position, which would then be unbearable.

The Manchester Guardian's despatch from Salonica says that the English Counsel is engaging interpreters, knowing the Greek, Turkish and English languages at a salary of \$150 dollars per month, commencing immediately.

VIENNA, April 3.

A special from Bucharest reports that two Russian army corps, stationed in Bulgaria, have been ordered to return to Roumania, and take up positions between Guirgivo and Bucharest.

It is feared that the Russians may impose a state of siege throughout Roumania.

At a secret sitting of the Chamber to-day, M. Ghilla and M. Staudza reported the result of their recent mission to London and Vienna, respectively. The former, said that the English Cabinet had encouraged Roumania to hold out in regard to Bessarabia, the latter said that Austria laid stress on the necessity of the Bessarabian question being settled by the decision of Europe.

A despatch from Belgrade says that a portion of the Serbian army is advancing from Regotit to the garrison at Widdin, while the Servians will also occupy Belgradchik and probably the line from there to Plevna.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 3.

The Agency House says that if Lord Salisbury's note is to put an end to the plan for a revival of the Congress scheme which Russia momentarily considered, the end is attained; but if it is intended to open discussions by written communications, may last a year, particularly as the note contains criticisms, but no proposals.

BERLIN, March 3.

The North German "Gazette" states that Count Stoeber Wernigroeder will not at present assume his duties as Vice-President of the Prussian Ministry, as the Eastern negotiations require his presence in Vienna, and will probably oblige Prince Bismarck to remain in Berlin for some time to come.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements or opinions of our correspondents.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—The New York Herald, in a late issue, contained an article on Dominion trade. It bespattered Premier McKenzie freely with soft soap; and of course the Patriot gave his readers the benefit of some choice extracts of praise from the Herald. The American people and their newspapers have good reason for praising Mr. McKenzie and his trade policy, for he has done more since he came into power to benefit the Yankees than all their own statesmen could do in the same time. He has managed the trade of the Dominion in such a way that we have every year to pay the cute Yankee millions of dollars in cash to square accounts with them. Under Sir John A. McDonald's Government the trade regulations were such that the enlightened American people took as much of our produce as paid for what we received from them. But the New York Herald does not like Sir John A. or his trade policy; and it does like Mr. McKenzie and his policy. And no wonder, for the returns from American Consuls in the Dominion show that if the present trade policy is pursued the almighty Yankee will monopolize the whole trade of the Dominion in a few years, without allowing us any privilege in return. The Herald's article is full of advice to us, and the Patriot endorses all he says. The Herald says the proper way for such ignorant people, as we are, is to allow them to send what goods they please into our country free of duty. And, if we have such trash as oats, potatoes or barley to sell, we must not grumble if they do not allow them into their country without paying a high duty. But go to some other country and sell them, and then hand the money over to them in payment for their goods or trash. The Herald says that Sir John A. is opposed to that one-sided policy, and it warns the people of the Dominion not to elect him at the next election. McKenzie is a statesman after the wily New Yorker's own head, and he hopes that McKenzie will continue for years to rule the Dominion. One would suppose that if the New Yorker was in favour of Free Trade, he would first use his influence at home, and advise those who he had influence with to grant Reciprocity. The people of this Dominion have, for the last ten years, been trying to coax the Yankees to grant a Reciprocity Treaty. We represented the injustice of allowing their goods to come into our country free of duty, while they charged an exorbitant duty on what we had to sell; but the answer was to "grin and bear it." And now the Americans, emboldened by their domineering policy, actually have the assurance to advise us, through their press, who to elect to govern the country in accordance with Yankee ideas, and to suit a vicious American policy. It is hard enough to bear a trade policy that is carried out in favour of a foreign people by the present Government. But when we are asked to elect men

chosen by our rivals in trade, to perpetrate an arrangement that gives them all they ask, and gives us nothing in return, it is the duty of every lover of his country to speak out. BRITON.

April 3, 1878.

What we Eat and Drink.

Of late years, since the appointment of the Lancel commission in England to examine articles of food, the application of chemical analysis has effected a great deal in the way of detecting adulterations of food, so clever and previously so unperceived that their publication was decidedly startling to the average householder. In England the duties of the public analyst have extended to a great variety of articles of both food and drink; and the discoveries of fraudulent and even poisonous admixtures was thus hit off by Punch several years ago:—

O! bring my breakfast—give to me Bread that is snowy and light of weight, Of alum and bone-dust let it be, Chalk, and ammonia's carbonate.

Give me butter to eat with the bread— Colored with saffron and turmeric, Or ornament, richer in tint, 'tis said: Let lard and sheepsbrains make it thick.

Maybe coffee will clear my head Better than willow-leaf, Prussian-blue tea, Coffee of ochre, Venetian red And the potent chicory.

Supplement III. to the last report of the Minister of Inland Revenue contains a table of articles of food or drink which have been analyzed by the authorities; and it is scarcely reassuring to find from it that out of 438 articles of daily consumption, 217 or nearly half were found adulterated, thus:

Table with 4 columns: NAME OF ARTICLE, No. Samples Analyzed, No. Samples Adulterated, No. Samples Unadulterated. Rows include Allspice, Bitters, Butter, Cloves, Cinnamon, Coffee, Ginger, Milk, Mustard, Pepper, Preserved vegetables, Spirits, Sugar, Tea, Other articles, Paris Green, and Total.

Twenty samples of sweets were found to be all pure, also two samples each of cocoa and chocolate. But condiments and spices make a very unsatisfactory showing, only cassia and some minor spices being found without admixture. Indeed it is an open secret that ground ginger and pepper, cloves, allspice and mustard contain ground rice, wheat flour, and the refuse of flour mills. The Halifax analyst found the milk there genuine, and the ground spices submitted all pure, but the mustard was mixed with lime and flour.

One-fourth of the teas examined were found to be adulterated, Prussian blue entering into the coloring of Young Hyson. Of one sample the Montreal analyst says "it consists of decayed and broken leaves and stalks of tea plant and other foreign leaves. It contains almost no theine, is valueless as tea, and unfit for human food." It is a little remarkable that the Quebec analyst finds no tea adulterated, and he examined fourteen samples. Of "coffees," three-fourths were made up in part of chicory, roasted beans, peas, corn, and even wheat. We know that the public taste is peculiar in the matter of coffee, many people preferring the addition of chicory to the pure bean; but probably the average purchaser would prefer his peas and corn in the shape of brose or Johnny cake, to paying 25 cents per lb. for it under the guise of ground coffee. For our own part we should, if pure coffee could not be had, choose rather the dandelion coffee, which Mrs. Moody recommended so highly whilst roughing it in the bush. But twelve per cent. of the sugars analyzed were found other than pure. Some muscovado was found to contain a little salt, and the crushed as much as ten per cent.; some of the samples contained four to seven per cent. of glucose. We do not hear of the customary "sand," which, we presume, is in this case spelled salt, nor of the iron and sugar of lead, which has been found, we believe, in samples of sugar in Britain.

Potted meats are found to be pure, which is important, as they are largely used amongst us. And among preserved vegetables, while twenty samples were unobjectionable, the twenty-first, a tin of French peas, was found to contain copper in large proportion. But one sample of the spirits is mentioned, and that was found to be pure. A result, this, that could not be repeated if the number of samples was much increased; for, as the St. Catherine Journal points out, the man to-day who quaffs his grog or his cup of tea or coffee without asking questions as to the component parts of his beverages, is wise even though he be phlegmatic. The dilution of milk, in 53 samples out of 90, and the consequent lessening of its nutritive power, is a serious matter. It was stated the other day at the Belleville cheese convention that but one city in the whole United States was supplied with pure milk; what a cruelty is here implied to the many babes it is used to nourish! The instructions of our authorities as to examining articles are stringent, and properly so. The appearance of Paris green in the table is because of the request of the Secretary for Agriculture that this substance, largely used by our farmers to kill the potato bug, should be analyzed to see if it were genuine. The test proved that sixty per cent. of it was not. It is not easy, in the nature of things, for a shopkeeper of the present day to sell goods that are absolutely pure, seeing that he often can't get them. But so far as the manipulation of eatables by our retail grocers, &c., is concerned, we would have them each deserve the praise given to Jem Bangs in the Hoosier obituary: "He kep' a nice store, and never cheated; we never knew him to put

sand in his sugar tho' he had a big sand bar in front of his house, nor water in his lickurs, tho' the Ohigo river run past his door." Monetary Times.

The Str. "Northern Light," which left Georgetown yesterday morning with mails and passengers, has not yet arrived at Pictou.

Died.

In this City, on the 3rd inst., Mary Ann Farquharson, the beloved wife of Joseph Weeks, in the 75th year of her age. Funeral by train to-morrow (Friday), the 5th, at 2.30 o'clock.

FRESH SEEDS

A SMALL STOCK of Vegetable and Flower Seeds, of Extra Superior Quality, for Hot Beds and Early Sowing, just received and for sale at HAZARD'S SEED & BOOKSTORE. March 28—2i mon & thur

GROCERY

Provision Store!

Cor. Great George & Kent Sts.

The Subscriber wishes to inform his friends and the public generally that he still keeps on hand a choice assortment of

Groceries and Provisions,

AT HIS OLD STAND.

and will be pleased to have them call and inspect for themselves.

ON HAND,

10 CHESTS CONGOU TEA,

("New Season")

1,000 Lbs. Canadian Cheese,

10 Casks American Kerosene Oil,

(120° test; 36 cts. per gal.)

20 BARRELS SUGAR

(all kinds),

100 Bbls. Sup. Extra Flour,

3 Puns. Very Choice

MOLASSES

20 doz. Pickles, 20 doz. Assorted Jams

20 boxes Dessert Prunes,

100 Tins Sardines

CANS PEACHES, PINEAPPLES, STRAWBERRIES TOMATOES, NEW RAISINS, ZANTE CURRANTS, DRIED APPLES, STEWING PRUNES, 300 QUARTS CRANBERRIES, GREEN GRAPES

100 LBS. SMOKED HALIBUT,

25 QTLs. CODFISH, 100 BOXES DIGBY HERRING.

and all goods usually found in a First-Class Grocery Store.)

FAMILIES SUPPLIED BY THE MONTH.

DONALD NICHOLSON.

Jan. 16, 1878—y.

JOB PRINTING Neatly and Promptly Executed at the EXAMINER Printing Rooms, Water Street, Charlottetown.

Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for Ten Cents per day.

WANTED—An experienced COOK in a private family in the City. Apply at the EXAMINER Office. Ch'town, April 4—3i

WANTED.—Board and Lodging for three persons. Address, stating terms, "W. M.," EXAMINER OFFICE. Charlottetown, April, 2, 1878—pat 6i

WANTED.—A HOUSEMAID, must be well recommended, and a good washer and ironer. Enquire at the EXAMINER OFFICE. Charlottetown, March 30, 1877—1w

FOR SALE.—A FLAG STAFF, TOP-MAST and LOWER MAST, already finished, about 66 feet long, which will be sold for less than cost. Apply to J. D. CURRIE, corner Prince and Grafton Streets. March 5, 1878—Si law

WANTED.—By a steady, respectable young man, a situation in a Store or Office, or at any respectable employment. Good references. Apply at this Office. March 20—

WANTED.—At a moderate rent, a HOUSE containing 6 or 8 rooms. Apply by letter at the Office of this paper. March 11—

WANTED.—A complete set of the "ROYAL GAZETTE" for the last five years, or any intermediate years. Apply at this Office, stating price. Feb. 28, '78—

SPRING GOODS!

Ex S. S. Northern Light,

—AT THE—

London House

WILL

BE SHOWN ON MONDAY, the 4th March,

200 PATTERNS

CANADIAN TWEEDS,

West of England and Scotch Makes.

—ALSO—

BLACK & BLUE BROADCLOTHS,

Worsted & Fancy COATINGS!

SINGLE GARMENTS and SUITS made up in the best styles and at the shortest notice.

OUR TAILORING DEPARTMENT

A GREAT SUCCESS.

A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT

Men's and Boys' Hats.

We offer SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS in House Furnishing Goods—

- DAMASKS, REPPS, CRETONNES, MOREENS, ETC. SHEETINGS, PHLOW COTTON, WINDOW HOLLAND, White & Grey CALICO, ETC.

- CARPETINGS, HEARTH RUGS, MATTS & MATTING, FLOOR OIL CLOTH, ETC.

Paper Hangings.

GEO. DAVIES & CO.

March 2—1m 2aw

Auction Sales.

TRADE SALE!

To Close Consignments, THE Subscribers will offer at AUCTION, on

Friday next, the 5th inst., AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

THIRTY Bbls. Labrador Herring, FIFTY Boxes No. 1 Codfish, FORTY Half-boxes No. 1 Codfish, TWENTY Quintals Pollock, THIRTY Boxes Smoked Halibut.

—ALSO— FIFTY Boxes Valencia Raisins, TEN Boxes Chewing Tobacco, FIFTEEN Bbls. Sugar, THIRTY Doz. Brooms, TWENTY Doz. Buckets, FIFTY Boxes Cigars, and other articles.

HASZARD BROS. Ch'town, April 2—pat t sale

One Hundred Half-Chests TEA!

Will be Sold by Auction, On Monday, April the 8th,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, AT MY SALESROOM, ON WATER ST., to close a Consignment,

100 HALF-CHESTS TEA.

Terms Liberal. Sale Positive. No Reserve. B. WILSON HIGGS, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 1—t sale

SALE OF STALLIONS FAT CATTLE.

I HAVE been instructed by the Hon. J. C. POPE to offer, at AUCTION, on

Thursday, the 18th April next,

The splendid thoroughbred HORSE "WARRIOR," 7 years old, imported by the Government in 1875. His Colts, which can be seen at Kensington Brewery, are very promising, and prove him to be a first-class stock getter.

Also—The handsome and powerful Draught HORSE "CHAMPION," 17 hands high, weight 1,600 lbs., compact, active, and a splendid worker.

Also—3 FAT OXEN. The Stock can be viewed at the Brewery any day previous to sale.

WM. DODD, Auctioneer. Ch'town, March 30—

LUMBER!

Dry Pine Boards, Scantling, &c.

I WILL Sell at AUCTION, on Pownall Wharf,

On Tuesday, the 9th April, AT FOUR O'CLOCK,

50,000 sp. feet 1, 1 1/2 & 2 in. Dry Pine BOARDS. Lot 2x3 & 3x6 SCANTLING.

3,000 pieces CLAPBOARDS (3d quality). WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer. Ch'town, March 30—dy pat 2i

AUCTION!

Fishing Station at Rustico. TO BE SOLD, ON

Thursday, the 9th May next, at 11 o'clock, on the premises,

THE FISHING STATION of the late E. E. Churchill, which comprises all that tract of Land situate on Rustico Beach, in Lot 24, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a stake set in the west side of Water Terrace, and in the northeast angle of Fishing Station No. 1, in possession of R. B. Morrison, and running thence by the Magnetic Meridian of the year 1764, south sixty degrees west, two hundred feet, to the shore of Rustico Bay; thence north sixty degrees east to the said Terrace; and thence southwardly along the same to the place of commencement—together with Buildings thereon.

—ALSO— 4 Fishing BOATS, 8 DORIES, 38 PUNCHEONS, Lot of Fishing Gear, Baits, Barrels, &c., &c. Terms at sale.

J. S. CARVELL, Administrator. Ch'town, March 11—eod wily t sale

TOBACCO, TOBACCO.

25 TONS Prime Chewing & Smoking Tobacco,

SECOND TO NONE. Sold at prices to suit the times. Give us a call.

HICKEY & STEWART. No. 1 Queen St., Ch'town, March 13—1m eod