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been prevented from attending at an earlier hour, but was happy to have the privilege of putting a motion to the meeting which he was sure would be passed by acclamation.

Mr. MARSHALL returned thanks, and the meeting separated highly delighted with their evening, and fully sensible of the pleasure to be derived from so rational, so pure and intellectual kind.

We have omitted to state that the Secretary, Mr Harscourtg, to whose indefatigable exertions the institution is mainly indebted for its success, announced donations of books from several gentlemen, among others, the gift from the President, J. G. Marshall, Esq., and 14 vols. from

TESTIMONIAL TO SAMUEL POWELL, ESQ.

A meeting of the inhabitants of Knaresborough was held in the month of April last, in the Court House, at that place, when it was resolved unanimously, "That for the purpose of evincing the high esteem and regard, which is justly due to Mr. Powell for his humane and charitable disposition on all occasions, and also for his general kindness and uniformed politeness to all classes of society, both in public and private, a portrait of Mr. P. should be presented to him as an appropriate testimonial of his great moral worth.

In accordance with the above resolution, subscriptions were immediately entered into, and the requisite sum obtained, not only for the above object, but also to present along with it a piece of silver plate.

Mr. Howell was the artist selected, the happy effort of whose pencil has produced a most admirable likeness.

The presentation took place on Friday last, at the Town Hall, in the presence of a numerous and highly respectable body of subscribers and friends.

The Rev. A. CHEAP, the Vicar, presided. In addressing Mr. Powell, the chairman, amongst other, he said:—He had undertaken to preside on the present occasion, at the request of the Committee, and could only say that though unprepared to address the meeting, he felt great pleasure in fulfilling the task, as any difficulty he might experience was more in idea than reality, which he (Mr. Cheap) derived from the fact, Having been Vicar for upwards of 40 years, he could bear testimony to the public as well as private character of the person who had met to do honor to merit to, at Mr. P. was almost one of the oldest neighbours he had. The circular he (Mr. C.) had in his hand only invited the subscribers to attend the presentation, but he felt sure when that the testimonial should be considered as proceeding from the inhabitants generally, as he was sure it they all felt as he did, no other invitation or desire could exist. (Hear, hear.) He could most heartily bear testimony to the assistance he had received from his friend Mr. Powell, in every emergency, whether of a public, private, or philanthropic character, and he well remembered, whenever any thing was wanted for the public good, he was ever assistance which was always rendered by Mr. P. both personally, and also in his public character as agent of the Dereby of Lancaster; and as his private character he was sure they would all join with him in the remark that whether it was considered in a benevolent, public, or philanthropic point of view, he well deserved the respect they had intended to shew him as a most useful, kind, and liberal inhabitant and neighbour. (Applause.) The Vicar (Vicar) had very frequently been applied to for advice under circumstances that he felt great difficulty in giving the advice required, being more, he might say, of a legal nature, which he could for himself state, that he felt under great obligation to Mr. P. in that respect, for he had often referred parties to his friend Mr. P. for advice in the Mr. P. had always given without any expectation of fee or reward. So that in that point of view the tribute they were, that day met to sent was only a debt due to him. He, Mr. C., congratulated the parties present in the happy selection they had made of the testimonial, which from its faithful representation of the person would prove a very valuable offering to the whole of Mr. Powell's family, and would no doubt be handed down and treasured by them as a precious heir loom. (Applause.) He therefore begged leave now to present Mr. Powell with the Portrait, and also with the Salver, which he had no doubt would also be equally valued and handed down as an heir loom. Mr. Cheap then proposed the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Hall, and the Testimonial of respect and regard be presented to Samuel Powell, Esq., in token of the affectionate attachment of the community of Knaresborough, as a mark of esteem, among them, for a series of years, by his conciliatory disposition and conduct, advantageous alike to individuals and the public. And that Mr. Powell be now requested to accept a Portrait, and a Silver Salver."

Mr. POWELL, in returning thanks, said he had great difficulty in giving expression to the gratitude he felt to the gentlemen present for the kind manner in which they had offered the Testimonial, and to the Vicar for the manner in it did from the venerable and much esteemed Vicar, with whom he had been acquainted during the greater part of his life in Knaresborough, also felt, that he had very handsome manner in which the testimonial had been prepared, they had been too bountiful in their favour, and had incurred to themselves a considerable expense. He felt, and he feared that the character which the Rev. Vicar had been pleased to bestow upon him was far beyond his own merits. It had been his good fortune, on coming to this place, to be connected with a gentleman, whose memory he should ever bear in grateful remembrance, and whose kindness to him as secretary and friend was in every sense of the word, he, studied to the late Mr. Collins and he could say that in regulating his own conduct he had endeavoured as much as possible to keep his character in view as well worthy of imitation, and he was sorry that he was not a better copy. He had lived now for half a century in this town; during 35 years of which he had acted as Clerk to the Petty Sessions, and in that, as well as his other official capacity, he thought it had been his lot to have to do with parties without any expectation of reward, and had always endeavoured to defend their rights, and to do the right thing in the right (Applause.) When he first was asked to sit for his portrait, he hesitated much as to the propriety of his doing so, but having considered the advice he had always received in every case of emergency, and which he always valued most highly, it was considered that he ought not to decline, lest he should be considered as throwing a slight upon the kindness of his friends. (Applause.) The testimonial now offered, he accepted with pride and respect, and hoped it would be kept for his manifestation, and he had no doubt it would be received by his family with equal feelings. He concluded by saying that if he had been spared to merit such honour, he thought that they could not do better than follow up a similar testimonial to the Rev. Mr. Cheap, their vicar, who he considered much more deserving of the mark of respect than himself. (Loud applause.)

Upon the frame of the portrait is the following inscription:—"This Portrait of Samuel Powell, Esq., presented to him after an honorable career of half a century in this town, by a numerous body of friends, in token of their high esteem and esteem." Upon the frame of the Salver:—"Presented to Samuel Powell, Esq., by his friends and admirers, in acknowledgment of his sterling worth and strict integrity in public life. 1845."

The Court of Queen's Bench on Friday last gave a rule to show why there should not be a new trial in the case of Cooke v. Wetherall, clerk.

WINDSOR ELECTION.—The demonstration in favour of Colonel Reid, on the part of the electors, having become too strong to admit of any doubt as to the result of a contest, Mr. Walter's friends advised him to retire, and the honorable gentleman accordingly has addressed a long letter announcing his intention, Mr. Walter ascribes his defeat to the effect of the discouragement he is supposed to have received from a high quarter. He has, however, withdrawn from the contest, a clear field was left for Col. Reid. At the last hour, however, a Mr. Rupert Kettle, a young barrister, appeared as an oblique, Mr. Kettle is a Liberal principle, and an opponent of the Ministry. The nomination took place on Saturday, when the show of hands was decidedly in favour of the Colonel Reid, a decision upon which was protested against by Mr. Kettle's proposer. No poll being demanded, Colonel Reid was declared duly elected.

SIR GEORGE GIPPS'S RECAL FROM AUSTRALIA. From sources in which we can confide, we learn that Sir George Gipps has left Sydney, but we fear that the step has been taken at Governor Gipps's own request. The gentleman indicated, by report, as the successor to Governor Gipps—Sir Charles Fitzroy—is an excellent man. As governor of the Leeward Islands he has evinced high honour and integrity, and a friendly disposition towards the colonists.—*Colonial Gazette.*

CALLS TO THE BAR.—The undermentioned members of the Hon. Society of the Middle Temple were called to the Bar of that Society on Friday last, and they have in the usual way published in the dining-hall on Saturday, namely, Mr. J. Brown, eldest son of Mr. T. Brown, deceased; Mr. J. C. Gregson, eldest son of Mr. T. Gregson; Mr. G. M. Stephen, 6th son of Mr. J. Stephen; Mr. F. Bancroft, eldest son of Mr. T. Bancroft; Mr. J. S. Smith, eldest son of Mr. J. Smith; and Mr. A. W. Hoggins, eldest son of Mr. A. Hoggins.

ST. JAMES'S PALACE, Nov. 30.—The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood upon John Augustus Francis Simpkinson, Esq., one of her Majesty's Counsel, and Treasurer of the Hon. Society of Lincoln's Inn.—*Gazette.*

REGISTRATION APPEALS.—The list of appeals from the decisions of the Revising Barristers to the Court of Queen's Bench has been exhibited. It contains as many as 36, and by an order of the Court of Common Pleas three days of the present term have been appointed for the hearing of the same—Thursday, the 18th inst.; Monday, the 17th inst.; and Thursday, the 20th. There are appeals from the counties of Glamorgan, York, Middlesex, Lancaster, &c., and from the boroughs of Dartmouth, Chatham, Colchester, Scarborough, &c. From Westminster there is only one appeal, and eight from the City of London.

THE FOREIGN MAILS.—The following notice relative to the dispatch of foreign mails was just put on Saturday, at the General Post Office, St. Martin'sle-Grand, and the several branch offices:—Mediterranean and India —The next mails for Gibraltar, Malta, Greece, the Ionian Islands, Egypt, Ceylon, India, and China, via Southampton, will be dispatched on the morning of the 20th instant. The Great Liverpool will take out the India mail on the 20th instant. The next mails for the Mediterranean, Egypt, Ceylon, India, and China, via Marseilles, will be dispatched on the evening of the 20th instant. West Indies—The Seven steamer, for the mails of the evening of the 17th instant. British America and the United States—The Cambria steamer is appointed to take out the mails of the evening of the 18th instant.

TOMB OF LINNEUS.—A simple entablature of stone, let into the pavement of the western extremity of the cathedral at Upsala, near the door and under the organ gallery, covers the mouldering relics of this illustrious man. In a small chapel near the place of his interment, the students and other inhabitants of Upsala have erected a plain but beautiful monument to his memory. It is erected in the fine porphyry of Elfdal; the letters of the inscription are of bronze, gilded, and placed in full relief on the stone. As far as the workmanship is concerned, nothing can surpass the effect. In the present state, the inscription stands as follows:—Carolo a Linne Botanicorum Principi Amici et Discipuli. 1780.

RAILWAY NEWS, &c.

The Manchester and Birmingham have purchased the Macclesfield and Lichfield line, which has been delivered over on the following terms, viz.—The commission and land landowners are to have 15,000 shares of £20 each and 55,000 go to the proprietors of the Manchester and Birmingham.

The Manchester and Birmingham have lighted their third-class carriages. It is an item of comfort not very costly, and conducive to the behaviour among the third-class passengers, just as much as gas is in the public streets.

On Sunday, a passenger train on the Eastern Counties Railway, ran into some tracks at the Walthamstead station, by which several sheep were killed, and Sir Jahn Lawrence, R.N., had his right shoulder put out, was much bruised. The driver was also severely cut, and lady Sir Jahn Lawrence, her children and nurse were all several yards into the air, and fell into a ditch.

We recommend the public to deal cautiously with a certain class of the Railway Shares, which cannot be kept up in cases (well known to those acted in share business) such as Dutch, Rhenish, and the Blackwall Railway, which, the public, and the misguided persons who had confidence placed in them by the railproprietors. The rise, progress, and decline of such speculations and delusions, is a most sad and painful case, in the case of the Liverpool and Bury Railway, a Director, referred to in public papers, gave up to the concern, "Upwards worth £70,000 to him; and we have no doubt that he long we shall see the some results induced in the Blackwall Railway Speculation, which, Mr. Wilson, the man of forestalling or going beyond others by Directors, apart from their own admitted proportion of interest the concerns, gave to trustees or others, it is not to be stated that such proceedings can be passed over.—*Railway Standard.*

LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM AND GRAND JUNCTION.—The amalgamation between the London and Birmingham and Grand Junction Railway Companies was voted on Friday, by a majority of 3 to 1, which is a good deal more than much good now. The only result the Grand Junction likely to get from it is a participation in the defeats of London and Birmingham. Nothing is left to do but to carry papiges were unpropitious to the London and Birmingham, the next does not promise to be more brilliant in his, and it will be well if the Grand Junction have the misfortune, and much good will it do them.—of Mr. Hudson, is engaged to carry the Manchester line to the Midland Counties line. The Manchester line the Birmingham cannot hope to defeat with any prospect of success, direct line to Manchester must be the result, and the Great Western are not only strong in the victories of session, but their position has been so materially strengthened, that they have to do, and they will greatly age the London and Birmingham. As the Grand junction have now joined with the London and Birmingham and gage the London and Birmingham, and the Midland Counties will be induced to throw their strength into the Great Western and York Companies, so as to crush London and Birmingham on the other side. Mr. leders has been found a powerful opponent, and success given him—*Railway Chronicle, Railway Herald.*

THE RAILWAY ROBBERIES.—At the Central Criminal Court, last week, Charles Gregory Maynard, the late agent, who was charged with negotiating for the sale of Railway Shares, and receiving a banking-desk, the property of Mr. Prance, which was stolen from the Great Western Railway. He was found guilty, and sentenced to be transported for 14 years. The man Garformerly a porter on the Great Western Railway, pleaded guilty to a second indictment, charging him with stealing goods from the railway, was also sentenced to be ported for 14 years.

IRELAND RAILWAYS' RAILWAY.—ERECTION OF ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH OVER THE WHOLE EXTENT OF LINES.—We are happy to state that the Directors of Midland Counties Railway have determined on establishing the electric telegraph over the whole extent of railway under their superintendence. The lamentable accident that happened lately, there seemed to have induced the Board to take the subject into serious consideration, which it has done, and it is hoped, with equal zeal and protection, and of facilitating the business of Company. The whole extent of railway is 150 miles, the cost of the telegraph is estimated at the large sum of from 30 to £40,000. We are quite sure that it be money judiciously and properly expended, and the Directors, Mr. Chaplin, and Mr. Hudson will have abundant reason to rejoice at the satisfactory result of so an expenditure. An electric telegraph was erected at Bagh City Cross, Dublin, some years ago, and believe managers will proceed to extend it over the entire of the lines with equal delicacy.—*Dublin Paper.*

THE LATE ACCIDENT ON THE EDINBURGH GLASGOW RAILWAY.—On Saturday, William Paton, superintendent of locomotives to the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Company, was brought before the Sheriff, and brought to the bar of the High Court Justiciary to the sentence, when Paton was sentenced to be confined twelve months in Glasgow Jail, and M'Nab for nine ths. The Lord Justice Clerk passed a high eulogium Mr. Paton's character.

SERIOUS RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—A very alarmcollision happened on the Eastern Counties line of railway, at the Walthamstow station, on Sunday morning, a five o'clock, by which a train of a truck of the goods line shot two, a.m., had become disabled; this left a stationary train on the line, and it was supposed the fish train from Yarmouth, with a second carriage and truck with sheep, malt, &c., were signalled, and the driver attempted to shut off the steam, mail train, due at five o'clock, being now expected, a ter with a red light was seen down the line for some and, but from some unaccountable cause the engine was not speed sufficiently in time to prevent its running with the force enough to cause the fish train to be the cause of fruction of trucks containing sheep, and the overturning the second-class carriage. There were only two passenthis unfortunate occasion, Sir Jahn Lawrence, R.N., a director of Norfolk Railway, and a drover in charge of the sheep, carriage was lifted several yards into the air, and fell a ditch some distance from the line. The gallant Captbad his right shoulder put out, and is much bruised. driver is severely cut about the face. The engine and train were totally destroyed, the driver, and fireman miraculously escaped without a bruise, and neither engine, or carriage, or truck, or sheep, escaped.

COLLISION ON THE YORK AND SCARBRO RAILWAY.—Yesterday week, the 9.15 a.m. train from York to Scarboro' came in violent collision with one of the Selby's Hull and Hull and Selby trains, at Bolton, attended, tirely the result of the reckless conduct of the driver engine of the Hull train, who, contrary to the rules, left clear of the line on which it occurred half an hour the passenger train was expected to arrive. The engine driver was immediately apprehended by the Bolton station, and owing to the rapid curve by which Bolton is approached, the engine drivers were unable to see half-a-mile ahead, and the collision was thus rendered upon. On perceiving their dangerous position the drivers shut off the steam, reversed their engines, and then jumped off, by which means they escaped with the engines immediately met, and a fearful crash indicated the extent of injury done; the engine of the latter train was completely shattered, and the tender and carriages damaged, and several passengers of the York train seriously hurt. One gentleman, Mr. Sheppard, engineers' clerk, of Alcorford, had, it is said, several ribs fractured, and a female had her thigh broken. We understand that several other persons were the more or less injured, but we have not learned their names. Intelligence of the accident was immediately sent on to the Selby, and on the hamper being opened, it was found to contain a live child, about a fortnight old. It was left by a boy shortly before, and was addressed to Mr. Hall, Cambridge-street, Nantwich. With speed. Fish." Mr. Harris, superintendent of the police, was immediately sent for, and on his being informed of the circumstances, he sent to Nantwich, and there got such information as enabled him to apprehend the mother in question, who had left her home for three or four months. Her name is Eliza Power, a married woman, aged 25 years. It appears that she came to Bolton to visit a woman named Ann Hall, who lodged in Nantwich, and to send the child to its father; and the poor infant was, therefore, bundled into a hamper, and sent on the same day. Upon this the woman was apprehended, and will be brought before the Magistrates to-morrow, the mother for deserting her child, and Eliza Power for assisting in this unnatural crime.

DIABOLICAL ACT.—On Saturday last, two executors named Wm. Dunn and John Bolton, were charged at Ashford, Kent, before the Rev. R. B. Darby, Esq., with having, on the 25th Oct., placed a plank, 20 feet long, and a post, on the rail of the South Eastern Railway, near Kitham station. Fortunately the mischievous act was discovered in sufficient time to prevent any accident. The prisoners, Dunn and Bolton, are above parties is of a very suspicious character, and traces them to within a short distance of the place not long before the intended diabolical act was committed. The prisoners remanded for further examination till this day, Saturday.

ACCIDENT ON THE SCARBOROUGH RAILWAY.—On Thursday week, as the down-train from Scarborough passing at a rapid rate through the Scarborough Railway near the Kikham station, where workmen are employed on the line, the engine-driver, on approaching the place, saw a man, who was dead, if did not get out of the way in time, and he was thrown down and completely cut in two. The melancholy accident was solely attributable to the poor fellow's drabness.

HARWICH.—Notwithstanding the temporary suspension of the railway speculation, Sou. The gallant Captain's scrap much attention. The numerous schemes for opening a railway communication with Harwich form a prominent topic of discussion, and the general impression appears to be, that that scheme which unites a railway with extensive docks at the above-mentioned port, is the one which will meet with the most general support, and will be most advantage of individual shareholders, and that scheme will no doubt meet with the cordial support of both the inhabitants of Harwich and the ancient borough and the members for Essex.—*Railway Times, Nov. 8.*

The facetious Mr. Murray, of the Edinburgh Theatre, and the Adelphi, gave a roar the other night with a new reading of the air-drawn dagger speech trophie in "Macbeth!"

Is that a Railway that I see before me,
The Promises to ward my hand? Come, let me clutch thee :—
I have thee not, and yet I see thee still.
Hear thou, then, no Provisional Committee—
And but a Railway of the mind! a false creation
Proceeding from the Scrip oppressed brain?
I see thee yet, in Shares as palpable
As the Gimmerachidain (great Applause) and now with
Equalising calls for present payment,
Which warns so before. Shall equalise another thing.

LOCAL NEWS, &c.

Lord Wharncliffe (Lord President of the Council) left town, on Saturday, for Wortley Hall, in this County.

George Jennings, Esq., of the firm of Jennings and Bidwell, gunmakers, Bond-street, has been elected Sheriff of the City of York, for the year ensuing.

The Archeological Institute of England and Ireland intend to hold their annual meeting in York, during the summer of next year.

On Tuesday last, John Robinson, Esq., of Guisborough, formerly a solicitor in London, took suddenly ill when walking home from Stockton, and died in about two hours. He was in his 65th year.

Dr. Percy, Bishop of Carlisle, had for some time been considered by his friends to have had a severe attack of illness as to render his Lordship's recovery very questionable. We have pleasure in stating, on authority, that his Lordship has so much recovered in health as to leave no fear, we hope, of his ultimate recovery.

The Earl and Countess of Zetland arrived at Ashe on the 7th inst., the seat of his Lordship near Richmond.

The Archbishop of York and Miss Harcourt have returned to Bishopthorpe, from visiting Sir John V. B. Johnstone's family at Hackness, in Scarborough. His grace will hold a general ordination on the 21st of next month, at Bishopthorpe.

The following facts may serve to show the unreasonableness of the present corn and potato panic:—In September, 1841, when Sir Robert Peel took office, the Gazette average price of wheat was *forty-six shillings and twopence* per quarter.—In February, 1832, when he introduced the present corn law, the Gazette average price of wheat was *forty-six shillings and twopence.* In October, 1845, the average price of wheat was *fifty-six shillings and twopence.*

Mr. St. Paul has sold Mentor for 1000 guineas; the name of the purchaser has not been made public.

Mr. Sergeant Talfourd has presented to the library of the Manchester Athenæum a copy of all his works, including some unpublished manuscripts of his juvenile writings, which has never been published in this country, with his cordial wishes for the success of the Manchester Athenæum.

COMMISSION BY THE LORD LIEUTENANT OF THE WEST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE.—*First West Yorkshire Yeomanry Cavalry.*—H. J. Newbold, gent., to be Cornet, Oct. 30.—*Gazette.*

POSTEPACT.—Mr. P. Barnby, of York, has received the appointment of organist to the Parish Church of West Tanfield, in the Wardship of Ripon.

WEST YORKSHIRE POOR LAW AUDIT DISTRICT. Mr. Manwaring was elected by a majority of 13 to 11 (and not 13 to 12, as stated in our last), the Auditor for this district. The following are the list of votes: 11 for Auditors who voted being the chairman and vice-chairman of the twelve unions comprised in the district, viz.—Sir T. Pilkington, Bart., Richard Parnell, Jas. Wade, Esq., Peregrine Edward Townley, Esq., John Bromley, Esq., Rev. James Mackfield, Matthew Styles, Esq., Richard Ibbetson, Hudsley Hutchinson, Esq., James Thomson, Esq., John Taylor, Esq., Matthew Wilson, Esq., Theophilus H. Ingham, Esq., and Thomas Metcalfe, Esq. For Mr. Manwaring—James Lord, Joshua Walker, Esq., Robert Wainhouse, Esq., Saml. Peel, Esq., Joseph Craven, Esq., John Town, Esq., Francis Crossley, George Hodgson, Jas. Kay, Thomas Hagin, Esq., George Foster, Esq., and John Cawood, Esq.

YORK INSTITUTE OF POPULAR SCIENCE AND LITERATURE.—H. R. Vernon, Esq., has offered for competition, among the members of this institute, the following prizes:—£5 for the best essay "On the probable effects on civilization, of the recent and future modern improvements in locomotion." £3 for the best essay "On the causes which have made Africa inferior in civilization to the other quarters of the globe." £2 for the best essay "On public amusements, and the best means of rendering them beneficial to their participants." Competitors for the prizes will be awarded at the evening meetings on the opening of the new building for the institute.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO THE CITY OF YORK.—We have to announce that an arrangement has been come to between the new Waterworks Company and the proprietors of the present waterworks, by which the new Company will become possessors of the old works. The amount of the purchase-money, we understand, is £20,000 for the entire property, and it is stated that the new Company will prove highly beneficial to both parties. It will also prove very advantageous to our fellow-citizens, as it will secure to them a plentiful supply of water, and at an improved principle, and a constant supply of pure water. *York Chronicle.*

MR. HUDSON IN SOUTH SHIELDS.—It is rumoured, says a correspondent of the Morning Chronicle, that Mr. Hudson has made an offer to Messrs. Shortridge and Co., for the purchase of the land extending from the Mill Dam, South Shields, immediately contiguous to those bought by him and partners from Messrs. Shortridge. It is believed the Parliamentary contemplates the formation of docks at the Mill Dam, which was at one time a creek, up which small vessels used to come, and which is now bought by the Newcastle and Darlington Railway, in the Tyne.

CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY.—Since the formation of the society, in the year 1818, it has assisted 2397 parishes to obtain additional church accommodation to the extent of 656,000 seats, 477,000 of which are free. In the last 25 years lately advertised we find two of £500 each, under the initials, "E. L.," or "H. C.?"

POTATOES.—We understand many potatoes have been saved from the disease in Staffordshire, by putting only a single row into each ridge.

CONTRACT FOR POTATOES.—On Friday, the Dublin City Grand Jury took a contract for 1000 tons of potatoes for the city prisons and the penitentiary with the best potatoes at the rate of 3s. 2d. per cwt., which makes them nearly 4d. per stone.

FOUNTAIN STACKS DESTROYED BY FIRE.—A fire of a very destructive character broke out on Thursday week, upon a farm the property of Mr. Beardsall, at Southwood-park, six miles from Nottingham, which entirely destroyed and consumed the whole of the stacks of barley, stacks of barley, a very large wheat stack, two of oats, one of peas, and six straw stacks were all destroyed; they were insured in the Sun Fire Office, for £400, which is very short of the damage sustained. How this mischief has been occasioned is matter of conjecture and serious consideration, as it was thought that the fire could not have been lighted, but it was straw, which had only been thrashed on the preceding day, and could not, as is so frequently the case, be ignited from spontaneous combustion.

DEATH OF SIR WM. FOULIS, BART.—We have to record the demise of Sir Wm. Foulis, Bart., who expired at an early hour on Saturday week, at his residence in Grosvenor-place. The deceased baronet was unexpected. The deceased baronet was born in the seventy-fifth year of his age, the eldest son of Mr. Edmund Turner, of Panton, Lincolnshire. He was born in 1790, and married in 1820, Mary Anne, eldest daughter of the late Sir C. Ross, Bart. Not having any male issue by that union, the baronetcy devolves on his brother, Mr. Henry Foulis, now the Hon. Sir.

DEATH OF LORD STUART DE ROTHESAY.—The death of this distinguished diplomatist took place on Thursday, at his Lordship's seat, Dalkeith Palace. Lord Stuart, Marquis of Bute, in the health of the Noble Lord had been in a declining state for some time, which obliged him to resign his office of ambassador to the Court of St. Petersburgh last year. The late Charles Stuart, Baron Stuart de Rothesay, of the Isle of Bute, G.C.B. and P.C., was the second son of John, Marquis of Bute, Knight of the Grand Cross of the Portuguese Order of the Tower and Sword, was born on January 2, 1779. Lord Dalkeith succeeded to the title of Bute, on his father's death, and succeeded his father in 1801. He entered on his life as a diplomatist under the auspices of his father, Lord Dalkeith, and has represented the country at various continental Courts. His Lordship (then Mr. Stuart) was for some time Minister at the Hague, and in consequence of highly distinguished services during the late war, the Prince Regent in 1812, bestowed upon him the Civil Grand Cross of the Bath. In 1816, Sir Charles Stuart was appointed Ambassador of the late Earl of Harlewicke, by whom he had two daughters who survive him—the Viscountess Canning and Lady Jane Stuart. Having been Ambassador at several foreign Courts, and having for a long time represented his Sovereign at the Court of Lisbon, Sir Chas. Stuart was, during the short administration of Lord Goderich, raised to the Peerage by the title of Lord Stuart de Rothesay. His Lordship was also Ambassador to Russia on the accession of the present Government in 1841. There being no male heir, the title becomes extinct. By his Lordship's demise, the Marquis and Marchioness of Waterford, the Dowager Countess of Hardwicke, and the Viscount and Viscountess Canning, are placed in mourning.

ACCIDENT AT LEEDS.

We copy the following letter from the *Bradford Observer*:—Sir,—I shall feel obliged by your inserting this communication in your next paper, that it may be kept in view in the eye of the parties concerned, they may either openly, or at all events, anonymously, perhaps some reparation to an unfortunate sufferer, under their carelessness.

"Last Friday evening (the 7th inst.) two gentlemen were going from Leeds to the Bradford road to see a fight, it was very dark, and they had no lamps, yet drove very recklessly, to the great danger of the people passing, as well as themselves. Coming down the Bank, York and Selby-shank's mill, a little on this side the junction of the two roads entering into Leeds, the horse knocked a poor old man down, and the pig passed over him. Mess. York and Selby-shank's mill, a little on this side the junction of the two roads entering into Leeds, the horse knocked a poor old man down, and the pig passed over him. The unfortunate man was done the parties in the gig put the horse into a gallop and went off, passing (as I found afterwards from inquiry) through the last full speed, and leaving the poor old man (for anything they knew, dead, or severely maimed), laid on the road-side.

"Having to be returning from Leeds at the same time with another gentleman, in a gig with lamps, I saw the accident, and instructed the driver to find out the parties, and I found that the name of the man hurt was Isaac Scholey, apparently about 55 years of age, who works at Messrs. York and Shepherd's, Leeds, and was thrown down, and passed over the upper part of his thighs, and he appeared severely stunned and hurt, though no bones were broken, and I have since learnt that he is still very much bruised.

"I will say nothing of the cowardice of the parties in driving off after the accident, but I think they ought to be ashamed of their conduct, and some recompense for their carelessness; and I trust they will do this at once (for the man is poor and needy), by remitting either to him, or on his behalf to Messrs. York and Shepshank's, Leeds, or to, Sir,

Yours, faithfully,
JAMES A. COOPER.

Batterworth's Buildings, Bradford,
Nov. 11th, 1845.

THE NOBLE HOUSE OF HAREWOOD.

By MRS. E. S. CRAVEN GREEN.

The Noble House of Harewood! it is a fitting theme
To warm a Poet's fancy, and bless a Minstrel's lyre:
And more than all, it is a sound which gratitude endears
To the hearts of the Peasantry, and the Men of Industry
They have known no stern oppression from openthrift hand or
Dwell
But have till'd the soil with hope and trust in Harewood's Noble
Earl.
Well pleased they see around them the yellow harvests bow,
Yet he pleases the rights of Labour, and honoureth the Plough!
The same ancestral acres descend to his sire to-day
For they know they may enjoy the fruits their honest toil has
won,
And may long years of happiness, and earth's best joys attend
The Noble Heir of Harewood! he King's Ward, Vernon's Friend!
The Noble House of Harewood! bless its lordly line!
The Noble Sire has taught them, by example, to shun the
Hight welcome, lovely Lady! thy beauty and thy grace
Full well by lofty lineage, and with hearts that dwell with joy and
And by the gracious smiles that light thy youthful charms, we
Thy
That in thy heart the Charities of Life divinely glow:
Thy the Noble Matron's mantle, and thy the Noble Dame,
Thy hand shall help the needy, and wipe the mourner's tear,—
Unfold the Book of Knowledge, and from the Sacred Page
Shed the light of Christian wisdom on the minds of youth and
age.
Thrice welcome, gentle Lady! we pray that Heaven may shower
Love, hope, and bless around thee, with every coming hour!
And we pledge thee, and thy lord, with hearts that dwell with joy and
pride,
To the Noble House of Harewood, and Lascelles' lovely Bride!

*The Countess of Harewood.

Leeds.

His Serene Highness the Duke Ferdinand of Saxe Coburg, their Serene Highnesses the Prince and Princess Augustus of Saxe Coburg (*née* Princess Clementine d'Orleans), and his Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe Coburg, with a numerous suite, have arrived on a visit to Brussels.

A grand scheme is talked of in Holland, being no less than the draining up of the Zuyder Zee, the whole of which is only from 4 to 6 fathoms deep.

Mr. Walter Ackroyd, of London, has in his possession four hand buttons belonging to some of the rebel chiefs of Prince Charlie's army. They bear the prince's portrait, and his initials P. C.

Should the various railways now projected for the midland counties be carried into effect, Birmingham will become the centre of three railway lines.

The parent who would train up a child in the way he should go, must go in the way that he would train up his child.

The landlords of the north and east of Ireland have volunteered to advance £600,000 for the drainage of 4,200,000 acres.

The English women are the best wives in the whole heaven—and shame be on the men who make them bad husbands.—*Mirabeau.*

In the event of a continuance of the present autumnal weather, her Majesty and the Prince Consort, accompanied by the infant Royal Family, are expected to arrive at Osborne House about the 20th or 21st instant, where the Court will probably remain for about a fortnight or three weeks.

Upwards of 1,500 people lost their lives in a fire which occurred at Canton on the 29th of last month. A theatre was burned down. More than 300 were females, and nearly 300 youths who had come to Canton to undergo their first literary examination, were burnt.

The best physicians are Dr. Diet, Dr. Quiet, and Dr. Merryman.

Christian Urban, first alto of the Royal Academy of Music, expired at Paris last week. He was a consummate musician, and highly esteemed in the musical world. Mons. Kenn Lamoureux, the Lord Chamberlain and dining every day at the same table at the Cafe Anglais. Urban was well known for his originality.

A beam of the Queen has been taken up in a field belonging to Messrs. J. and W. Robson, of West Chilton, measuring nine feet six inches in length, and has fifty-three locks. The timber is sound and free from grain, and they appear to average the extraordinary height of seven feet.—*Newcastle Journal.*

It is said that the Queen has been pleased to bestow a pension of £200 a year on Lady Sheridan, the lady of the president of the Royal Academy.

The Lord Chancellor entertained the Vice Chancellor, Sir Wm. Page Wood, Sir Cresswell, Sir Cr. Tindal, Baron Parke, Baron Alderson, Mr. Justice Creswell, Mr. Justice Patteson, Chief Baron Pollock, Sir Frederick Pollock, Lord Campbell, Sir Jas. Graham, Sir Wm. Molesworth, Sir Edmund Lyons, Mr. Bethell, &c., at dinner on Friday last, at the Noble and Learned Lord's residence, in George-street.

The average number of passengers passed from Brighton weekly to the Dead-letter Office is between 300 and 400!

The infant son and heir apparent of the Earl and Countess of Ashburnham will take the title of Viscount Encombe. The Earl and Countess had previously four or five daughters, but no son.

The Sardinian Government have directed the appointment of a fourth poor-law commissioner, under the provisions of the Irish Poor Relief Act, and have selected Mr. Jas. Lynch, one of the assistant poor-law Commissioners in England. He is intended to act in Ireland at present.

On Friday, three government proclamations were issued in Dublin—one offering a reward of £200 for the discovery of Mr. Charles's assassin; the second, £100 for the person who fired at Mr. R. Lloyd, near Rosenre; and the third, £80 for a similar offence on a man named Hogan.

An affray took placed between some Liverpool pearlers and the Scotch pearlers, in Kinsale, on Wednesday night. A sharp fight ensued between the parties, four on each side, and armed with bludgeons, when several wounds were inflicted on each side. Two pearlers were wrested, and two of them were taken into custody and have been committed for trial.

A Mr. Tallot has been taken out a patent for a new power, based on the condensation of carbonic acid gas. He chemical means and great pressure, the carbonic acid is condensed into a liquid, evaporating at the boiling point. Heat is then applied, when its expansive power, Mr. Tallot avers, exceeds that of steam, while the great weight of the fuel is saved, the engine is made to go.

At the adjourned petty sessions, held at the Crewe Arms Hotel, Crewe, on Monday last, Mr. Bourne, Editor of the Sentinel, was fined £100 and the spirit had been removed from an illegal distillery at Stepney, and was stored, in various quantities, in warehouses, stables, &c., in Batterson and other places.

The wall of the south aisle of St. John's Church, now in course of erection at Woolwich (from the old Roman wall), fell with a tremendous crash on Saturday, and injured severely several workmen.

In Glamorganshire farm labourers are so scarce that wages have risen to 16s. to 18s. per week.

Wheat is at Mark Lane, 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per sack.

A man of the name of John Taylor, weaver, Leigh, has been committed, but admitted to bail, for trial at the next Liverpool Assizes, on a charge of having personated a voter at the recent Wigan election, for the Earl of Lindsay, John Ratcliff, James Greenwood, John Halliwell, and James Badder, have also been committed for trial at the same Assizes, for the same offence. The party to whom the voter was charged along with them, to answer any charge which may be preferred against him.

An alarming riot took place at Windsor on Saturday night, caused by about a hundred private soldiers belonging to the 1st Regiment of Foot Guards, in a state of intoxication, and knocking down men, women, and children, as they came in the way. The shops in the principal street were closed, and several persons were very seriously injured,—two having had their heads cut open by the soldiers' bludgeons. The ringleaders were to be brought before the magistrates yesterday.

The county of Gloucester is about to complete a payment of £10,000 for improvements, in the various courts, and a proposition has been brought before the Court of Quarter Sessions for the erection of new judges' lodgings, which will cost more than £3,000.

Mrs. Maitland, (sister of Miss Helen Faucit), has appeared at the Park Theatre, in New York, in The Lady of Lyons, The Hunchback, and Venice Preserved, and brought the last full speed, and leaving the poor old man (for anything they knew, dead, or severely maimed), laid on the road-side.

"Having to be returning from Leeds at the same time with another gentleman, in a gig with lamps, I saw the accident, and instructed the driver to find out the parties, and I found that the name of the man hurt was Isaac Scholey, apparently about 55 years of age, who works at Messrs. York and Shepherd's, Leeds, and was thrown down, and passed over the upper part of his thighs, and he appeared severely stunned and hurt, though no bones were broken, and I have since learnt that he is still very much bruised.

"I will say nothing of the cowardice of the parties in driving off after the accident, but I think they ought to be ashamed of their conduct, and some recompense for their carelessness; and I trust they will do this at once (for the man is poor and needy), by remitting either to him, or on his behalf to Messrs. York and Sheepshank's, Leeds, or to, Sir,

Yours, faithfully,
JAMES A. COOPER.

Batterworth's Buildings, Bradford,
Nov. 11th, 1845.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FROM FRIDAY'S GAZETTE, Nov. 7, 1845.

BANKRUPTS.

CHARLES DRAPER, Bishopsgate street without, licensed victual'er, Nov. 14, at 1, Dec. 30, at 12, at the Bankrupts' court. Sol Mr Smith, Wilmington square; official assignee, Mr Johnson, Basinghall street. Pet Mr Bayley, earthenware dealer.

WILLIAM HAY and JOHN ALFRED TITTERTON, London road, Surrey, Surgeons, Nov. 14, at 2, Dec. 30, at 12, the Bankruptcy court. Sol Mr Loughborough, Austin friars; official assignee, Mr Pennell, Basingh