

the skin will have become white and hard, like wood frozen. This will be followed by several minutes, and the only consequence will be a slight increase of the temperature, a powerful depression of the entire cold sweat reaction in the which has been subjected to it.

Whether the frigide mixture might, in some, be swallowed undiluted, and at the time a violent saline solution of about one-tenth of a pint of Epsom salts might be used.

Cold water and ice have often been used in cloths with advantage; so also has a cloth of ice was indeed recommended on the part of the Center Board of Health in 1832; but, as far as we can ascertain, of Fahrenheit, will be better, if not only an intimation that will be immediately followed by a heating of zero. The two operations differ only in degree of remedial, but in kind.

The United States will then consist of seventy-six sovereign States.

Should Oregon, California, and New Mexico fall off, and the Rocky Mountains be the division between the United States of the Atlantic and the United States of the Pacific, the Atlantic Union will contain fifty-nine sovereign States, the Pacific fifteen gigantic sovereign States.

These calculations are based upon the recent report of the United States Commissioner of the General Land Office—and take in all the United States territory of every kind not yet formed into States.

**BRITISH WHIG.**

## FRIDAY MORNING, AUG. 17, 1849.

### THE PENITENTIARY.

We have received information from New Brunswick, which we believe will explain in some measure the political revolution which we published a few days ago, relative to the federative union of the British American Provinces. As we anticipated, the telegraphic report conveyed an idea, which went far beyond the truth. But if we can depend upon our private correspondence from the sister province, which comes from well-informed sources, there has been a plan hatched by the wedge, after which it would be to carry a fiscal duty into a protection scheme. It could only say that he had no such intention of getting his suggestion received, but extraneous grounds.

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Mr. Herries then called the attention of the House to the condition of the public revenue, and by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and to the expedient of deriving an additional income from a fiscal duty on the importation of foreign corn. The right hon. gentleman had himself recourse to fiscal grounds for reasons of Home in his explanation. It might be noted that this fiscal duty was getting in the way of the wedge, after which it would be to carry a fiscal duty into a protection scheme. We are also informed that the promoters of this scheme desire to connect with it a system of reciprocity low tariffs between the British Provinces and the United States. The plan is not a federative union; but that started, we think, by Lord Grey in one of his despatches—a species of Zoll Verein as the Germans called their Custom House League, together with a common administration of the Post Office in British North America. We have every reason to believe that this scheme which, if we remember rightly, was sketched by Lord Grey some time ago, has received the attention of the Canadian Government, and has been submitted by them to the Government of the other Colonies. Mr. Merritt's reciprocity bill, would, if this plan were carried out, be negotiated for Canada alone; but for the three Provinces. It possesses an advantage over the federative union of the provinces, that it would only tie them together, so long as the bond was mutually agreeable, to each member of the League. It would not unite them by any organic law, which must either give an unjust weight in the joint Legislature to the smaller Provinces, as it would if New Brunswick were represented as Canada, or must subject the interest of the smaller to those of the larger population.

Under these circumstances, if the Union took place at all, it would be one, which must tend to our united strength—that is to say in giving each member of the League a share of the line of 45, to take the labor of 50 Convict Shoemakers at 1s. 6d. per day each. These are wages low enough in all conscience, but the Contractor, not satisfied with this, has secured to himself the right of furnishing the Convicts with such shoes as they may require, and also of all the private work, the profit of the labor of which for many years past formed part of the income of the Institution, but which is now altogether lost.

In this latter of the prison operations we are told that so great was the proficiency of the Convict Shoemakers, that whereas when we last saw them, they were restricted to the British market, which is falling, while their Yankee competitors have also the choice of their own market, which is rising; and there is no doubt as to the direction to which we must look for improvement.

Mr. D'Arcy, Daniel, Justice of the Clergy, and the hon. member for the Protectionist party, and charged the hon. member for the riding with a want of reality in the agitation he was seeking to get up for financial reform, in that Home not behind the Ministers as to the money unless he rose to support them. After some observations from Mr. B. Osborne, Mr. Bright, Mr. Rosebury, and Mr. Banister, the debate dropped.

**INDIA.**

Intelligence has been received by express from India, in anticipation of the bi-monthly overland. It is of very little importance.

Excellency Sir Charles Scott left Calcutta on the 2nd of May, to join the head quarters of the "Bengal Staff." The General-in-Chief, General Gough, continues to command, where he joined us, and is appointed to the command of the Bengal Staff at the capital. Sir H. Lawrence accompanied to proceed to the hills for a time, the benefit of his health.

The Parivar all is in perfect quiet. At home, Colonel Dundas has been reduced from a brigadier general to that of colonel, have no decisive information as to the appointment of the Ranees Clever. She is still in royal service, whether she is to be a princess or not, or to be a queen, where she is, appears to be as yet unknown.

The report as to a detachment of troops having been sent to escort her back to India, most evidently have been without foundation. It is said that jewels in the value of £100,000 belonging to the Queen have been confiscated by government.

Her Excellency gave us the anecdote of a man in a Sikh regiment who was detected in that conspiracy to assassinate the Emperor of India in the year 1845.

But a truth which comes home to every man's pocket has a very penetrating quality, and will force itself on everybody, not to gain access to the United States markets if we can accomplish it. It need not necessarily be by annexation; for our own part, we should prefer any other mode, but it must be done, of any way can be found to do it.

In this object all the North American Colonies have an equal interest. If they are to remain dependencies of Great Britain, arranging their own commercial system as they now do, they must, whether separately or jointly, attempt by the same line of policy to attain the same end.

Whether it is lumber or fish, or breadstuffs we want, if we can sell them in New York and Boston, when that suits us better on account of the higher prices, than to sell them in London or Liverpool. To persuade the Yankees to give us their favor, we must not adopt a system of legislation which would be hostile to them.

In all these cases we should be guided by the principles of the Eastern colonies.

We should have the organization of the St. Lawrence into the scale of favors to be accorded in return for those granted by the States to the Custom Federation, and should thus be given essential aid to forward the desires of our friends the Blue Notes.

They probably have some other peculiar gratification which they might also be ready to give, and thus aid us. Besides these manifest benefits, we should have perfectly free intercourse among ourselves, and should obtain a system of postal communication which would facilitate very much in developing the commerce at present very trifling, which may hereafter exist between us.

We distinguish entirely between a federative union, in which one province could be ruled by the other, or by factions formed on the basis of the separate interests of different classes, in the provinces, and a Zoll Verein based upon a tariff, which conciliate the interests of each Province as separate States, and which would cease, whenever it was found impossible to conciliate these interests. We should rejoice much, if the latter arrangement could be effected.

*Montreal Herald.*

### THE WRECK OF THE ROYAL GEORGE

(After Cowper.)

Toll for a knave  
A knave whom d'ye o'er?  
All sunk—with those who gave  
Their castles, till they'd no more!

Shards grumbled loud,  
Directions which did get—  
Down went the Royal George,  
With all his lone complete!

Toll for the knave!  
The Royal George is gone;  
His last account is co'd,  
His work of doing, done!

It was not in the punie,  
His credit felt no shock;  
The House at Albert Gate  
Shut firm as Albert Rock.

Clerks still freed break,  
And moved obedient pen.  
When the Royal George went down,  
Never to float again.

Cast the tollie up,  
See how the money goes;  
And reckon, railway poppets,  
How much England owes.

The Royal George is gone;  
His man rule is o'er;  
And he and his directors  
Shall break the lines no more!

**THE CHOLERA AT TORONTO.**—We regret that the Cholera is slightly on the increase in this city, the number of new cases since our last is 45, the number of deaths is 32. The following is the report of the Board of Health:—

Saturday, 11th, up to 8 A.M.	13	9
Sunday, 12th,	do.	18
Monday, 13th,	do.	11
		Globe.

**HEALTH OF MONTREAL.**

Interrments in Montreal from 12 o'clock noon, on Friday, 15th August, to 12 o'clock noon, on Saturday 16th August.

TOTAL DEATHS	FROM CHOLERA
Catholics.....	5
Protestants.....	2
Pointe St. Charles.....	6
	47
2 of these are children.	

### For the British Whig.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF LOT NO. 21.

The people of Kingston begin to feel no slight degree of uneasiness at the lengthened stay of their Mayor and his fellow-townsman in England; not so much for the personal safety of those gentlemen, as for the heavy expense of the journey, which, at the lowest calculation, it is believed, will exceed £300 currency. A pretty item this to appear on the books of an insolvent Corporation, at a moment when they are reduced to the humiliating necessity of going in debt for their bedsheets, before a single patient could be taken into the General Hospital; while hundreds of pounds are wasted annually in fruitless litigation, in wild goose chase excursions, and visionary projects of no earthly benefit to any but those who pocket the money. What a happy circumstance for us, my friends, that we have had the good fortune to fall into the hands of such careful stewards. How very gracious of them to throw their fostering arms around us; but to prevent our frail frames, unused to great kindness, from getting encased in the actor of the fond embrace, let me entreat you to stand well upon your guard and prepare to trust the unnatural presumption by every legitimate means within your power.

The taxes this year, inadequate as they are declared to be, are nevertheless considered op-

eratively high, especially to the poor, at one shilling and six pence half-penny in the pound.

Next year they must unavoidably reach the utmost limit prescribed by the Act of Incorporation. The Council have so learned to

give a "long pull, a strong pull, and a pull together," and take my words for it, that the ill-tempered sentiment, "tax the people, who care about the people," of which you may have some recollection, will then sum-

moned into full play, unless "the people" will carefully observe at them the commencement of the new elections.

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