

night about a hundred and fifty buildings, including dwelling houses, shops, &c. were destroyed by fire in Norfolk, Virginia.

Fire at Washington.

Several houses were consumed in the city of Washington, on Wednesday last, and several more on Friday.

We have received by the Adonis, Paris papers to the 25th February. They contain no political news—that relating to commerce is bad enough. There were numerous failures in France, and all the products usually shipped from the U. States daily reducing in price.

The four sons of the late Marshal Ney, although their father died insolvent, each gave one hundred francs towards the monument of gen. Kleba.

Bermuda Markets.

Accounts from Bermuda represents its markets to be excessively dull, for every description of American merchandize; and that the productions of the island were scarce and high. Flour is quoted at 8, a 8-50; rum 75 cents; molasses 50; coffee 28 a 30, and sugar 12.

A circumstance has recently taken place at Falun, the capital of Dalecarlia, in Sweden, which might figure to advantage in a novel. By working to establish a new communication between two shafts of a mine—the body of a miner was discovered in a perfect state of preservation and impregnated with vitriolic water.—No one could identify the individual; it was recollected that the accident by which he had been thus buried in the earth had taken place fifty years ago. All inquires as to the name of the sufferer had already ceased, when a decrepid old woman leaning on crutches, slowly advanced towards the corpse and knew it to be that of a young man, to whom she had been promised in marriage, half a century ago. She threw herself on the body, which had the appearance of a bronze statue—bathed it with tears, and fainted with joy at having once more beheld the object of her affection on this side of the grave. It is easier to conceive than to trace the singular contrast offered by this couple; the one buried fifty years ago, still answering all the appearance of youth, while the other weighed down by age evinced all the fervency of youthful love.

An English built ship about 300 tons, coppered, painted black, with one white moulding, a busk man head; round house on deck, timber laden mizen mast, main top-mast and yards all gone, and abandoned by the crew, was passed on the 5th inst. lat. 49, N. long. 20, by Robert Fulton Holdridge, arrived at Liverpool from Charleston.

The Charlotte, M'Call, from Quebec to Liverpool, was lost 13th of December, off Trepassey, Newfoundland. Very little of the cargo saved.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT OF LOWER CANADA.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

APRIL, SATURDAY 3.

The house proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the legislative council to the bill regarding the colony of Laprairie agreed to all but the 12th amendment which was unanimously negatived.

A message was received from the legislative council that they had passed the bill to facilitate the recovery of small debts, and Lagorce's bridge bill, without any amendments.

A message from his grace the governor in chief relating to the land to be granted to the embodied militia who served during the late war—was delivered to the speaker.

A bill was introduced to continue for a limited time, two several acts, for the support of foundlings and relief of insane persons, &c which was read, and the second reading ordered for Monday.

Resolved, that the grounds and reasons of complaint set forth, in the petition of Et. Royvoyze, Esq. against the election and return of P. Bureau, Esq. for the county of St. Maurice, if true, are sufficient to make void the election of the said P. Bureau, Esq.

The bill to appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the internal communication in the county of Orleans

Ordered that the said bill be referred to a committee of the whole on Tuesday

Monday 5th April.

The report of the committee of the whole on motion to grant a supply to his Majesty was read as followeth:

Resolved, that it is the opinion of this committee that a supply be granted to his Majesty.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, that this house doth agree with the said committee in the said resolution that a supply be granted to his Majesty.

Resolved that this house will on Wednesday next resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider the supply granted to his Majesty.

It was ordered that the estimate for the year, 1819, and the report of the special committee on the said estimate be referred to the said committee.

The house in committee on the Lachine canal bill, made some progress and sit again to-morrow.

The special committee on the petition of the merchants of Quebec, relating to transient traders, reported, which report was referred to a committee of the whole on Thursday.

The second report of the commissioners of internal communications, for the county of York, was delivered in at the clerk's table.

A petition from James M'Callum, Esquire, Senr. praying the house will not give their sanction to the bill from the legislative council respecting the censitaires of La Salle, was received and read.

Ordered, that the said petition do lie on the table.

The house in committee on the militia bill passed the bill with several amendments.

A bill to discontinue the duties imposed by the act 53 Geo. III cap. II, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

An engrossed bill from the legislative council to afford relief to the censitaires of La Salle, was read a second time.

Mr. Cavillier moved that the bill be read a third time.

Mr. Ogden moved in amendment that the words after that be struck out and the following subscribed, the said bill be read a third time on the first day of August next.

The house divided on the question of