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ARRIVAL OF THE BRITANIA.

FIFTEEN DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE!

The steam ship *Britannia* arrived at Boston about six o'clock on Saturday morning, bringing London and Liverpool papers to the 4th inst. She brings 48 cabin passengers.
The *Overland Mail* had arrived from India and China, but brings no news of interest to the American reader. The dates from Canton are to the 15th of February, but no mention is made of the arrival of our Minister, the Hon. Caleb Cushing. Little was doing in Teas on account of the high prices demanded. Several daring attempts at robbery had been made at Hong Kong.
Lord Ellenborough, Governor General of India, has been recalled. This produced a great excitement throughout England.

Affairs in Ireland draw their slow length along.

A new trial had not yet been granted to Mr. O'Connell and the other Repealers.
Portugal is still affected with seditions. Spain and Morocco are going to war with each other.
The packet ship *Europe* had arrived at Liverpool in short passage of 15 1-2 days from New York.
Their Majesties of Belgium have left England. The Duchess of Kent was in France, where she had been entertained by Louis Philippe.
Cotton was a little firm. There has been no actual change in prices, however. It is rumored that Sir Henry Pottinger will, on his arrival in England, be elevated to the peerage.
Mr. Thomas Baring, the unsuccessful opponent of Mr. Pattison in the recent City of London contest, has been returned without opposition for Huntingdon.
It is expected that the Emperor of Russia would arrive in England on a visit to her Majesty, about the second week of this month.
Vast numbers of emigrants, from all parts of the empire, are now flocking into Liverpool, on their way to Canada and the United States. The majority of the Scotch emigrants are for Upper Canada, whilst those of England and Ireland are for the United States.
British Parliament.—On the 23d ult., Dr. Bowring asked whether government had any official knowledge of a treaty between America and the Zoll Verein, signed on the 23d March last, by which tobacco, the produce of America, was to be admitted into Germany at a duty of four dollars per cwt., raw cotton free of duty, and other articles at low duties—in consideration of the admission of German manufactures on more favorable terms?
Sir R. Peel said it was true that such a treaty had been signed, but it had not yet been ratified.
Mr. Labouchere said that existing treaties rendered it impossible for the United States to admit the productions of Germany on more favorable terms than ours, and consequently that any reduction in favor of German manufactures must be equally favorable to those of Great Britain.
Sir R. Peel said a few words to the same effect, but thought it would be better to abstain from any observation just at present, as the treaty alluded to had not been ratified.

IRISH AFFAIRS.

The interminable proceedings in Ireland, arising out of the trial of Mr. O'Connell and the other 'convicted conspirators' have occupied great space during the past and present week in the newspapers. The motion for a new trial was made in the Irish court of Queen's Bench, on Thursday, in a speech by Mr. Whiteside, which consumed the greater portion of that day and day following. Altogether, there will be ten speeches from the counsel. The court, it is expected, will give its decision on the mooted points to-morrow (Thursday), or it may be on Friday. No one expects that the motion will be granted. The only question which possesses any real interest in this—will O'Connell and the other traversers be imprisoned before the writ of error, which they intend carrying to the house of Lords, is decided? It seems to be tolerably certain that judgment cannot be pressed during the present term, which is now drawing to a close. The tactics of the traversers seem to have had reference to this object, but riding over the sentence until the writ cannot escape it, and the purpose for which procrastination was originally tried by the defendants has passed away. The feeling which this motion for a new trial excites in the public mind, is by no means commensurate with the space which it fills in the daily press. The truth is, that the public are tired and sick of this war of words, "all filled of sound and fury, signifying nothing." Stimulants, however judicious in their way, may be administered so as to destroy their good effects. So with this flood of repeal oratory from the Dublin Four Courts. The points of the public has been fed upon it

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BY J. BREMER.—AIR: Old Dan Tucker.

The skies are bright, our hearts are light,
In Baltimore the Whigs unite;
We'll set our songs to good old tunes,
For there is music in these Whig Coons!
Hurrah! hurrah! the country's cause
For Harry Clay and Frelinghuyen.
The Loco's hearts are very sore,
Though very scarce in Baltimore;
For they begin to see with reason
That this will be a great coon-season.
Hurrah! hurrah! &c.

O! Frelinghuyen's a Jersey Blue,
A noble Whig and honest too,
And he will make New Jersey feel—
Whig may respect to her "Broad Seal."
Hurrah! hurrah! &c.

Now let the Loco speak in candor,
His fame's not known to Southern land,
And when we all get in the fight,
Oh! how the Jersey Coons will bite!
Hurrah! hurrah! &c.

Oh! Matry Van's a man of doubt,
Who writes in and wires out;
You cannot tell when on the crack,
If he's going on, or coming back.
Hurrah! hurrah! &c.

The coon now looks around with pride,
For who is here dares touch his hide!
And though the Loco's thinking to cross him,
They'll find he's only playing cross him.
Hurrah! hurrah! &c.

United heart and hand are we,
From Northern lake to Southern sea;
From East to West the country's cause
For Harry Clay and Frelinghuyen.
Hurrah! hurrah! &c.

THE YEW TREE.

This tree inhabits mountainous woods in Europe, North America, and Japan. In Britain and Ireland there were formerly great abundance in a wild state, and planted in church yards. The yew was once what the oak is now, the basis of our strength. Of it the old English yeoman made his long bow, which he vaunted nobody but an Englishman could bend. In shooting, the English did not, as other nations, keep the left hand steady, and draw his bow with the right, but keeping his right at rest upon his cheek, he pressed the whole weight of his body into the horns of his bow. Hence, probably, arose the English phrase of *bending* the bow, and the French of *draughting* one. So great was the demand for yew in the days of archery that our own stock could not supply the demand. Yew is botanically described as a tree which grows 20 feet high, with a rough, uneven, little-barked stem; numerous, thick, and contorted branches, and dark evergreen foliage.—It belongs to the Linnæan class Diœcia and to the natural order Conifera. It is not, however, a true cone-bearing plant, having red berries as fruit. The wood of the yew is red and veined, very hard and smooth; used by turners, cabinet-makers, mill-wrights, and a variety of other artisans. Flood-gates for ponds made of it are said to be of incredible duration. The twigs and leaves of yew, eaten in a very small quantity are certain death to horses and cows, but deer will crop these trees with impunity. Turkeys, peacocks, and other poultry and birds, eat both the leaves and fruit.—A few of the berries are not deleterious to the human species, but the leaves are fatal. The tree is very patient of the shears, and is much employed in the ancient style of gardening for verdant architecture and sculpture. Allowed to take its natural shape, and when advanced to a considerable size, it forms one of the handsomest British evergreens, harmonizing admirably with the holly, the box and juniper. A very interesting, and for ornamental gardens, a very valuable variety of the yew is that of the Upright or Irish Yew. It has been entirely derived, as we have been told, from three or four old trees in one part of Ireland.—*Magazine of Science.*

DUELS AT VICKSBURG.

We yesterday mentioned that a duel had taken place between Thomas E. Robins and a young man named James M. Downs, in which the latter was wounded. Further intelligence has reached us by the New Orleans Picayune, from which it seems that the parties fought with yagers at fifteen paces, and that Mr. D. was severely although not mortally wounded in the breast. A day or two after this duel Mr. Macklin, who acted as the friend of Mr. Downs, called upon Walter Hickey, Esq., the editor of the Vicksburg Sentinel, for an explanation in relation to some remarks made by him about the duel. It would seem that the explanation was not altogether satisfactory to Dr. M., who collared his opponent and commenced shaking him. Mr. H., who was pushed into an alley way, drew a revolving pistol and fired two shots at Dr. M., one of which gave him a severe wound in the breast—one account says a mortal wound.
From the Cincinnati Commercial we learn that a passenger on board the steamer Franklin states that Prentiss arrived on Monday evening from New Orleans at Vicksburg, and on hearing what had happened, immediately challenged Robins and they were to fight on Tuesday morning. The people were betting when the Franklin left that Prentiss would be killed. The greatest excitement prevailed.
In addition, we give the particulars of another affair, one of the parties to which is well known in Baltimore, from the Vicksburg Whig of the 4th inst:
We understand a rencontre took place yesterday, between Major Anderson Miller, U. S. Marshal, and a Major Dunn, a teacher of military tactics. The parties met at the Prentiss House this morning, when Dunn used his stick in a most scientific manner. They subsequently met at Finney's hotel, armed with pistols; both fired without effect.

A Good Answer.

A young gentleman who does not live a thousand miles from our office, was in the act of popping the question to a young lady the other day, when just at the "witching time" her father entered the room, and inquired what they were about? "O!" promptly replied the fair one, "Mr. — was just explaining the question of annexation to me, and he is for immediate annexation." "Well," said Papa, "if you can agree on a treaty, I'll ratify it." We speak for a bid.

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