

your note. Cheap literature be blowed—butchers must live as well as other people, and if so be you and the reading public wants to have meat at next to nothing on prime cost, you must buy your own beastesses and kill yourselves.' The butcher, so slightly indebted to literature himself, at once resolved to sacrifice nothing for its support. And so it is with others. Though publishers were literally to 'kill themselves' in a struggle for literature, there is a class of persons who would look on with calm indifference. Our difficulty however is not to obtain writers. Some indeed who made fair promises, on the establishment of the Provincial Magazine, have shewn themselves as empty Professors. There has, however, been no deficiency of material to fill our pages. A number of young writers lend us their willing aid, and though there may be still much room for improvement in its contents, we are glad to find that the Provincial has lost nothing of late in the expression of general approval. What we now require and wish to bespeak is a larger subscription list, that would enable us to make desired improvements for the benefit of our readers, without risk of pecuniary loss. The Provincial has been started less with a view to profit than to foster provincial literature in which we believe it has already to some extent succeeded. Let those who have encouraged our efforts hitherto add a hundred names to the number of our patrons, and so ensure our future success? We refer to our advertising sheet for particulars.

Our record of passing events during the month, has been somewhat meagre.

On the 10th ult. an election came off in Kings County, for a member for the Provincial Parliament, to supply the place of J. C. Hall, Esq. of Kentville. It resulted in the return of Mayhew Beckwith, Esq., by a majority of 240 votes over his opponent, George Barnaby, Esq.

On the 12th the Steamer Germania (formerly the Acadia of the Cunard line of Mail Steamers) put into Halifax for a supply of coal. She was on her passage from Bremen to New York.

H. M. Flag Ship Cumberland, Capt. Seymour, with Admiral Sir George Seymour, sailed on the 27th for the West Indies.

The Grand Jury of the Supreme Court have found true bills against Thomas Murphy and John Gordon, for the murder in September last of Alexander Allen, seaman, of H. M. S. Cumberland. The prisoners were arraigned and remanded to jail to await their trial.

The schooner Sylph which sailed from Quebec for Ragged Islands and Liverpool, N. S., has been reported wrecked off West Point of Anticosti, about the 29th, and all on board are said to have perished. A great amount of marine disasters have occurred this season. The weather throughout the Provinces and a part of the United States has been unusually cold for the season. Snow has fallen in quantities in New Brunswick and Canada. Fuel has maintained very high prices.

The yellow fever by latest intelligence was still raging fatally at Ireland Island and Hamilton, Bermuda.

By the usual arrival of the Mail Steamers, we have full European intelligence.

War between Turkey and Russia has commenced. The Turks, so far, have been victorious, and the Russian army has been compelled to retreat. How far other nations may be involved in the strife is still a matter of uncertainty.

M. Arrago, the celebrated French Astronomer, died in the early part of October.

Flour and other provisions were commanding high prices.

The Steamer Andes on her passage from Liverpool to New York put into Halifax for Coals on the 5th of the present month, and on the 6th the Steamer Humboldt on her passage from Havre to New York, in making for this port on a similar errand struck upon one of the rocks called 'The Sisters,' by which she was so much injured that it was found necessary to run her on shore. The passengers (90), crew, and a portion of the cargo, consisting of valuable French Goods, were brought to Halifax by the Mail Steamer Ospray and one of the Halifax and Dartmouth Ferry Steamers. The passengers subsequently proceeded to the United State by the Niagara en route for Boston from Liverpool.