

**Lower Canada Legislature.**—The session commenced on Nov. 15; the speech of the Governor in Chief on the occasion was marked by the most amicable sentiments. Mr. Christie was expelled for a fourth time; 32 to 18. A dispatch from the Colonial Office, in answer to petitions respecting grievances, was laid before the House, and gave much satisfaction on account of its justice and liberality.

**Montreal.**—The population of this city is stated at 27,297—country parishes 11,930, total on the island 39,280.

**Gale.**—A gale at Quebec, on Nov. 22, destroyed property to the amount of about £70,000.

**Barbadoes.**—Subscriptions, in aid of the sufferers by the hurricane of Aug. 10, have been commenced in Miramichi, Fredricton and St. John, N. B.; and in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The following table shews the relative proportion of the Whites, Slaves, and Free Blacks in British West India.

<i>Chartered Colonies.</i>	<i>Whites.</i>	<i>Slaves.</i>	<i>Free Blacks.</i>
Bermuda,	5,500	4,650	500
Bahamas,	4,600	9,500	2,800
Jamaica,	15,000	331,000	40,000
Virgin Isles,	860	5,400	607
St. Christophers,	1,809	19,590	2,500
Nevis,	800	9,000	1,800
Antigua,	2,000	30,000	4,500
Mont-Serra,	500	6,000	700
Dominica,	800	14,500	3,600
Barbadoes,	15,000	81,000	5,000
St. Vincent's,	1,300	22,500	2,000
Grenada,	800	24,500	3,700
Tobago,	360	12,700	1,200
<i>Crown Colonies.</i>			
St. Lucia,	1,100	13,500	4,000
Trinidad,	13,500	23,000	16,000
Honduras,	300	2,450	2,800
Demerara,	3,000	70,000	6,000
Berbice,	600	21,000	1,000
Cape Good Hope,	13,000	35,000	29,000
Mauritius,	8,000	76,000	15,100
<b>Total,</b>	<b>108,150</b>	<b>812,700</b>	<b>143,707</b>

**HALIFAX.—Mechanics' Institute.**—The Mechanics' Library, having been encouraged by signatures and subscriptions, in a greater degree than its warmest friends anticipated, the Committee thought that steps might be taken to form an Institute, by the members of the library association, and others. Resolutions to this effect passed the Committee, and discussion was had on the