

there are no apples, there can be no cider. This is a sad drawback to an otherwise fine and very productive season. All the Schools will have to go in mourning, and the wail of lamentation over the fruit that ought to have been eaten, will be heard through the length and breadth of the land. The loss of the domestic consumption of Annapolis County, will be severely felt by many to whom apples and cider have become necessities of life.

THE CLASSICS.—We "take it for granted" that our correspondent "Auld Lang Syne" writes in jest, rather than in sorrow or anger. If we supposed him serious we might venture a few words in behalf of the right of the moderns to express their thoughts, although their fathers, the writers of antiquity, were born before them. There is in some, it must be acknowledged, an undue thirsting after literary novelty, but they are, after all, only a fair and wholesome set off to those, who, versed in ancient lore, desire nothing beyond it. If the former are frequently satisfied with productions of an inferior order,—the latter would destroy all chance of present excellence. This exclusive devotion to the works of a former period, is not always according to judgment, for with many of this class, to be old and to be foreign, is to be classic and good. An anecdote in point may not be amiss. An artist, now celebrated, was originally a house painter's apprentice. Having fine natural talents, and great industry, he soon attained to much dexterity. He painted marine scenes which exhibited abundant promise of future excellence. A connoisseur, and collector,—one who loved the productions of the old masters because they were rare and much talked of, picked up a fine sketch, and paid a fair price for it. He brought it in triumph to a frame-maker who was also an amateur, and ordered a splendid frame, remarking on his good luck in getting such a gem so easily, and mentioning the "master" whose production he supposed it to be. The frame-maker informed him that he was mistaken, and that what he thought the work of a celebrated old master, was that of a poor young man, and was a good picture nevertheless. After some incredulity, the question was settled beyond doubt by the mechanic. "Don't make the frame then," said the mortified connoisseur, and the picture was thrown aside as of no value. So it has been sometimes in the literary world. The picture was as good after its painter was known as before,—yet admiration turned to contempt; were the painter not discovered it would be doated on, and exhibited, as almost an object of worship.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—The Session commenced last Wednesday evening. Mr. Joseph Howe delivered an Introductory Address. Mr. Howe recited some particulars connected with the history of the Institute, dwelt on present encouraging appearances, and made suggestions respecting the future. By a vote of the audience, and the acquiescence of Mr. Howe, the Address is to be published.

DECK LOAD LAW.—Wishing to make some additional securities against accidents at Sea, Her Majesty's ministers have carried a law by which merchant ships are not to carry deck loads. This has caused a question—some understanding that all traders are to be included,—others, that timber vessels plying between America and the United Kingdom are the chief objects of the measure, and that it does not interfere with inter-colonial trade. The Customs authorities of St. John, N. B. take the former view, those of Halifax the latter.

FIRE.—The only alarm of fire, in Halifax, during the last twelve months occurred yesterday. A spruce beer brewery shed, caught fire, and burnt down,—the damage was but trifling.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION.—The Legislature of Nova Scotia are called to meet for despatch of business, on the 31st of December.

An examination of that benevolent establishment, the Halifax African School, took place on Saturday week, in the presence of several visitors. The event reflected much credit on all concerned.

Master Hutchings, the "little Prodigy," performed at Mason Hall on Wednesday evening,—his first appearance before a Halifax audience. Much gratification, we understand, was the result. He appears again on Saturday evening. The little fellow, young as he is, might be safely put on his own earnings, which is more than could be said of some full grown gentlemen.

News.—Nothing of consequence has come to hand, during the week. Sir J. Colborne had departed from Quebec, and Sir C. P. Thompson had been installed in his place. European dates, received in N. York, brought intelligence one day later from France. They are barren of general interest.

The New York and Boston Banks continued to pay in specie. The losses by fire, in the U. States, from the 1st of October to the 26th. amounted to 600 houses; and property estimated at \$1,040,000. The number of fires was 24. The United States Postmaster General has revoked the order by which mails for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, were detained at Eastport.

LATEST.

New York, 30th ult. Arrived Packet ship Independence, in 31 days, bringing London and Liverpool dates to 28th September. The accounts of the harvest, although at considerable variance in different parts of the country, on the whole leave scarcely a doubt, that a large portion of the wheat crop has been irremediably damaged, and that the oats and barley crops were in serious jeopardy. Large orders had been sent to the Continent, and the necessity of parting with heavy amounts of gold, in payment for foreign grain, could be no longer questioned.

ORIGINAL PEARL.—We present our readers to-day with another Original Pearl, and beg to thank the correspondents who so readily stepped forward to assist us in carrying out this feature of our plan, for their various contributions. It is not to be expected that the paper can boast, in a few months, either of that perfect arrangement, or correct and brilliant composition, which are only the result of experience, and of a familiar and systematic use of steadily accumulating stores. We do not pretend that we have done our best yet, nor that our correspondents have: we hope to do a great deal better, but we have done the best we could in a new situation, and in strange company. By and bye, when we get on a new dress, and grow more familiar with the literary stores that can be depended upon, and get our own materials more aptly at our fingers' ends, we shall feel more at our ease, and promise our readers that the experiment of whether or not the British provinces will support a literary paper, shall be fairly tried.

MARRIED.

On Sunday evening last, by the Rev. C. Churchill, Mr. W. McNally, to Charlotte, fourth daughter of Mr. W. Wells, both of this place. On Sunday evening, by the Venerable Archdeacon Willis, Capt. J. Grant, to Elizabeth, third daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Fenerty. At Charlottetown, P. E. Island, on the 22d ult, by the Rev. L. C. Jenkins, Capt. Ledret, commander of the French brig-of-war Brestoise, to Margaret, third daughter of Mr. George Mayhey, of that town—At Crapaud, on the 24th ult, by W. B. Welner, Esq. Mr. G. Smith, to Miss Ann Wigginton. On Saturday evening, by the Rev. Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Samuel Rand Thompson, to Miss Eliza Stirling. On Friday evening, by the Rev. John Martin, Mr. W. Smith, to Miss Alice Fraser, both of the Bay of Islands. On Tuesday evening by the Rev. C. Churchill, Mr Morris Bowen, to Miss Ann Bowes, both of Halifax.

DIED,

On Sunday morning, after a short but painful illness, in the 31th year of her age, Elizabeth, wife of Mr. Richard Woodroffe. At Annapolis, Royal, on the 30th ult, at the residence of his father, James Lovett, Esq, Barrister at Law, aged 25 years. At Burley's Hotel, in Hamilton, U. C. on the 5th October, very suddenly, G. H. Dunbar, Esq. late of the 93d Highlanders, Yesterday afternoon, Rachael, wife of Qr. Master Sergeant Shean, Royal Sappers and Miners, in the 33d year of her age, leaving a husband and large family to mourn the loss of an affectionate wife and tender parent. Her funeral will take place from the Artillery Park, to-morrow, Saturday, at 3 o'clock, when the friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED.

Monday, November 4th—Schr. Royal Miner, Babin, P. E. Island, 5 days, produce. Tuesday, 5th—Schr. New Messenger, Miramichi, 6 days, fish and lumber to J. Allison & Co. Matilda, Fougere, Bonavista, N. F. 8 days; Ann, Reynolds, Burin, N. F.—fish, to B. Story; brig Coquette, Demerara, 35 days, rum to S. Binney. Wednesday, 6th—Schrs. General Warren, Baker, Philadelphia, 14 days, flour to J. H. Braine; Susan, Taylor, Alexandria, 18 days, flour wheat and bread to S. Binney; brig Saldanha, Stubbe, Baltimore, 10 days, flour and wheat to G. P. Lawson, Schr. Royal Adelaide, Kirkby, Dominica, 18 days, molasses to J. & M. Tobin; New brig. Slaney, Shubenacadie, to P. Furlong; H. M. Brig Ringdove, Commander Stewart, Quebec, 12 days. Thursday, 7th—Brigt. St. Patrick, Listen, St. John's NF. 15 days, dry fish etc. to S. Cunard & Co. and others. Friday, 8th—Barque Georgian, Marshall, Montego Bay, 29 days, ballast to D. & E. Starr & Co; brig Judith & Esther, Brown, New York, 9 days, to McNab Cochran & Co; brig Griffin, Young, Turks Island.

Keefler's Reading Room,
ESTABLISHED OCTOBER, 1836.

THE SUBSCRIBERS to the above are respectfully notified, that their SUBSCRIPTIONS for the next year (1840) are now due. Gentlemen wishing to subscribe, will please hand in their Names to the Proprietor.
October 4. CHARLES KEEFER.

AUCTIONS.

Sugar, Treacle and Flour,
At Collins' wharf,

BY DEBLOIS & MERKEL,

To-morrow, Saturday, at 12 o'clock, immediately previous to the sale at M. G. Black's wharf.

2 HIDS CRUSHED LOAF SUGAR,
8 do fine Bastard ditto,
4 do common do do
3 puns. TREACLE,
100 Bbls RYE FLOUR,

Nov. 8

Tobacco, Rice, Pale Seal Oil.

BY DEBLOIS & MERKEL,

To-Morrow, Saturday, at 12 o'clock, at M. G. Black's Wharf.

30 kegs Tobacco, 16 hands to the lb.

15 Tierces Rice, 10 bbls, Pale Seal Oil,
5 do. Cod do, 6 Qr. casks SHERRY WINE,
10 boxes CHEESE, 40 boxes 7x9 WINDOW GLASS,
20 boxes SOAP.

Nov. 8

At 11 o'clock.

BY DEBLOIS & MERREL,

At their Room, on Monday next, at 11 o'clock,—The following Goods, just received;

Broad Cloths, Pilot Cloths, Flushing,
CA-SIMERES, Red green, white and yellow FLANNELS, do. do. BAIZES; Canvas, Raven's Duck, Osaburgs, Muleskins, Vestings, Striped Shirtings and Checks, Bedticks, printed Cottons, Merinos, cotton Handkerchiefs, Pilot and Fearnought Coats, blue cloth Suits, Buckskin and lined Muleskin do, cloth cloaks and Overcoats, with fur collars, Pen Jackets, flushing Trowsers, Dutch Peg coats, woollen Drawers, striped cotton, serge and laize Shirts, BLANKETS, and Rugs, 8 cases LONDON PICKLES, assorted, &c. &c. Nov. 8

MASONIC HALL.

By Command and under the immediate patronage of HIS EXCELLENCY SIR COLIN CAMPBELL.

ON SATURDAY Nov. 9th, 1839, MASTER HUTCHINGS will personate 5 characters. The entertainment will commence with a new piece, written expressly for Master Hutchings, entitled the

Pet of the Admiral,

Frank Freely	Mr. Hutchings.
Charles	
The Hon. Augustus Algernon Fitzpoodle,	MASTER HUTCHINGS.
Miss Pamela Prim	
Patty Meadows	
Bob the Sailor	

In the course of the evening Master Hutching will sing the following Song

The Ladies Man and the Merry Sea Boy.

To conclude with, by desire, the celebrated Burlesque Burletta of

Bombastes Furioso,

GENERAL BOMBASTES - - - - Master Hutchings.

Tickets to be had of Mr. Hutchings at Medley's Hotel. Doors open at 7, performance to commence at 8 precisely. Price of admission \$1, Children under 12, half-price. Nov. 8

Just Published,

And for sale at the Stationary Stores of Messrs. A. & W. MacKinlay, Mr. John Muar, and at the Printing Office of W. Cunnabell, Marchington's wharf,

Cunnabell's Nova Scotia Almanack for 1840.

Containing lists of the Executive and Legislative Councils, House of Assembly, Sittings of the Supreme Court, Justices of the Peace, Barristers and Attornies, Officers of the Provincial Revenue, Officers of H. M. Customs, Land Surveyors, Banking companies, Insurance companies, Mails, Stage Coaches, Steamers, Clergy, Academies, Merchants Private Signals, EQUATION TABLE OF TIME, the Navy, Army, Staff of Provincial Militia, &c. &c. with a variety of miscellaneous matter, and INDEX. Nov. 1-

Seasonable Goods.

Landing, Ex Prince George from London:

PILOT Cloths, Flushings, fine and Slop CLOTHING, Blankets, and a variety of other articles in

50 Packages,

Received as above, and for sale on reasonable terms by Nov. 1, 1839. 3m. J. M. CHAMBERLAIN.

Canvas and Cordage.

A FRESH SUPPLY of CANVAS and CORDAGE received per Acadian direct from the Rope Walk of the Gourcock Company. ALSO, Per Brenda,

Pilot Cloths, Flushings, Flannels, Blankets,

Brown Cloth, Prints, Springfield and Manchester Warp, Mackereet and Herring Nets, Salmon Twine, Nails, Spikes, Paints, Oils, Shot Gunpowder, and many other articles suitable for the season, all which the Subscriber offers for sale on moderate terms. Oct. 18. —2w ROBERT NOBLE.

775 BARRELS FLOUR and MEAL,

ALSO, a few barrels Prime APPLES, Received by the schr Sulan, Morrill, Master, from Philadelphia, and offered for sale by the Subscriber, at low prices, while landing. Sept. 20. ROBERT NOBLE.