

and by other vessels *via* United States ports, an additional number of industrious Provincials have departed for the gold regions. It is hoped that the negotiations now in progress for the construction of Railways, which have recently assumed a new phase in the Provinces, may result in putting a stop to this drain upon our Provincial population. The Canadian parliament now in session will doubtless have their attention occupied by this important subject; and it is stated that the two Lower Provinces have entertained a proposition for the construction of the necessary Railroads by a company of British capitalists, of whom William Jackson, Esq., M. P., is the representative present.

The subject of telegraphic communication has lately occupied attention. A project for connecting the Islands of Newfoundland and Prince Edward with Nova Scotia, is on the tapis.

We notice by the published tariff of the Nova Scotia E. T. Company, that the fares have been reduced on the transmission of messages to certain stations within Nova Scotia, and that a maximum rate of 2s. 6d., for the greatest distance to which their lines extend, at present prevails. This, we believe, is scarcely one fourth the rate payable in like cases in Great Britain, and unexampled for cheapness in America.

The election for the Township of Windsor, Hants, held on the 8th Sept., resulted in the return of L. M. Wilkins, Esq., by a small majority over his opponent, R. McHeffy, Esq.

The so called Chibucto Regatta came off in Halifax harbour on the 15th, for which George's Island was made the rendezvous, where a numerous concourse assembled to witness the aquatic combat. It was a spirited affair—the day being most propitious for the occasion. In the evening of same day a display of fireworks was made from Governor's field, in aid of the fund for the contemplated Industrial Exhibition of 1853. The proceeds, together with those of a previous exhibition for the same object, amounted to upwards of one hundred pounds.

The most important intelligence from England is that of the death of Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington, which occurred at Walmer Castle on the 14th of September. He had been in his usual health until the morning of that day, when he was seized with epileptic fits and expired at a quarter to 3 o'clock, P. M. This event has excited great public attention, as it closed the career of the greatest warrior of this or any other age—a General who attracted the interest and wonder of Europe for more than half a century, and whose powers in the field and judgment in the cabinet have reflected more lustre on the British nation than have those of any other subject in the history of the kingdom.

The newspapers received during the past month contain little else calculated to interest our readers.

The news from the Cape is of the same monotonous, unsatisfactory nature. The war with the Kaffirs appears interminable.

The ground for crection of a great Crystal Palace at Paris, has been marked out, and the Architects have made preparations for its early completion.

Louis Napoleon is making a systematic tour through the Southern Provinces of France, and splendid preparations were made for his reception in the several cities. His marriage with the Princess Wasa is postponed, by the decision of her father, and it is thought the project will ultimately be renounced.

The Austrian General Haynau has left Paris for Germany.