

Telegraphic News.

Ottawa, Jan. 23. Full returns from North Renfrew to day show that White, opposition, was elected by 210 majority over M. Murray, ministerialist.

From recent telegrams from British Columbia it appears that an official state ment laid before the Legislature shows the indebtedness of the Province to amount to \$487,000 but there are other items not stated in accounts amounting to not less than \$150,000 additional.

An independent member of the House, prompted, it is rumored, by the Government, moved a resolution demanding permission for British Columbia to secede from the union, but the motion fell through for want of a seconder.

Langevin, opposition, has been elected for Charlevoix, defeating the Government candidate by 250 majority.

London, Jan. 22. It is stated that triple collision has occurred on the Great Northern railway near Huntingdon. The accounts are that the Scotch express collided with a mineral train, and that the express from London ran into the debris of the first two. A special train conveying doctors has left London for the scene of the collision. In consequence of the interruption to telegraphic communication by the storm nothing is known as to the loss of life.

The News states that two persons were killed and many severely wounded before the occurrence of the second collision.

Ottawa, Jan. 24. It is expected that all Militia corps will perform their annual drill at regimental headquarters during the ensuing military year.

A local paper states that since it became known that women were to be employed in the Public Departments as copying clerks there has been a rush of ladies of all classes to Ministers to obtain the desired work, that it has finally become such a nuisance that the services of females are to be hereafter dispensed with.

New York, Jan. 24. It is thought President Grant will decline furnish Congress with the correspondence between this Government and Foreign Powers regarding intervention in Cuban affairs.

Mrs. McKenzie, wife of Hugh McKenzie M. P. of Montreal, eloped to New York with Lieut. Bridges, where they were arrested Saturday, but got away the same night to Philadelphia, thus escaping arrest on the charge of abduction, which was to be brought against them here.

Gold 115 to 113.

The St. Stephen Journal referring to the prospects of the Grand Southern Railway says—"The building of the Grand Southern promises immediate prosperity to St. Stephen, St. George, and St. John, and will no doubt, have a beneficial influence on the times throughout the whole of New Brunswick. The commencement of it implies the introduction into the country of over \$1,000,000, of foreign capital, and abundance of profitable employment to thousands of idle men, while its completion will help to develop the red granite industry in full, open up new, and better markets, for the produce of the farmer, and the goods of the merchant, and in fine a boon to everybody."

A MERITORIOUS ACT, and one deserving of special mention, happened at Amherst Station on Thursday. While the train was backing into the depot a young lady, whose name our reporter could not learn, stepped off the end of the platform and fell across the track.

William Hennick an active and efficient brakeman on Conductor McQuary's train, rushed forward and at great risk to himself, pulled the young lady from the dangerous position, and barely in time to prevent a serious, if not fatal accident.—Sackville Borderer.

The Calais Times says—"The Red Granite Company expect to have their works at Red Beach completed, and be ready for orders next May. The specimens of their granite sent to various cities for examination have been much admired, and universally pronounced equal to that quarried in Scotland. Those qualified to judge are of the opinion that it will prove far superior to the Aberdeen granite for many purposes."

THROUGH FISH RATES.—Arrangements have been perfected by which frozen fish may be shipped from any railway station on the North Shore to Boston, (all rail) at through rates. The charge from Miramichi and all stations South of it, including Shediac, is 75cts. per 100 lbs., prepaid. The rate from Bathurst is 90 cents. Fish leaving Miramichi, however, require two days, as before, to reach St. John. The time between St. John and Boston is two and a half days. If the Intercolonial and the roads West would make arrangements for better despatch, a largely increased traffic would no doubt be the result.—St. Lawrence Advertiser.

OBITUARY.—Isaac Murray, Esq., an old and much respected inhabitant of York County, died at his residence on the Spring Hill Farm, five miles from Fredericton, on Thursday last, aged 77 years. The funeral took place on Sunday. Mr. Murray was a native of Durham, England, and with his brothers, was widely known and respected in this Province.

Miss MacFarlane, daughter of James MacFarlane, Esq., has won for herself a

first class position on a leading New York literary journal. Miss M. has developed into a powerful writer of romance, whose productions are eagerly purchased at remunerative prices.

THOMAS WHITE, Esq., has been offered the Commission of Railways under the Quebec Government, but has not yet accepted it.

The Standard

SAINT ANDREWS, JAN. 26, 1875.

Publisher's Notice.

We have given timely notice to persons indebted this office, but their accounts still remain unsettled. After waiting so long (even for years,) they cannot find fault, when called upon by a legal officer for payment. Patience is a great virtue, but it is well not to stretch it to too great an extent. We know some who have money of ours that it would be well for them to pay before many days pass.

THE DOMINION ELECTIONS appear to be turning out adversely for the ministry, seat after seat is lost, and ministerial journals even admit such defects "are not pleasant." What is the cause of such a change of feeling? There certainly is some reason for such a change of sentiment in those electoral districts where the contests have occurred. It is much to be regretted that any "party" is seeking aid from those who are secretly endeavoring to control legislation, and obey the behests of a foreign power. Such an unholy alliance will ultimately lead to trouble and heart burnings. No Ministry that ever existed was perfect; true, some were better than others, but in all popular governments the people have it in their power to check the wrong doings of their rulers, by directing their representatives to vote against them, and oblige them to yield up the seals of office. This however should not be resorted to except in extreme cases, such as unnecessarily increasing the debt of the country, squandering its revenue, or otherwise mismanaging its affairs.

We are not wedded to change, and dislike such frequent election contests as have taken place within the last decade, and fear the political atmosphere is becoming corrupt—men will sacrifice principle and honor to obtain seats in the legislature and government for their own aggrandizement, and use political clap-trap and misrepresentation to accomplish their ends; their motives are selfish, and they ignore the fact that "the noblest motive is the public good," and we are sorry to add that they find willing tools to aid them in the shape of party hacks, who are rewarded for their treachery from the public funds, in various ways. We express our views candidly—hit whom they may.

The Circuit Court closed on Friday afternoon. In the cause "Treadwell vs. Douglas" the jury did not agree. "Sinclair vs. Spence," action of trespass, no cause of action.

The sentence in the criminal case against McMullin and Scullion was pronounced on Friday. Mr. McMullin was found not guilty, but Scullion was sentenced by the Judge to 9 months at hard labor in the Penitentiary.

At a meeting of the Directors of the St. Andrews Steamboat & Ferry Company, held at the office of Wm. White, Esq., on the 22nd inst., the following gentlemen were elected for the ensuing year: HENRY OSBURN, Esq., President. W. WHITLOCK, Esq., Sec'y-Treasurer.

The following is a list of the Directors elected at a meeting of the shareholders, held on the 11th inst. Henry Osburn, R. Ross, J. S. Magee, H. O'Neil, T. Hipwell, W. Whitlock, J. H. Bradford.

NEW LIGHT HOUSE.—The lamps in the Lighthouse recently erected on the Sand Reef near the Eastern ballast ground, were omitted to mention, were lighted on the 1st instant, and each following night; the light is brilliant and can be seen from all points in the bay. Capt. JAMES CLARK, the oldest Queen's Pilot, at this Port, has been appointed Light Keeper, and is the right man in the right place; few however would care to exchange places with him, in his lonely and cheerless situation.

The Rev. Mr. Earle, the evangelist, has been holding revival meetings in St. John for the past fortnight and it is admitted that his labors have been blessed, by the conversion of many. The Telegraph has a carefully prepared and able article on Mr. Earle's labors.

We learn that failures in Calais are becoming more frequent than agreeable. The truth is overtrading has been carried on to such an extent as to damage business and cause "bad times." Reductions in wages are taking place all over the continent; the latest we heard of is in San Francisco, where mechanics wages have been reduced 25 per cent. It is to be hoped the worst has been reached, and that with the approaching Spring business will revive.

HOTEL REGISTERS.—We make no charge for publishing the names of travellers registered at the hotels, when the list is furnished us, as was the following: MEGANTIC HOTEL.—A. Cameron, W. A. Barzle, D. F. Maxwell, J. W. Johnson, M. McMonagle, J. H. McCully, H. Moody, St. Stephen; J. Anderson, P. W. Campbell, D. Wetmore, St. George; G. S. Grimmer, Chambook; D. H. Eaton, Montreal.

An old-fashioned snow storm accompanied by high wind commenced early this morning and piled up drifts in many places; the weather however cleared up during the forenoon, but it still continues cold.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Provincial Legislature at its next session, to amend the Act 38 Victoria, chapter 37, as far as relates to the following matters, viz: 1st. The time of taking the vote contemplated by the said Act. 2d. To amend section 8 of said Acts as to the mode of making up the list of votes, and as to majority required to determine the vote.

A large majority of the ratepayers do not understand the above "notice," but we feel it our duty to inform them. The notice should have stated that the Grand Southern Railway Directors will apply to the Legislature at its next Session to alter the time of taking the vote for the assessment of the whole County for \$50,000; and also to change Section 8 of the Act 38 Vic. as to give a simple majority of those who attend to vote, the power to carry the proposed measure. As this is a matter of great interest to the people, it would be wise to give it an attentive consideration, as they already complain of the present taxation being all they can bear. We do not wish to be understood, however, as being opposed to the Grand Southern Railway which a contemporary says "promises immediate prosperity to St. Stephen, St. George and St. John." We wish each of these places prosperity, at their own expense.

CHINESE NEWSPAPER.—A correspondent in San Francisco sent us a copy of a Chinese Newspaper published in that city named "The Oriental," which is a curiosity. With the exception of a few lines in English, it is a mere sheet of biographical notes. And is divided into several small sized columns with wide lines running the width of the sheet, about the size of the STANDARD. It is published weekly by Cheok Wong & J. Hoffman, 817 Washington Street, San Francisco, price 10 cts per copy and is the only Chinese newspaper in America. Advertisements sent in English are translated and published by its proprietors. The terms would gladden the hearts of newspaper men in this country—only Four Dollars per inch for one month, for three months a discount of ten per cent. is allowed. The printing is well executed.

ANDREW'S COUGH SYRUP.—We do not believe in patent medicines, or the universal panaceas advertised by impudent empirics; but when a medicine or syrup approved by physicians, and which relieves or cures a particular disease, and no other, we feel warranted in recommending it as we can do the new Cough Syrup put up by Mr. Street—Andrews Cough Syrup which those who have used it, state is a useful medicine and cures a cough.

OYSTERS.—Those fond of Oysters can obtain them at a low price at Calais, where a cargo has arrived and is being sold at 40 cents a quart, \$1.25 a gallon, all shells. A barrel unopened can be had for \$1.75. They are said to be the best Delaware oysters. Who will send for a barrel?

Desirous to make all things square at the commencement of the new year, the accounts of those indebted to this Office are made out and will be forwarded to each subscriber, and it is expected that those persons who are indebted from one to five years, will make payment and save expense. Those generous patrons who have paid promptly will accept our thanks.

The eruptions of Mount Vesuvius, which is again active, amounted, according to the historians, to nineteen from the first to the seventeenth century, when twenty-three were recorded. In the eighteenth century twenty-three took place, and in the present century there have already been twenty-five, or one every three years.

James B. Beck, who was nominated for the United States Senate by the Kentucky Democrats, at 2 o'clock Tuesday a. m., is a Scotchman, born in Dumfriesshire, in 1822, graduated as a lawyer at Transylvania University in Ken-

tucky, in 1846. He was a member of Congress from Kentucky, from 1867 to 1873, and gained the reputation of a skillful debater and a prudent politician.

Death of Mr. George McFarlan.

From the Eureka West Coast Signal of Dec. 29, we copy the following melancholy particulars of the death of a native and former resident of this County Mr. Geo. McFARLAN brother of Mr. Archibald McFarlan of this Parish. It appears from the Signal, that the deceased carried with him those excellent principles, pluck and energy, which he possessed here and that in that far distant region, he enjoyed that respect and esteem, which his numerous relatives and friends in his native County of Charlotte, awarded him, and which he merited:—

The announcement, on Christmas morning of the death of Geo. McFarlan, one of the oldest and most highly esteemed residents of Eureka, cast a gloom over the community which to a great extent interrupted and checked the festivities of the day.—Mr. McFarlan had up to the evening previous been in the enjoyment of usual good health, although more or less troubled with a disagreeable and painful sensation in the head. This so affected him that he asked the opinion of a physician late on Friday evening, but his situation was considered by no means critical. Late on Friday night he visited the Occidental Mill, in which he is a part owner, it is supposed to see that everything was right and safe. The night watchman at the Mill noticed something peculiar in his conduct, and accompanied him some distance up First street when he started home. Early on Saturday morning it was known that he was missing, and that his family were greatly alarmed at his absence, which was something unusual. A little after 9 o'clock the body of a man was discovered floating with the tide at the lower end of the City Wharf. It was immediately recovered, and the fact was soon announced that it was the remains of our missing fellow citizen. The body was soon after removed to Tomlinson's building, corner First and F streets, and Justice R. H. Howard notified of the fact. A jury of inquest was summoned, which after two hours of deliberation returned the following verdict:—

We, the undersigned, a jury of inquest duly summoned to inquire into the cause of death after an inspection of the body and the examination of the witnesses produced, find that the name of deceased was Geo. McFarlan; that his age is 54 years; that he came to his death on the morning of the 25th of December, between the hours of half past one and seven o'clock, by accidental drowning in the waters of Humboldt Bay.

(Signed) A. D. Serier, N. Bellock, C. Wiggins, W. R. Finch, Jos. Allen, R. Allard, B. S. Little, W. T. Vance, R. Gunther, Geo. Graham, D. S. Newell, C. G. Gardner.

There seems to be but one opinion relative to the untimely death of Mr. McFarlan—that suffering from brain disease he became bewildered, and in this condition walked into the Bay at some point on the water front, and that a peculiar condition of the system kept the body from sinking. On the day previous to burial, at the instigation of friends, a post mortem examination was held by Dr. Schenck and Gross, which, as had been anticipated, developed chronic disease of the membrane of the brain, culminating in an apoplectic attack which had been preceded by lawdement and loss of self control. However sadly the announcement of his death must fall on those who are near and dear, and a host of sincere friends, there is something of consolation in the fact that a cloud has been lifted as regards the cause of it.

The close year has witnessed sad havoc in the ranks of pioneers and esteemed citizens. Mr. McFarlan was one of that number. He arrived in this state in 1849, and was for a time a resident of Trinity county, being one of the Company engaged in the construction of the famous "Arkansas Dam," on Trinity river in 1850. More than one of his associates in that undertaking are now residents of Humboldt county. He came to Humboldt Bay in the year 1851, and during most of his time since he has been identified with the lumber interests of the county. Those who have known him most intimately and well, will bear us out in the assertion that George McFarlan, was good and worthy citizen, a kind and considerate neighbor and a faithful friend. His remains were buried from his residence on the 27th, and were attended to their final rest by a large concourse of friends in manifestation of the respect felt at the loss of a good citizen, and the sympathy which the widow and six fatherless children so fully deserve. Peace to his ashes.

To the Editor of the Standard. Sir—Referring to the intended application to the Legislature for an alteration in the Grand Southern Railway Bill, to decide the vote by a majority instead of a two-thirds vote, and to tax the inhabitants of this County to aid in the construction of the road; its advocates allege that it will be a great benefit to St. George, St. Stephen and St. John. As St. Andrews and the Islands are not named, the friends of the Grand Southern do not expect the people of those localities to vote for the bill, knowing the line will not be of any advantage to them.

Yours, JAMES BOGUE

(of St. George as her agent. Dated the 23rd December, A. D. 1875. SARAH LYNOFF, Administratrix, GEO. MORLEY, Solicitor.)

The Austrian note, which will be presented to the Sultan with the unanimous support of the European powers, advises the establishment of the equality of all religious denomina-

tions, a revision of the system of taxation and changes in the administration of justice especially the acceptance of the evidence of Christians in court. The note proposes the establishment of a commission, composed of equal numbers of Christians and Turks, as an effective guarantee of the reforms.

Contagion in our Schools.

The prevalence and spread of scarlet fever and diphtheria among the children of this city are facts which should awaken an anxious concern of the profession. It is unnecessary to say that the occurrence of these cases is explained by the fact of direct contagion. No matter what particular views may be advanced in regard to the *modus operandi* of the poison we hardly believe there are any, at all acquainted with the diseases in question, who would be willing to say that they are not communicable, and hence not amenable to ordinary preventive measures. But, notwithstanding this belief, a belief shared in by the most intelligent portions of the lay community, we have these diseases cropping up in the schools day by day, under the very eyes of the teachers, and without any apparent effort on their part to arrest the spread. When a child carries a contagious disease from his school to his home, there is always trouble and anxiety in the train, and not infrequently death, besides the danger of the propagation to other members of the family and among the neighboring children. In the absence of sanitary inspection in our schools, it may seem hardly fair that we urge upon any extra duty to supply the deficiency; but we are convinced that with very little trouble on their part, a great deal of good can be accomplished. And after all, in this particular the teacher is the fittest person to act, being always in direct communication with every scholar, and being the first to be informed of any illness. It would seem to be a very simple task to send the ailing child home, and at the same time to assume, especially during epidemics, that the sickness may be of a contagious character. Neglect of such precautions causes the sacrifice of many valuable lives yearly; and so long as teachers consider that they have no moral obligations in the matter, we can hardly hope for any change.

Even in the most contagious diseases the danger of infection during the initiatory symptoms is comparatively slight. This certainly is the strongest possible argument in favor of the prompt quarantining of a suspicious case. But while we allow that, with the right disposition on the part of those who have charge of the children, much disease may be prevented there is another element in the question, and one which is more difficult to meet, because, in a measure beyond the control of the teacher and that is the premature appearance at school of those who have been the subjects of these infantile diseases. It is well known that the power of propagation lingers in many of these disorders long after convalescence has commenced, and as such a fact is one of the most difficult things for ignorant parents to appreciate, there is no wonder that, many times, the most dangerous poisons are sown broadcast.—Medical Record.

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JAMES BOGUE (of Saint George as her agent. Dated the 23rd December, A. D. 1875. SARAH LYNOFF, Administratrix, GEO. MORLEY, Solicitor.)

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