

The R. M. Steamship *Niagara* arrived on the night of January 1, in 13 days from Liverpool. The news adds but little of importance to previous advices.

Preparations were making for an attack upon Canton to take place on the 15th December. A force is prepared of 2000 marines, backed by the allied fleets of France and England.

The arguments in the case of *Ditcher v. Danison*, on appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, terminated on the 12th Dec. The members of the Council present were The Lord Justice Bruce, the Lord Justice Turner, Mr. Pemberton Leigh, Sir E. Ryan, Sir J. Patteson and the Bishop of London. Their Lordships after the chamber was cleared, remained a considerable time in consultation, but separated without coming to a decision, or naming the day on which judgment will be pronounced.

The *Catharine* was still on the stocks. The last great effort to explode her, Tuesday, Dec. 15th, burst the hydraulic pipes, £900 weekly, for the last six weeks, had been expended, in the efforts to launch the reluctant monster.

The Commander-in-Chief Sir Colin Campbell, had a narrow escape from being taken prisoner in proceeding towards Cawnpore.

Lieut. Moorsom the writer of the following note, is said to have greatly distinguished himself—he is a relative of Judge Wilkins of this city.

The following letter was brought on a small scrap of paper by a coolie from Lucknow to Cawnpore, and forwarded from Capt. Murphy, Brigade Major at Cawnpore, Nov. 3. It is believed to be the last and only doctored note from the inside of Lucknow to that date. It is addressed to his mother, of Great George-street, Westminster, from Lieut. Moorsom, Deputy-Assistant Quarter-master-General to Sir H. Havelock's Force.

Lucknow, Oct. 27.  
My dearest Mother—All right physically and mentally—brain, body, and limbs—to date. We relieved Lucknow from its instant peril, and are now ourselves occupying a more extended position in the town, blockaded with the garrison. Write to Inghis's, Gubbius's, and Couper's people, if possible, to say that they and theirs are all well. We have grub abundant, ammunition, good quarters, plenty of fighting men, stout hearts, and our God on our side; on the other, our enemy numerous, but cowardly, with a scarcity of iron and lead for guns. Had we not many women and children, and sick and wounded, we could walk out of the town at any moment. As it is, we can hold our own, and steadily make advances until reinforcements arrive. I tried once before to ease your anxieties by writing, but the messenger was compelled to throw away his despatches before falling into the hands of the enemy.

This goes through the beleaguering host, so you will, I hope, see the necessity of my writing no more fully. Mother, mind, don't deem me "down among the dead men" until you hear it on the best authority; and with very dearest love to all, believe me your truly affectionate son,  
W. R. Moorsom.

Captain Watkin whose melancholy death we record with feelings of sympathy and commiseration, was related to the Uniscoke family.

Captain C. Watkins, of the Northampton Militia, was traveling with his regiment from Oxford to Plymouth on Thursday, when between Toines and the Kingsbridge-road station, he put his head out of the carriage window, it came in contact with the battress of a wall, and he was killed on the spot.

Commodore Paulding, commanding the U. States squadron at Nicaragua, has arrested the filibuster Walker and his force, at Punta Arenas, and sent them back to the United States. The act which in itself is highly commendable, is said to have been disapproved by the United States Government.

OPENING OF THE HALIFAX AND WINDSOR RAILWAY—ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST TRAIN AT WINDSOR.

WINDSOR, 30th Dec. 1857.  
An Engine and one Car, with the contractors and engineers, arrived here from Halifax at Five, P. M., and returned again to Halifax at 7 P. M.

WINDSOR, 31st Dec. 1857.  
One Engine and one passenger car, with the Chief Engineer, arrived here 1. 10 P. M., and returned again to Halifax, at 3 P. M.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—The idea that cancer is incurable cannot be entertained by persons who have witnessed the effect of these remedies on this terrible disease. The ointment penetrates the substance of the cancer, and reaches its minutest ramifications in the flesh, checking its progress, and gradually restoring the parts affected to a sound condition, while the pills acting upon the blood as a powerful detergent, destroy the seeds of the malignity in the circulation. The testimony on this head is abundant and conclusive.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

Rev. Mr. Jordan, with rem.—directions, attended to. Rev. T. H. White. Rev. Mr. Jamleson, attended to. Rev. J. Ambrose. Rev. Mr. Fillet, with rem. Rev. A. Gray, with rem. Mrs. Symonds, with remittance for C. T. and P. Post. J. W. H. Rowley, Esq., with rem. and advices to P. Post. Mr. G. Munro, with rem. Rev. O. Elliott, attended to. Mr. F. Morris, with rem. Mr. W. H. H. Henderson, with rem.—will attend to directions. Mr. J. Moody, advices to P. Post. Rev. T. D. Ruddle, will be attended to. Rev. H. M. Spika, with bills—have not yet disposed of them. Mr. Chesley, with note of hand from Paffrey.

Married.

On the 24th Dec. by the Rev. Mr. Crisp, Mr. THOMAS HENDY to Miss MARGARET McLAUGHLIN, both of this city.

At Dartmouth, on Monday the 28th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Shrove, Mr. ISAAC HORNE, to Miss ELIZA MIERB. In St. James' Church, Jeddore, on the 20th inst. by Rev. R. Jamison, Mr. PETER MYERS, to Miss MARGARET DOONES, both of Jeddore.

Also by the same, on the same day, at Musquodobolt Harbour, Mr. WM. MYERS, of Jeddore, to Miss CAROLINA STRYENS, of Musquodobolt Harbour.

At St. Mary's Bay, Weymouth, on the 24th ult., by the Rev. P. J. Fillet, Mr. SAMUEL SANDERSON, to Miss FRANCIS ELIZABETH SPEECH.

DIED.

On Tuesday morning last, JOSEPH DANIEL, son of Joanna and William Diving, aged 3 years.

On Tuesday evening last, in the 59th year of her age, Mrs. MARY RUMLEY.

At Ferguson's Cove, on the 29th Dec., WILLIAM POWERS, aged 104 years, an old and respectable inhabitant of that place.

Shipping List.

ARRIVED.

Saturday, Dec. 26.—Sch. Joseph, Binney, Shelburne Monday, 28th.—Brig Pearl, Walters, Liverpool, N. S., schr Amazon, Aisle, Boston, 4 days, Resident, Crowell, Sydney; Lorrick, Graham, Georgetown, P. E. I.; Challenge, Walters; Turks Island.

Wednesday, 30th.—R. M. S. Osprey, Sampson, St. John N. F., 29 hours—24 passengers for Halifax, Brigs Eclipse, Mitchell, Kingston, Jan. 18 days, Ranger, Partner, Baltimore, 11 days; schr Mary Ann, Grant, P. R. Island. Friday, Jan. 1.—R. M. Steamer Canada, Boston, 2 days, 12 pm.—R. M. Steamer Niagara, Liverpool, 13 days.

CLEARED.

Dec. 26.—Mary, Mahoney, Cienfuegos; Arab, Masqin, Jamaica; Islay, McInnis, P. E. Island; Comercio, do. Dec. 29.—Wave, McDonald, Ch. Town, P. E. I., Stanley, Davidson, F. W. Indies; Reindoor, Curtis, Jamaica.

Dec. 29.—Ospray Murphy, Porto Rico; Amazon, McPhee, Newfoundland; Boston, O'Brien, Boston.

Jan'y 1st. 1858.

WILLIAM LANGLEY,

CHEMIST and DRUGGIST, &c.

FROM LONDON.

TENDERS his grateful acknowledgements for the liberal patronage which has been extended to him since his residence in Halifax, and begs to intimate that, from this date, Mr. GEORGE JOHNSON will be associated with him in the business, which will be conducted under the firm of

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CHRISTMAS—1857.

Interesting and neatly bound BOOKS,

IN GREAT VARIETY.

ANNUALS, Harper's Story Books, Chambers' Story Books, Merry Tales for Little Folks, Little Grace, the interesting Publications of the Episcopal Sunday School Union, &c. &c. &c.

Also—CHURCH SERVICES, in Cases, Velvet and extra Morocco; PRAYER BOOKS, clasps and gilt rims, 2s. 3d to 3s.; Velvet very neat do. 4s.; PSALM and HYMN BOOKS, morocco gilt.

Also—Boxes Crayon Materials; do. Soft Crayons do. White, Black and Brown Chalks; Handsome boxes Water Colours; Cases Mathematical Instruments, plain and superior; Ornamental Boxes Vesta Matches, &c. &c.

WM. GOSSIP,

Dec. 19, 1857.

24 Granville Street.

GREAT CLEARANCE

Of Rich and Elegant SILKS,

At an immense Sacrifice!

In order to effect an immediate sale of the Balance of our Stock of BLACK and FANCY SILKS, we have determined upon offering the same at prices reduced as follows, regardless of Cost:

Fancy Silk Dresses.

25 Dresses of 70s.	reduced to	50s and 57s 6d.
28 do do 80s do		57s 6d and 67s 6d.
12 do do 85 do		63 15s.
10 do do 85 17s 6d do		64 17s 6d.

The above comprise Glacés, Stripes, and Checks, of latest styles.

Floanced and Robed Silks.

A very large assortment, former prices ranging to £7, now reduced to £4 and £5 5s. Military Stripe Robes, reduced from £7 to £5 17s 6d. Colored Moire Antiques, former price £6 2s 6d reduced to £5.

Black Glacés and Gros de Naples.

Black Gros de Naples,	3s 3d	reduced to	2s 8d
Ditto	3s 6d	do	3s 3d
3-4 Black Glacés,	4s 6d	do	3s 9d
Ditto	5s 3d	do	4s 3d
Ditto	5s 9d	do	5s 0d
4-4	6s 3d	do	5s 6d
Ditto	7s 6d	do	6s 9d
Ditto	10s 6d	do	8s 9d

Dec 26.

W. BILLING, JUNE & CO. December 19th, 1857.

ALMANACKS!

CUNNABELL'S and BELCHER'S ALMANACKS for Sale by the dozen or single.

WM. GOSSIP,

Nov. 14

24 Granville Street

SPITFIRE FROM LONDON.

By this arrival I have received from the Establishment of Messrs. WINSOR & NEWTON Manufacturing Artists' Colours by appointment to Her Majesty and Prince Albert, the following articles:—Sketching Stools, fitted complete. New Sketching Easel in leather case. Prepared Canvases for Oil Painting, stretched on frames, various sizes, ready for use. Oil Colors, all kinds, in Collapsible Tubes. Flat Portable Tube Boxes, fitted complete. Mal'ogany and China Palettes. Flat Hog Hair Brushes. Best Indian Ink, Gilt, Lion Head, and best Black. Most Water Colors, in Tubes, all kinds, Cakes & Half Cakes do. Neat Cabinet Saucers. Pearl Cement, for mounting Drawings &c. Soaps for Water Colors, in great variety. Lumbards Demy, Royal and Imperial Crayon Boards, Do do do do Mounting Boards. Tubes and Bottles Chinese/White. Sketching Blocks, Drawing Papers. Porte Crayons, and Leather and Cork Stumps. Bristol Boards, Sable Brushes very superior, large and all sizes, &c. &c., and generally all articles in use by Amateur and Professional Artists.

WILLIAM GOSSIP, No 24, Granville Street Oct. 17.

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Have received per Ships "Memec" & "Thames," the balance of their

FALL IMPORTATIONS;

—COMPRISING—

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| DRESS GOODS, In plain and Fancy Stuffs, Plain, Floured and striped, with a variety of new styles. | CLOKINGS, In plain, Reversible, and Sealskin Cloths. Grey, White and printed COTTONS. |
| SHAWLS, In Paisley, Wool and Honeycumb, quite new.  | CARPETINGS, Rugs, Door Mats, Polka Jackets.   |
| MANILES, In the latest designs.   | Worked and Stamped Colours and Sleeves, do in sets, black hinged do                   |
| DAMASKS, In rich patterns 4 4 and 8-4   | Black QUILTINGS, Laces and Edgings, Ready made CLOTHING, in great variety.            |
| CLOTHS, In Beavers, Whittneys, Pilets, Tweeds and Doeskins.                                       |   |

All the above being offered at prices equal to any other house in the trade.

Oct. 24. 34 GRANVILLE STREET

Cheap Blankets!

LONDON HOUSE.

November 12th, 1857.

WE have just received an immense Stock of the above of the following extraordinary LOW PRICES:  
9-4 Heavy Whittneys 10s per pair.  
10-4 do do 12s 6d do.  
10-4 super Saxony 15s do.  
14 4 & 12 4 do do 17s 6d and 20s.  
12-4 Double Milled, made from finest Wools, 25s. 30s.

The above are decidedly the best and cheapest Blankets ever offered to the public.  
Nov. 14 E. BILLING, JUNR. & Co.

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English, German and French. } Dictionaries.  
German, English and French. } 3 parts.  
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Nov. 28, 1857. WM. GOSSIP.

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