

Editorial Miscellany.

THE LATE SIR JOHN CAMPBELL.—This gallant General, who was killed while leading his men to the assault on the Rodan, in the last fearful struggle between the Allies and the Russians, was well known in this garrison, as the Colonel of the 38th Regt., and was related to a clergyman of the diocese, of the same name. Remarkable for an unassuming manner, and for the urbanity and benevolence of his disposition, his departure from Halifax was deeply regretted by a large circle of attached friends, to whom his amiability and generous character had endeared him. It is satisfactory to know, that he lived not to himself alone, but that his duty to his earthly Sovereign was blended with a true allegiance to the King of kings. As a member and latterly a communicant of our Church, he adorned her doctrines by his life and conversation. His memory will be long cherished among us, accompanied with the present conviction, that among the serried hosts before Sebastopol, the excellent judgment of things, and the experience and counsel which he brought to the aid of his country, cannot soon be replaced.

The following extracts from various sources furnish a short and gratifying memoir of the deceased General:—

THE LATE SIR JOHN CAMPBELL.—The late Major-General Sir John Campbell, Bart., entered the army as an ensign in the 38th Regiment, in 1821, and proceeded to India with his father, the late Lieutenant-General Archibald Campbell, G. G. B., the same year. On their way out, Sir Archibald, then Colonel Campbell, K. C. B., assumed the command of the 38th, at the Cape. In 1824 Sir Archibald, being selected for the command of the forces sent to Burmah, his son was placed on his staff, and though very young, his conduct during the whole of the Burmese war elicited such frequent notices in general orders, that at the conclusion of the war, 1826, he received the thanks of the Right Hon. the Governor-General in Council. He remained in the ceded provinces till 1829, when he returned to England, and shortly after, joined the depot of his regiment. On his father's appointment to the government of New Brunswick, in 1831, he was again placed on Sir Archibald's staff, and in 1837 returned again to England, and joined the 38th Regiment, in which he subsequently served in the Mediterranean, West Indies, and Nova Scotia, returning from the last named place in 1831, in command of the regiment, which he retained till the opening of the present war, when he was appointed a Brigadier-General, and from the hour when he first set foot on the scene of duty he was ever at his post. He was made a Major-General by a late brevet, and placed on the list of officers receiving rewards for distinguished services. Endowed with an activity and energy of mind and body not often granted to a younger man, his loss as a general officer is to be deeply deplored at this moment, while his career throughout every relation of life endears his memory to all who knew him, and renders his premature loss irreparable to his family and friends.

“He was well known in the army as the *Soldier's friend*, and there was not a man in his Regiment who would not willingly have perilled his life for his sake.”

“Sir John Campbell,” writes an officer in the Crimea to his friends, “was interred on Cathcart's hill, his favourite resort, where every one was sure of a kind word, and a cheerful saying from the gallant Brigadier. It was but the very evening before his death, that I saw him standing within a few feet of his own grave. He had come to the ground in order to attend the funeral of Captain Vaughan, an officer of his own Regiment (38th) who died of wounds received two days previously in the trenches; and he laughingly invited an officer who was talking to him, to come and lunch with him next day at the club-house of Sebastopol.” By next day's dawn, he was slain while gallantly leading his regiment to battle.

The family from which Sir John Campbell descended, was a branch of the great house of Argyll, springing more immediately from that of Breadalbane. He married in 1841 Helen Margaret, only child of the late Colonel John Crow, H. B. I. C. S., by whom he leaves several children; the eldest Son being now Sir Archibald Awa Campbell, third Baronet, was born in 1844, and is consequently but a few years old.

The 76th Regt. will be encamped at the North West Arm during the hot weather. They go out to understand on Monday.

The Old Fellows of Halifax, who held under the Grand Lodge of the U. S., had a Banquet on Friday the 20th inst., in honor of the visit of Wm. Ellison, Esq., and Alfred Mudge, Esq., Delegates from the Grand Lodge of the United States. The papers give glowing accounts of the festivity.

Previous to leaving Newfoundland, the Hon. E. M. Archibald, late Attorney General of that dependency, was presented with a very complimentary address by the Members of the Bar and Commercial Society, and by the Officers and Committees of the Library and Mechanics' Institute. The Address from the latter bodies was accompanied with a purse to purchase a silver tea and coffee service, to bear an inscription indicative of an acknowledgment of their deep sense of the valuable services which he rendered to both Institutions while their President.

The Wesleyan Conference, assembled in this City, have been actively engaged during the past week. The Wesleyan of Thursday, in allusion to the anticipated success of Dr. Beecher's embassy, states—“That hope, as far as the formal organization of the Eastern British American Conference, and the cordial adoption by it of not merely the great principles proposed as the basis of the organization, but of various practical plans to secure the efficient and regular working of the system, are concerned, is now happily realized.” The Rev. Wm. Tompkins has been chosen Secretary of the Conference. An ordination service according to the Wesleyan form, was held at the Wesleyan Church in Grafton Street, on Friday evening.

A public meeting was held at the Mechanics' Institute, Dalhousie College, on Saturday evening last, to take measures, with the co-operation of the navy and army, to have a Regatta on the ninth of August. Resolutions were passed soliciting the co-operation of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and the Admiral, as patrons—and of Captain Glenville, Commander Egerton, and Officers of H. M. S. Boscawen, in the management of the Regatta—and a Committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions from the citizens. The people of Dartmouth were also requested to assist in the object.—This is an amusement for which the harbour of Halifax is especially adapted—and we hope it will be undertaken and carried out in such a way as to give our naval friends a good opinion of our proficiency in aquatic pursuits, and be a source of gratification to all who may participate in or encourage it.

THE REGATTA.—We are happy to inform the Public that an answer has been received from Admiral Pasbawer, to the solicitation of the Regatta Committee, to the effect that—

Persons will be admitted at the Dockyard gates to view the Regatta, from one o'clock until sunset, on the day which may be fixed for it—with permission to occupy the shore from the Landing Place to the North Boundary, and the Observatory Hill, under the following regulations, namely,

To confine themselves to the space to be pointed out. To abstain from smoking.

No sale of refreshments permitted within the yard. The Pyramus to be appropriated to the use of the Regatta Committee, &c.

We have thus the strongest evidence that the Navy, not only of themselves, but through their respected head, take a warm interest in the Regatta; and we have no doubt it will prove the most recreative affair of the season.—B. N. A.

A young man, named Berrigan, from Strait of Canso, was arrested on Tuesday, for attempting to obtain money at different places in the city, on forged paper. Having presented at the Bank of British North America acceptances of Messrs. Albro & Co. and Duffus, Tupper & Co., the genuineness of the paper was suspected, and he was requested to call again, and on his second appearance he was handed over to a policeman in attendance for the purpose.—He was to have undergone examination yesterday (Wednesday,) preliminary to his commitment for trial, but certain circumstances have transpired which lead to the belief that the youth has been but an instrument in the hands of other parties, not so far off as Cape Breton, whom there is a fair prospect of securing.

Since the above was in type, we learn that another of the parties concerned in the transaction has been taken up and lodged in jail. His name is Hayden. Three or four others, it is pretty certain, will be apprehended before long.—Colonist.

According to the Cape Breton News, the removal of the Custom House from the Town of Sydney, and the close of the port to foreign trade, has provoked widespread dissatisfaction in that locality.

The Editor of the Cape Breton News, notifies the receipt of a new press and type from Boston, and his intention to commence on the 1st of September the publication of a paper double the size of his present sheet.

We understand that a Survey has been made of a line for the Tram Road into the City from the Railway Depot, and that Cunard's field has been determined on as the Terminus.

ONE WEEK AFTER FROM EUROPE!

(Per Telegraph to Merchants' Exchange.)

Halifax, July 26.

The Am. Steamship *Atlantic* arrived at New York this morning. Liverpool dates to 14th inst.

No change in war news since previous steamers. Ministerial crisis in England. Lord John Russell had resigned.

Consols, 91.

Market for Flour firm, owing to small supplies.

Corn has declined 4s. per quarter.

Provision Market dull.

A NEW CHURCH IN THE PARISH OF ST MARGARET'S.

The frame of a new Chapel, to be called St. Andrew's, was raised on Thursday the 24th July, near Cyrus Bouthor's, on the road leading from Halifax to St. Margaret's Bay, about nine miles from the former place and twelve from the latter. The day was beautiful. About twenty of the hardy fishermen, besides those in waggons, walked all the way from the Bay, notwithstanding the great heat and distance, to lend a willing and a gratuitous hand to the small number of people in that settlement, who are doing all they can to procure a place of worship. The long walk did not hinder them from working in the heat of spirits, and at 3 p.m. the whole of the frame was put together in complete order.

As there are but seven houses scattered on that road, a school house would not have been occupied by a school, which could not be kept up; and a House of God, however small, was likely to be more beneficial, as affording a means of gathering those “few sheep in the wilderness” more closely into the bond of Christ's fold. The coloured people from Beech Hill may also take advantage of it, especially if a Clergyman could now and then be sent on Sundays from Halifax, the clergy of St. Margaret's not being able to go there except on work days. The road is good. The Bishop has promised to send a Clergyman on that day, whenever he has one at his disposal. This too, is one of those places in the environs of the city, where many of the inhabitants are apt to resort on the Lord's-day for very different purposes, and a holy place will shed a hallowed influence around it.

The Revd. J. Stannage would again take this mode of returning his sincere thanks to those both in England and in Halifax, who have kindly assisted him in this work by their pecuniary contributions. Mr. David Kirby has collected £24.7 6 towards this building. Two donations from friends in the Bay were spontaneously made on the day of raising, amounting to £2 5, and it is hoped that a few others in the parish will follow their example, especially by way of a “thank-offering” for their great success this year, in the fishery. It is quite enough for the Clergy to go out of their parish to beg. One should think that parishioners would at once do their duty when they see what should be done and they have the means. The Parish Church, however, is still unrepaired, and the endowment fund, for Churches and Schools, far from being complete, and therefore many opportunities will present themselves for the exercise of Christian feeling and liberality. It is hoped that this little Chapel will not cost more than £100. It is worth noticing that the frame, a most substantial one, including all expenses, has not cost more than about £16. It will accommodate comfortably 50 persons, and crowd nearly 100 if need be, and will have as ecclesiastical a look as its size would allow, thus making a pretty and interesting sight to travellers on the main-road close-by. Many thanks are due to the Rev. J. Pearson, for his pains and good taste in planning the edifice.

St. Margaret's Bay, July 25th, 1855.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, July 24, 1855.—Public notice is hereby given, that William Cunard, Esquire, having been nominated by the Consul General of France, in England, acting Vice Consul of France at this Port, has been duly recognized and confirmed in that capacity by Her Majesty.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, July 25, 1855.—To be the Surveyor of Shipping at the Port of Argyle—James M. Lent, Esquire.

To be an Officer for the protection of the Revenue within the District of Argyle—Mr Solomon Ryder Spianey.

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Rec'd.
June 23. Kentville, W. & O. £6 13 9
July 7. Truro—Endow't. of that Parish 10 0 0
9. Yarmouth, W. & O. 7 11 0
11. Lunenburg, W. & O. 5 16 8
Halifax (W. H.) W. & O. 10 0 0
Beaver Harbor, £1 11 4
Do. Sunday Sch. by Miss Tidmarsh 8s. 3d. 1 19 7
Truro—Endow't. of that Parish 10 0 0
New Dublin, W. & O. 8 14 14
EDWIN GILPIN, Jr. Secy.