

**PUBLIC HOTEL.**—A meeting took place at the Exchange Coffee House, on Friday evening last, for the purpose of devising measures for the erection of a Public Hotel in this town. The Meeting was well attended, and by those especially of the more influential and wealthy, under whose management the proposed undertaking will be made a credit to the Town, and we hope a profitable enterprise to the Shareholders. The Hon. Thomas N. Jeffery was called to the chair, and the proceedings of former meetings having been succinctly stated by the Secretary, (Henry Pryor, Esq.) and several sites being mentioned as eligible for the proposed Hotel, a resolution was moved and carried, that a purchase should be made of two out of three lots offered for sale in Argyle street, comprising the property of Mr. McDougal, occupied by Mr. Thomas Medley, etc., and the adjoining property of W. M. Allen, and W. A. Black, Esquires, running back to the upper street. Shares were then subscribed to the amount of about £7000, and a limit is made to the stock at £12,000, at £100 per share. The following gentlemen were appointed a Committee to carry into effect the arrangements necessary for the completion of the object, with authority to apply to the Legislature for an act of incorporation.—Hon. T. N. Jeffery, Hon. H. H. Cogswell, Hon. J. B. Uniacke, Hon. Michael Tobin, E. Kenny, James Murdoch, and Wm. Young, Esquires. Henry Pryor, Esq. was appointed Secretary and Treasurer of the Company.

The pride which must be felt, in an establishment which will remove from Halifax much of the discredit which formerly attached to it in the opinion of travellers, from want of sufficient accommodation; the effect it will have in enhancing the value of property; and the prospect of Atlantic Steam Navigation making this port a medium of transit, which will draw crowds of travellers to Halifax, must, we should think, afford the strongest inducement to capitalists and others, speedily to fill up the number of shares. The certainty of success is reduced to a point; and we fully expect the enterprise will cause no greater heartburnings to those who engage in it than our Insurance Companies have done—some of which have realized we believe, cent. per cent. to the Stockholders, in a very short time after being in operation.—*Ibid.*

**DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.**—At a meeting of the Governors of Dalhousie College on Monday the sixth day of August inst.

It was resolved that the College be opened for public instruction on the first day of October next.

That until the funds and circumstances of the Institution may admit of more extended operations; it is the intention of the Board that the following Classes or Professorships shall be conducted therein, viz.:

- 1st. The Classical Languages.
- 2d. The Mathematics and Natural Philosophy.
- 3d. Moral Philosophy, Logic and Rhetoric.

That the third class be conducted by the Rev. Dr. MacCulloch, who, for the present is appointed President.

That public notice be forthwith given, for gentlemen competent to fill the two other Professorships above named, to send in their names to the Secretary of the Board on or before the 15th day of September next, as Candidates for such Offices, to be submitted to the consideration of the Board."

It is therefore requested that such Gentlemen as are desirous of becoming Candidates for the Professorships of Classical Languages and the Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in the College, would send in their application, within the period above specified, to

J. W. NUTTING.

Halifax August 7, 1838. Secretary of the Board of Governors.

**PIRACIES.**—Captain Winchenbak of the brig Ceylon, arrived at this port last night from Marseilles, reports that on the 4th inst. in lat. 36 degrees 13 minutes, longitude 47 degrees 20 minutes, at about six in the afternoon, he met a schooner with fore and main-gallant sail, steering to the South. Hoisting a Portuguese flag, the schooner fired several guns ahead of the brig, and compelled her to heave to—ordering her boat to be sent alongside. The Captain and two men went on board the schooner, when five of her crew manned the boat, and boarded the brig.—Not finding any money, they took what provision they wanted, with a box of wine, and left her, subsequently releasing the captain and his men. Before leaving his brig, the captain had taken the precaution to conceal some \$1,500 in specie in a cask of water on deck.

Captain Cobb of the ship Hibernia, arrived last night from Liverpool, reports that on the 5th inst., at 4 P. M., he spoke the British brig Isabella, 150 days from Sidney, New South Wales, bound to London. On the day previous, in the afternoon, the Isabella had been boarded by a Spanish piratical brig of eight guns, full of armed men. They took the spare sails of the brig, with the cordage, canvass, and twine, robbed the passengers and seamen of their clothing—carrying off whatever would suit their purposes. On the morning of the 5th the Isabella fell in with the United States sloop-of-war Cyane, and communicated the above intelligence to Captain Percival, who immediately hauled up to the southeast in pursuit of the pirate. Captain Cobb supplied the Isabella with sails and stores.—*N. Y. Courier.*

**MUNIFICENCE.**—Mr. John Jacob Astor, a wealthy and benevolent merchant of New York, has made to the corporation of the city, a donation of \$550,000 for the establishment of a Public Library.

It is said that more than 25,000 American Indians, in the West, have fallen victims to the small pox.

**MORREAU.**—A gentleman from Lewiston says that Morreau was executed at Niagara, on Monday, between the hours of 12 and 1. We fear this is true, although the Buffalo papers of Tuesday morning say nothing of it.—*Rochester Democrat.*

The Montreal papers of Wednesday give a report from Kingston, that all the political prisoners in confinement there have made their escape, by means of a sewer running under the prison. Among them were Messrs. Parker and Montgomery.

The Montreal Courier of Thursday says that Mr. Parker and five other prisoners have been retaken.

**ROUTE TO HALIFAX.**—Despatches for Halifax were brought to New York by the Great Western, answers it appears are to be returned by the same route. This is cause of mortification,—Halifax is about four days sailing or steaming, nearer Great Britain than New York is, and Halifax is a principal British Station, yet the longer route through a comparatively strange country is preferred. Despatches were also received in New York, for Canada.—*Novascotian.*

Really this is too bad. If our mails are to be carried to New York, this community will feel vastly indebted to steam ships. Our Packets direct to this place were far preferable to this humiliating zig-zag route.

**LATEST NEWS.** As we have not had an opportunity of seeing the late English papers, we extract the following items of news from the *Novascotian* of last evening:

The Great Western, Steam Packet, Lieut. Hoskin, R. N. arrived at New York on August 5; fourteen and a half days from Bristol. She made her passage home in twelve days and a half. A gentleman went in her from New York, and has returned,—having been absent 39 days, twelve of which he spent in England! She brought out 131 passengers.

In the House of Lords on the 17th, it was stated, that Sir John Colborne wished to be relieved from his command in Canada, and that it did not appear that an augmentation of troops in Canada was required at present.

The Irish Tithe question is said to be on the point of settlement. A suggestion of Sir R. Peel—that a balance of the loan to the Irish clergy should be applied to the settlement of the tithe arrears—has been acceded to by Mr. O'Connell. Lord Lyndhurst proposed an amendment to the Irish Corporation Bill: namely, that the franchise should be of the yearly value of not less than £10 *bona fide* holding,—the amendment was carried by a majority of 60.

Commander James Pearl, R. N. 38 years in the service, has been knighted.

The Duke of Leeds had departed this life. The Crops in England promise abundantly.

The Liverpool Standard says, that H. S. Chapman, of Canadian celebrity, has received a commission from Government. No foundation for the assertion appears.

The Vandeville Theatre, Paris, has been destroyed by fire. A serious fire, causing an immense loss of property, occurred at Cairo on June 21.

The remains of Napoleon, it is asserted, are to be removed to Paris, with great ceremony.

Warlike appearances between the Pasha of Egypt, and the Sultan, have been modified by the intervention of the British Consul at Alexandria.

The Hanoverian Chamber of Deputies have addressed the German Diet in support of the Constitution, attempted to be set aside by King Ernest. This has occasioned much speculation, and will occasion, it is thought, a complete discomfiture of the absolute views of his Majesty. Prussia, it is said, has fallen off from the support of King Ernest: his submission to circumstances is confidently reckoned on.

Spanish movements were reported, but nothing at all conclusive appeared; nothing indeed even to assist a judgment on the state of parties in that unfortunate country.

Excitement, concerning questions at issue between Belgium and Holland, continued in those countries. Important results were thought probable. The interposition of Prussia and France, at opposite sides, was reckoned on, in which case a state of fierce warfare might be expected.

**COUNTRY SUBSCRIBERS.**—We are constantly receiving the names of subscribers in various parts of the province, but without the cash in advance, and we are as constantly obliged to decline forwarding the Pearl to any in the country who do not comply with the terms of our publication. Our paper is published so low, that we do not consider it advantageous to our interest, to send to any places without payment in advance. The expense of collecting subscriptions would almost equal the amount due for

the paper. Our agents and the postmasters will oblige us by informing all persons who are desirous of subscribing to the Pearl, that we adhere rigidly to our terms of subscription, namely, "To country subscribers, fifteen shillings inclusive of postage, payable in all cases in advance."

**PASSENGERS.**—In the Acadian for Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Field, Mrs. C. Twining and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. Webber, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Miss Rudolf, Mr. Gibbons Mr. A. B. Jennings, and three in the steerage. In *Moda* (steamer) for Quebec, His Excellency Sir Colin Campbell, Miss Campbell, Capt. Campbell, R. Glover, Esq and Lady, J. Leander Starr, Esq, Ensign Bazette. In the *Sylph*, Capt. Walsmley and Mr. Washington. In the *Fleta*, Mrs. A. Russell and Miss Russell.

Dr. Cogswell, arrived in town, on Wednesday the 5th inst. via New York and New Brunswick, from England.

#### MARRIED,

On Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Drummond, Mr. John Barron, to Miss Elizabeth Barron, both of Kilkenny, Ireland.

#### DIED,

On Thursday evening last, Mr. Michael Kelly, Shipwright, aged 58—

#### SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

##### ARRIVED,

Friday August 10th.—Schr Teazer, Canso; Lady, Dover; Royal Adelaide, St. Mary's; Victory, Arichat—fish, etc.; brig Lady Chapman, Gilbert, Porto Rico—sugar, to J. & M. Tobin; Otter, Dill, do.—sugar, to J. & M. Tobin; Georgian, Graham, Picton, 6 days—coal, to S. Cunard & Co.; schr Barbara, Gerior, Boston, 5 days—ballast; Ion, Hammond, St. John, N. B. 5 days—wine, salmon, etc. to Wm. J. Starr, and others, 8 passengers.

Saturday 11th.—Schr Willing Lass, Watt, St. John, N. B.—meal and alewives, to W. Roche; Victoria, Savage, do.; Alicia, Currie, Miramichi, 6 days—salt, to Fairbanks & McNab; Manly and Lucy, Arichat—fish; Mary, Barrington, do.; Caroline, Crouse, St. Andrews, 8 days—lumber, to Wm. A. Black & Son; brig Flota, Evans, Miramichi, 6 days—alewives, shingles, etc. to S. Cunard & Co.

Sunday 12th.—Schr Mary, Margaret's Bay—fish; Hugh Deacon, Sydney—coal.

Monday 13th.—Schr Mary, Cann, Sydney, 4 days—coal; brig Victoria, Brookman, Sydney, 4 days—fish and coal, to Fairbanks & Allison; schr Oracle, Muirehead, St. Andrews, 5 days—lumber to W. Roche; Victoria, Annapolis—lumber.

Tuesday 14th.—Brig Somerset, Williams, Bermuda, 9 days—sugar and molasses, to Frith, Smith & Co.; Am. schr Susan, Taylor, Baltimore, 14 days—flour and corn, to S. Binney and master; schr Active, Philips, Port Medway—lumber.

Wednesday 15th.—Schr Armide, Smith, St. Domingo and Bermuda, via Barrington, 14 days—40 bags of coffee, to W. & J. Murdoch; brig Streatham Castle, London, 60 days—flour, wine, etc. to S. Cunard & Co. and Gov. stores; Sylph, Wainwright, Bermuda, 7 days, to Saltus & Wainwright.

Thursday, 16th.—Schr Speculator, Young, Lunenburg, 1 day, ballast; Elizabeth, Liscomb Harbour, dry fish; Fanny, Arichat, dry and pickled fish; True Brothers, Slocomb, Liverpool, N. S.—lumber; Abeona, Brier Island—fish; Olive Branch, Boushier—fish; Esperance, Gagneo, fish, etc. 4 days from Arichat; brig Reward, Hannam, Kingston, 27 days, ballast, to H. Lyle; ship Dolphin, Roach, Liverpool, G. B. 44 days—salt, dry goods, etc. to Fairbanks & McNab.

##### CLEARED,

Saturday August 11th.—Brig James Matthews, Bremner, B. W. Indies, fish, by M. B. Almon; schr Lady, Bond, Oderin, N. F. flour, molasses, etc. by W. B. Hamilton; Dove, McNeil, LePoyle, N. F. assorted cargo, by D. & E. Starr & Co.; Ellen, Burk, Boston, coal, by J. Mundell and others; brig Acadian, Jones, Boston, assorted cargo, by J. Clark and D. & E. Starr & Co. 13th.—schr Marie, Audet, Gaspe, rum and molasses, by Creighton & Grassie; brig Margaret, Doane, and John, Hodson, Berbice, fish and staves, by D. & E. Starr & Co.; London Packet, Harvey, Barbadoes, fish, etc. by Frith, Smith & Co; 14th.—Schr Matilda, Venus, Bulong, La Boyle Bay, lumber, salt, etc. by D. & E. Starr & Co; Am Para, Emperor, Gray, Philadelphia, salmon and gypsum, by J. H. Braine. 15th.—brig Ann, Crick, St. John, N. F.—tea, butter, etc. by J. Allison & Co, and J. Binney; brig James, Hatchard, B. W. Indies, fish, etc. by Saltus & Wainwright; Sir S. Chapman, Hunt, do. do. by J. & M. Tobin; schr Rafter, Crane, Bay Verte, by the Master.

##### MEMORANDA.

Ship Susan and Sarah hence at Liverpool, in 18 days.  
New York, 5th inst. arrived Steamer Great Western, Bristol, 14 days,—made the passage home in 12½ days.  
Ship Halifax, hence at Liverpool, in 17 days.  
Liverpool, 18th ult, arrived barque John Porter, Crosby, hence.  
Barque Brothers, Poole, to leave Liverpool 20th ult. for Halifax.  
Shelburne 6th inst arrived, brig Evelina, Bars, Bermuda.  
**SHIPWRECK.**—Barque Granville, Mills, from Sligo, 35 days, bound to St. John, N. B. in ballast, was cast away on Sable Island, 31st ult. in a thick fog, passengers, (20 in number) and crew saved. The Captain and 6 men arrived yesterday in the long boat—left the Island on Saturday.—[Guardian.]

**MARKETS** at Kingston, 18th ult.—Dry Fish 4-8, Mackerel 9, Alewives and Herrings, 8—Salmon 19—Lumber 24—Oil 5s 10d.—Jam: currency.