

The Provincial Wesleyan.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

Astronomer, Nov. 26.—The brig Scotia, Capt. Dakin, of Digby, from Pictou for Pembroke, St. John's, with a cargo of coal, was lost on the night of the 24th, on the north side of Cape Jack Ledges' crew saved—rescue boat wrecked—cargo was lost—wreck of vessel, materials and cargo 3d wanted. Too much prize cannot be awarded Mr. Elisha W. Randall of Little River, for his daring intrepidity, and perseverance in saving the crew. The vessel wrecked about 8 o'clock, at night, on a reef some 50 or 60 fathoms to the westward of the island, and the crew remained all that terrible night and the following day until 3 o'clock, P. M. on her deck, exposed to the tremendous sea, and a pitiless storm of snow and rain—having lost their boats and anchors on the ledge at Cape Jack—No violent gusts of wind, but a steady rain, which no boat dare go out; but Mr. Randall, convinced that the crew must perish during another night, resolved, with three or four resolute young men, at the imminent risk of their own lives, to go to the assistance of the crew. They put out in a boat, which was almost immediately upset, and a hole struck in the bottom, by the force of the waves, Mr. Randall pitched up the boat with oil canvas that had floated ashore, and a board nailed over it, and put off again. More fortunate this time, he succeeded in catching a line that floated from the wreck by a leg—and finding it impossible to approach the wreck, or to draw the men overboard, he was obliged to anchor the vessel in the force of his oars, about 150 fathoms to the westward of the vessel—while each of the crew (ten in number) successively attaching the line to his body, reached a favourable moment when the vessel heeled overboard, and was drawn afloat by the force of the waves, and laid in the bottom of the boat. The captain remained until all the rest were rescued, and was then in a like manner drawn into the boat. Such acts of courage and humanity should be noticed and richly rewarded.

Fire.—On Saturday evening, between 9 and 10 o'clock, an alarm of fire, occasioned by the burning of a two-story house in Cornwallis street, recently occupied by the family of the late Capt. Darby, was given. A supply of water having been obtained, the flames were speedily subdued, but not before much damage was done. The house was not tenanted. A woman, we understand, had been cleaning it in the forenoon.

Provincial Appointments.—His Excellency, Governor, has been pleased to make the following appointments:—To be Commissioners of Schools in Queen's County:—The Rev. Samuel N. Beatty, in place of the Rev. R. Dickey, who has removed; The Rev. Thomas Walsh, in place of the Rev. F. Power, who has removed.

To be Custos Rotulorum for the County of Annapolis:—Major Chipman, Esq., in place of Thomas Ritchie, Esq., deceased.

Schr. Emily, McPhee, from Peggwash to Shediac, for the safety of which serious leas were entertained—having left the former place the night previous to the recent storm, had arrived safely at her destination. This gratifying news has been received per Telegraph, from Mr. W. H. Renner, passenger on board, who returns to this city over the steamer.

Carry Over.—The Cape Breton News furnishes the following account of the wreck of the Gale at Sydney, on Wednesday and Thursday week:—

The wind blew with terrific violence from S.E., accompanied with heavy rain. Much damage has been the result both at sea and on land. The Courier is in the harbour during the storm, and on the coast, and states that the road was in many places entirely overgrown by the immense rush of water from the high lands. The greatest injury was sustained among the shipping. At Main's dock, Mr. Lauchlin McDonald, owner and master of the Integrity, lost his vessel and cargo, both of which were destroyed. In that harbour also, the Pink Sparrow, owned by Mr. Tatty was lost. Also, a schooner, belonging to Shear Harbour.

At Cape North, schr. Argus, of Sydney, was driven on shore, and became a total wreck. The cargo was lost, and the vessel was wrecked on board, which were lost. The schr. Frolic of Sydney, was also totally wrecked at the same place.

We are without full particulars from all parts of the coast.

Mr. S. Brown, Harbour Master, North Sydney, communicates to the News, the following despatches:—

Schooner Conservative, Myers, master, bound to Jeddore, and bound from Halifax to Port au Baque, with a general cargo, drove from her anchors, and came in contact with the brig Shamrock, on shore on the ballast ground—got off with the loss of 100 tons of ballast.

Bright Shamrock, belonging to St. John's N. F., drove on shore on the ballast ground—got off with the loss of 100 tons of ballast.

Shallup Sarah, Matheson, from Bras d'Or, drove on shore on the ballast ground bilged and filled with water—cargo consisting of butter, oats, and pork, saved in a damaged state.

Bright Irene, Just, belonging to Arichat, drove on shore on the ballast ground; also got off with the loss of 100 tons of ballast.

Schr. Racer, of Arichat, on shore on the ballast ground—damaged in the bottom and top sides.

Schr. Cora Linn Marmand, of Arichat, laden with coal, lost her life off the harbour during the storm, and was obliged to run on shore at the entrance of Little Bras d'Or. The vessel a total wreck.

The schooner belonging to Arichat, on shore on the N.W. Arm, will be got off with trifling damage.

The Steamer Osprey arrived on the 27th—three days from St. John's, N. F., with loss of boat, bulwarks, &c. in the gale of the 25th.

R. M. Steamer Merlin arrived on the 25th from Halifax, cooled and sailed for St. John's same day.

At Bedeck, C. B., on the 24th great damage was done to the wharves and other property. The tide rose 15 or 18 inches higher than known for 15 years.

A report in the city states that the brig Transit from St. John's N.B., for the West Indies, with the Krolman's passengers, has been lost at sea, and all on board perished.—Chron.

Dr. Samuel J. Stratford, of Toronto, Canada, has asked Nova Scotia for a salt water lake, to make a fish nursery for salmon, lobsters, oysters, &c. He thinks he could carry out the plan successfully at Lake Bras d'Or, in Cape Breton. He proposes to erect defences which will prevent the escape of the fish, and feed and protect them in the spacious inclosure. He would do this in such a way that navigation should not be hindered. He has a method of preserving his fish alive, and so exporting them in salt water to foreign countries, and he expresses his confidence that he could supply the markets of Canada and the United States.

New Brunswick.

Township.—We were last week presented with a sample of Yellow Tanned, raised by Mr. Daniel Savage, Williamson, which we have never seen surpassed. Those left with us, and which are said to be a fair sample of the whole breed, were each as large as a peck measure.—Woodstock Sentinel.

Spontaneous Combustion.—A child, in Fredericton, a few days ago, burned its leg against a stove. The moment immediately applied lincased oil cotton wool, with a tight bandage over it, in a short time the screams of the child

induced the mother to remove the bandage, when it was discovered that the cotton wool had taken fire, and had considerably increased the size of the burn.—B.

Prince Edward Island.

The weather had been most disagreeable in P. E. Island for a month prior to 24th ult., at which date a severe storm, accompanied with a gale of wind, was experienced. Much injury has been done to the forest trees, and those of the groves, and the ornamental wood about Charlottetown have suffered severely. The 24th and 25th were mild, something like the Indian Summer.

Thomas Haviland, Esq. and Miss Haviland, the latter in a very precarious state of health, sailed for England on the 24th.

Thursday the 9th inst. has been appointed by the Governor as a day of General Thanksgiving, throughout the Island, for the recent bountiful Harvest.

Shipwreck and Loss of Life.—The brig Britannia, of Sunderland, England, from Miramichi, N. B., homeward bound, laden with timber and deals, was cast away in a snow storm, on Monday the 22d inst., at Skinner's Pond, near the North Cape of this Island.—The Captain and crew attempted to land in a boat, but it was immediately wrecked, and the mate, Anthony Alexander, the only person who reached the shore, reaching the shore alive. The bodies of Captain Zachariah Ganger, Alexander Lemmon, Charles M'Callum, George Clint, Lorenzo Cate, and Samuel Peg, all young men, have been found, and conveyed a distance of fourteen miles, to the burial grounds attached to the Episcopal Church in Charlottetown, and the bodies of the other crew members, who were killed, are buried at Kildare, and recently buried at the site of that Church, by T. G. Ruggles, Esq., in the presence of a large number of the inhabitants, who attended and assisted on the melancholy occasion.—P. E. Gazette.

United States.

Theriacal Accident.—An accident of a very unusual character occurred a few days ago, in the laundry of James L. Haven & Co., on the corner of Broadway and Liberty streets. In a small room, the second story of the building, were stationed three washing machines, which were propelled by steam power, and on which three Germans were engaged grinding hinges. The workmen's minds, entirely fixed upon their several jobs, in a moment of time, transformed from quiet placidity to the most bewildering sensations of terror, when they perceived that a very powerful force was applied to the stones, causing the centrifugal force to become immensely great—so much so that the largest of the stones—about four feet high and a half in diameter—was hurled with tremendous force into many pieces, which fell all the directions, which it struck, including Mr. P. P. Puffer, who lives at the corner of Elm and Green streets, was at work on this stone, one piece of which struck him right leg, breaking one of the bones. Another piece flew over the stone next to it, and striking the third one—about two feet in diameter, which was being worked, it struck it also to fly in all directions. One of the fragments struck the workman engaged upon it, but did him no serious injury. Other pieces flew about the room with great violence, and one of the most singular part of the whole catastrophe was that the brick which was not instantly killed, struck the stone from the famous Verona Quarry, and it seems that the hurling must have been produced from no other cause than the great velocity at which it was propelled.—Cincinnati Gazette.

Improvements by the Canada Co. at Jersey City.—The British and North American R. M. Steamship Company complete establishing in addition to their present line, a line of screw propellers, and to accommodate these and their present vessels, they have commenced some extensive improvements at Jersey City, consisting of the enlargement of their wharves, their piers are now three in number, and were built 18 years since; the North one on the line of York street, is 300 feet long, and 40 wide, used for receiving coal; the centre one 200 feet by 40, on the line of Grand street; containing the barracks and warehouses, and used for the loading of the steamers; the South one, open for the public, is 300 by 40. These piers were leased for ten years by the Jersey Associates, but five years have been added, extending it to Dec 31, 1852. The original expense was about \$100,000.

The improvements to be the extension of the centre pier 200 feet, the enlargement of their warehouse to double its capacity, and the building of a new barrack on the North pier, 50 by 25 feet, causing an outlay of \$30,000. These screw steamers are new vessels, now completing at Glasgow, and the Andes, Alps, Jura, and Etna, each of 1,400 tons burden, and the Taurus and Tenerife, each of 2,000 tons burden, British measurement, which considerably exceeds the American rule of measurement. The first one is expected to arrive in a short time. It is understood that the British and North American R. M. Liverpool the best voyage of two, until the required number of vessels are ready for service. They will be supplied with two steam engines of 400 horse power each, to each propeller.—Newark Ad.

Philadelphia, Nov. 21.—The drying and drying rooms, two buildings, each 100 feet long, attached to the new bleaching establishment at Glassboro, N. J., were entirely destroyed by fire last evening. Loss \$20,000. Insured principally in Providence and this city. This part of the same establishment was destroyed by fire a year since, and the new buildings had just been built, and put in operation. The fire originated in the drying rooms, immediately over the boiler.

The bark E. H. Chapin, arrived at Baltimore bearing reports that on the 2d inst. a late vessel, the schooner whaling brig Germ, of Turro, the captain of which reported that he had been chased for several hours by a Spanish vessel, supposed to be a pirate, which bore off when the Chapin appeared in sight. The Germ had been out six months without obtaining any oil, and was going into St. Thomas to refit.—N. Y. Spectator, Nov. 23.

Imprisonment in a Newbery.—We learn from the St. John's Freeman, that a recently killed a young girl named Eliza Wortman, was taken from the "House of God Shepherd," a Magdalen asylum in St. Louis, on a writ of Habeas corpus issued by Judge Colvin, at the instance of her brother. It is further stated that the girl had been detained in this institution one or two years, without the knowledge of her friends, and against her own will.

A Good Spectator.—A short time ago a young man, clerk in a house in San Francisco, was sent to China and invested in it. He sold the cargo (to arrive) at twenty-two cents per pound, and made the handsome sum of \$37,000 by the operation. The purchaser was a Chinaman, and it so happened that the cargo arrived the very day after it was purchased. The Chinaman made \$105,000 on his bargain. The large sum of \$105,000, therefore, was cleared on an investment of \$50,000.

Another Gigantic Railroad Project.—The Washington Republic says that there is a projection in embryo for a railroad from Minnesota to New Orleans, to compete with the Mississippi throughout its course, and joining in close fellowship, the six months season of Lake

Superior with the perpetual summer of the Gulf of Mexico. This is the latest project to which exhaustive enterprise has given birth, and one which in its gigantic proportions is not likely to be paralleled.

The owners of the steamer Atlantic, lost on Lake Erie, have instituted a suit against the owners of the propeller Ogdensburgh, claiming \$100,000 damages. The case is to be tried at Steubenville, Ohio.

The population of the state of New York, according to the census returns, 2,097,358; or 555,062 are of foreign birth. There are 243,111 Irish, 116,198 Germans, and 47,900 British Americans.

Some days ago the County Prison at Worcester, in Massachusetts, was almost destroyed by fire. During the fire a number of prisoners and fifteen insane persons were smothered to death. The Intelligencer says, that W. W. Corcoran, Esq., the banker, has made a present of \$1,000 to the Metropolitan Mechanics Institute, at Washington.

The Alta California states that a contract has been completed by the State authorities, with F. Vessiot, and other parties, for building a state prison, for the sum of one million and thirty thousand dollars, in seven per cent bonds. The building is to be 400 by 500 feet.

Home Manufactures!

Our friend, Mr. C. B. NAYLOR, of the "Halifax Clothing Store," with a determination and enterprise highly creditable, has lately introduced into his Establishment at considerable expense, one of those wonders of modern invention, a "Sewing Machine," capable of performing a large amount of work in a short space of time. It is a beautiful piece of machinery, and so simple in its application and working, as to allow, after a little practice, its management by almost any persons acquainted with the business. Having personally witnessed the practical and advantageous working of some of these machines during our visits to the United States, we are pleased to see such an aid to our Domestic Manufacture brought into operation among ourselves, and hope it is another step toward the production of our entire home consumption of manufactured articles. Similar efforts on the part of our Artisans and Mechanics, with corresponding support from the community, would enable us in time to make as cheaply as in other places, as well as to compete successfully with the imported foreign article, and would also foster what is so much wanting in this country, a feeling of national pride, and a sense of independence. We congratulate Mr. Naylor on this evidence of his patriotic spirit, and in the right direction trust in the increasing facilities he is giving his business, to find him receiving a just and merited compensation from a discerning public.

As Obligatory Notices are increasing on our hands, we request those who may send such for insertion in the Provincial Wesleyan to study briefly as much as possible, as we cannot afford the space, which, if unbridled, would occupy, without materially interfering with other necessary departments of the paper. We are anxious to gratify all as far as in our power, but we must maintain the general interest of our weekly sheet. Short Memoirs are more likely to read than long ones, and as a consequence, to be more generally useful. Our friends will appreciate our motives, and take this hint in a proper spirit. Our religious exchanges, we see, condense these articles much more than we have as yet done.

We have opened accounts with brethren for the charge of postage on communications (not prepaid), which do not come within the exceptions contained in our Standing Regulations. These items will be included in the accounts at the end of the year.

The papers ordered by our Agent at Newport, for Mr. Stephen Salter, Knickerbocker, have been regularly sent in the parcel directed to the Newport Post Office. The missing papers must be there. Please enquire, and if incorrect to send them through the Newport Post Office, inform us.

The December number of the Provincial Magazine has been received, in its usual mechanical style, and literary character.

See Advertisement of a Wesleyan Bazaar, to be held last week in this month.

A large supply of New Books from the United States just received at the Wesleyan Book-Room, Argyle Street, for sale at unprecedentedly low prices. Call and see.

Methodist Almanacs for 1853 can now be obtained at the Wesleyan Book-Room. Call and get supplied.

Room paper, various patterns, very cheap at the Wesleyan Book-Room.

To Correspondents.

Sydney, C. B.: R. E. C. The Editor of the Provincial Wesleyan is the Treasurer of the Superannuaries and Ministers' Widows' Fund, to whom remittances are to be made.

Letters and Monies Received.

(See that your remittances are duly acknowledged.)

Rev. R. A. Chesley, (for Mr. Jas. Smith 5s.)
J. Reid Esq. (5s.)
Rev. R. Morton (70s.)
Rev. J. G. Henniger (20s.)
Rev. F. Bent (40s.)
Mr. Philip Ross, Kentville (5s.)
Rev. John Spott, Moncton (5s.)
Mr. Francis Bessett, Cole Harbour (20s.)

Prices at the Farmers' Market, corrected up to 12 o'clock, Wednesday, December 31st.

Wheat, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Rye, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Barley, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Corn, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Potatoes, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Apples, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Oranges, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Lemons, per bushel, 2s. 3d.
Butter, per lb., 4s. 6d.
Eggs, per dozen, 1s. 6d.
Poultry—Chickens, per lb., 1s. 6d.
Turkeys, per lb., 4s. 6d.
Geese, per lb., 1s. 6d.
Pigs, per lb., 1s. 6d.
Cattle, per lb., 1s. 6d.
Sheep, per lb., 1s. 6d.

Marriages.

On Friday, Dec. 30, Miss Mary Flann, youngest daughter of Mr. J. Flann, of St. John's, N. F., and Mr. Richard Murray, of Lawrenceville, to the Hon. Mr. Murray, of St. John's, N. F.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, Mr. J. M. Smith, of St. John's, N. F., and Miss M. J. Smith, of St. John's, N. F.

Deaths.

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