

greatly desired, that, while knowledge is increasing, moral improvement should be held of first rate consequence.

FINE ARTS.—A novel exhibition is now in progress at Clinton Hall, New York. Monsieur Alexandre, the celebrated ventriloquist, is performing in that city. He is a great traveller, and has been much noticed by people of rank in the European capitals. In his travels he has made a rich collection of original drawings, paintings and sketches, done by the eminent artists and amateurs of the different countries in Europe. Among his sketches, are, it is said, some by the Emperor of Russia, Princess Gallitzer, the King of Portugal, Duke de Reichstadt, prime ministers, privy councillors, &c. These he has opened for exhibition, and with much liberality appropriates the proceeds to constituting a fund for premiums connected with the National Academy, New York.

Brother Jonathan has lighted on another new mode of raising the wind. This is by what are called "Combination lectures,"—two or three persons combining to give interest to an evening, at the lecture table, when perhaps any one would fail, or would not have confidence in his own powers. In this way, recently, at Boston, Mr. Howerth lectured on the Five Arts,—Mr. Rodgers followed on the Customs of India, and Mr. Hart brought up the rear with a musical entertainment. If knowledge is power, so is union also, as no doubt the gentlemen thought.

TEA AND COFFEE.—These articles have been generally considered harmless, except taken improperly. We made mention last week, of a medical work, recently published in the U. States, which condemns their use. It is by Dr. Alcott. Some who oppose the Doctor's extreme views on the subject, admit that the articles are injurious to some constitutions, and that persons having such should refrain accordingly. Might not a hint be taken in this Province, where, in many places, the practice exists of using tea or coffee more frequently than morning and evening. Opinions have been often expressed against the practice, these are now strengthened by the Doctor's book.—Another Doctor, writing to the author, says that he never met with the "sick head ache" except among tea-drinkers, and never knew it to continue where the use of these articles was abstained from.

BUTTER.—A correspondent of the Montreal Herald has entered the lists against Butter. He announces that he has given up Butter and finds himself the better for doing so. After enumerating many objections to its use, and arguments in favour of its relinquishment, the writer concludes thus:

"Finally and principally, the self control necessary to liberate oneself from the habit of using butter, is a good moral exercise, and the success which follows is a fine encouragement to further contests with, and victories over, one's injurious propensities,—the ultimate result and object of which contest is to present to its Great Creator the soul washed from those stains of sin contracted during its sojourn in this world.

Now, puppies laugh, and girls giggle!—but philosophers will smile benignantly on, and nod approvingly to me. They will tell you that great things proceed from small,—that the alphabet must be acquired in order to read,—that the girl, by playing with the doll, knows afterwards how to nurse the infant—and that Caesar probably got his first idea of conquest from a little victory in a boxing match. *Leaving off butter, may be the entrance to that moral road, the termination of which is in Heaven.*"

NEWS OF THE WEEK.—The arrival of the British Steamer furnishes London dates to Nov. 1. She sailed on the 3d, with 180 passengers, and experienced bad weather.

Little of importance appears. The money market continued as before. Parliament was prorogued to the 24th December. Rumours of the Queen's marriage were in circulation. The following appointments had taken place,—Sir E. Codrington to the governorship of Plymouth, Lord Ebrington to the Lord Lieutenantcy and Vice Admiralty of Devon, Earl of Charendon to the Privy Seal and a seat in the Cabinet. A shock of an Earthquake was felt in Scotland on Oct. 24. The Dukes of Argyll, and Bedford, Lords G. Beresford and Trimestown, Earl Kingston, and other persons of rank, had departed this life.—A stone thrown at Louis Philippe's carriage, seems the chief incident from France. Don Carlos was still in that kingdom, and it seemed probable that he would be detained there.—A change in the Spanish Ministry was rumoured.—A conspiracy was discovered in a Russian body of troops. Their design, it appears, was to revolutionize Poland, and make an attack on St. Petersburg. A General and 230 other officers had been arrested, several executions had taken place. 600 medical men have been invited to join the Russian forces at Odessa.—British Arms had been successful in India. Gluzner had been captured, Cabool occupied, and Shah Skooja seated on the throne. The Rajah of Suttara had been dethroned, and expeditions against Sandpore and Kurnaul were contemplated.

All seems quiet in Canada. Extensive preparations were making in the old country, for emigration during next summer. A missionary from Canada, Dr. Rolph, was causing much attention to the subject, in the British Islands. Good sleighing was enjoyed in parts of the United States and Canada. Suffering from

dry weather was experienced to the South West. As an instance, a person travelling from Mobile to Charleston had to pay \$23 for the watering of his horse on the road.

In Nova Scotia the weather continues, steadily, unusually temperate. This morning, Dec. 6th, the atmosphere is mild and sunny as a fine day in May. Efforts in furtherance of the establishment of a Steamer to run to the westward are in progress. A prospectus has been handed about and has obtained several signatures. The North British Society dined together at Mason Hall on Saturday last, St. Andrew's day. Alexander Primrose, Esq. in the chair, Mr. John McLean in the vice chair. The dinner was excellent; Toasts, Songs, and instrumental music, occupied the hours until near midnight.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—Doctor Teulon delivered an excellent lecture, on General Knowledge, last Wednesday evening. P. Lynch junr. Esq. is to lecture next Wednesday evening on Ancient Art.

LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATION.—On last Monday evening Mr. Robson lectured on Mental Improvement. The lecture was excellent in matter and manner.—Subject for discussion, next evening, which has the greatest influence upon the human mind, Philosophy or Poetry.

The Collector of Customs, Halifax, has informed the Sub-collector at Yarmouth, that his opinion respecting the Deck Load law is, that it refers solely to vessels engaged in the timber trade between the colonies and Great Britain.

MARRIED.

On Monday evening, Nov. 25, by the Rev. Robinson Breare, Mr. Joseph Taylor, to Miss Susannah Jane Hill, both of this town.

At Crow Harbour, Guysborough, on the 10th Nov. by the Rev. A. W. McLeod, Mr. Jasper Grover, of Country Harbour, to Miss Susannah Hendersbury, of Cole Harbour.

At Fredericton on Thursday, the 21st ult. by the Rev. R. Sheppard, Mr. C. S. Lagrin, printer, to Martha Lavina, eldest daughter of John Stevens, all of Fredericton.

DIED.

Last evening, after a short and severe illness, resigned to the Divine will, in the 27th year of her age, Margaret Douglas, wife of Mr. A. B. Jennings, and eldest daughter of Mr. James Irvin; her kind disposition endeared her to a large circle of friends. She has left a husband and four helpless children to deplore the loss of an affectionate wife and tender mother. Funeral on Sunday next, at half-past one o'clock, from her late residence, near Foster's corner. The friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend.

On the 30th of July last, at Sierra Leone, Staff Assistant Surgeon William Winniett Twining, eldest son of the Rev. Doctor Twining, in the 24th year of his age.

At Upper Stewiacke, on the 22d ult. Dolly Putnam, relict of the late William Putnam, at the advanced age of 90 years.

At Yarmouth, on the 19th ult, after a lingering illness, which he bore with patience and resignation, Samuel Willett, Esq. in the 89th year of his age.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED.

Saturday, 30th—Schr. LaReine Blanche, Bridgport; Margaret, Antigonish; new Brig Isabella, Flohr, Country Harbour; Govt. schr Victory, Darby, Sable Island, 2 days.

Sunday, December, 1st—Barque Clio, Daley, Liverpool GB. 50 days—general cargo, to J. Fairbanks and others; schr Mariner, Gerard, Sydney—coal; Trial and Courier, do—do; George, Louisburg—fish; Endeavour and Nancy P. E. Island, produce; Otter, Ragged Islands; Elizabeth, Torbay; Catherine and Elizabeth, Arichat; Elizabeth Canso; Sarah Elizabeth, Margaret's Bay; Richard Smith, Mary, and Mary, Sydney; Mermad, Prospect; Billow, and Judeck, Torbay; Wave, Annapolis; Minerva, Pictou; Victoria, Canso, with fish, coal and produce; new brig Mary Ann, Canso, to Fairbanks & McNab; Schr Shannon, Boudrot, Quebec, 16 days, flour, beef, and pork, to T. C. Kinnear and Salus & Wainwright; Adelle, O'Brien, Placentia Bay, 6 days, dry fish, to W. B. Hamilton.

Monday, 2d, schr Defiance, Curry, Miramichi, 9 days, dry fish, &c. to S. Cunard & Co.; Alexander, Keating, Guysborough, 6 days, produce.

Tuesday, 3d, schr Providence, Boutin, Montreal, 15 days, flour &c. to S. Binney, schr Morning Star sailed 2 days previous.

Wednesday, 4th, schr Charlotte, Abbinet, St. Michaels, 44 days, wheat, &c. to the master; brig Fleta, Flockart, Deal, 46 days, general cargo to W. Pryor & Sons.

Thursday, 5th, schr Seaflower, Martell, Burin, dry fish, to Fairbanks & Allison; schrs New Messenger, Sydney, coal; J. Homer, Pictou, coal.

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Halifax, December, 1839.

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Halifax, Nov. 27, 1839.

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