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At a meeting of the Governors held this day, in the Library of the College, Messrs. Charles Simonds and Dunbar Douglas Stewart, were elected to the vacant Scholarships.

From the Royal Gazette.
With a view to afford advice and assistance to such emigrants arriving in this Province as may be desirous of obtaining employment in the Rural Districts, the Lieut. Governor has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Mr. John Campbell, and the yet that he should share the money with Sergeant Major Fraser of the Coldstream Guards, who assisted him to close the gates of Hugobon.

From the Fredericton Sentinel.
In consequence of the removal of Mr. Liston from St. John to Canada, Mr. Smithers, who has been Cashier of the Branch of the Bank of North America in this place, will succeed him.

As soon were, stand at ease.—Notwithstanding the recall of His Excellency Sir Colin Campbell, it is ascertained beyond a doubt that we shall have scarcely any change in our military establishment.

MINISTERS, Sept. 28.—[INQUEST.—An inquest was held at Nelson, before Mr. Cranney, Esq. Coroner, on the remains of the body of Margaret Egan, whose bones were discovered a few days ago.

NEW STEAM PACKET COMPANY.—The prospectus of a Company proposing to connect New Brunswick and Halifax by a line of Steamers, and to be called "The Newfoundland Steam Navigation Company," has been published in several papers of the day.

THE HALIFAXIAN says.—We hope, ere long, to see the talked of Steam communication between Halifax and the Western Counties put in operation.—So that the people of Halifax may condescend to the flourishing little town of Liverpool, Lunenburg, and Yarmouth, some of the many advantages which they will undoubtedly enjoy.

THE PORT OF QUEBEC: Presented an appearance yesterday, which we wished had been seen by all those who live on the waters of the Great River, who are so anxious to see the water of the sea.—There were about two hundred square-ruled vessels, chiefly just arrived, anchored in the stream between Cape Diamond and Point Levy; and still they were not so numerous as on the 18th inst. before James T. Hanford and Henry Porter, Esquires, (in the absence of the Coroner,) on the view of the body of Daniel M'Parland, a labourer, employed at excavating the rock to be used as a cover to prevent the stones flying about, was thrown with such violence against him as to break several of his ribs, and caused death to ensue a few hours after.

AGRICULTURE.—We have seen a sample of red and white spring wheat, from Frampton, a new settlement, consisting chiefly of people from Ireland, about thirty miles south-east of Quebec. The ears are between five and six inches in length, well filled and the grain plump and transparent, equal to any heretofore produced in this colony, and probably in any other.

Information has been received in town that the Governor General has fixed on Toronto as the place where the United Legislature will hold its meetings about the first of January next.

Mr. BUCKINGHAM.—Last evening this gentleman delivered the second of his course of lectures on Palestine, or the Holy Land, in which he gave a lucid description of the rise and origin of the five cities of Philistia—Gaza, Ekron, Ashkelon, Gath and Ashdod.

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