

Middleton, a former Dean of Exeter; Lord Auckland, who had resigned the bishopric of Bath and Wells; the Marquis of Hertford, the Earl of Aberdeen, who was drowned at sea, at the age of twenty-eight; and the Earl of Onslow, the "father" of the House, at the age of ninety-three. The year 1871 saw the deaths of twelve peers only, including the Marquis of Westmeath and Lord Plunket, Earl of Kingston, Lord Churston, the Earl of Ellenborough, Lord Hastings, his brother and successor to the title: In 1872 the deaths of nineteen members of the House of Lords were announced. There were amongst these the Dukes of Bedford and Leeds; the Marquises of Camden and Londonderry; the Earls of Clancarty, Carysfort, Keilie, Lonsdale and Moray; and Lords Dalling and Bulwer, better known as Sir Henry Bulwer. Among the numerous peers who died in 1873 are Bishop Wilberforce and Lord Westbury; Viscount Ossington, for 15 years Speaker of the House of Commons, and whose title is extinct; Lord Lytton, the Earl of Zetland, Lord Majoribanks, who enjoyed his peerage only a few days; Lord Wolverton, Lord Athlumney, Lord Lyveden, and Lord Annaly. This year, so far, three peers have died—Lord De Ros, whose title dates from the same year as the creation of the Barony of Hastings, 1264, Lord Blayney, and Lord Stuart de Decies.

Meteorology.

—OBSERVATIONS taken at Halifax, Nova Scotia, during the month of March, 1874; Lat: 44° 39' North; Long. 63° 36' West; height above the Sea, 125 feet, by Serg't John Thurling, A. H. Corps.

Barometer, highest reading in month.....	30.000 inches.
" lowest ".....	28.878 " "
" range of pressure.....	1.122
" mean for month (reduced to 32°).....	29.607
Thermometer, highest in shade.....	57.1 degrees.
" lowest ".....	-10.6
" range in month.....	67.6
" mean of highest.....	42.5
" mean of lowest.....	19.8
" mean daily range.....	22.7
" mean for month.....	31.1
" highest in sun's rays.....	116.0
" lowest on the grass.....	-11.0
Hygrometer, mean of dry bulb.....	33.9
" mean of wet bulb.....	31.6
" mean dew point.....	27.7
" elastic force of vapour.....	151
" weight of vapour in a cubic foot of air.....	1.8 grains.
" weight required to saturate do.....	0.5
" the figure of humidity (Sat. 100).....	77
" average weight of a cubic foot of air.....	556.0
Wind, mean direction of, North.....	7.25 days.
" " East.....	0.75
" " South.....	4.25
" " West.....	15.75
" " Calm.....	3.00
" force by estimation (0.12).....	2.7
" daily horizontal movement.....	229.7 miles.
Cloud, mean amount of (0-10).....	5.4
Ozone, mean amount of (0-10).....	2.5
Rain, number of days it fell.....	4
Snow, number of days it fell.....	13
Amount collected on ground.....	3.69 inches.
Fog, number of days.....	3

—OBSERVATIONS taken at Halifax, Nova Scotia, during the month of April, 1874; Lat: 44° 39' North; Long: 63° 36' West; height above the Sea 125 feet by Serg't. Thurling, A. H. Corps.

Barometer, highest reading in month.....	30.210 inches.
" lowest.....	29.120
" range of pressure.....	1.090
" mean for month reduced to 32°.....	29.740
Thermometer highest in shade.....	58.0 degrees.
" lowest.....	4.1
" range in month.....	53.9
" mean of all highest.....	44.2
" mean of all lowest.....	21.8
" mean daily range.....	22.4
" mean for month.....	33.0
" highest in sun's rays.....	114.8
" lowest on grass.....	2.7
Hygrometer, mean of dry bulb.....	36.4
" mean of wet bulb.....	33.9
" mean dew point.....	30.2
" elastic force of vapour.....	168

Hygrometer, weight of vapour in a cubic foot of air.....	2.0 grains.
" weight required to saturate do.....	0.5
" the figure of humidity.....	7.8
" average weight of a cubic foot of air.....	556.3
Wind, mean direction of North.....	2.75 days.
" " East.....	2.50
" " South.....	7.00
" " West.....	14.75
" " Calm.....	3.00
" force by estimation (0.12).....	3.5
" daily horizontal movement.....	281.6 miles.
Cloud, mean amount of (0-10).....	6.7
Ozone, mean amount of (0-10).....	3.5
Rain, number of days it fell.....	3
Snow, number of days it fell.....	15
Hail, number of days it fell.....	2
Amount collected on ground.....	5.36 inches.
Fog, number of days.....	3

OFFICIAL NOTICES.



Ministry of Public Instruction.

APPOINTMENTS.

The Lieutenant-Governor,—by an Order in Council, dated the 12th March last—was pleased to appoint the following

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Ile-aux-Grues, Co. Montmagny:—M. Louis Painchaud, to replace M. Ferdinand Lapierre.

The Lieutenant-Governor,—by an Order in Council, dated the 23rd March last,—was pleased to appoint the following.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Saint-Bonaventure-de-Hamilton, Co. Bonaventure:—Messrs. James Day, John Smith and Benjamin Smith.

The Lieutenant-Governor,—by an Order in Council, dated 24th March last,—was pleased to appoint the following

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Saint-François, Co. Beauce:—M. Joseph Lachance to replace M. Joseph Poulin;

Sainte-Rosalie, Co. Bagot:—M. Joseph L'Heureux, to replace M. Mérie Ménéard;

Sault-au-Mouton, Co. Saguenay:—MM. John Edmond Barry, Pierre Gagnon, Théophile Soucy, Alexandre Rouleau and Charles Boucher;

Sainte-Pudentienne, Co. Shefford:—MM. Jérôme Bachant, Félix Lussier, père; Louis Foirand, Charles Bernier and Isaac Guilmette.

The Lieutenant-Governor,—by an Order in Council, dated 13th ult.—was pleased to appoint the following

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Anse-à-Valeau, Co. Gaspé:—MM. Thomas Savage, Fabien Côté, and François Desjardins, to replace the Revd. M. F. H. Bossé, and MM. Téléphore Joncas and Thomas Élément.

DIPLOMAS GRANTED BY BOARDS OF EXAMINERS.

GASPÉ.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA, *First Class* (E & F):—Through an oversight Miss Carmélia Rooney was accredited with only the rank of a *Second Class* instead of a *First Class Diploma*.

MONTRÉAL (PROTESTANT).

Session of November 4, 1873:

MODEL SCHOOL DIPLOMA, *First Class* (B):—Mr. Joseph Kingland. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA, *First Class*:—Mr. Ths. George Stratton.

Second Class:—Misses Catherine Cooke, Mary Ann Robinson, Jane Ellen Smith, and Mr. James Remington.

T. A. GIBSON, Sec'y.