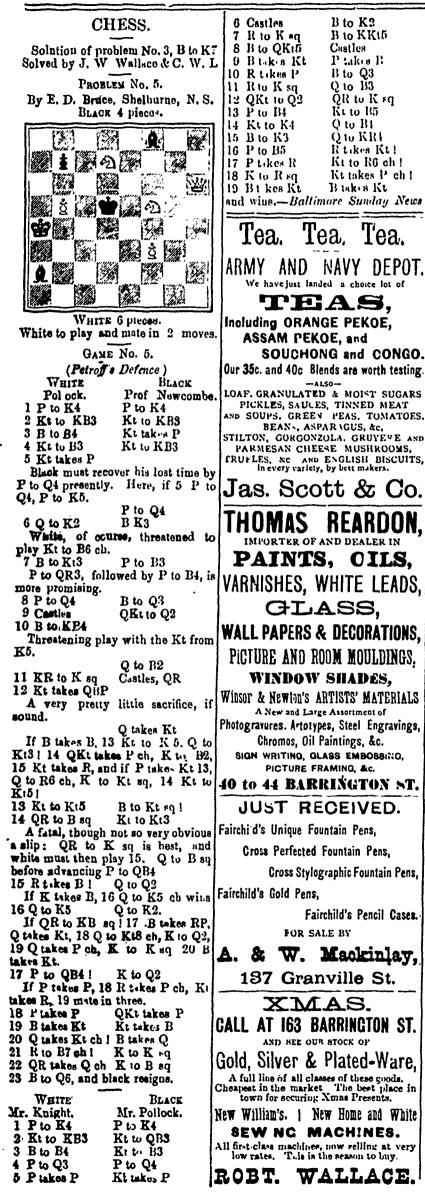
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## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Subscribers remitting Money, either direct to the office, or through Agents, will find a receipt for the amount inclosed in their next paper. All remittances should be made psyable to A. Milne Frazer.

Official notice has been given at Ottawa that the modus vivendi will expire on February 15th.

The Local Legislature will probably meet about the 20th of February for the despatch of husiness.

It is considered probable that the Quebec Legislature will have concluded its labors at the end of a month.

Large quantities of ecis are being shipped from different parts of Nova Scotia to New York and Philadelphia markets.

Mr- Colter, M. P. for Haldimand, has been unseated by the Supreme Court. The warrant for the election h is been issued.

Sherbrooke, Que, had a \$40,000 fire on Siturday, and three serious fires and two smaller ones were Montreal's contribution to the record for Saturday and Sunday.

Prof. Roberts, of King's College, Windsor, his been nominated for the vacancy in the membership of the Royal Society of Canada, caused by the death of Dr. Lyall of Halifax.

Amherst has now a regularly running line of coaches attending the trains, driving the passengers to any part of the town and standing when out of employment near the post office.

A consider ble number of ocean steamers have recently put into Halifax Harbor for supplies of coal, etc. All reports agree as to the succession of tremendous weather experienced at sea.

It is thought that the fire is nearly out in the Vale Colliery, New Glasgow. Mr Moore, the manager, says that the temperature is very low, and that the mine is full of choke damp in which fire cannot live.

Messrs. Steele Brothers, florists and seedsmen of Toronto, send us a catalogue of seeds, etc., nearly as handsomely got up as any from the States. Wo are always glud to note the progress of Canadian firms.

We have before us a 48 page pamphlet, *The Jesuits*, by Principal Austin, A. M. B. D., of Alma Ladies' College, St. Thomas, Ontario, containing a concise account of the origin and history of that body and various details connected with it. The information contained is exceedingly well condensed.

The 26th annual meeting of the Fruit Growers' Association of Nova Scotia will take a place at Wolfville on February 5th and 6th. Delegates will be appointed to represent the N. S. Association at the Dominion convention of Fruit Growers, which will take place at Ottawa on the 19th, 20th and 21st of February.

The first annual meeting of the Halifax Board of Trade was held on Tuesday evening. The general report for the year was submitted and adopted. The report of the committee on amalgamstion with the Chamber of Commerce was adopted, and the committee given power to complete the final arrangements.

In connection with the approaching annual meeting of the Fruit Growers' Association of Nova Scotia, which will take place on the 5th and 6th of February, we have to acknowledge the *Transactions* of that association for 1888 9, a volume of some 240 pages, replete with matters of interest to those engaged in this important Nova Scotia industry.

The Woodstock Free Press says that a fashionable dressed young lady attended church on Sunday  $\iota$  orning with her hat on wrong side in front. She was considerably mortified on discovering the error on her return home, but other young ladies only envied her the latest style. How in the world the editor could distinguish the back from the front of 4 lady's hat is a mystery.

The 76th annual meeting of the N. S. Auxiliary Bible Society was held in St. John's Presbyterian Church on Monday evening. Reports for the year were read, and officers elected for 1889. The speeches during the evening by Rev Mr. Almon, J S Hutton, Itev. Mr. Rogers, Principal Forrest, Bishop Courtney and A. M. Bell were interesting, and were listened to with much attention.

We understand that there is beautiful ice, 18 inches thick by actual measurement, at the head of the basin. Skating parties to-morrow afternoon, if the weather is favorable, would do well to try it. There is a good moon, and Bedford has the advantage of two hotels where skaters can refresh themselves after their pleasurable exertion with a good dinner. "The Bedford" is particularly convenient for skating parties, and trains return to town at 8.20 and 843 p. m., local time.

The death rate in Chicago has been unusually high recently owing to 'la grippe " and attendant diseases.

Of the 47 United States Presbyteries that have voted on the revision of the Westminister Conf. sion, 35 have favored the revision.

United States tailors have struck at English tailors by combining in an agreement not to make over or alter clothes made outside the United States.

Miss Nellie Bly arrived in New York on Saturday, having made the journey round the world in 72 days, 6 hours and 11 minutes. She was accorded a rousing reception at the depot.

**WACHINES.** aschiner, now relling at very This is the season to buy. **WALLACE.** Terrible accounts are current of the distress prevailing in South Dakota. Thousands are reported to be starving, without flour or sufficient clothing or means to purchase them. Farms are mortgaged, stock sold and credit withheld. We hear of no such distress in our own N. W. Territories.