

Telegraphic News.

London, Dec. 28.

Emperor Francis Joseph delivered a speech from the throne yesterday. He deprecates the lack of internal harmony, promises measures to make Reich-rath a representative body, and bids to remove election abuses and settle educational questions. He says that Austria is weary of internal conflicts and desires peace. It is reported from Madrid that appointment of Concha as Captain General of Cuba has been determined on.

Quincy, Dec. 28.

A large fire originated in Quay & Co's dry goods store, on John street, and spread to the Russell House and the grocery store of George Hall. Total loss \$50,000. Quay & Co. are insured for \$15,000 in the Liverpool London and Globe and other companies. The Russell House was only slightly damaged.

London, Dec. 29th.

A bulletin from San Domingo states that the Prince is gaining strength, and the swelling above his hip has subsided, and causes less pain.

Gambetta who was last at Marseilles, has gone to Toulon. While at the former city he addressed the residents, counselling patience and moderation.

Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 29.

General Butler spoke here last night upon the fishery question. He endeavored to indicate the manner in which England abuses her power through her Colonies. The fishery rights are ours, he said, by no grace of Kings, no powers of Nobles, no Treaty, but because our fathers took them.

As soon as the Dominion Government was formed they undertook to exert, as a dependency, they had no right to exert, dominion over the seas, and undertook to enforce the treaty. I think it an evidence of supineness on the part of our Government that they allowed the Canadian Government to interpret or carry out treaties through Canadian laws. We yielded to their laws; we did not seem to have an idea of our strength, our dignity, as a nation, and we shall be cheated again in this Treaty which, with the sense of wrong and injury it would bring upon the people, would be more likely to produce a war with Great Britain within the next ten years than there is any danger of a war without it. Butler said he should urge in Congress any laws which will carry these fishery clauses into effect.

London, Dec. 30.

A boiler explosion in Glasgow killed five children and injured seven so badly that their lives are in danger. Twenty two hundred barrels of turpentine, on ship board, were burned at one of the Thames docks to day.

London, Dec. 31.

A Bulletin from Sandriaghram to day reports that the Prince suffers less pain from the swelling above the hip and continues to progress towards recovery.

Victor Emmanuel gave a reception to the Foreign Ambassadors to-day at the Quirinal. All were present. The senior member of the Diplomatic corps delivered a felicitous address, to which the King replied in suitable terms. Tammany elected Augustus Schell as grand sachem vice William M. Tweed.

A DARK GAME.—There have been some things about the transportation of coal by water that were not exactly satisfactory to Boston merchants on which they are beginning to get light. One ton in a hundred has been allowed for waste, but frequently cargoes fall short from five to fifteen tons, and the captains refuse to be accountable for the loss. The schooner William Deming of Calais, Captain Mariner Cook, came from New York to Boston with a cargo of coal consigned to Messrs Cook, Jordan & Morse, which fell short of the amount charged. It being purchased from a firm in which perfect confidence was placed, nothing was said, and the captain purchased five tons for his own use and departed with pleasant words on both sides. On Thursday afternoon the captain had some difficulty with the crew and discharged several of them. To take revenge they went immediately to Messrs Cook, Jordan & Morse and told them they had better go down and look at the William Deming. Mr. Cook jumped into a carriage with a friend drove down the wharf, and found that the captain was not on board. Mr. C. stepped on board and looked around. In one chain locker he found half a ton of coal, and the same amount in the other locker. The empty berths in the fore-castle were also full of coal. In the hold was about three tons more, which had been removed from a hiding place in another part of the vessel. All this in addition to what Capt. Cook had purchased, and the crew told Mr. Cook (not the captain, but the dealer) that the captain had had three barrels at Holmes's Hole. In the future captains will probably be made responsible for shrinkage.

An elderly gentleman was recently "condemned" on a train running into Keokuk, by sharpers, who induced him to buy a draft (worthless) on Buffalo for \$157.40, he paying them two \$100 bills, and they paying him \$12.60 as change. The conductor on the train took the first opportunity to quietly suggest to the innocent old gentleman that he was afraid the draft was a fraud. "Well," was the blank response of the importunate greedy, "if it is any bigger fraud than my two one hundred dollar notes were, then I am not forty-three dollars ahead—which I think I am. I am not in the habit of dealing in counterfeit currency, but I always keep a little of that sort of stuff about me for the benefit of that sort of customers."

When a Bridgewater deacon nudged a sleeping stranger with the contribution box, the other Sunday, that individual awoke to acknowledge the attention, but went off again, softly protesting "he didn't smoke."

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HONOR TO DR. WADDELL.—We are pleased to learn that Dr. Waddell, whose attainments and services in various branches of the healing art are well known, has had a high honor conferred upon him. He has been appointed member of the Gynecological Society, of Boston, Mass., a learned body whose specialty, as the name implies, is the study and treatment of women. We congratulate Dr. Waddell on being the recipient of this well merited honor, and trust he may long live to enjoy it.—Tele.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION.—It is supposed by many that education is almost the last thing thought of in the countries of South America. Yet provision for teaching the young has of late been carried even to the compulsory form. The Assembly of the Province of Rio Janeiro has passed a law making it obligatory on parents and guardians to send their children to school. This applies to both sexes and to all persons between the ages of seven and fourteen. The school may be either public or private, but to one or the other all must go. Children whose parents are too poor to give them decent clothing are to be clad at the cost of the Provincial Treasury.

REMOVAL.

The "STANDARD OFFICE" has been removed to the large rooms over the Store of Mr. Stevenson, and Mr. J. I. Street, on Water Street. Entrance from Wm. Henry Street.

The Standard.

SAINT ANDREWS, JAN. 8, 1872.

RETROSPECT.

The steady march of time has again brought us to the end of another year, and January, the month of the double v. aged God, looking always in two opposite directions, is again upon us. Before consigning the events of 1871 to the dark chambers of memory, let us call them up in review. It was not a year of great revolutions, nor yet of great scientific discoveries. The Franco-Prussian war had virtually closed ere the year opened, and these last twelve months have been a period of the restoration of order in France. The re-occupation of

ROME

by Victor Emmanuel, so quietly achieved, attracted but little attention. A year's grand idea, and life cherished hope of "A United Italy with Rome as the capital," is thus realized. Another instance of the triumph of moral power, and the completion of the life labours of a pioneer of thought, after his death. Truly the works of men in advance of their times do follow them. The

FAMINE IN PERSIA.

and the destruction of Chicago, and many villages in the Western States by the Fire fiend, are events which will for ever distinguish 1871 from all other years. The completion of the

MOUNT CENIS TUNNEL.

is perhaps the greatest scientific accomplishment of the year. When commenced some years ago the number of those who believed that it could ever be finished was small indeed; but the growth of science and the progress of invention, rendered its completion a sure thing long ere it was finished. The rapidity of the growth of Science is perhaps the characteristic feature of our age, and it is really surprising. If we were to review the scientific achievements of the last decade even, we would find there more progress than the whole civilized world made in as many centuries dating from the commencement of the Christian era. Coming

NEARER HOME.

we notice that in this year was passed the most important Act which graces the Statute Books of New Brunswick, viz: The Free School Bill. We will not now enter into a consideration of the beauties and advantages of this noble Act, but will dismiss it with the reflection, that at last we are up with the spirit of the age, and that while the other colonies of the Dominion are beginning to reap, we are but beginning to sow.

The opening of

WESTERN EXTENSION, and the commencement of the Riviere du Loup Railway, two great interest connecting bonds, are the two most noted events in the commercial annals of our Province for the past year. We hail the completion and commencement of these important works, as we believe that community of interest among nations is a sure guarantee of peace, and these must tend to the development of Trade and Friendship. The people of

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have reason to be thankful for their share of the good things of the year 1871. Our quiet little town has, we are sorry to say, become a little more noisy, and our young men a little less temperate than of yore. Some people say these are but the signs of the good time coming. For our own part, we would prefer "the good time" with the quietness which we have heretofore enjoyed. Our traders say that business is steadily improving; our country friends are beginning to learn that this is the cheapest market to buy in, in the County. St. Andrews has been often spoken of in seemingly tones by the Press of the Province and by people from abroad that has been their wont for many years past. We imagine that reviving importance is the cause of reviving respect; even our friend of the "Courier" has ceased to poke fun at us. Is the change of method due to the change of management?

With the

CLOSE OF THE YEAR came the commencement of another year of great

importance to our town; we refer to the NEW HOTEL, the foundation walls of which are now nearly finished. When completed the St. Andrews Hotel will be second in size and magnificence only to the famed "Victoria," and we have no doubt will prove as successful a speculation. The purchase of residences made by the Hon. Messrs. Tilly and Dr. Tupper are also good omens for us. We may be pardoned for using the simile, but our face seems to be our fortune, and our beauty is becoming known and appreciated. The

SHIPPING INTEREST.

of the port has also been in luck during the past year. We have no disasters to record. The gain to owners may be safely estimated at \$40,000, and the amount of trade in connection with our vessels at \$15,000. In this direction our wealth may be extended indefinitely. Our farmers too have had fair crops and good prices. May our record for the coming year be as pleasing in its nature as that for the past has been, and may all our readers enjoy "a prosperous and happy New Year."

Thirty-Ninth Volume.

With the issue this day, the STANDARD enters upon its thirty-ninth volume, and is the oldest paper in the Province. When we glance back through the many years we have labored, and remember how many who were our respected contemporaries, (when as a mere youth we first issued the paper), but have long since departed for the "better land," we are admonished of the rapid flight of time, and that all are hastening towards that great change which awaits them.

Although not having accomplished all that we desired, yet we are thankful that many undertakings, industries, and improvements advocated in our columns, have been successfully carried out—of none are we better satisfied than our Railway, which had its origin in the columns of the STANDARD, and not alone this Railway but some others. The idea of a railway in New Brunswick at that time, 1835, was viewed as a chimera, but nevertheless the original editorial article advocating the construction of a Railway connecting St. Andrews with Quebec, was copied and favorably noticed by such papers as the N. Y. Albion, Montreal Gazette, Quebec Gazette, Nova Scotian, and N. B. Courier. We have lived to see the line built to Woodstock, and witnessed its connection with the network of railways in this Province, Canada and the United States, even to the far off Pacific.

County affairs have also received attention in these columns, abuses have been exposed, extravagances shown up, and remedies suggested which were carried out. We have heretofore urged a County Municipality, but a majority of the people of the County were misled by designation men to oppose the measure from fear of taxation; but have they not, and more dearly for the irresponsible system? The day, however, is not distant when the County will be governed by a County Council.

During our long continuance in the editorial chair, it has been our lot rarely to cross a lance with our confederates, and never have we indulged in personalities, while so engaged. In no more fitting manner can we close our observations, than to thank the gentlemen of the Press, who have so kindly exchanged with our humble sheet, and heartily to wish them abundant prosperity with a happy New Year.

Bills for subscriptions, advertising, &c., from this office, will be presented for payment, and as we are endeavoring to obtain a new fit out for the paper, and other improvements, we will be obliged by prompt payments. To those who are punctual we return our acknowledgments—many others who are considerably in arrears, will, we trust, settle without delay.

The inmates of the "Alms House" were regaled with a substantial Dinner on New Year's Day, of roast beef and plum pudding, kindly provided by the Commissioners. A large number of visitors from town were present by invitation, and made a thorough survey of the establishment, which is under the direction of Mr. Thos. Finlay, and reflects credit upon his management. The home from attic to cellar is a pattern of neatness, cleanliness and order; the dormitories are amply provided with bed covering, the beds are of iron, and the rooms are well ventilated and warm. The inmates, several of whom are aged and infirm, were looking neat, and appeared to be (as they expressed themselves) satisfied and contented. The visitors were pleased with the general management and appearance of this home for the poor.

The "Canadian Illustrated News" of Dec. 30, has some fine pictures, among them a sketch of the Grand Duke Alexis, at the Victoria Skating Rink. Montreal, the Hon. M. C. Cameron, the hon. Edward Blake, Premier of Ontario, a full plate picture of "Moses being confused by his Mother to the waters of the Nile," which is without exception the best legotype which has yet been printed in the "News." Accompanying the same number is a beautiful large sized chroma, of the "Kittens at Home" presented to the subscribers of the Canadian Illustrated News.

STEWART'S QUARTERLY for October has just been received; from a glance at its contents, which are all original, and of considerable interest and importance, it fully sustains the high character it has won. Mr. Stewart, Jr., its editor and proprietor, announces that with the January number, the ownership and editorial management passes into the hands of Messrs. Stockton and Burbridge, who will change its title to that of "The New Brunswick Quarterly," and will add to its

list of talented contributors. We cannot but leave of its youthful editor without expressing our admiration of his taste and skill in conducting his Quarterly, which has reflected credit on Dominion literature. May its popularity be as universal under its new proprietors as it was under Mr. Stewart.

SCHOOL MEETING.—We notice handbills posted in the Town, calling a meeting of the rate payers in St. Andrews District, in the Parish School House, on Tuesday next, 11th inst., signed by Mr. Mitchell, Inspector. We cannot give further information, nor were we aware of the former Inspector, being removed.

CHANGE OF GAUGE.—The Lewiston Journal says it learns from good authority that the European & North American Railroad will change to narrow gauge another summer, thus making one gauge from Halifax to Boston, New York and Chicago. Also, that it is stated that even the Grand Trunk has such a change of gauge under consideration, although the magnitude of the undertaking causes it to be deferred.

California will soon rival the Countries of Europe in the production of wine if she continues to progress as during the past few years. The vineyard for the year 1871, will amount it is estimated to 8,000,000 gallons of wine, to which may be added from 180,000 to 200,000 gallons of brandy. Many of the vineyard proprietors, it will please temperance men to learn, have thrown away large quantities of brandy, owing to the heavy Federal taxation and the vexatious regulations with which the business is hampered by law.

ST. JOHN'S DAY, twenty-eighth December, was celebrated by St. Mark's Lodge of F. & A. M. of this place in Masonic Hall. The newly elected officers were installed in the afternoon; and in the evening a number of the members with their wives, daughters and sweethearts, and visitors, partook of an excellent supper, prepared by Mrs. McLeod of the "Pascamaguddy Hotel". The tables were laid out in artistic style; the display of plate and glassware was very fine, and looked well under the blaze of the chandeliers; and the abundance of choice and delicious edibles presented a pleasing and inviting picture, the whole reflecting the greatest credit upon Mr. McLeod as a caterer, which was admitted by all present. The usual loyal, masonic and patriotic toasts were given; the company after singing the national anthem, separated about ten o'clock, much pleased with the evening's entertainment.

The following are the officers of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 5, N. B. R.:

Bro. T. W. Bacon, W. M.
E. A. Julian, J. P. M.
Geo. E. Elliot, S. W.
E. Armstrong, J. W.
S. T. Gore, M. P. Tresser.
Geo. F. Stickney, Secy.
W. D. Hart, S. D.
James Stoop, J. D.
Jas. McNichol, S. S.
Wm. Clark, J. S.
J. R. Bradford, Marshal.
J. Kippatrick, I. G.
C. Morrison, Tyler.

DEATH OF HON. J. L. MOORE.—We regret to learn by a telegram to this paper, of the death of the Hon. Joseph L. Moore, at Amherst, yesterday (Tuesday) morning. Mr. Moore had been in bad health for some time. He was one of the representatives from Westmorland, a member of the Executive Council, and a lawyer by profession.

An engraving "The Finding of the Saviour in the Temple" has been sent us by the Publisher of the "Hearthstone" of Montreal. It is a copy of Holman Hunt's celebrated picture, photo-lithographed by the Leggo process, and is said to be the largest and finest specimen of work ever produced by this method. All subscribers to the "Hearthstone" for 1872 will receive the engraving free.

John Bolton Esq., M. P., who was absent in England for some weeks returned in Steamship Scandinavia to Portland, and arrived at St. Stephen, on Monday evening.

TAXATION.—People frequently complain of the taxation in the Province. Were they to look abroad, they would discover that taxation in this Province is trifling in comparison with other countries. As an example we give the following from a Massachusetts paper:

"The tax payers of Salem, Mass., are beginning to be impressed with the magnitude of their municipal expenses. The cost of governing the city has increased from \$150,000 in 1865, to \$357,000 in 1870. The debt has increased in the same time from \$208,000 to \$1,527,000, which exceeds one-seventh of the state valuation. The rate of taxation has risen from \$15 on \$1,000 to \$25 38.

BALLOU'S MAGAZINE FOR JANUARY.—We find in the January number of BALLOU'S MAGAZINE, which is just issued, such a complete collection of stories, romances, poems, engravings, and useful information, that we do not wonder BALLOU'S MONTHLY is so popular with all classes of society. Here we see a New Year's story, and there a sea yarn, and

as we read through the whole publication and wish for more. The magazine is only \$1.50 per year. Thomas & Talbot, Publishers, 63 Congress Street, Boston.

We going at present would be much improved by a few inches of snow.

The Western line of Railway in Nova Scotia, came under the control of the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, on the 1st instant.

A despatch from Rawlins Springs, reports that no trains have passed over the blockaded portion of the Union Pacific railroad since the 21st. The most of the present difficulty is between Cheyenne and Rawlins station.

SCHOOL MONEY.—The sum of \$10,000 has been placed at the disposal of the St. John Board of School Trustees by the Government to be used for the purposes of the Board in putting the new School Act into operation.

Ship News

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS

ARRIVED.

Dec. 30, rebr. Odessa, Tatton, Boston, ballast, Robinson & Glenn.

Eliza Frances, Hunt, Portland.

Jan. 1, Alms, Jackson, Michoud, ballast.

Gretna, Stinson, St. Stephen, molasses &c., J. R. Bradford.

3, Daisy, Bannan, Boston, hides R. Ross, apples and coal, master.

No clearance this week.

NOTICE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Saint Andrews Steamboat Wharf Company, will be held in the Engine House Hall, on Tuesday, the 9th January inst., at 7 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year, and other business that may come before them.

J. W. STREET, President.

Jan. 2.

FOUND,

BETWEEN Waveig Bridge and John Curry's, Bay Side, a Sleigh Rope, which the owner can have by proving property and paying expenses.

Bay Side, Jan. 3. JOHN CURRY.



INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

THE Commissioners appointed to construct the Intercolonial Railway, give notice that they are preparing to receive tenders for the erection of Freight and Passenger Buildings at Little Falls, River Philip, Iron Mines, and Fether; also, Buildings for Flag Stations at Knapton Road, Mundie Road, Salt Springs, Grenville, Purdy, Folly Lake, and Ishogish; also for Tank Houses at Little Falls, Salt Springs, River Philip, Grenville, Folly Lake, Iron Mines, and Fether, on the Nova Scotia Division of the Railway.

Plans, specifications, and forms of Tender may be seen on and after the 15th January, at the Office of the Chief Engineer, Ottawa, and at the Railway Offices at Moncton and Halifax.

Tenders may be for the whole or any lesser number of these Buildings, and will be received at the Commissioners' Office, Ottawa to 12 o'clock noon, of the 20th day of February next.

Tenders will also be received for the erection of new Freight and Passenger Buildings, at Moncton and Truro, and Engine House at Truro, and a Refectory Building at Amherst.

Plans, specification, and form of Tender for which, may be seen at the same offices on and after the 15th day of January next, and Tenders will be received as above, up to 12 o'clock noon, of the 20th day of February next.

Tenders will also be received for the construction of two Post Offices, and Smoking Cars, for the Nova Scotia Division of the Railway, to be delivered at Amherst or Truro; also one hundred Platform Cars, fifty to be delivered on the line of Railway at Campbellton, and fifty on the line at Miramichi.

Plans, specification, and form of Tender for these Cars, may be seen at the offices referred to, on and after the 15th day of January next, and Tenders will be received as above up to 12 o'clock noon, of the 20th day of February next.

A. W. LALAN,
E. B. CHANDLER,
C. J. BRYDGES,
A. W. McLELLAN,
Commissioners.

Intercolonial Railway.
Commissioners' Offices,
Ottawa, 24th Dec., 1871.

Notice to the Public.

THE following clause of an Act respecting Land, c. 21, cap. 21, Vol. 33, passed by the Parliament of the Dominion, in the year 1869, is published for the information of the public:

"Whoever for any purpose, or with any intent, wrongfully, or with wilful falsehood, pretends or alleges that he is enclosed and sent, or caused to be enclosed and sent in any Post Letter, any money valuable security or chattel which in fact he did not enclose and send, or cause to be enclosed and sent therein is guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to be punished as if he had obtained the money valuable security or chattel, 'so pretended to be enclosed and sent by false pretence, and it shall not be necessary to allege in the indictment, or to prove on the trial, that the act was done with intent to defraud.'"

JOHN McLELLAN,
P. O. Inspector Office,
St. John, Dec. 27, 1871. Jan 3 31

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