

is excellent. The men are well supplied with fresh meat and vegetables, and also with oranges, sent from Malta by Rear Admiral Stewart.

3. The fire from the batteries of the allies has increased during the last week, and that of the enemy has not slackened. New guns have been mounted in our batteries during the last four days.

4. On the 24th inst. I passed the day at Balaklava, to superintend the service going on there, and to make inquiries and examine into matters connected with the duties of the port and the transport service. I met Lord Raglan there, by appointment, and we made some arrangements which will, I trust, have a beneficial effect.—I have, &c.

(Signed) "E. C. LYONS,  
Rear Admiral and Commander-in-Chief  
To the Secretary of the Admiralty."

The accounts from Sebastopol contain unmistakable evidence that in the midst of the sickness and sufferings of our troops the operations of the siege have gradually assumed a more decisive character, and that the attack upon the town is likely to be soon recommenced.—Times.

The Kreuz Zeitung of Berlin announces that Austria is resolved to renew her demand for the mobilization of the Federal army at present ordered to be made ready for war. In that case she will further press for the election of a Federal commander-in-chief. Prussia will oppose this measure, and will also endeavour to obtain from the Diet a vote forbidding the presence of foreign armed corps (a French corps d'armee) within the territory of the Bund.

The king of Hanover is hastening on military preparations; and letters from Vienna state that he has empowered Baron de Stockhausen to conclude a separate treaty with Austria. Brunswick and Nassau have also sent declarations on that point of a very satisfactory character for the Austrian cabinet.

Collegiate.

KING'S COLLEGE, WINDSOR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "CHURCH TIMES."

Sir,—I beg to acknowledge through the medium of your paper the receipt of Two Hundred and fifty Pounds, being the second instalment paid by Mr. Collins on account of his donation towards the general Endowment Fund of the College. Since the putting forth of our appeal on behalf of the College in March last, I have much pleasure in stating for the information of those who feel an interest in the Institution at Windsor, that we have received, exclusive of the Seven hundred and fifty Pounds paid by Mr. Collins, the sum of Eight Thousand Three Hundred Pounds, whereby a balance of Seven Hundred Pounds only is required to be paid in to enable us to receive the remaining Two Hundred and fifty of the Thousand Pounds so liberally contributed by Mr. Collins, and which he has authorized me to state he is prepared to pay whenever the Nine Thousand pounds stipulated for by him has been paid over to the Governors of the College. Permit me then to urge upon all who have subscribed, but who have not as yet paid the amount of their subscription, the benefit the College will derive by the immediate payment of the sums contributed by them, trusting that previous to the thirty-first of March a sum sufficient will have been realized to perfect and complete the Endowment of Ten Thousand Pounds, within the period of one year from the issuing of our appeal on behalf of our College.

I remain, yours, &c.

A. M. UNIACKE.

Halifax, Feb. 26, 1855.

KING'S COLLEGE, WINDSOR.

LENT TERM, 1855.

The Subject for the Prize Essay proposed by the Lord Bishop for this Year is,

"The Propagation of Christianity compared with that of Mohammedanism proves that, although the latter may be accounted for by human causes, the former can be attributed only to a Superhuman Agency."

The Essays are to be sent in to the President on the 10th day of May, and the Prize will be delivered to the successful Candidate at the ensuing Eacouis, when he will read his Essay in the Hall.

The Prize is open to the competition of all Members of the University, whether resident or non resident, who have completed their 12th and have not entered upon their 25th term at this date. Each Essay is to be distinguished by a Motto and to be accompanied by a sealed paper bearing the same Motto, and containing the name of the writer.

The Subjects for Examination for the Prize in Hebrew and Biblical Greek in 1855, will be  
The Book of Joshua, Heb. & Gr.  
The first ten Psalms, "  
The Gospel of St. John and  
The Epistle to Titus.

This Prize is open to all Members of the University who are below the Standing for M. A., and who have not already gained the first premium in Hebrew.

The Professor of Natural Science has commenced a systematic course of lectures on Chemistry and Natural History.

A Foreign Professor, who will give instruction in the German, French, Spanish and Italian languages and literature, has been recently appointed by the Governors.

GEORGE McCRAWLEY,  
President.

Editorial Miscellany.

The R. M. Steamship Canada arrived on Thursday morning from Liverpool. British dates are to Feb. 17. The intelligence from the Crimea shows that the weather has improved, and that the army had been made more comfortable by a plentiful distribution of the supplies. A sortie of the Russians on Feb. 1, did a good deal of mischief within the French lines. The onomy has been strongly reinforced, and the allies daily expected a desperate attack upon their entrenchments. It would appear, however, that nothing of the kind had occurred up to the 5th Feb.

The news from India is comically warlike. The Burmese ambassador, whose supposed object, up to the moment of his final interview with the Governor General at Calcutta, was to cultivate friendly relations, declared then that he had "come by command of the King of Ava, to seek restitution of the whole of the captured provinces in Burmah." The Calcutta paper which relates this, observes—"We are informed that, despite this unforeseen explosion, the Governor General stood calm and collected, and at once desired Major Phayro to make the following reply, or words to this effect—"Tell them that as long as the sun shines in the heavens the British flag shall wave over these possessions." The envoy, it is said, scarcely expected any other answer. He seems to have been "early convinced of the hopelessness of his errand, and kept it till the last moment, like a person who blurts out something which he feels to be impertinent when he has got within safe distance of the door. 'I had to get it out of my stomach,' said the poor man, and departed content with a flat and prompt refusal."

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—An old man named Kannan, resident on the opposite side of the North West Arm, was drowned on Thursday afternoon, while crossing from near the Pryor Property. He had been in the water some time, before his cries were heard, when a woman at great risk of her own life succeeded in getting a pole within his reach, which helped to buoy him up for some time. After a good while the disaster was discovered by several persons who were skating near the head of the arm, who immediately proceeded to his assistance and made every effort to relieve him. He was got out quite insensible, and taken to a house, but expired in a few minutes. Exertions were made for three hours in hope to resuscitate the body, but all without effect.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—A very amusing and able lecture was delivered by R. Halburton, Esq., at the Mechanics' Institute on Wednesday evening last.—Some very zealous persons objected, about the middle of it, to his quotations from old authors, which they imagined were an infringement of the rules of the Institute, and a scene ensued, which some of the boys present enjoyed mightily. After a while the Lecturer was allowed to continue and conclude, one of the most racy entertainments of the session. The Hall was crowded, an unusual spectacle.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—Leonard Shannon, Esq. Lectured on last Tuesday evening on the Catacombs of Rome, to a crowded audience.—The interest was well sustained. Mr. Shannon is one of the King's College Alumni, and a Wesleyan, an instance that the system of instruction in that College was not exclusive, many years ago. The lecture is spoken of as an able one, displaying much research on a subject which has been often treated of. We understand that the next Lecture will be delivered by the Rev. E. Maturin; and the last of the season, by Mr. Martineau, Principal of the Colonial Church Society's Model and Training School in this City.

NEW BOOKS.

"The Little Episcopalian—or the Child taught by the Prayer Book."—This is one of the books for children of the Church, published by the New York Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union. We see in it a great deal to approve, and much that must be very interesting to those for whom it is designed, both in style and matter. The authoress in her preface, states her aim to be,—“as far as lay in her power, to lead the little ones of the Church to think more and more justly of those invaluable privileges which they enjoy; and she is not without hope, that through the medium of a story—all children love a story—they may be led to prize, the Liturgy of the Church, that sacred Liturgy which is so full of the Holy Word of God.” Our readers will find a seasonable extract from this little work in the "Youths' Department of this day's Church Times.

"Cornelia; or, The Deaf Mute. By the Rev. Henry W. Lee, D. D., now Bishop of Iowa"—Is an interesting narrative of a deaf and dumb girl, who was educated in the Institution at New York, and gave ample evidence in her life and death, that she was a sincere Christian. It concludes with practical observations to the young.

"Love's Lesson—by the Author of Timid Lucy"—is another book on which we would pass a word of commendation. It will be read with interest by the young; and is well adapted to lead them in the path of true wisdom.

The above and various others of the revised publications of the Union, are for sale at the Bookstore of W. Gosip, 24 Granville-street.

Official Report of the Executive Committee of the Nova Scotia Industrial Exhibition.—We notice this pamphlet, which speaks practically of the improvement of Nova Scotia, for the purpose of adding our meed of praise of the exertions of the Patrons, Committee, and all concerned in the endeavor to stimulate the Provincial industry. There is one name among the rest that deserves especial mention in connection with the success of the effort—that of Mather B. Desbrisay—to whose personal visitation of the country, and lectures on the subject, much of the interest may be ascribed, that was excited in its behalf.

Report of Cases argued and determined in the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, including also the general rules of Court, and miscellaneous Reports—by Alexander James, Barrister and Official Reporter to the Courts of Equity, Common Law and Vice Admiralty. This work as it progresses, will be very useful to the legal profession, and always more or less an authority in our courts of law. It reflects credit upon the legal acumen and industry of the Reporter. Price 7s. 6d.

SERVICES DURING LENT.

St. Paul's.—In the morning, Wednesdays and Fridays, at 11 o'clock. Evening service, with lecture, on Wednesdays.

St. Luke's.—On the afternoons of Tuesday and Thursday, at half past 4.

St. George's.—Morning Service on Wednesdays and Fridays.

CHRIST CHURCH, DARTMOUTH.—Wednesdays at 3 p. m. with a Lecture; Fridays at 3 p. m. Candidates for Confirmation instructed after the Service.

TEMPERANCE.

The debate on the second reading of the Prohibitory Liquor Law, the great question of our Legislative Session, commenced on Wednesday the 21st ult. and concluded on the 28th, when the Bill passed that stage by a majority of 29 to 19.

The R. M. S. Asia, arrived from Boston on Thursday evening. She brings no news of importance.

A public meeting was held in the Mechanics' Institute, Dartmouth, on Wednesday evening last, to consider the expediency of incorporating the Township of Dartmouth, H. Y. Mott, Esq. in the chair, and M. B. Desbrisay, Esq. secretary. A resolution declaring the expediency, was rejected, and another to make Dartmouth a seventh ward of the City of Halifax, with partial exemption from taxation, was very properly scouted.

A soiree under the auspices of the colored Baptists of this City, was held in Temperance Hall, on Wednesday evening last, which was well attended by a respectable assemblage, as well white as colored persons. Speeches were made by colored gentlemen and others, and the audience were likewise treated to good vocal music by the choir connected with their place of worship—to raise funds to repair which was the object of the Soiree.

Public Meetings have been held at Miramichi, Bathurst, Dalhousie, and Restigouche, New Brunswick, and Resolutions passed in aid of the Patriotic Fund—also in the County of Bonaventure, Gaspé, L. Canada, where the proceedings were conducted with great enthusiasm.

Two very handsome omnibuses have been running during the past week between various parts of the City and the Railway terminus, and are likely to succeed. So true it is, that one enterprise begets another.