The Provincial Wesleyan.

RAILWAY.

The Hon. Prov. Secretary said, in reply to a question put by the hon. and learned member for Annapolis last evening. I have to state that no communication has been received from the Colonial Secretary on the subject of Railways since the date of Mr. Jackson's communication.

Mr. Marshall asked if Mr. Jackson's letter had been officially communicated to the Home Government.

Hon. Prov. Secretary—I am not quite sure that it may not have been transmitted by his Excellency the Lieut. Governor to the Colonial Secretary but I am sure that no communication has since been received by the Colonial Government.

FERRY IN CAPE BRETON.

Mr. Hugh Munro presented a Petition from William Kidston and others, praying for a small sum of money to enable them to place a good Ferry boat between the town of Baddeck and Little Bras 'D'Or—there being a large number of passengers and considerable traffic between those places.

NORMAL SCHOOL.

Hon. Financial Secretary introduced a Bill to found a Normal School—read a first time.

BRIDGETOWN PETITIONS.

Mr. Thorne presents petitions of Trustees of Bridgeport Grammar School, respecting teacher's salary; also petition of Trustees of paradise combined Grammer School for the same purpose.

FEES OF OFFICE.

Hon. Prov. Secretary said that it was suggested the other day that all fees of office should be abolished. He held in his hand a bill for the purpose of abolishing all fees taken in the Secretary's office, except a few trifling sums charged for certificates and private business. The following were the fees collected last year:

Marriages,	£651	0	0
Notaries,	25	13	4
Justices,	22	0	0
Collectors,	21	8	4
Fish Wardens,	9	0	0
Judges of Probate,	7	0	0
Copying papers,	5	0	0

Hon. J. W. Johnston.—It was my desire to obtain an account of the number of marriage Licenses issued to parties to whom they were granted, with the names of those who paid for them.

Hon Prov. Secretary.—Do I understand the hon. and learned member to require the number of Licenses obtained by different Clergymen of different denominations.

Hon. J. W. Johnston.—Yes.

The Prov. Secretary.—I shall furnish the statement immediately.

Mr. Jost presented a Petition for the erection of a Light House on Iron Bound Island, at the entrance of La Have River.

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock to-morrow. C. & W.

SATURDAY, Feby. 4.

LIGHT DUTIES.

Mr. M. I. Wilkins presented a petition from Mr. John Crerar, asking a return of light duties under circumstances disclosed in the petition.

SMALL-POX.

Mr. M. I. Wilkins reported partially from the committee on Sick Emigrants in respect of a memorial presented to the Lieut. Governor by the Board of Health; the report recommended that steps be immediately taken by the city authorities to cleanse and purify those portions of the city which were stated in the memorial to be in so filthy a condition. The report also recommended that a hospital be erected under the provisions of a law passed at a previous session by which the Legislature assumed two-fifths of the expense. Received and adopted.

ELECTIVE FRANCHISE.

Hon. Provincial Secretary reported from the Committee on the Elective Franchise—a Bill on that subject, consisting of Hon. Mr. Johnston's original Bill, with various amendments.

POST MASTERS AND COURIERS.

Mr. Whitman presented a Petition from the Post Master of Annapolis asking additional remuneration for services performed by him. The petition set forth that he made up 4,274 mails annually, for which he was paid but one penny three farthings each, and that there were more than 800 letters in his office each Monday morning.

Hon. Provincial Secretary knew not what the House thought, but the Executive Government had decided to permit the continuance of the present practice no longer; to issue an order to the effect that if any Post Master sought from the House increased remuneration without first applying to the Head of his Department he should forfeit his office, and it would at once be put up to tender and contract. So with Mail Couriers, for it was not right to allow such disrespect to be paid by subordinate officers to their head. He took occasion to make these remarks as the party petitioner in this instance was a personal and political friend of his own.

Mr. Whitman should press the claims of the petition because he was his political opponent.—(Laughter.) He had claims and those claims should be respected.

A lengthy conversation followed.

The Petition was received and referred to the committee on the Post Office.

Mr. Archibald presented a petition from Hiram Hyde asking payment of a sum for fines remitted him last session. Also a petition from Mr. Hyde praying return of duties paid by him on wire imported by him for the telegraph. Both petitions were received—the former laid on the table, and the latter referred to the committee on Trade.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Hon Pro. Secretary laid on the table statistics connected with the issue of Marriage Licenses during last year.

PICTOU FERRY.

Mr. Wade reported from the committee on private bills that for incorporating a company to run a steamer across the harbour of Pictou with amendments; he would call the notice of the House to the fact that it gave a monopoly to the proposed company for 20 years.

Hon. Pro. Secretary did not like the principle of conferring monopolies on Companies. At the least a clause should be inserted in the bill giving the Government the right of purchase at a fair price whenever necessity required it.

HEALTH OFFICE.

Hon. Financial Secretary laid on the table accounts from Health Officers for 1853.

CONSTABLE SUED.

Mr. Comeau presented a petition from Anselm Frontin, a Constable of Clare, asking a return of law expenses exacted from him.

The petition was received and referred to a committee composed of Messrs. Zwicker, Whitman and Stewart Campbell.

UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES.

Mr. Josiah Coffin asked leave to introduce a Bill for the suppression of unlawful assembles.—Leave was granted and the Bill referred to a Select Committee composed of Messrs Archibald, Josiah Coffin and Wade.

INLAND FISHERIES.

Mr. Archibald asked leave to introduce a Bill exempting certain counties from the operation of the Inland Fishery Bill. Leave was granted, and the Bill read a first time.

UNION OF THE COLONIES.

Hon. Provincial Secretary asked the hon. and learned member for Annapolis what day he would appoint for discussing the Resolutions introduced by him for the Union of the Colonies.

Hon. J. W. Johnston named Monday week.

ELECTIVE FRANCHISE BILL

On this topic a long discussion took place, in which some of the more prominent members engaged, and during which questions were asked, explanations given, and suggestions made.

At the close the hon. Speaker said that after the very valuable suggestions he thought members should consider the question until Monday—and the House adjourned accordingly.

C. & W

General Intelligence.

By the R. M. Steamer.

The R. M. Steamer *Arabia*, from Liverpool, arrived at this port on Saturday forenoon last. We devote below a large portion of our space to the somewhat important and interesting news derived from exchanges brought by the *Arabia*.

AFFAIRS IN THE EAST.

ODESSA, Dec. 24.—The commander of the Russian flotilla in the Sea of Azoff had sent one of his aidesde-camp to Sebastopol to explain how critical his position was. Two corps of 12.000 men each were ready to be embarked at Sebastopol the moment the decision taken at Constantinople was known. This operation of war was now, however, paralysed.

ODESSA, Dec. 30.—The weather mild, and the port expected to remain free from ice.—Large purchases of wheat. The rates for grain receded from 25s. per quarter to 12s. 6d. This will operate favourably upon the supplies of food to France, Italy, and elsewhere.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 1.—The news of an important advantage won by the Ottoman army at Kalafat was officially announced to the representatives of the Powers. A convoy, carrying 15.000 men to reinforce the army in Asia, will set out for Batoum on the 3rd. The weather is not so bad now, and the wind is veering to the south.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 2.—The English frigate Retribution has been despatched to Sebastopol to reclaim the English engineers captured on board the two Egyptian steamships. It is said that the Sultan has pardoned the Softas.

The 'Trieste Gazette,' under date of Bucharest 2nd, reports an intended Turkish invasion of the Crimea.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 5.—The following modifications were made by the Porte, on the 31st Dec., to the Note of the Four Powers:—1st. Instead of the evacuation of the Principalities as soon as possible, it is now stipulated to read, 'Within fifteen to twenty days after acceptance by Russia.' 2ndly. The renewal of treaties to be with reference to the integrity and independence of Turkey. 3rdly. The Porte will ameliorate the administrative system alone and spontaneously. According to a despatch from Vienna, the Porte demands the Russian answer within forty days from the 2nd instant. The Vienna Conference having approved of the proposals, they had been transmitted to St. Petersburg.

The Retribution was previously sent to Sebastopol with a notification that the combined fleets would protect the Turkish flag in the Black Sea, and that the Russians should avoid all collisions which might endanger the good understanding which the Western Powers desire to uphold with Russia.

Five Turkish war-steamers left the Bosphorus with the rear of the combined fleets, with troops and ammunition.

On the 6th of this month, a Turkish division of 15,000 strong, with 15 pieces of artillery, attacked the entrenched position of Citale, not far from Kalafat, and took it by storm. A reinforcement of Russians marching from Karakai was forced to retire with the loss of 250 men.

JAN. 15.—On the 8th the Russians were completely defeated at Citale. According to their own private accounts they had 1000 killed and 4000 wounded. Gen. Aurep was carried back to Krajova severely wounded. On the 13th, the Russian New Year's Day, the attack was to have been made on Kalafat, but Omer Pasha was resolved to be beforehand with the enemy. The Turks were commanded by Selim Pasha (Zedlinsky.) On the 10th the Turks retired to Kalafat.

With reference to the Turkish victory reported to-day, the *Times* states that Citale, or Tchetaii, is a place overlooking the Danube, about six miles higher up the stream than Widden and Calafat, and it is probable the Russians hoped to turn the Turkish position, and perhaps to cross the river at or above this point. To have thus assumed the offensive, and attacked with success a Russian division in an entrenched camp is by far the greatest exploit the Turkish army has yet performed.

A dispatch states that after the fleet had entered the Black Sea, Admiral Dundas made the following signal:—"Our duty is to protect the ships and territory of the Ottomans against all aggression and in any part of the Black Sea." It is also stated that the Admirals have no mission to send back to port Russian ships which may show themselves in the Black Sea.

BUCHAREST, 15th Jan.—In the engagement near Kalafat, from the 6th to the 10th inclusive, the Russians suffered heavy losses, and one regiment of rifles, with the exception of 435 men, and one regiment of lancers were completely annihilated. When the Russian reinforcements arrived, the Turks retired to Kalafat. The Turks are entrenched in eight villages around Kalafat.

The fortifications round Kalafat and Widden contain 350 pieces of the heaviest calibre. 60,000 men were collected within the Rayon.—Workmen and drivers had gone to Sinope.

Bucharest advices of 17th state that Matschin was attacked by the Russians at several places on the 13th. The reports of a heavy cannonade and musketry increased more and more when the post left.

VIENNA, Sunday Evening.—The Turkish Note was presented to the Conference of Vienna on the 13th, approved of, and forwarded immediately to St. Petersburg. The Porte requires that the Note shall be accepted or rejected within 40 days from January 2. If accepted, the Principalities are to be evacuated within 20 days afterwards.

From Asia the latest news is unfavourable. Near Karg the snow had fallen four feet deep, and the army under Ahmet Pasha was in a state of great undiscipline and disorder.

VIENNA, Tuesday Evening. — A Russian messenger has arrived with news of the 8th. The Russian Cabinet submitted a reply to the notification of the approaching entrance of the fleet into the Black Sea to the Emperor on the 7th.

It is confidently believed that Russia will declare herself released from all conditional promises previously given to the mediating powers.

The note of the Vienna conference was forwarded to Russia on the 13th.

The 'Times' says, it appears that even before the orders last sent to the British and French Admirals could be executed, the Russian Government had commanded all the vessels of war to return to Sebastopol, so that on one element at least the Emperor retires, but he has not as yet manifested any intention of withdrawing the Imperial convoys. His policy is to avoid as long as possible a direct rupture with the Maritime Powers, and he may even consent to name a plenipotentiary to attend to the proposed conference for the purpose of holding his antagonists in suspense, if not of terminating the dispute. Should the Emperor have the infatuation to reject the terms approved of by the Sultan and the Four Powers, he will reject what all Europe is pledged to maintain, and demand what all Europe is pledged to refuse.

The negotiation has thus reached a more advanced stage than any which has preceded it, and the answer of the Court of St Petersburg to the last application must be final and decisive. The communication now addressed to it is the ultimatum of the Porte and of its allies.

New contracts for supplying the Russian army in the Principalities with food and forage from the month of March next till the end of June have just been made. Besides the order for a general mobilisation of the Russian army, commanded by the Emperor, he has in addition issued a ukase decreeing the positive mobilisation of the reserve battalions of the corps of grenadiers and guards.

Considerable inconvenience is just now felt in St Petersburgh at the unwillingness exhibited by the English merchants and others to enter into any further commercial transactions for the ensuing summer and autumn. The enthusiasm of the entire people of Russia in favour of their Emperor's cause is described on all hands to be universal and unbounded.

Advices have reached Paris from St. Petersburgh, of the 12th of January, which describe the position of affairs as affording little hope for the maintenance of peace. The Emperor is described by those who have an opportunity of observing his movements, as living in a state of religious exaltation, regarding himself as a chosen instrument, under the hand of God, to drive the Moslem from Europe, and only regretting that he should have allowed so many years to pass without fulfilling his destiny.

The populace of St. Petersburgh have worked themselves up to the highest pitch of fanaticism, cheering the Emperor whenever he appears in public with the wildest enthusiasm, and denouncing as traitors all who dare to speak of peace.

The only Minister who is supposed to advocate a peaceful course is Count Nesselrode, and he has entirely lost his influence with his Imperial master. Count Orloff, on the other hand, who is the Emperor's dearest friend, is eager for war.

The Patrie of this evening states from Warsaw, that of the three divisions of the Russian army of Poland, which had received orders to march for the Principalities of the Danube, only one had left, the two others having received counter orders, it being considered dangerous to draw so large a force from Poland. If this be true, it shows that the Czar is beginning already to feel the insecurity of his position.

DENMARK, SWEDEN, AND NORWAY.—Overtures have been made by the Russian Cabinet for the cession of the island of Barnholm to Russia, but it is believed that the proposal is rejected.

The following summary of the naval forces belonging to Denmark, Sweden, and Norway, is given in the Danish and Swedish journals:—Denmark possesses 5 ships of the line, 12 frigates, 4 corvettes, 1 barque, 5 brigs, 3 schooners, 2 cutters, 40 ketches, 42 gun-boats, and 6 war steamers—total, 114 vessels. Her navy list, comprises 1 vice-admiral, 3 rear-admirals, 8 commodores, 7 post captains, 18 captains, 36 first lieutenants, and 42 second lieutenants. The number of her registered able bodied seamen is about 20,000. The Swedish fleet is composed of 10 ships of the line, 8 frigates, 3 corvettes, 5 brigs, 6 schooners 8 bomb ketches, 250 gun boats, and 12 war steamers—total 302 vessels. Her naval officers are—7 admirals, 40 post captains, and 200 officers of a less grade. Her registered seamen amount to about 30,000. Norway possesses 2 frigates, 4 corvettes, 1 brig, 5 schooners, 136 gun boats, and 5 war steamers—in all, 153 vessels. She has 28,000 seamen, but only one-tenth of them are in actual service. Thus the total number of Swedish and Norwegian ships is 455, and of the Danish 114; which, added together, for the three Scandinavian kingdoms, give a grand total of 569 war vessels of every class. The Danish Government has just ordered the immediate construction of two large 50-gun screw frigates.

AUSTRIA.—The 'Austrian Correspondez, contains an important article on Austrian finances. The Government will not contract any new loan, at present. Other means will be found to cover the deficit. First, To reserve the amount of State paper currency within the fixed maximum of 150 millions. Secondly, The sale of hypothecated assignats on salt mines, in completion of the fixed 40 millions. Thirdly, A special credit opened for payments abroad. Fourthly, More speedy and extended availableness of all moneys in the State coffers. The article finally confirms the recent great increase in the revenue of the State.

At the Austrian Embassy in Paris the rumour of the Emperor of Austria being about to pay a visit to Warsaw is formally denied.

FRANCE.—The government will, it is said obtain a loan from the Bank of France of 200 000,000 or 300,000,000 against the treasury bonds

The 'Moniteur' publishes a statement of the revenue from the indirect taxes of the year 1853 They amount to 846,804,000f., exhibiting an increase of 42,470,000f, upon the receipt of the year 1852.

PARIS, Monday Evening.—Another attempt has been made by the refugee Poles in Paris, and other parts of France, to be authorised to form a legion in aid of the Porte, but, like all former applications of this kind, it has met with no success. As long as even the slightest hope of peace can be entertained, the French government will do nothing to encourage what is called the revolutionary spirit. It will even keep it down as much as possible if war should break out.

British and Foreign Items.

A valuable vessel, the *John of Gaunt*, returning from India, was lost on the night of January 16th, on the Welch Coast, near Holyhead. Part of the crew were saved.

Placards, by the command of the Lords of the Admiralty, are being extensively circulated throughout London, inviting landsmen to enter for the Royal Navy.

It is announced that Sir Robert Inglis, M. P. for Oxford University, intends to apply for the Chiltern Hundreds at the opening of Parliamant.

The Daily News, contains a letter from a minister, who urges upon his brethren the propriety of wearing their beards like the early reformers.

A donkey has just died at Fornham All Saints having attained to the venerable age of seventy years and upwards.

It is reported that soon after the meeting of Parliament, a proposal will be made that 20,000 men of the Irish militia shall be enrolled.

A munificent manufacturer in Leicester has undertaken to provide under-clothing—shirts, stockings and drawers—for a thousand Turkish soldiers.

1,230,000 letters passed through the London district post on Saturday last. This is the largest number ever known even upon St. Valentine's day.

It is understood that a bill is in preparation for the abolition of the practice of locking up juries without meat, drink, fire, or candles, until they come to a verdict.

Of the naval coast guard, England has to raise 6000, Scotland 1500, and Ireland 1000, and a frigate is likewise to be provided for the protection of the shipping on the Scotch coast.

The Rev. Dr. Burgess, who succeeded Dr. Kitto, as editor of the "Quarterly Journal of Sacred Literature," is said to be one of the most profound Syrian scholars in Europe.

The British and Foreign Bible Society has, through the Bishop of Manchester, presented to the Free Library in that city twenty-one volumes of its publications, comprising the whole or portions of the Scriptures in twenty different languages.

Hobert Town journals state that the Governor Sir William Denniston, intended to remove all the convicts from Norfolk Island to Launceston. This announcement had caused considerable excitement and dissatisfaction.

The Times praises the British Envoy in Persia for his prompt settlement of the dispute with the Porte, for the Turkish Minister received the positive assurance from the first Minister of the Scha that no movement of troops hostile to the Ottoman Empire will be made by Persia, and that the forces on the frontier are only to watch the progress of events, and prevent internal disturbances.

The Times Vienna despatch says the renewal of diplomatic relations between England and Persia is doubted in that capital.

It appears that the Affghan Envoy left Teheran before the arrival of the new Russian Plenipotentiary, with a threat that if Persia formed an alliance with Russia, the Affghans would invade the Persian territory.

An American clergyman, who has been in the habit of writing letters from Hungary to the *Daily News*, has been expelled by the Austrian Government, and has appealed to the president of his native land against the indignities to which he has been exposed.

The Executive Government of Switzerland, in consideration of the probable complication of the Eastern question, proposes to station a body of troops on the German frontier, and is about to demand a grant from the Federal Assembly with this object.

On the subject of the position and prospects of the great movement, the "Friend of China" is off opinion that the Tartar dynasty is now at its last gasp.

It is affirmed that the Hungarian refugees in Spain are quietly making preparations to take part in the coming struggle, should it so happen that Austria should declare openly in favour of Russia, or even manifest any symptoms of connivance with that power. Gen. Klapka is already at Constantinople, and is to be shortly joined by several of his nation.

Other marriages of other Coburgs are understood to be in preparation. In a few months, the young King of Portugal will have reached (or, in still fewer, may attain) his majority, and will want a consort. A plan is on foot for an alliance between the head of the House of Braganza and Princess Charlotte of Belgium.

The Algiers journals of the 10th contains an account of an engagement between some Arab forces in the service of France, under the orders of Khalifa St. Hamza, and the forces of the cherif Mohommed ben Abdalia, at some distance from Ouergla, in one of the southern provinces. The result of it was that Mahomed's troops were routed with a considerable loss, and he took to flight to the south, and that several of his chiefs and some of those of the neighbouring tribes made their submission.

A letter from Milan of the 9th ult. states—"The police authorities in that city are becoming every day more arbitrary. The inhabitants are forbidden to quit their houses or walk the streets without a pass from the prefect of police; otherwise they are imprisoned and fed on bread and water. There is a special carriage attached to every railway train which is exclusively reserved for the police, that they may examine every body who travels. The same vigilance is exercised at the theatres."

The captain-general of Cuba, has issued a decree declaring his intention to suppress the slave trade, but authorising, as a substitute, the introduction into the island of free Indian labourers, Asiatics, or Spaniards.

Pious IX. has broken off negociations with Sardinia, on account of the Sardinian Government demanding supremacy over the clergy, with a view to ecclesiastical reform, and suppression o mendicant orders.

It is positively stated that the religious differences between the Government and the Jesuits in Baden has been arranged in a satisfactorily manner.

The blockade instituted by the French Government of the west coast of Africa, between the left bank of the Grand Lahou, and the right bank of the River Assinie, had been raised.

INTERESTING TO THOSE SUFFERING FROM HEADACHE A CERTAIN REMEDY FOUND IN

Dr. M'Lane's Celebrated Liver Pills.

☞ The following is a sample of certificates received daily from our own citizens.

NEW YORK, August 1, 1852.

This is to certify that I have been subject at times to severe headache; sometimes the pain would be so severe I could rest neither day nor night. Hearing of Dr. M'Lane's Celebrated Liver Pills, I sent and got a box, of which I took two pills on going to bed, for two nights. They relieved me entirely. Some time has now elapsed, and I have had no more trouble from sick headache.

M. JOHNSTON, 118 Lewis street.

P. S.—The above valuable remedy, also Dr M'Lane's Celebrated VERMIFUGE can, now be had at all respectable Drug Stores in this city.

☞ Purchasers will please be careful to ask for, and take none but Dr. M'LANE'S LIVER PILLS. There are other Pills, purporting to be Liver Pills, now before the public.

Agents in Halifax, WM. LANGLEY and JOHN NAYLOR. 24.

If to those who remove the greatest amount of human misery and promote in the greatest degree the sum of human happiness, the highest meed of praise and gratitude is due, it would be hard to point to any man so eminently deserving of that meed as Mr. Du Barry, the discoverer of the now celebrated REVALENTA ARABICA FOOD. The good effected by others, whether patriots, politicians, or what not, may be problematical, may be probable, it is at all events, matter of hypothesis. The good done by Mr. Du Barry is tangible, undoubted, unquestioned, and unquestionable. Also of FIFTY THOUSAND of his countrymen—men of title and rank, and men of lowliness and obscurity; men of learning and men of simplicity; ministers of the gospel and men of the camp and the armament: have, in their several styles and forms, forwarded to him their ardent expressions of thankfulness for rescue from pain and disease. In the following disorders, the efficacy of this Food has been found unvarying and unrivalled:—dyspepsia (indigestion), constipation, functional irregularity, obstructions, acidity, cramps, spasms, fits, heartburn, diarrhœa, nervousness, billiousness, affections of the liver and kidneys, flatulency, distention, palpitation of the heart, nervous headache, deafness, noises in the head and ears, giddiness, pains between the shoulders and in almost every part of the body, chronic inflammation and ulceration of the stomach, eruptions of the skin, scurvy, fever, scrofula, impurities, poverty of blood consumption (if not beyond human aid,) dropsy, rheumatism, gout, influenza, grippe, nausea and vomiting during pregnancy, after eating, or at sea, low spirits, spleen, general debility, paralysis, cough, asthma, tightness, across the chest, phlegm, inquietude, sleeplessness, involuntary blushing, tremors, dislike to society, unfitness for study, delusions, loss of memory; vertigo, blood to the head, exhaustions, melancholy, groundless fear, indecision, wretchedness, thoughts of self-destruction, &c. We shall not here refer individually to any of the cases of cure, but merely observe that the aggregate results, certified and avouched, contain the most extensive, authentic, and convincing body of evidence ever presented to the world upon any subject whatever. Nothing in the medical annals of ancient or modern times approaches it in completeness, whilst its grand distinguishing mark is, that the entire is susceptible of such easy application, and perfectly establishes Mr. Du Barry's title to be considered (in the language of several of his correspondents) "the greatest living benefactor of his race." For further particulars we refer our readers to Messrs. Du Barry's advertisements in our to-day's columns. 2.

Throw away Wash-boards and use the Boston Chemical Washing Powder. See advertisement.

☞ The Book Steward begs to intimate, that he will be making up his Spring orders for England in the course of a short time; the Brethren who may wish to include orders therein will please give him early intimation thereof

Halifax, Feanuary 8, 1854.

☞ We have devoted considerable space to Obituaries this week. We have three long ones on hand, which will be disposed of in succeeding numbers. Brethren will oblige by condensing these notices as much as possible.

☞ A despatch received at the St. John news room states that the Parliament Houses, Quebec, was destroyed by fire on the 1st inst. The buildings were insured in England for £30,000.

☞ A despatch received at the news room on Tuesday, states that the Gorham College, Liverpool, has been totally consumed by fire: most of the furniture, &c., saved.

☞ We direct attention to the Notice of an intended Bazaar at Fredericton, which appears in our advertising columns.

☞ Several communications, and notices, unavoidably deferred; among the latter, one from His Worship, the Mayor of St. John, N. B.

☞ The Book Steward has received 40s. from the Rev. C. Lockhart; and forwarded the books requested by stage.

☞ Enigmatical. You had better apply to *Head Quarters*. You might hear something favourable.

Letters & Monies Received.

(See that your remittances are duly acknowledged.)

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His Worship the Mayor of the city of St. John, James Olive, Esq.—Rev. H. Pope, Senr., Rev. R. Morton, (two letters four new subs.); Rev. John Sponagle, Kempt, (20s., viz., for Messrs. M. Tomlinson 10s., W. Church 5s., R. Russell, 5s.); Rev. G. Johnson, (new sub.,—40s.); Rev. G. O. Heustis, (100s.); Rev. W. Smith, (150s.); Mr. Geo. Henderson, Digby, (for Mr. Jesse Mayo, new sub., 10s., also for E. Hardwick, Esq., 10s., Messrs. W. Payson, 10s., T. Holdsworth 5s., J. Thomas 10s.,—in all 45s.); Rev. R. A. Chesley, (bill was sent—will send it soon); Rev. H. Pope, Junr., (three letters, four new subs., 120s.); Rev. G. B. Payson, (25s., viz., for Messrs. S Beal, 5s., W. Hutchinson, 5s., W. Wathin, 5s., T. W. Wood, Esq., 5s., S. Fayle, Esq., 5s.); Rev. R. Cooney, (new sub. 20s.); Rev. A. McL. DesBrisay, (40s. in Jan.); N. Tupper, Esq. Cornwallis, (new sub.,—also, Jan. 9th, for self 5s., Mr. E. Thompson 5s.); Rev. W. McCarty, (80s., viz., 10s. each for Messrs. J. Jost, J. Hart, H. Gosbie, W. G. Scott, James Gosbie, E. Cook, and William Hart, and E. J. Cunningham, Esquires. Rev. C. Churchill (45s., viz. 10s. for Messrs. T. R. Barker, W. Dayton 10s., Major McLean 10s., Messrs. G. Parker 5s., Js. Ross 5s., G. Inch, Mactaquack, 5s.), Mr. D. H. Welch, Parrsboro, (we shall make further enquiry), Rev. Jos. Peart, Cornwallis, (we do not see the paper alluded to, if a copy were furnished, we could the better act) Rev. F. W. Moore (three new sub.—113s.—the balance of 47s. paid over as requested), Rev. G. W. Tuttle (new sub.—20s.), Rev. C. Lockhart (new sub.—the 40s. enclosed handed to the Book-Steward as requested—alterations will be made), Rev. W. McCarty (2nd lett. 20s.), Rev. J. V. Jost (260s.—new sub.), Mr. E. Zwicker, Lunenburg, (5s.), Miss McGowan, Charlottetown, (5s.), Mr. Js. Mosher, Newport, (10s.), Rev. D. Currie (for Mr. J. B. Bowser 10s., Mr. J. Fawcett 3d, 10s.), Rev. W. Wilson (100s.), Mr. Geo. Henderson, Digby, (2nd lett. for Mr. A. Spurr 10s., Mr. N. Crowel 10s.), Mr. C. West, Hantsport, (new sub. 5s.), Mr. A. Burbidge, Cornwallis, (for self 10s., Mr. W. Wheelan 5s.), Mr. Richard Harding, Little Harbour, (10s.), Captain A. Smith, Newport, (10s.), Rev. R. Smith (new sub.)

Twenty new subscribers are acknowledged in the above, for which friends will receive our thanks. "Keep the ball a-rolling!"

Commercial.

Halifax Markets.

Corrected for the "Provincial Wesleyan" up to Wednesday, February 8th.

Bread, Navy, per cwt.	27s. 6d.
" Pilot, per bbl.	23s. 9d.
Beef, Prime, Ca.	47s. 6d.
" " N. S.	45s.
Butter, Canada,	11d.
" N. S. per lb.	10d.
Coffee, Laguyara, "	
" Jamaica, "	8d. a 8½d.
Flour, Am. spfi. per bbl.	47s 6d. a 50s.
" Canada sfi. "	47s. 6d. a 50s.
" Rye,	32s. 6d.
Cornmeal,	25s.
Indian Corn, none.	
Molasses, Mus. per gal.	1s. 6d.
" Clayed, "	1s. 4d. a 1s. 4½d.
Pork, Prime, per bbl.	70s.
Mess, "	80s.
Sugar, Bright P. R.,	35s. 6d. a 36s. 3d.
Bar Iron, com. per cwt,	17s.
Hoop " "	22s. 6d.
Sheet " "	28s.
Codfish, large	17s. 6d.
" small	15s. a 15s. 6d.
Salmon, No. 1,	75s.
" " 2,	70s.
" " 3,	57s. 6d.
Mackerel, No. 1,	62s. 6d.
" " 2,	57s. 6d.
" " 3,	38s. 9d.
Herrings,	15s.
Alewives,	17s. 6d.
Haddock,	12s. a 12s. 6d.
Coal, Sydney, per chal.	37s. 6d.
Fire Wood, per cord,	19s.

Prices at the Farmers' Market, corrected up to 3 o'clock, Wednesday, February 8th.

Fresh Beef, per cwt.	30s. a 35s.
Veal,	3d. a 4d.
Lamb, per lb.	3½d. a 4½d.
Bacon, per lb.	6d. a 7d.
Pork, Fresh,	3½d. a 4½d.
Butter, per lb.	11d. a 1s.
Cheese, per lb.	5d. a 6½d.
Eggs, per dozen,	1s. a 1s. 3d.
Poultry—Chickens,	1s. 9d. a 2s.
Geese,	1s. 6d. a 2s. 6d.
Ducks,	2s. 3d. a 2s. 6d.
Turkeys, per lb.	6d. a 7d.
Calf-skins, per lb.	6d.
Yarn, per lb.	2s. 6d.
Potatoes, per bushel,	2s. 6d. a 3s.
Oatmeal, per cwt.	17s. 6d. a 18s. 6d.
Peas, per bushel,	5s.
Apples, "	3s. a 5s.
Homespun Cloth, (wool,) per yard,	2s. 6d.
Do. (cotton and wool,) per yard,	1s 7d. a 1s. 9d.

WILLIAM NEWCOMB,
Clerk of Market.

Marriages.

On Friday evening, at the residence of Mr. Daniel Etter, by the Rev. Thomas Keilor, William O'BRIAN, Esq., of Shepody, N. B., to Miss Margaret Ann ETTER, of Scudenuck.

Also, at the same time, and by the same, Mr. Joseph ETTER, to Miss Dorcus GILDROY.

At Liverpool, N. S., 1st ult., Mr. King PEACH, to Miss Mary Ann BENNETT.

At St. John, N. B., on the 11th ult., by the Rev. Mr. Harris, Mr. Joseph WOODELL, of Shelburne, to Miss Sarah TURNER, of Yarmouth.

By the Rev. J. V. Jost, on the 14th ult, at Roseway, Mr. Thomas PERRY, Senr, to Mrs Sarah SHERMAN, of Shelburne.

At the Bunrnout Chapel, on Monday, 26th Decr., by the Rev H. Pope, Mr. G. G. O'BRIEN, to Miss Asenath O'BRIEN.

At Maitland, on the 5th ult., by the same, Mr. William GAETZ, of Musquobohoit Harbour, to Miss Sarah STERLING, eldest daughter of Mr. John Sterling, of Maitland.

On the 30th ult., by Rev. J. V. Jost, Mr. Alexander SMITH, of Blanche, to Susannah H PERRY, of North West Harbour.

At Gulliver's Cove, Digby Neck, on the 14th ult., by the Rev. R. A. Chesley, Capt. Hezekiah FIFIELD, of the brig William Walter, of Weymouth, to Miss Margaret McDORMAND, eldest daughter of the late Capt. Charles McDormand, of Digby.

By the Rev. R. Morton, at Port Matoon, on Thursday evening, 15th ult., Mr. William Thomas LESLEY, to NANCY, only daughter of Mr. George McAdams.

By the same, on Tuesday evening, 31st ult., at the Wesleyan Chapel, Liverpool, Capt. Henry ISNIS, to Miss ELIZA, daughter of Silas West, Esq.

At the residence of David Dobson, Esq., Half Island Cove, by the Rev. William McCarty, 5th Saturday, 14th ult., Mr. Thomas MUNROE, of Junr., of White Haven Co. Guysboro', to Miss Mary Ann MUNROE, of Sheet Harbour Co. Halifax.

At Wallace, by Rev. R. Smith, Mr. Steward REID, of Pictou, to Miss JANE, eldest daughter of Mr. John Coulter.

On Sunday evening by the Ven. Archdeacon Willis, Mr. Solomon CHALK, to Mrs. CHARLOTTE, widow of the late John Brunt, and daughter of Mr. Thos. Hood, of this city.

At Windsor, on the 19th ult., by the Rev. Mr. Gispin, Mr. Morris WALSH, of Halifax, to Miss Ellen COOK, of Windsor.

At Dartmouth, on Tuesday evening, by the Rev. A. Romans, Mr. John Allan FULLER, to JANE, second daughter of Mr. Benjamin Elliott.

Deaths.

At Windsor, on the 23rd ult., AMELIA, wife of Mr Thomas Chisholm, aged 20 years. Mrs. C. had been nearly two years an acceptable member of the Wesleyan Church.

At Telmah, Maitland, on the 25th Novr., in the 25th year of his age, WILLIAM HENRY, son of Mr. John Smith. Father, mother, brothers and sisters, deeply deplore the sad bereavement.

On Wednesday afternoon, in the 21st year of his age, after a short illness, Mr. Daniel SPIKE, a native of London, and a resident of this city for 85 years, nearly 60 of which he had been an active and honorary member of Union Engine Company.

At the Poors' Asylum, 30th January, Catherine COADY, aged 22 years, a native of Herring Cove, N. S.

At the Poors' Asylum, 30th January, Judy DOLLARD, aged 27 years, a native of Ireland.

At Pernambuco Brazil, on the 2nd Decr., 1853, after a long illness, much and deservedly regretted, SUSANNAH, the beloved wife of Christopher Starr, Esq., formerly of this city.

Shipping News.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

ARRIVED.

WEDNESDAY, February 1.

Brig Margaret Mortimer, New York, 5 days.
Telegraph, Bourgoise, Newfoundland, 8 days.

THURSDAY, February 2.

Brig Belle, Boston, 5 days.
R M Steamer Merlin, St John's, N. F.

FRIDAY, February 4

R M Steamer Niagara, Leitch, Boston, 40 hours.
Schrs E P Howard, Briard, Canso, 20 days.
E W Merchant, Black, Canso, 20 days.
Maria, Siteman, Isles Avelon, Newfoundland—bound to Boston.
Champion, Harding, Fortune Bay, N. F.
J L Grant, Strait of Ganso.

SATURDAY, February 4.

R M Steamship Arabia, Judkins, Liverpool, 13 days.

MONDAY, February 6.

Brig Commodore, Adams, Boston, 12 days—reports about 29th ult, 20 miles south of Cape Sable, passed close to the wreck of a barque, under close reefed main-topsail, other sails; blown away or furled—could not make out her name—topgallant bulwarks white, round stern, decks burst up, and larboard bulwarks gone.

CLEARED.

February 1.—James, Newfoundland; Brigt Mary, B W. Indies.
February 2.—Ware, New York; Billow, New York.
February 3.—R M Steamer Niagara, Leitch, Liverpool, G B.
February 4.—Steamship Arabia, Judkins, Boston; brig Belle, Meagher, Boston; brigt Mary, Boyle, Matanzas.
February 6.—Rambler, Wilson, B W Indies.
February 7.—Brigts Lady Seymour, Conrod, Brazil; Advalorem, Murphy, Cuba; Susan, Mann, Jamaica.

MEMORANDA.

Savanah, Jan 25—arrd Kate, Halifax.
Matanzas, Jan 24—cl'd Harriet Ann, Halifax.
Havana, Jan 17—arrd brigt Belle, Halifax.
Provincetown, Jan 30—The brigt Boston, has been hove up by the Screw and Lever Company and will be launched forthwith.
Schr Halycon, from Salt Island, bound to Ragged Islands, was totally wrecked at Tusket Island, on the 22nd ult.
The Peerless brought the crew (15 in number) of the barque Priscilla, of and to Liverpool from Philadelphia, besides the master, Capt Thomas, wife and child, and Capt Walsh, a passenger. They were taken off the barque on the 1st inst., in lat 41 24 N, long 60 48 W. The barque sunk the same night.—*St John's, N. F. Courier, Jan.* 11.
We understand, that on last Monday Capt W H Dean, of the Am brig John Kendall, was presented by the Commercial Society with a purse of $100, to which the sum of $20 was added by Mr. A. Barron, as a mark of approval for services rendered in saving