

murdered some time ago. They (through the interpreter) related that some white men had come there in a boat, and that they built themselves a house and lived there; at last the natives murdered one, and the others escaped; they know not where, but the murdered man was buried in a spot they pointed out. A thick fog coming on prevented Captain McClure from examining this locality, which is much to be regretted, as here is the probable position in which a boat party endeavoring to return by the Mackenzie would have encamped.

Drawings are made, exhibiting several positions of the ships during the voyage, and headlines, coastline, and views taken at different times; also a drawing of the *Investigator* wintering in the pack, made from a sketch, and the description by Lieut. Creswell. In natural history we are able to add a large collection of minerals to our museum; nearly 1,000 specimens of ores and early substances have been obtained at different parts of the coast of Greenland. Specimens also of the flower, leaf, and root plants, of all the kinds we have been made acquainted with, are carefully preserved; and such crustaceous and other creatures from the animal kingdom as our limited means have allowed us to collect are prepared for the naturalists. A careful meteorological journal has been kept, a tide register at Holstenberg, and a great many observations made on the direction, dip, and force of the magnet. I have only now to beg their lordships will accept my assurance of the perfect satisfaction I have received in the conduct of every officer and man in the expedition during a period of incessant labour, continual hardship, and frequently imminent peril: each has done his duty with a zeal and alacrity that I find it hard to individualise.

It would appear that ever since he plunged into the ice, Captain McClure seems to have death constantly before his eyes; and we have met with few finer things in the whole story of Arctic discovery than the quiet simplicity with which, in sketching his operations for the present year, he desires in a specified event that he may be given up for lost as smashed in Barrow's Strait, or carried into the Polar sea, and "submits" that the officer in search of him "may be directed to return, and by no means incur the danger of losing other lives, in quest of those who will then be no more."

**BISHOPRIC OF GRAHAM'S TOWN.**—The Revd. J. Armstrong, vicar of Tidenham, Gloucestershire, has been nominated by the Duke of Newcastle, at the suggestion of the Bishop of Cape Town, to the new diocese of Graham's Town, in Africa.

**TROOPS FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN.**—The detachment of Regiments under order to join their respective corps serving in the Mediterranean, are to embark at the North wall, Dublin, to-day, for Southampton, where shipping will be in readiness to convey them forthwith to their respective destinations. Leaves of absence have been decisively refused to many officers attached to the depôts of such of these regiments as form part of the Irish establishment.

The Peace Conference met yesterday in Edinburgh, and though some healthy truths were uttered, the amount of nonsense unvarnished baffles belief. Mr. Cobden was, of course, chief speaker, and his position was this:—That, because we have no cause to fear an attack from the French Emperor at the present moment, and because the fleets of the French and English nations are now acting in alliance, therefore there was no reason at any time to fear danger in this country on the side of France.—*Ch. & St. Gaz. Oct. 14.*

**RELEASE OF MISS CUNNINGHAM.**—We rejoice at being able to announce the liberation of Miss Cunningham. What the wretched Duke of Tuscany would not yield to the petitions of those who urged mercy, he has, coward-like, been compelled to yield to the directions and significant suggestions of our Foreign Minister, the Earl of Clarendon.

**AN ADDITION TO THE PEERAGE.**—Mr. Alexander, well known as an attorney at Gort petty and quarter sessions, has succeeded, we are informed, to the Earldom of Stirling, with a large estate, which produces abundance of sterling coin to support the title. The inhabitants of Gort intend entertaining the noble earl at a public dinner at Forrest's Hotel, on such a day as may be most suited to his arrangements. The chair will be taken by James Laffit, Esq., J. P., Bridge-house, Gort.—*Limerick Chronicle.*

## MEXICO.

On the 23rd ult., funeral ceremonies were performed in the city of Mexico, in honor of the memory of the victims of the war of independence. The authorities of every class and a large number of nobles were present on the occasion. Similar cere-

monies were performed at Churubusco on the 12th of August, 1847, on the occasion of the American invasion.

A decree re-establishing the Jesuits in the republic has been published. It is dated from Tacubaya, the 19th of September, and is countersigned by Senor Lares, Minister of Justice. They are placed in the same position in nearly every respect as they stood in before they were banished. They are to be considered as Mexican citizens, with all the rights and duties attaching. Their property is all to be restored to them, with the exception of the college of San Ildefonso and its appurtenances, of property devoted to military purposes, of such as has been sold to third parties, and of their places of worship converted into parish churches or other religious institutions, with consent of the Ordinary, or of the respective bishops. Funds raised for their aid during the first year are relieved of the greater part of the duties which would otherwise have to be laid on them. Four members of the order who happened to be in Mexico, Dr. Basilio Arrillaga, and Fathers Lyon, Rivas, and Icara, have addressed to the President a communication, in which they invoke blessings on his head, and explain the pious and quiet course they intend to pursue.

A letter has been received from General Arista, stating that he had recovered from his malady, and purposed going to witness the operations between Russia and Turkey, should war break out.

In consequence of the defalcation of the cashier of the Sisters of Charity in Mexico—a Padre Armengol—they have been reduced to bankruptcy, leaving debts of many hundreds of thousands of dollars. (?) So says the *Trait d'Union*.

## UNITED STATES.

**CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS IN NEW YORK.**—On Monday, the Church of St. John was crowded to excess with clerical and lay delegates to the Episcopal Convention, as well as with a highly respectable congregation, to witness the solemn and interesting ceremony of consecrating Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D. D., of South Carolina, and Rev. Mr. Davis, D. D., of South Carolina, as Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Bishop Medley preached the sermon, when the Bishops elect were presented to the President, Bishop Hopkins, of Vermont. Each of them promised conformity to the Church in the usual form, and the solemn ceremony of the "Imposition of Hands," in which the American and British Bishops united, was performed; after which the Holy Communion was administered.

## Editorial Miscellany.

**FISHERMAN'S CHURCH, TURN'S BAY.**—The undersigned thankfully acknowledges the following donations for the Fisherman's Church at Turn's Bay:—

Celonel Fraser, R. A.	£1 0 0
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Officers of H. M. S. Devastation,	2 4 1½
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J. C. COCHRAN, *Missy*

*Extract of a Letter from Lunenburg, Nov. 1.*—Cheering news has just arrived from the vessels belonging to this port now engaged in the Sable Island Mackerel fishery. They are all doing extremely well, and I believe had already secured a catch equal to £2,000. This will encourage to further efforts in prosecuting this branch of trade and industry.

If those concerned in it go on with equal spirit and energy, there can be little doubt of the prosperity of this place. It has every advantage that can be derived for carrying on the fishing to any extent.

Ship building is followed much more than formerly, and great improvements in the construction of the vessels have been made. I understand that besides those building in the town, arrangements are making for setting up several large vessels at Mahone Bay, Bridgewater, &c. Other improvements are manifest in the town and neighbourhood. Some new buildings have been put up—old ones have been renovated—and after having long been strangers to white lead, are now showing it on their faces. St. John's Church (next in age to St. Paul's) has been painted inside and out. Some waste places have been enclosed. The bleak common so long an eye sore, is in process of redemption from its wilderness state, and is no longer likely

to bewilder the night traveller. Houses which were vacant for a long time seem now to be filling up, and upon the whole, the aspect of affairs is encouraging.

A sad accident occurred on board of a Chester vessel of this place, when at Canso a short time ago, which has not appeared in the papers. A young man named Eisenobr was filling a lamp with fluid, too near a burning wick, when the contents of the can ignited, and he was so severely injured that he died in a few days.—Capt. Bremner was also seriously burnt, but is recovering. After the occurrence of so many accidents of a similar nature, all persons should be warned to fill their lamps in the morning, in which case there will be no danger.

NEW YORK OCT. 31.

The steamship *Arctic* arrived at 2 o'clock, this afternoon. Flour has advanced 6d per barrel; wheat 2d per bushel. There is a large business doing in Bread-stuffs, at advancing prices. Corn is steady, and a moderate business doing at previous rates. There is very little doing in sugar and coffee. Cotton slightly advanced, and markets have improved. The tea market is brisk and stiffer. In Provisions business at previous rates. Trade slightly improved in Manchester. Consols declined ½.

Increasing probabilities in favor of actual hostilities in the East. Great agitation in Italy.

Extensive arrests have been made in Paris.

M. B. DESBRISAY, Esq., one of the Secretaries of the Nova Scotia Industrial Exhibition, is now actively engaged in holding Public Meetings, on behalf of that undertaking, in different parts of the Province. Meetings have already been convened at Guysborough, Antigonish, River John and Tatamagouche. Subscription lists have also been opened in these Settlements as well as in other places, in aid of the funds. Pictou, Wallace, Pugwash, and Amherst, are now in course of being visited by Mr. Desbrisay. We are informed that in some of the places visited, individuals are already heartily at work, preparing articles for the intended Exhibition.—*Pres. Witness.*

His Excellency Sir Alexander Bannerman, has published a denial, in *Haszard's Gazette*, that he had ever been informed of the inefficient state of the *Fairy Queen*, and states that so totally unconscious was he of the fact, that, if he had had occasion to cross to Pictou, on the 7th ult., he would without the smallest hesitation, have accompanied the much lamented ladies, Dr. McKenzie, and those who perished on that melancholy occasion.—*B. N. Am.*

We can produce several translations of the bible in Nova Scotia of equal antiquity. Among the number we may mention one in the possession of James Dunbrack Senr., of Musquodoboit, which was printed in the sixteenth century during the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and is consequently now nearly 300 years old. It is a protestant version, and though of so early a date, is quite intelligible to any person acquainted with the English language, as spoken at the present day. We have heard that Mr. Howe, a few years ago, offered Mr. Dunbrack two valuable new bibles for it, but the offer was not accepted, the old bible being an "heir loom."—*Id.*

Intelligence of the safe arrival of Lord Elgin and family, in Scotland, has been received in Canada.—*Id.*

A public meeting under the auspices of the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance, for the Province of Nova Scotia, was held at the Temperance Hall on the Evening of Wednesday. It being the annual Session of the Grand Division, representatives were present from all parts of the Province, and the platform presented an animating and imposing appearance, there being upwards of fifty members present—all clothed in Red Regalia. The meeting was numerous and respectfully attended.

The Rev. George Christie, Grand worthy Patriarch, assisted by Grand worthy Associate, C. B. Naylor, presided.

On the following Evening, the "Sons" in the City entertained their Country Brethren at a "Soiree" held in the Athenaeum Reading Room. About two hundred Ladies and Guests sat down to a bountiful repast, provided by Mr. Joyce in a first rate style.—The tea and coffee were excellent, and the viands in abundance, which were evidently done justice to.—Every body appeared satisfied, and pleased with the evening's entertainment.—*B. N. A.*

Our City was threatened on Tuesday evening, with a formidable fire, which broke out in a stable adjoining Archibald's Bakery. The bells gave their alarm a little before 8 o'clock, and the firemen, with their usual promptitude, turned out, and, in a few minutes quenched the flames.—*B. N. A.*

ALL persons desirous of being admitted to Holy Orders at Christmas next, are requested to give immediate notice of their intention to the Venerable Archdeacon WILKIS.