

The Provincial Wesleyan.

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THE BURNING OF THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE
The burning of the Government House on Monday night is the most disastrous fire that has ever taken place in this city.

The building was lately in the occupation of Mr. Mercer, and used as a boarding-school for young ladies; and the Hon. Mr. Killaly, Commissioner of Public Works, had offices in the north wing, as had also Col. Macdonald, Inspector of the Militia. All these parties, however, vacated the premises early last week, the government having granted the use of them to the officers of the 20th Regiment.

Fifteen of these gentlemen, including Major Dillon, Capt. Brooks, Capt. Clarkson, Lieut. Morwood, Lieut. Garnett and others, moved to the building on Friday last and did not get comfortably settled in their new quarters before the fire came to eject them. The flames were first discovered in the great hall, at about one o'clock by some of the servants in the establishment when the alarm was immediately given. The bugle call of "fire" was sounded at the Queen's printing and bookbinding establishment, and the firemen were immediately dispatched to the scene.

The fire continued till six o'clock in the morning, at which time the greatest part of the building was gutted, the upper story being almost completely destroyed. The only portion saved was the Northern wing, which was damaged by water. The servants' apartments and kitchen on the North-west escaped.

The drawing and ball room overlooking the park on the South front, and the Governor-General's office on the second floor were almost entirely consumed, the walls alone being left standing. The ball room was very handsomely and elegantly furnished, and was a beautiful and finished, as was also the drawing room adjoining. The ball room was very handsomely and elegantly furnished, and was a beautiful and finished, as was also the drawing room adjoining.

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Confederate war steamer Sumpter is expected here, with guns and 140 guns.

There were a million of dollars worth of shoes sent to the front, and millions more to be manufactured; to each of these there had been a waste of 75 cents. The Toronto has full news of the capture of the steamer Sumpter, and that she was sent to sea on the 10th of October, and came in towards the dock, as if recommissioning, and then hoisted sail, and returned to the ship as fast as possible.

No sooner was it officially declared that a war between us and the Americans would not take place than the directors of the Bank of England issued the rate of discount from three per cent. to two and a half per cent.

Parliament is to assemble for the despatch of business on the 6th of February, and when it was settled at Osborne that the national dividend should not meet until the usual time of the year, it must have been known to the Cabinet from the previous month. Lord Lyons' despatches of the war with America, arising out of the seizure of the Confederate Commissioners, would not eventuate.

The health of Lord Palmerston is improving. He appears to have had a severe attack of gout, but is now so far recovered as to be able to take carriage and horse riding.

The Prince of Wales remains at Osborne with the Queen until the arrival of his brother Prince Alfred, who is expected in England in the middle of the present month. Shortly after his arrival, the Prince of Wales will carry out the plan laid down for him in completion of his education by the Queen and his deeply-lamented father, the Duke of Edinburgh, and he will visit the other historical localities of the East.

It has been intimated that His Royal Highness should have set out upon his journey to the East, but it can only be performed during the cooler months of the year, the Queen has decided that the Prince should not start until the month of June, which are considered sacred by the Queen and the Prince of Wales, should shortly be carried into execution. The Prince will necessarily travel in the most private manner.

The wreck of the British War Steamer CONQUEROR. The Nassau (N.P.) Guardian of the 1st inst. contains the following concerning the wreck of the British war steamer Conqueror, which was wrecked on the coast of Sumatra, on the 10th of January.

By the arrival to-day of the schooner Wm. H. Bell, Henry Bovey, master, we were enabled to learn the particulars of the wreck of the Conqueror, which was wrecked on the coast of Sumatra, on the 10th of January.

The Conqueror was on her way from Jamaica to Bermuda, and had taken 1100 marines on board, and was bound for the coast of Sumatra, on the 10th of January.

We are sorry to hear that there were several cases of yellow fever on board the Challenger when she left the port of London on the 10th of January.

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Micmac Mission.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MICMAC MISSIONARY SOCIETY will be held at the Wesleyan Church on TUESDAY Evening next. Chair taken at half-past 7 o'clock.

WRITING CLASSES.
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Careful Writing in the highest style of art executed at short notice.
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HALIFAX, 19th Dec. 1861.

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