

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

PORT HASTINGS, N. B., DEC. 2, 1873.

Doubtful yet trusting, Friends, is our position this morning in presenting to you our little paper... We feel loathe to launch our sheet on the turbulent billows of journalism...

We are not a rich concern, Friends, or we would make a better show in this, our staple copy. We are Editors, compositors, press-men and publishers together...

We ask for a liberal support from all. We promise improvement in the same proportion as we are sustained. We will engage experienced workmen and make many and great changes in the style, etc., of our paper...

We will make arrangements to report as many ships as possible that pass during the summer months, and use every endeavour to give abundant and reliable shipping intelligence...

will be extended, until we shall have as complete a list of shipping news as will be found anywhere. Arrangements will be made on all lines of shipping traffic...

For the benefit of our Cape Breton subscribers we intend engaging first-class agents in Boston, Montreal, Halifax, St. John's, N. F., and other markets from which our country is supplied...

No expense will be spared to supply the latest Telegraphic News from all parts of the World.

There is one subject, and that is all-important, to which it is our duty to refer. To make this paper acceptable to each and every family in our neighborhood we promise to pursue an impartial and unwavering course...

Friends, give us a helping hand, we have worked day and night for the past few weeks fitting up our office and laboring at this sheet. We hope to do better by-and-by. Remember, everything goes with you now...

The first regular number of our volume will see daylight on the 7th prox. All subscribers will receive free the numbers issued in December, which may be three only...

We tender our best thanks to Messrs. Molloy and Jordan of the Sydney Advocate for their kind attention to our many and troublesome questions asked while starting our paper...

Schr. Daniel W. Clark is now at Dominien wharf. The weather is so cold and blustry that she cannot get on the Railway... Material for sheathing not to be had at present probably; she may winter there...

Advice to Shipowners:—Usg Watson's School for Worms

Victoria is being actively canvassed by the Hon. the Minister of Malitia, who is opposed by the Hon. C. J. Campbell. Mr. Ross has been a successful and profitable delegate from Victoria to the Federal Parliament...

TENDERS WANTED.

By the subscriber, for the delivery of THREE HUNDRED SOUND, GREEN, HEMLOCK WHARF LOGS, of the following lengths and size—50 each, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 55 feet long...

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT HASTINGS.

Memoranda—Three vessels were lost at Lunenburg on the night of the 24th inst. The Steamer Capt. John Wilson Master, from Ireland bound for Glouce Bay went ashore in a gale of wind with snow...

PORT MULGRAVE.

ARRIVED. NOVEMBER 21. The Steamer, Wm. S. Parker, from London, 1200 tons, carrying, for New York, 2000 cases, 1000 boxes, 1000 barrels, and 1000 kegs...

PORT HAWKESBURY.

ARRIVED. NOVEMBER 27. Bark Rambler, Fraser, coal for Boston; 20th Deck Union, Dublin, Australia, to steam on Marine Railway; Schr. Playter, 100 tons, for P. E. I. for sailing at 6 a.m. for New York...

ARICHAT.

ARRIVED. NOVEMBER 27. Bark Union, 210 tons, Belfast, Bristol; Schr. Geo. Higgins, 190 tons, Brest, genl. cargo, Boston.

CLEARED.

Schr. Northern Clipper, 50 tons, DeGrey, Barb. Jersey, Nov. 26, 1873, 187, Therault, fish and oil; Schr. 27th, 1873, 187, Thom, 190 tons, Bonnet, fish, Opoua...

Coal Freights.

SYDNEY, G. & C. B. Pier. To West Indies \$5.50 per ton. Newfoundland \$2.75 per ton. Price of Coal at the Pier \$3.00 per ton. No detention. Cow Bay, Gairry Mines. To Boston \$1.25 per ton. No detention. Black House Mines. To Halifax \$3.20 per chaldron. St. John N. B. \$3.00 per ton. No detention.

BY TELEGRAPH.

OTTAWA, Nov. 28. The Grit Convention met last night at Toronto, and nominated Thos. Moss, a leading young barrister, candidate for West Toronto. The Postmaster General returned to Ottawa yesterday. Mr. McKenzie returned this morning. Col. Czowski will probably be Conservative Candidate for West Toronto.

LONDON, Nov. 28. A Madrid despatch last evening reports another bombardment of Cartagena, after which the rebel leaders through the Admirals of the foreign squadrons, requested a truce of two hours. It is believed propositions for surrender of the city will soon be made. The Rothschilds announce a Russian five per cent loan of 75,000,000 dollars. Foreign Markets closed firm.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. The expectation of receiving a conclusive answer from Spain to the demand of the United States respecting the 'Virginian,' has not been realized. The negotiations are still in progress; and the State Department received yesterday long despatches from Spanish Government, the nature of which the Secretary declines to make public. It is stated, however, that the tenor of all despatches received, indicated that Spain will concede to our demands. It is not known that Gen. Sickles has not given satisfaction by his course in present complications, and has not received full powers for some days past.

(Special to 'News of the Week.') LONDON, Dec. 1.

FRANCE PASSENGER SHIP SUNK IN GULF—279 PASSENGERS DROWNED. The French steamship Villa du Havre, from New York for Brest, collided on the 23rd ult. with British ship Lochera, from Liverpool for New York. The Villa du Havre sunk immediately, two hundred and twenty passengers were drowned. Eighty were saved by launches. Among the lost are six delegates returning to Europe from the Ev. ag. Bad Alliance.

OTTAWA DEC. 1st.

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE RETURNED BY 800 MAJORITY. GOVERNMENT SUCCESSFUL IN NEW BRUNSWICK. THE MINISTER OF CUSTOMS AND A GOVERNMENT MEMBER RETURNED BY ACCLAMATION IN ST. JOHN. Cartwright, Finance Minister, elected in Lunenburg by majority of eight hundred. Burpee, Minister of Customs, and DeVeber, Government supporter, were elected by acclamation in St. John to-day.

HALIFAX DEC. 1st

A fire on Sunday morning, destroyed Harris Brothers Clothing Store on Barrington St and damaged several other stores. Loss large but covered by insurance.

Sydney Dec. 1st.

A man named Kenneth Morrison was killed on the railroad between Sydney and Lingen this P.M. Steamer Lady Dufferin from Halifax arrived this P.M.

The great amount of labor and our inexperience have delayed publication till this morning. Last afternoon the naked body of a large-sized unknown man washed ashore three miles North of this. We learn that the P. E. I. steamer 'Princess of Wales,' when on her late trip, collided with a deeply laden small Schr. This is probably one of her crew; no trace of the injured vessel having been found.

DEATHS.

Accidentally at Victoria Hotel, Fort Halifax the 28th Nov. Adam Hugh, Son of Francis McKenzie of Barney's River, in the 22nd year of his age.

NOTICE!

To be sold at Public Auction for the benefit of all concerned, on the Dominion Wharf, Port Hawkebury at 2 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday next the 3 day of December, the cargo of the Schr. 'Daniel W. Clark' of St. John N. B. (which was stranded near Steep Creek) consisting of about two hundred tons Round Coals from the Diamond Colliery, Port Hawkebury. LEVI HART, Nov. 29th, 1873. Agent.