

will be of incalculable importance to the cause of education.

Objections have been made to the union of the offices of Superintendent and Principal of the Normal School. These have been already answered under the head "Normal School," and we need only state here that the arrangement is believed to be practicable, and recommends itself on grounds of economy, and on account of the unity of management which it secures. If, however, the Legislature should prefer, and be willing to remunerate a separate Superintendent—there can be no doubt that even in our small Province he would have scope for exertion in the improvement of education.

COMMISSIONERS AND THEIR CLERKS.—The appointment and duties of Commissioners are in the main the same as in the existing law. In dividing the school sections they are required to attach to each a permanent number, which is necessary to enable the trustees to perform their duties aright, but this has been neglected in many districts, the districts not having been numbered at all, or the numbers frequently changed without notice to the trustees.

In examining for license the commissioners are required to proceed under a prescribed form for each class of teachers. This was intended to obviate the injustice at present inflicted by the variable character of the examinations before different Boards and before the same Board at different meetings, as well as to give a more certain position to each class of teachers. They are also authorised to cancel the license of every teacher found to be guilty of grossly immoral conduct.

In the distribution of the public grant an important improvement is contemplated. At present the only tangible criterion are the sums contributed by the people and the time the school has been kept; but it is evident that these grounds of distribution often have but a small connection with the relative merit and usefulness of the schools, and it is only by referring to the character of the instruction—number of free pupils and other considerations of a somewhat vague and uncertain character, that an approach to justice can be made.

A very important addition to the powers of Commissioners is made in section 40, which empowers the boards to engage itinerant teachers for the poor and scattered districts, many of which are now entirely excluded from the benefits of the School Act. The commissioners are also authorised to apply the High School grants to this purpose, in cases where it proves impossible to establish High schools.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The R. M. Steamship *Canada*, arrived on Thursday last, from Liverpool. Parliament was to meet on the 4th November, and great preparations were making for the funeral of the Duke of Wellington, which was to take place about the 18th inst.

The Indian mail which left Bombay on the 2nd October, reached London on the 28th. Intelligence from Rangoon to the 12th Sept. had been received.—General Godwin was preparing to attack a large body of Burmese troops, who had staked themselves in a strong position about eight or ten miles from Promo.—The first division of the attacking force was directed to be in readiness by the 18th September. There does not appear to be the slightest probability of the enemy's being able to withstand the attack of the combined force which is advancing against him:—

"The British troops are all described as being in the highest health and spirits, and now that the danger and depression of the rainy season are rapidly passing away and the period of activity in the field returning, every man begins to look forward with confidence to a brilliant campaign and a speedy and triumphant termination of the war.

"It is said that the Governor-General has offered the King of Burmah a second opportunity of obtaining peace without further sacrifice of blood or loss of territory. The conditions are reported to be these—that the King shall meet the charges of war to the 1st of September, apologise for the past misconduct, and give good assurance for future good behaviour. Upon his compliance with these terms, the Governor-General engages to withdraw the British forces from Burmah, and to leave the King in full possession of the whole of his territory.

"Unless some untoward and wholly unforeseen circumstance should arise to thwart the advance of our troops, it is probable that Ava as well as Promo will have fallen before Christmas, and that the kingdom of Burmah will have passed away from the dominion of its tyrant, and have become a province of the mighty empire of England in the East."

The *London Times* has stated it to be the intention of Earl Derby and his colleagues to advise the Sovereign to permit the Houses of Convocation to sit for the despatch of business; and that the Royal license will be issued, empowering that Ecclesiastical assembly to enter upon the consideration of such matters as may be submitted to them. This statement as it first appeared, subsequently received a slight correction; but the fact seems to be that the Earl of Derby and his colleagues had recommended to the Sovereign that Convocation should be allowed to meet. The exclusive object to which this Ecclesiastical court will address

itself, and confine its labours, is to devise and recommend a scheme for self-reform and re-construction, according to the altered condition of the Church and of society.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, completed his eleventh year on Tuesday last, 8th inst.—The Royal Standard was hoisted on Citadel Hill, in honour of the Anniversary.

We observe that Mrs. Miller, who, with Miss Morris, published some beautiful plates of the Wild Flowers of Nova Scotia, has issued a Prospectus for their republication, and of a new series (Parts 3 and 4), being a continuation of the work. The list of subscribers already embraces a number of the principal inhabitants.—Persons desirous of adding their names can do so at the Book and Stationery Store of Mr. Gossip, 24 Granville street, or at the other book stores in town. Mrs. Miller is doing a great deal to inspire a love of the fine arts in Halifax, and deserves and we hope will receive much encouragement.

We give in another column the observations of several Members of the Canadian Assembly, on a motion to adjourn the Session on account of the prevalence of cholera, and the alarm thereby created. From the statements made a correct judgment may be formed of the progress of the disease, which we are glad to find has not proved so fatal as we had reason to anticipate.

NOTICE OF ORDINATION.—The Lord Bishop purposes (D V) to hold his next Ordination at Halifax, on Sunday, December 1st. Persons intending to offer themselves as candidates for Holy Orders upon that occasion are desired to notify their intention to His Lordship without delay.

SELECTION OF PSALMS AND HYMNS.—We are glad to be able to announce that the volume of Selections of Psalms and Hymns, for the Diocese of Nova Scotia, under the sanction of the Lord Bishop, is ready for delivery. Orders sent to Mr. Gossip's Book Store, will meet with prompt attention. The neat appearance of the Book, and the excellency of the Selections, we feel assured will recommend it to general approval. We believe that it is intended to commence its use in Halifax on the 28th inst., being the first day of the Ecclesiastical year, and immediate orders will also enable the Publisher to supply it to other portions of the Diocese, in time to be used at that appropriate season.

RAILWAY.—A public meeting on the subject of Railways was held at Kentville on the 9th inst. Hon. John Morson, Chairman, Henry O. S. Webster, Secretary. Several Resolutions were passed, the substance of which was to support the government of the Province in any contract to build a Railway easterly to Pictou, and westerly to Victoria Beach—and to pledge the Representatives of King's Co. to give their determined opposition to any agreement on the part of the government, unless upon the above terms.

Received from Digby for the Bishopric Endowment Fund,

Collection after Sermon,	£2 9 6 ¹
Part payment of subscriptions,	8 5 0
	£10 14 6 ¹

D. C. S. Nov. 7. Rec'd for 'Jubilee' £2 16 0 from Liverpool. Edwin Gilpin, Jr. Sec'y.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

From Rev. G. Townsend, with two subscribers—directions will be attended to. From Rev. Mr. Morris, two subscribers, and payment half in advance—directions will be attended to. The back Nos. of the new arrangement have run out—but whenever desired, will supply them as far as possible, and charge accordingly. The advance for Mr. Scanton has been paid, and his paper forwarded from Oct. 23. From Rev. R. J. Unlace—directions will be attended to. From Rev. C. Ingles—all previous orders, save specified exceptions, have been forwarded—expect some g. o. prayer books very soon, and will forward when received. From Rev. Mr. Jamieson—new subscriber—other directions will be attended to.

Married.

At Bridgetown, Nova Scotia, on the 4th Nov. by the Rev. J. James Robertson, M. A., assisted by the Rev. J. M. Campbell, M. A., the Rev. HENRY STAMER, third son of the late Percival Stamer, Esq., of Ivy Lodge, County Clare Ireland, to MRS. KINGSBUR, third daughter of Major James Poyntz, (late 30th Regt., H. M. Service.)

Died.

At the Poor's Asylum, Nov. 9. Mr. JOHN WILLIAMS, aged 77 years, a native of England.
At Thurso, Caithness, on the 30th September last, ELIZABETH, the beloved wife of Mr. James McKenzie, Merchant, Digby, N. S., leaving a number of friends and relatives to mourn her loss.

Shipping List.

ARRIVED.

Sunday, Nov. 7.—Brigs. Contest, Griffin, Norfolk, Va. 11 days; Nova Scotia, Prince, Salt Island; sch. Medway, Porter, Philadelphia.
Monday, Nov. 8.—Brigt. Lady Berrmour, (new) McBurne, Pugwash, 20 hours; schs. Nilo, Gunner, Burin, 7 days; Plant, Kenar, New York, 20 days; Antelope, Deer Island—bound to New York; Good Intent, Cape Breton; Annandale, P. E. Island 9 days; Humming Bird, McLean, North Bay; Medway, Norton Philadelphia, 7 days; Stranger, Miramichi; Victoria, Morgan, Jamaica, 7 days; Thetis, Littleport, Annapolis; Royal Parler, St. Andrews; Resident, St. Mary's.

Tuesday, Nov. 9.—R. M. Steamer Morlin, Corbin, St. John's N. F. via Sydney—23 passengers from St. John's from Sydney; Revenue brig Belle, Crowell, Bay Fundy 3 schs. Slyph, Young, Lunenburg.

Wednesday, Nov. 11.—Schrs. Seal, Magdalen Islands; Mary, P. E. I. Maria, do.; Steamer Sir John Harvey, Boston 42 hours.

Thursday, Nov. 11.—R. M. S. Canada, Liverpool, 10 days; H. M. S. Columbia, from a surveying cruise; schs. Indus, New York, Industry, Sagadah, Shannon, Margarer, Dove—P. E. Island; brig. Triumph, Turke Island 13 days; Revenue Cutters Halifax and Responsible, from the protection of the Fisheries; brig. Alexander, Pictou.

Friday, Oct. 12.—R. M. Steamship Niagara, Stone, New York; R. M. Steamship Lyanaine, Hunter, Bermuda, 6 days; schs. Swan, Ragged Islands; California do; Union Annapolis.

CLEARED.

Oct. 8.—Brigt. Emily, O'Bryan, Charlottetown P. E. I. Elzear, Bernier, Montreal.

Oct. 9.—Brigt. Fawn, Morrison, F. W. Indies; Oscar, Chalmersham; F. W. Indies, Romp, Dickson, St. John, N. F.; schs. Mary Bond Boston; Lancel, Hartory, St. John's, N. F.; Lily, Malloch, Westpool N. B.

Nov. 10.—Brigt. Scotia, Trinidad; Lady, Magdalen Islands; Joe Madawat, Magdalen Islands; Buskar, Jamaica; Lucy Alice, P. E. Island.

Nov. 11.—R. M. S. Canada, Boston, Steamer Sir Jean Harvey Boston; R. M. S. Merlia, St. John's, N. F., Caplin, Piacentia.

Passengers

Per R. M. S. Canada, from Liverpool to Halifax—Mrs McPherson, Miss Allan, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Bliss, Mrs. Stewart and child, Capt. Byler, 60th Regt., Lieut. Bridge, Messrs. Bliss, Merckolohn, Keel, and 71 for Boston.

From Halifax to Boston—Misses Clinch, Jacob, and McCallum, Mrs. Crawley, Mrs. Hayes and 4 children, Mr and Mrs. Gore, Messrs. Starns, Hold, Novillo, Greres, Starns, Kinnear, Fedin, White, Blacklock, Gottig, and Bennis.

COUNTRY MARKET.

PRICES ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13.

Apples, per bush.	2s. 6d. a 8s.
Beef, fresh, per cwt.	17s. 6d. a 25s.
Butter, fresh, per lb.	11d. a 1s.
Catsup, per gallon.	8s. a 3s. 6d.
Cheese, per lb.	4d. a 5d.
Chickens, per pair.	1s. 3d. a 1s. 9d.
Eggs, per doz.	8d. a 9d.
Geese, each.	1s. 3d. a 1s. 9d.
Hams, green, per lb.	none.
Do. smoked, per lb.	none.
Homespun, cotton & wool, per yard	1s. 7d. a 1s. 8d.
Do. wool,	2s. 6d.
Mutton, per lb.	2d. a 3d.
Oatmeal, per cwt.	15s. 6d.
Pork, fresh, per lb.	3d. a 4d.
Potatoes, per bushel.	2s. 6d. a 3s.
Turkies, per lb.	5d. a 6d.
Yarn, worsted, per lb.	2s. 6d.

AT THE WHARVES.

Coal, per chnl.	26s.
Cord Wood,	15s. a 10s.

Advertisements.

UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR.

ENGLISH PRIZE ESSAY.

The subject for this Year is—"The advantages of a liberal education for all persons, whether intending to devote themselves to one of the learned professions or otherwise."

The Essays are to be sent in to the President of the College on the day of Meeting after the Easter Vacation, 1833, and the Prize will be delivered to the Successful Candidate at the ensuing Bachelors, when he will read his Essay in the Hall.

The Prize is open to the competition of all Members of the University 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.
October, 1832.

JUST PUBLISHED.

And for sale at the Depository, S. P. O. K. No. 24, GRANVILLE STREET.

A SELECTION OF PSALMS AND HYMNS, FOR THE DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

SACTIONED BY THE LORD-BISHOP OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Nov. 13, 1832.

W. N. SILVER & SONS, ARE NOW selling at the very lowest market prices an Extensive Assortment of New and Seasonable DRY GOODS,

Comprising every article generally needed for the City and Country Trade. Good Welsh Flannels, heavy Winter Blankets, a large assortment of Woisted Stuffs, for Winter Dresses, Doeshirts, Broad Cloths and Sadelotts, first quality Cotton Warp, White, blue, Red and Green. Family TEA, of a very superior kind, Grey, White and Striped Shirting, very cheap, strong English and American Ticks &c. Carpets, Druggists, Rugs, Coats, Vests and Pants. &c
Nov. 13.

IN THE PRESS.

And will shortly be Published.

SHADES OF THE HAMLET, AND OTHER POEMS, by Rev. ANTHONY GRAY, Rector of Digby

Subscriptions received by F. G. FULLER, Nov. 13.

SPICES, WHOLE AND GROUND, namely, Cinnamon, Cloves, Nutmegs, Mace, Ginger, Peppor, Allspice, &c. &c. together with Essences of various kinds. For sale at DR. WOLF'S CITY DRUG STORE, 53 Hollis Street, Nov. 6.