

the commencement of Dickens's new work "Little Dorritt."

BLACKWOOD'S EDINBURGH MAGAZINE for Nov. and Dec., 1855.

This old established monthly loses none of its vigour and freshness; enjoying as it does some of the first talent in Great Britain.

AIMS AND AIDS FOR GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN. By Rev. G. S. Weaver. pp. 224.

The object of this work is to raise the female character and to aid young women to the attainment of such a standard of intellectual and moral worth as shall qualify them to occupy the position they are called to fill so as to promote their own real happiness as well as that of those around them.

THE ALCOHOLIC CONTROVERSY. A review of the "Westminster Review" on "The physiological errors of Teetotalism." By R. I. Frail, M. D. pp. 114.

Another medical testimony to the evils of intemperance and the use of alcohol generally. The physiology of the matter is fully examined and shown to be altogether in favour of total abstinence.

KATE WESTON: or TO WILL and TO DO. By Jennie De Witt. pp. 456.

The authoress of this work (daughter of Dr. Dowling, a Baptist Minister of Philadelphia, himself an author of well-known ability) has succeeded admirably in presenting much valuable truth and important lessons in the attractive form of a story-book. It would be well if there were more like Kate, with sufficient discrimination and force of character to discover and repel the advances of those without moral and religious principles.

The Work on NEW BRUNSWICK, NOVA SCOTIA, and PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, by A. Munro, Esq., has been received. It appears to be a useful and valuable compilation of the statistics of the first named Province, and its publication cannot fail to be beneficial to British North America. We wish the author every success in his praiseworthy efforts to diffuse a better knowledge of these colonies and recommend the work to the perusal of our readers.

The Steamer Canada arrived on Monday the 7th inst., after a most boisterous passage, during which she met with several heavy gales, having two of her boats swept away, and receiving some injury in her Paddle Boxes. Upwards of fifteen years trial during which this noble line of steamers has crossed the Atlantic every fortnight, and for a large portion of the time, every week, without loss or damage, except of the most inconsiderable nature, has so tested their character as to have established the utmost confidence in their efficiency and safety, and rendered the travel backwards and forwards so certain as almost to be reduced during a great part of the year to the calculation of an hour. We gave in our last some of the latest items of news received by her. Additional particulars will be found in our present columns, altho' there is in fact very little news. The capture of Kara is still dwelt on in the papers as a heavy misfortune to the arms of the Allies, and one which under circumstances ought not to have been permitted, as it is confidentially asserted that timely aid could have been sent to relieve the garrison, and prevent their having surrendered, to avoid starvation. The conduct of the war, and the inertness of the armies since the taking of Sebastopol is the subject of severe strictures in the public prints; and the fact that there is the need of some great leading mind to conduct affairs with more ability and success, seems every day more apparent.

The peace rumours seem in a great measure to have died away, and it does not now seem probable that in the present prospect of affairs, so desirable an event as an early peace, is very near at hand. The Baltic Fleet, both English and French, have now abandoned that sea for the winter, where an immensely expensive naval armament has now been kept up for two seasons with very little practical results. Indeed it would seem that one third of the number of well appointed vessels, might have more than done the work required, which has been merely that of blockading a very inferior Russian fleet. The Czar is indefatigable in preparing for the coming season, as are also the Allies.

Nine days later from Europe.

A telegraphic despatch was received at Merchants' Exchange Rooms, in this City, on Monday at 2 o'clock P. M., with intelligence of the arrival at New York on the previous afternoon of the U. S. M. Steamship Atlantic, with Liverpool dates to the 31st ult.

Flour had advanced one shilling per barrel on previous quotations.

Wheat is reported three pence per bushel dearer than when Canada left.

Corn had advanced one shilling and six pence per quarter on last advices.

Provision market dull—no change in prices.

Sugar market continued dull—no change reported in prices in England.

Peace prospects unchanged.

Saxony and Prussia recommend Russia to accept the overtures for peace.

General Intelligence.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, Jan. 8, 1856.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in Council, has been pleased to make the following appointments:

To be Justices of the Peace for the County of Halifax.—David Archibald, John Geddes, and Adam Dean, Esqrs.

To be a Notary and Tabelon Public.—Fitzgerald Cochran, Esquire.

To be one of the Coroners for the County of Pictou.—William H. Harris, Esquire.

To be a Commissioner for taking Bail, and administering Affidavits, and for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors for King's County.—Geo. E. Barnaby, Esquire.

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN N. SCOTIA, &c.—A late London Gazette announces that Colonel Sir J. Gaspard, Le Marchant, commanding Her Majesty's Troops in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, &c., is to have the local rank of Major General dated July 1, 1855. Lieut. Colonel Le Marchant has also been Gazetted Assistant Military Secretary to Sir J. Gaspard Le Marchant.

TESTIMONIAL.—A richly chased Epergne and two handsomely engraved claret jugs have been imported by Mr. John McCulloch, for the purpose of being presented to Henry Pryor Esqr. Mayor of Halifax, by some of his friends, as a testimonial of their appreciation of his services.

Mr. John Parker, Junr., has taken the Contract for supplying Her Majesty's service with Beef for the ensuing year, at twenty seven shillings and three pence, sterling, per cwt; and the contract for supplying the same service with Flour has been awarded to Messrs. S. Cunard & Co. at forty two shillings and six pence sterling, per barrel.

Her Majesty has approved of the appointment by the President of the United States of America, of Albert Pillsbury, Esq., of Maine, to be the Consul of America at Halifax, in place of R. W. Fraser Esq.

The body of Mr. Taylor, of Port La Tour, who was drowned at Strachan's Wharf on Christmas eve, was picked up on Tuesday near Fairbank's wharf.

The Steamship Unicorn, which used to ply between Pictou and Quebec, has been destroyed by fire near Yazor City, Ca. The passengers, among whom were several ladies, barely escaped with their lives, but all their baggage was destroyed. The books and papers of the boat were totally destroyed. There was a considerable amount of money in the safe which was also lost. The total loss is estimated to amount to \$75,000.

FIRE AT WALLACE.—On Friday morning 4th inst., a fire occurred at Wallace, resulting in the total destruction of John Dotten's Hotel, and the shop and dwelling house adjoining, belonging to Mr. Thomas Dotten: the former was insured to the amount of £350, the latter, £60. Mr. Thomas Dotten saved a portion of his furniture.

FIRE AT PUGWASH.—A fire occurred at Pugwash on Saturday evening 5th inst., in the store of A. A. Black which resulted in the destruction of the building, and goods, on which there was insurance to the amount of £500.

New Brunswick.

THE PROHIBITORY LIQUOR LAW IN NEW BRUNSWICK.—By St. John papers we learn that the Prohibitory Law, which went into operation in that city on the 1st Inst., had already added largely to the attractions of the Police Court. The first prosecution for infringing the law in question, took place on the 7th inst., when a Mr. Robert Stewart was, upon information against him lodged by Messrs. John Frazer, merchant, Christopher Smiler, publisher of the Temperance Telegraph, and Joseph Lordly, auctioneer, brought up before the sitting magistrate, George A. Lockhart, and Justices P. Besnard and B. J. Underhill Esqs. A quantity of liquor had been previously seized upon Mr. Stewart's premises. Able counsel were engaged on behalf both of the prosecution and defence. Various objections to the proceedings, on the ground of informality, were made on behalf of the defence. Among others, it was alleged that the information had not been given by three reputable individuals as required by Law, Mr. Lordly being singled out as not belonging to that class. The prosecution was at length dismissed upon other grounds of informality. The investigation caused a great deal of excitement, the police office being crowded.

FIRE.—A fire occurred about 9 o'clock, on the evening of January 6th, in the office of the Morning News, Princess-street, St. John, by which the building was damaged to a considerable extent.—The fire had gained some headway before it could be subdued, and there was some difficulty in quenching it in consequence of the dense smoke, concealing the place where it broke out. The Engine Companies were on the spot immediately after the alarm was given, and worked with their accustomed energy. A large quantity of the type belonging to the office

was either destroyed or rendered unserviceable. A quantity of the printing paper was also damaged. There is some mystery connected with the origin of the fire, but that it was another case of incendiarism there is ample proof, as it was afterwards discovered that in two or three places the interior of the building must have been set on fire. The misfortune is felt the more, inasmuch as the proprietor, Mr. Fenety, met with a serious accident on Monday last, by having his hand crushed in the power press, which has since prevented him from attending to his duties. The building and materials were insured.—Courier.

United States.

Boston, January 7.

PROGRESS OF THE STORM.—The barometer on Saturday morning indicated that a change in the weather was to be expected, and sure enough science was right, for since that time we have had one of the severest storms of late years, and we learn by the telegraph that the snow extended from the city of Washington to Halifax. The storm commenced at the South on Friday, reaching Boston Saturday noon, and Halifax Sunday morning. While the storm was raging with great violence in Boston at midnight on Saturday, the magnetic telegraph reported that at Halifax at the same hour it was "clear and cold." Last night at 9 o'clock, some eight hours after, the sky was clear in Boston, we had news from Halifax that "the storm shows little signs of abatement." In Boston about eighteen inches of snow fell.

THE CHURCHES YESTERDAY.—The severity of the storm yesterday morning and the almost impassible condition of the streets prevented most persons from venturing out of doors, and there was quite a limited attendance at all the churches. The congregations at most of the churches in the morning numbered from thirty to seventy-five persons.

In the city of New York on Sunday, laborers were employed in clearing the sidewalks, and though five or six thousand persons were at work all day shovelling the snow up, many of the streets at night were almost impassable. But very little damage occurred in New York harbor, notwithstanding the severity of the storm.

TRUCK ISLAND.—The Br. sch. Coromet at New York brought dates to Dec. 11.—Salt was very scarce and high. None to be had either at Grand Turk or East Cayes. The last cargo was sold at 38c. per bush.

A certain remedy for Sick Headache and Bile.—The most prevalent disorders to which the human frame is subject is, perhaps, sick headache and bile, suffered by both sexes and all ages, and which are the ground work, nay, the very foundation of some of the worst of disorders. There is nothing which can equal Holloway's Pills for the cure of these distressing complaints, their effects are prompt and certain, and they leave the sufferer in the enjoyment of health, after every other means have failed. These Pills will also cure all liver and stomach complaints.

Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

CORRECTED FOR THE WEEK ENDING JAN. 15

Table listing market prices for various commodities such as Bread, Navy, per cwt., Pilot, per bbl., Beef, Prime, Ca., etc.

PRICES AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, JAN. 15.

Table listing prices for fresh beef, oatmeal, pork, fresh, per lb., veal, lamb, etc.

Letters Received.

Rev. John Stent, 19th. Rev. Chas. Tupper, 3rd, (2 subs.) J. Cutten, 5th. W. Armstrong, 3rd, (1 sub., rem.) A. Munro, Esq., J. P. Sanders, 24th, (rem.) G. L. Tremain, 4th, (rem.) John Broderick, 5th, (rem.) Jonathan Woodbury, 4th, (rem.) Thos. H. Patton, 6th, (2 subs.) Jacob S. Layton, 7th. Rev. Jas. A. Stubbart, 2nd. Samuel Brown, 3rd. J. B. Worthylake, 4th, (rem.) G. Bishop, 7th. D. Nicholls, 3rd, (all quite correct.) Rev. A. W. Barrs, 5th, (2 sub., rem.) G. Hubley, 2nd. Capt. Westabour, 7th. Rev. J. Stevens, 7th. J. Scott, 1st. A. W. Marsters, 5th. Rev. H. Achilles, 1st. W. H. Hammond, 3rd, (rem.) G. Starratt. Rev. W. Chipman, 5th, (rem.) Rev. R. W. Cunningham, 31st, (£5) H. S. Fildore, 5th, (1 sub., rem.) Rev. W. Hewson. Rev. A. S. Hunt, (1 sub.) W. H. Rogers, 8th, (rem.) David Rogers, 8th, (rem.) John Gammon, 5th, (rem.) C. S. McKee, 8th, (rem.) Rev. H. Ross, Nov. 21, (2 sub.) R. D. Porter, 11th, (20 subs.) R. W. Freeman, 6th, (2 subs.) Obadiah Parker, 2nd, (1 sub., rem.) Rev. C. Tupper, 5th, (1 sub., with letters from S. L. Chipman, Dec. 25th, with rem., and from H. A. Estabrooks, Dec. 24th, with rem.)

Notice.

A Quarterly Meeting will be held with the Baptist Church in Point DeBute, commencing on Monday, the 21st inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M. Neighbouring Ministers are expected to be present, and other brethren are invited.

JOHN ROWE, Pastor.

January 10th, 1856.

WORMS! WORMS!

A great many learned treatises have been written, explaining the origin of, and classifying the worms generated in the human system. Scarcely any topic of medical science has elicited more acute observation and profound research; and yet physicians are very much divided in opinion on the subject. It must be admitted, however, that, after all, a mode of expelling these worms, and purifying the body from their presence, is of more value than the wisest disquisitions as to the origin. The expelling agent has at length been found.—Dr. M' Lane's Vermifuge, prepared by Fleming Bros. is the much sought after specific, and has already superseded all other worm medicines, its efficacy being universally acknowledged by medical practitioners.

Purchasers will be careful to ask for DR. M'LANE'S CELEBRATED VERMIFUGE, manufactured by FLEMING BROS. OF PITTSBURGH, PA. All other Vermifuges in comparison, are worthless. Dr. M' Lane's genuine Vermifuge, also his Celebrated Liver Pills, can now be had at all respectable Drug Stores. None genuine without the signature of FLEMING BROS.

Sold in Halifax, by JOHN NAYLOR, and WM LANGLEY.

Married.

At St. Paul's Church, on the 11th inst., by the Venerable Archdeacon Willis, Sergeant William Thompson, 76th Regt., to Miss Sarah Duncan, of Truro, N.S. On the 4th inst., by the same, Mr. James W. Sutherland, to Mira Mary, daughter of Mr. George Brown, both of this city. On the 1st inst., by the Rev. F. Uniacke, Mr. James Handley, to Miss Sarah Hodgson, of this city. At Dartmouth, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. Alex. Romans, A. M., Mr. James Alexander Taylor, to Miss Jane Sophia Venn, of Lunenburg. On the 13th ult., at Bedford Basin, by the Rev. John Miller, Mr. Henry Wright, to Amelia, eldest daughter of Mr. Wm. Wentworth, of Halifax. On the 3rd inst., at Dorchester, N. B., by the Rev. Mr. DeWolf, Mr. Edw. B. Dixon, late Chief Operator Telegraph Office, Halifax, to Susan E., third daughter of John Hickman, Esq. On the 24th ult., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. A. S. Hunt, A. M., Mr. Levi Eaton, to Eunice Ann, eldest daughter of Deacon Joshua Ellis, both of Cornwallis. At Salem Cottage, on the 1st inst., by the same, Mr. William H. Bishop, of Horton, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Stephen Porter, of Cornwallis. Also, on the 2nd inst., at the same place, by the same, Mr. Henry Burgess, to Amelia A, third daughter of Andrew Forsyth, both of Cornwallis. At Indian Harbour, St. Margarets Bay, on the 26th ult., by the Rev. J. Stannage, Mr. Christopher Allen, to Miss Barbara, third daughter of Mr. John Covey. At Brookfield, Newport, on the 19th ult., by the Rev. Thomas H. Davies, Mr. William S. Irish, to Mary A., third daughter of Anthony Shaw, Esq. At Rose Cottage, by the Rev. Mr. Cunningham, Oct. 11th, Mr. Cornelius Brooks, to Miss Lemy Gilliland, Nov. 15th, Capt. Abraham Lent, to Miss Elizabeth Brown, Dec. 27th, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mr. Peter Johnston, to Miss Emeline Hardy.

Died.

At Cornwallis, North Mountain, Pleasant Valley district, Dec. 22nd, William Bridge, in the 66th year of his age, leaving a widow and four children to mourn their loss. He had been in a declining state of health for a number of years. He had made a public profession of religion, a number of years since. For some few years past he appeared to enjoy a good state of mind and rejoiced in hope of eternal life—his friends also trust that his end was peace. At Wilmot, County of Annapolis, N. S., on the 23rd of December, Mr. Thomas Roxby, a native of Norfolk, England. Previous to Mr. Roxby's departure from England for America, he had been eighteen years in the East India Service. He came to this Province in the year 1817, where he continued till his death, being supported by a pension granted, upon his dismission from the Service. The deceased was a man of modest retired habits, a staunch royalist, and firmly attached to the policy and constitution of his native country. He was buried on Christmas day, a discourse was delivered on the occasion by the Rev. H. Achilles. He was about 86 years of age. [English papers please copy.]