DISCOVERY OF NATURAL GAS AT HULL.—On Tuesday week, an extraordinary phenomenon was witnessed at the residence and private waterworks of Mr. Thomas Stather. It was that of fire and water issuing at the same moment from the same fountain. Mr. Stather wished to sink a well, and for that purpose had engaged a large body of experienced men. Up to five o'clock on Monday afternoon, the well-sinker had bored to the depth of forty-eight feet below the surface, and, at forty-five to forty-eight feet, had found a bed of peat, three feet thick, beneath which he came to a bed of gravel, containing broken flint and the remains of marine shell fish. As the water now issued from the surface of the boring in a bubbling fountain, varying in height from one to six or seven feet, and from that to ten feet, spurting out volumes of gravel and fine sand, the sinker determined to try whether it was inflammable, and to his surprise there arose a lurid flame, two yards in height, issuing from a tube three inches in diameter, and through which tube the water continued to flow and boil over without at all diminishing the volume of flame, which ascended considerably higher than the garden wall, which was seven feet high. On Wednesday evening, twenty-one burners were supplied with gas from the boring without the intervention of any gasometer. Since then the boring has been carried down to the solid rock, which was found at a depth of fifty feet, and the supply of gas has for the present ceased. —*Hull Packet.*

A block of pure crystalline ice, weighing nearly twenty-five pounds, was discovered on Monday week, in a meadow belonging to Mr. Warner, at Cricklewood. On the day prior a storm passed over the spot. Mezeray, in his "History of France," mentions a block of the weight of 100 pounds that fell during a thunder-storm, in the year 1510.

FROM C. C. TROWBRIDGE, ESQ., PRESIDENT MICHIGAN STATE BANK.

DETROIT, August 30, 1850.

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Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

CORRECTED FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPT. 1.

Bread, Navy, per cwt.	22s. 6d. a 30s.
" Pilot, per bbl.	18s. 9d. a 22s. 6d.
Beef, Prime, Ca.	none.
" " N. S.	30s. a 55s.
Butter, Canada, per lb.	1s.
" N. S. "	1s.
Coffee, Laguyra, "	9d. a 10d.
" Jamaica, "	8½d. a 10d.
Tea, Congo, "	2s. a 2s. 3d.
Flour, Am. spfi. per bbl.	37s. 6d. a 41s. 3d.
Canada spfi. "	40s.
" Rye, "	30s
Cornmeal, "	26s 3d.
Indian Corn,	none.
Molasses, Mus. per gal.	3s. a 3s. 2d.
" Clayed, "	2s. 10d a 3s.
Pork, Prime, per bbl.	110s.
" Mess, "	130s.
Sugar, Bright P. R., per cwt.	61s. 3d. a 63s. 9d.
Codfish, large, per qtl.	13s 6d.
" small, "	14s.
Salmon, No. 1., per bbl.	120s.
" " 2, "	100s.
" " 3, "	80s.
Mackerel, No. 1, "	100s.
" " 2, "	60s.
" " 3, "	30s.
Herrings, " 1, "	18s. a 20s.
Alewives, "	17s.
Haddock, "	12s.
Bar Iron, com. "	15s.
Hoop " "	22s. 6d.
Sheet " "	24s.
Lumber—½ Inch Pine,	82s. 6d.
" 1 Inch Pine,	70s.
" Shipping Pine,	55s.
" Spruce,	50s.
" Hemlock,	45s.
Coal, Sydney, per chal.	30s. to 32s. 6d.
Fire Wood, per cord,	21s. 6d.

PRICES AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, SEPT. 1.

Fresh Beef, per cwt.	35s. a 45s.
Oatmeal, "	17s.
Pork, Fresh, per lb.	6½d.
Veal, "	4d. a 5d.
Lamb "	4½d. a 5d.
Bacon, "	9d.
Butter, "	1s. 1½d.
Cheese, "	6d. a 7½d.
Eggs, per dozen,	11d.
Poultry—Chickens	3s.
Geese	none.
Ducks,	none.
Turkeys, per lb.	none.
Calf-skins, per lb.	7½.
Yarn, "	2s 6d
Potatoes, per bushel,	4s. 9d.
Plums, "	25s.
Apples, per barrel,	26s. 3d.
Homespun Cloth, (wool,) per yard,	2s. 6d
Do. (cotton and wool,) "	1s. 7d. a 1s. 9d

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Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, Aug. 25th.—Brigt Boston, O'Brien, Boston, 5 days—Young & Hart—15 passengers; schrs Tradesman, Surat, Bay Chaleur; Rival, Dunlap, Liverpool, 9 hours—21 passengers; brig Christiana, Graham, Liverpool, 50 days.

WEDNESDAY, 26th.—R. M. S. America, Lang, Liverpool, G.B., 10½ days—158 passengers, 14 for Halifax; brigts America, Edwards, Porto Rico, 12 ds—Frith & Harvey; Muta, Turner, do, 16 ds—N. L. & J. T. West; Africa, Burke, Cienfuegos, 15 das; schr Sarah, Perry, Cape Negro—Fraser, Lyle & Co.

THURSDAY, 27th.—Am. schr Lion, Jamison, Rockland, 3 days—Oxley & Co; schr Mary, Glawson, Richmond, Vir., 15 days—J. & M. Tobin; brigt Sea Lark, Banks, Barrington; R. M. S. Canada, Shannon, Boston, 34 hours—59 passengers, 10 for Halifax.

FRIDAY, 28th.—Schrs Catherine, Sydney; Wave, Forman, Burin—G. H. Starr & Co; Adelia, Parr, New York, 8 days—W. L. Evans; brig Hound, Anderson, Shelburne—Esson, Boak & Co.

SATURDAY, 29th.—Brig America, Meagher, Boston, 2½ days—B. Wier & Co—25 passengers; schrs Sylph, Bay Chaleur, 7 das—J. Cochran; Cruizer, Dauphney, North Bay; Liberty, Banks, St. John, N.B.; Undine, Dickson, Newfoundland—G. H. Starr & Co; Ellen, Curry, Bay Chaleur—Allison & Co; Yacht Blanche, Capt. Arburthnot, from a cruise in the Gulf of St. Lawrence; brigt Swordfish, Montreal, 15 days—E. C. Twining.

SUNDAY, 30th.—Schr Mary and Charles, Lorway, Sydney, C.B.

MONDAY, 31st.—Schrs Susan, Lang, Boston, 3 das; Mechanic, Smith, Barrington—Fraser, Lyle & Co; Dart, Nearing, Burin, N.F., 6 days—J. & M. Tobin; Gold Coiner, Harris, Rameo, N.F., 6 ds—J. Hackett; Cruizer, Dauphney, North Bay.

Cleared.

MONDAY, Aug. 24th.—Brigt Jessie, Pye, F. W. Indies; schr James McNab, Thomas, do.

TUESDAY, 25th.—Joshua Humble,, Caplin, Fishing; French brigt Canadianne, Hammond, Lahave.

WEDNESDAY, 26th.—Steamer Eastern State, Killam, Boston via Yarmouth.

THURSDAY, 27th.—Brig Velocity, Affleck, B. W. Indies; brigt Harriet Ann, Crowell, Kingston, Ja; schr Defiance, Curry, Bay Chaleur; R. M. Steamships America, Lang, Boston; Merlin, Sampson, Sydney and Newfoundland; Delta, Hunter, Bermuda and St. Thomas.

FRIDAY, 28th.—R. M. S. Canada, Shannon, Liverpool; schrs Sophia, Bell, Newfoundland; Inkerman, King, do; Beverley, Blanch, do; Romp, Swaine, Boston; Union, St. Pierre, Miq.

SATURDAY, 29th.—Velocity, Canada; James, Walsh, Newfoundland; Belinda, Caldwell, New Carlisle, N.B.

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Halifax, Sept. 2, 1857.

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11 President Edwards on Revivals.
12 Willison's Afflicted Man's Companion.
13 Paley's Natural Theology and Horæ Paulinæ.
14 Olinthus Gregory's Letters on Infidelity.
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17 Memoir of Dr. Milner.
18 Memoir of Summerfield.
19 Memoir of Mrs. Isabella Graham.
20 Memoir of Mrs. Sarah L. H. Smith.
21 D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation, vol. 1.
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"Christian Messenger" Office, Halifax.

Sept. 2.

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August 19.

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July 15, 1857.

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Should the day prove unfavorable the Bazaar will be opened on the first fine day after.

Contributions in Fancy and Useful Articles will be thankfully received by the following Ladies:—MRS. DEBLOIS, MRS. FITCH, MRS. CHASE, and MRS. JOHN JOHNSON.

August 26.

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September 15th.—"CHARITY AND THE GOSPELS," a series of Sermons by Rev. Dr. Wm. R. Williams. This work, previously announced, has been delayed until the present, at the request of the author, that he might enrich it with additional matter.

They also have in press:

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August 26.

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August 19.

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