

General Intelligence.

Foreign and Domestic.

FREE DINNER ON CHRISTMAS-DAY.—Messrs. Stewart & Sons made it known last week that on Christmas day they would provide a free dinner for the poor.

THE LEGISLATURE.—The Royal Gazette, announces the fact that the Legislature of Nova Scotia is summoned to meet for the despatch of business on the 3d of February.

FIRE AT THE WINDSOR JUNCTION.—We learn that the wood in the wood shed at the Windsor Junction was discovered to be on fire about noon yesterday.

The tank house was happily saved. There were about 160 cords of wood in the shed at the time, the greater part being soft wood, removed from Fletcher's Station.

A lad named Smith of St. Croix, near Windsor had his arm badly broken in four different places by the machinery of a flour-mill last week.

The Municipality Council of Yarmouth met in the Court-house on the 14th inst. for the purpose of closing the business of the Municipality.

The gale on Tuesday the 21st, produced an extraordinary high tide at Yarmouth. We learn from the Herald that at Eel Brook the tide yesterday overflowed the dyke and bridges, and that it will probably be several days before they will be again passable.

SPORT.—One day last week, a few lovers of the sport returned from Solineuse, a lake about three miles from Town, with regular back loads of very fine trout.

A fire occurred at Sydney Mines on the 8th inst., destroying three or four buildings occupied by the Miners.

SECOND EDITION.

Fearful Conflagration and Loss of Life.

An alarm of fire was given last evening about nine o'clock.

As usual, the fire companies and other citizens were immediately on hand, but before even any temporary check could be put to the devouring element, it had gained such an ascendancy at the back part of the houses, that it became extremely perilous to those making efforts even to rescue the inmates.

The rapidity of the fire prevented the parties burnt out from saving scarcely anything. A ladder was placed to the upper story of Mr. Gabriel's store, and Capt. Taylor endeavoured to drag out a person, whom he supposed to be Mr. Joseph Grant, but either from resistance on his part or his lameness, was unable to effect his rescue.

The goods and furniture from several of the properties near were removed. The brick Shoe-store of Mr. Coombs proved a barrier to the fire extending up Duke Street.

Four houses were entirely consumed, occupied respectively by W. S. Symonds, John Gabriel, Jonas Hagar, A. D. Morse, and Thomas O'Donnell.

The efficiency of the Fire Companies was thoroughly tested. Many of the members displayed great heroism, and even we learn suffered much injury to their clothes and persons, by their manly and praiseworthy exertions.

The Military rendered most important service. While many citizens were disposed to look on

rather than work at the engines, they came to the rescue, and soon brought a plentiful supply of water from the harbour, which, in addition to that from the hydrants, prevented the fire from passing into the adjoining blocks, of which there seemed great probability.

His Excellency the Earl of Mulgrave was early on the spot, and afforded valuable service by his advice. His Worship the Mayor was also actively employed with other official gentlemen in connection with the fire engines.

We are not aware of the extent of Insurance effected by the different sufferers; but from all we hear, it is nothing to be compared with the amount of loss.

This calamity has occurred sufficiently near to the first of January to bring to the minds of many citizens the similar alarming visitation two years since, and awaken similar sympathy; but although the loss of property is not so extensive, yet the fatality attending this, renders it even more distressing than the former.

Letters Received.

Abel Strong, 11th, 12s. 6d. Rev. J. Chase, 20th. Jas. McLearn, 11th.—Will write. J. Faulkner, 10th. N. T. Harris, 16th, £7. Rev. J. Spencer, 14th. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 19th. Rev. J. C. Morse, 18th, 10s. Rev. Jas. A. Stubbert, 15th. Rev. Perez F. Murray, 10th; 20s. Rev. D. Freeman, 20th. H. E. Fitch Esq., 25th. Geo. DeChamp, 22nd, 12s. 6d. Z. G. Gabel, 23rd, 20s. 1 sub. Jas. Christie, 22nd. J. W. Hart, Esq., 25th. G. V. Rand, 25th.

NOTICE.

The Monthly Meeting of the Board of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society will be held at the Office of W. L. Evans, Esq., opposite the Commercial Wharf, on Wednesday next, January 5th, 1859, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

S. N. BENTLEY, Secretary. Halifax, Dec. 29th, 1858.

Birth.

On Saturday, the 25th instant, the wife of Captain Sanderson, of H. M. 62nd Regiment, of a daughter.

Married.

In this city, on the 15th instant, by the Rev. S. N. Bentley, Mr. James Wellnor to Mrs. Maria Furnace, both of Rawdon.

On the 18th inst., by the same, Mr. Stephen Smith, of Shubenacadie to Miss Margaret Andrews of Halifax.

On the 22nd inst., by the same, Mr. John Hartland, to Miss Sarah Ann Smith, both of Halifax.

On the 23rd inst., by the same, Mr. Robert Carr, of Shubenacadie, to Miss Alicia Deal, of Halifax.

On the 25th instant, by the Rev. James Thomas, Mr. James Casidy, of Dartmouth, to Miss Margaret Elizabeth Wood, of Halifax.

On the 23rd inst., by the Rev. George Boyd, A. M., James Duncan, Esq., of Mahone's Bay, to Esther Catherine Ives of this city.

At Dartmouth, on the 17th instant, by the Rev. Dr. Shreve, Rector, Mr. James Bissett to Miss Elizabeth Mangin, both of Cole Harbour.

At the house of the bride's father, on the 18th ult., by the Rev. T. H. Porter, Mr. James W. Swallow to Miss Hannah E. Ryno, both of Margaret's Bay.

At Hammond's Plains, on the 28th ult., by the same, Mr. Edward Hamilton to Miss Anne Neat, both of the same place.

At Thornasdale Cottage, Windsor, on the 23rd inst., by the Rev. Mr. Murdoch, William Harrison, Esq., formerly of Sussex, England, to Adaline, eldest daughter of Capt. John Moser.

At Amherst, on the 14th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Clarke, the Rev. Archibald Thompson to Sarah Jane, eldest daughter of Joseph Coates, Esq.

At Liverpool, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. T. A. Higgins, Mr. David Buchanan to Miss Nancy McLeod, both of Milton.

On the 19th inst., by the same, Mr. Warren Gardner to Miss Mary A. Gibbons, both of Liverpool.

On the 20th inst., by the same, Mr. Thomas Phillips, of Liverpool, to Miss Sarah Walker, of Yarmouth.

At the Baptist Chapel, Milton, on the 22nd instant, by the same, assisted by the Rev. R. R. Philp, the Rev. Edward M. Saunders, A.B., Pastor of the Baptist Church at Berwick, to Miss Mary Kiboro, daughter of Samuel Freeman, Esq., of Milton.

On the 2nd instant, by the Rev. P. F. Murray, Mr. Samuel Beardsly to Miss Catherine Charlton, both of Port Williams.

At Barney's River, on the 15th ult., by the Rev. Albert F. Porter, Mr. Alexander Walker to Miss Jane B. Meldrum.

Died.

On Wednesday, the 15th inst., after a short illness, Mary Osborn, fourth daughter of Henry and Eliza Adams, aged 3 years.

On the 18th inst., after a short illness, Mr. Thomas Brown, (Chief Steward of the R. M. Steamship Ospray,) aged 28 years, a native of Yorkshire, England.

On the 21st instant, James Charles, youngest son of Mr. John McLeath, aged 4 years and five months.

On the 22nd instant, Elizabeth, wife of Mr. Samuel Tupper, in the 54th year of her age.

On the 22nd inst., after a short illness Paul Brodie, aged 48 years, late of H. M. 72nd Regiment.

On the 22nd instant, after a long and severe illness, Johanna, wife of John Headen, aged 54 years.

On the 22nd instant, after a brief illness, Jessie McDonald, third daughter of John W. and Catherine Fraser, aged 4 years and four months.

On the 23rd instant, Elizabeth, widow of the late Benjamin Ross, in the 89th year of her age.

At Dartmouth, on the 15th instant, after a long and painful illness, Christy, widow of the late Thos. Elliott, in the 50th year of her age.

At Cornwallis, on the 16th instant, of scarlet fever, Frederick Clinton, youngest child of Thomas W. and Eliza I. Rand, aged 5 years and six months.

At DeBert River, Londonderry, on the morning of Christmas day, the 25th instant, Mrs. Sarah Vance, aged 65 years. She had for several years been a consistent member of the Baptist Church at Londonderry.

At the Acadian Mines, Londonderry, on the 16th inst., of putrid sore throat, Letitia, youngest daughter of Mr. Jerome Johnston, aged 12 years.

At Newburgh, State of New York, on the 27th ult., Margaret B., wife of Mr. Hiram Smith and daughter of the late Mr. John Irish, of Falmouth, N. S., in the 64th year of her age.

At Cardiff, Wales, on the 3rd instant, Frederick H. Parker, son of Francis Parker, Esq., of Walton, Hants, aged 32 years.

At Pictou, on the 10th inst., James Cerar, Esq., late of Merigonishe, in the 71st year of his age. At St Croix Cove, Granville, October 8th, of putrid sore throat Penelope, daughter of Jordan Messenger, Esq., aged 14 years. How soon removed from the domestic circle and her youthful associates, to whom she had become much endeared by her lively animated and generous turn of mind; but the calm and peaceful manner in which she bid adieu to all on earth gave comfort to her sorrowing parents and friends, who mourn, yet not without hope.

On the 8th inst., very suddenly, of croup, Norman, only son of Mr. Harris M. Foster, of Chute's Cove, aged 10 years. Thus our friends are bereaved of their only child; a flower just budding into life, and to which their fond hearts clung with a tenacity that would fain have rescued him from the destroyer of their earthly comfort. May they in their affliction learn of Him who has overcome death, and live to bear his followers through all their sorrows and wipe away their tears.

Mason's Alpine Hair Dresser cleans the hair immediately, makes it beautifully soft and glossy, and gives the hair the perfume of flowers. 2s. 6d. per bottle. * * Provincial Agents, G. E. MORTON & Co.

TO THE MEDICAL FACULTY.—W. G. Taylor's Flax Lint is indispensable to the Faculty and essential in every Family. To the invalid it will prove a comfort, and to the healthy a luxury.

This new and beautiful article is lighter and cheaper than the ordinary Lint, free from all impurity soft and delicate, and does not adhere to nor fret wounds to which it is applied; and from the recent improvements, it is altogether superior to that made heretofore, and gives a larger surface of Lint in each pound—facts certified by the Army and Navy Medical Boards, the London and Foreign Hospitals, and by the Medical Profession in general. It is manufactured in any lengths, whereby it may be made available for Surgical purposes, and the public generally; and being of a perfectly even surface, light, cool, and durable allays irritation where the skin is excitable. It is so reasonable in price as to admit of its being an appendage to the Dressing Case, as a Razor Cleanser and Renovator, and other family uses. Lastly, by placing this Lint in front of the Hat, under the Leather Lining, it will absorb the perspiration, and being porous, may be used without the slightest injurious effect, and thus give several months longer wear.

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Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, December 21st.—Schr Blue Nose, Allen, Wilmington, V., 10 ds; brig Boston, O'Brien, Boston, 3 days—Young & Hart—15 passengers; Emily Jane, Essere Mayaguez, 18 days—N L & J T West.

WEDNESDAY 22nd—Steamer Victoria, Slayter, Newfoundland, 4 ds—bound to New York, put in for coal.

THURSDAY, 23rd.—Schr Mary, Furlong, Norfolk, Vir., 4 days—J & M Tobin.

FRIDAY, 24th.—Schr Mary Balmor, Balmor, New York, 6 days—W L Evans.

SATURDAY, 25th.—Brig Hound, Anderson, Kingston, Ja., 18 days—Esson, Boak & Co.

SUNDAY, 26th.—R. M. Steamship Merlin, Sampson, Sydney; brig Jerome, Harding, New York, 10 days; Sarah, Sydney; Lucetta, Maxwell, New Orleans, 24 ds—J & M Tobin; French schr Oronoque, Gaudier St. Pierre, Miq., 20 days—G H Starr & Co; schrs Teaser, P E Island—do; Victoria, of P E Island, hence, 6 days for Boston, returned leaky—had been as far west as Cape Sable; Hiram, Cahoon, Philadelphia, 7 days—Esson, Boak & Co; Clyde, Davidson, Boston, 4 days—bound for P E Island.

MONDAY, 27th.—Brig America, Meagher, Boston, 65 hours—B Wier & Co—10 pass.; brig Napoleon, New York, 9 days—bound to Arichat.

Cleared.

SATURDAY, Decr. 18th.—Brigs Ornate, McFarlane, B W Indies; Vivid, Mann, F W Indies; schrs Julia, Simpson, St. John, N. B.; Lady Sale, Young, Gut of Canso; Earl of Mulgrave, Muir, Seiburne; Reliance, Freeman, Bridgetown and Annopolis; Vulture, Irvin, Harbor Bouchat, C.B.; Marcellina, LeVashe, Arichat; Abigail, Gerrior, do.

MONDAY 20th.—Barque Halifax, McCulloch, Boston; brig Margaret Mortimer, Smith, Madeira; Volant, Lorway, Sydney; brig Eclipse, Mitchell, Porto Rico; schrs Ocean Wave, Publicover, Cape Canso; Emerald, Gray, P E Island.

TUESDAY, 21st.—Schr Belvidere, Steele, P E Island; Montano Kemp, do; R M Merlu, Guilford, Sydney; brig John Smith, Smith, Trinidad; Sarah Ellen, Willet, Newfoundland; schrs Telegraph, McNab, do; Martha, Walsh, do.

WEDNESDAY, 22nd.—Schr Native, Dodge, Aylesford; Delhi, Cleveland, Sheet Harbor; Sir Colin Campbell, Paint, Strait of Canso.

THURSDAY, 23rd.—Brig Magnet, Doat, Kingston Ja; brig Agnora, Harding, F W Indies; A. A. Uipman, Spearwater, St. John's, Newf'd; schrs British Eagle, Romkey, Boston; Sea Bird, Slattery, Louisburg and Sydney; Prairie Flower, Fanning, Fortune Bay; Alma, Sullivan, Guysboro; LaRooka, Davidson, P E Island; Barrington, Hopkins, Barrington.

FRIDAY, 24th.—Brig Mite, Alkema, B. W. Indies; Victoria Ellenger, Kingston, Ja.

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ITS Present Chronological Position and Consequent Policy and Prospects.

An Instructive Lecture, before the Protestant Alliance, By REV. WILLIAM FERRIE, A. M.

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YOUNG LADIES' INSTITUTE, Clarence, Annapolis.

THE next Term of this Institution will commence on TUESDAY, January 18th, 1859.

INSTRUCTORS: MISS CAROLINE WENTWORTH, Principal. MISS CAROLINE E. BERRY, Musical Department. Terms—£25 per year for Board and Tuition in all the branches usually taught in the best Seminaries. Music £1 per quarter. H. E. FITCH. Dec. 29, 1858. 4 ins.

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THE First Term at this Institution for 1859 will commence on MONDAY, 3rd January.

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PROTESTANT ALLIANCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

THE Second Lecture of the Course, in connection with the Protestant Alliance, will be delivered (BY) at TEMPERANCE HALL this Evening.

By the Rev. Robert Sedgewick. SUBJECT:—The Idolatry of Rome. To which all Protestants are invited.

Tickets of Admission—3d; Season Tickets, 1s. 9d., each, will be sold at the Hall on the evening of the Lecture.

Doors open at 7—hair to be taken at 7 1/2 o'clock. JOHN HUNTER, Joint Secretary. GEORGE R. ANDERSON, Secretary. Dec. 29.

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Dec. 22.

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BLACK Currants, Quince, Strawberry, Apricot, Ribston Pippin, Nector, Pine Apple, Green Gage, Raspberry, Jargonella Pear, Vanilla, Rose, Wintergreen, Pimento, Ginger, Almond, Nutmeg, Lemon, Cinnamon, Cloves, Orange, Spruce.

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