

WE are as yet waiting for our Mail Steamer, which is to bring our new Governor, Lord Mulgrave and his family, and in all probability further news from India.

Our own Legislature met on Thursday last with the usual ceremonies, and we have given as much as possible of all that transpired. The only measure distinctly referred to in the Lieut. Governor's opening Speech, as intended to be brought forward by the Government, is that of making the Legislative Council Elective. This change in the nature of the Colonial Constitutions has been already adopted in Canada. We are not yet aware what are the prominent features of the Bill about to be proposed. We suppose, however, that the new Representation of members for the Upper House, will be based upon some higher qualification than that for the Lower Branch, and will probably include the possession of some amount of real property. A more equal distribution of the Representation in the Assembly, based on and adjusted to the general population, is spoken of, and will no doubt very shortly, if not at present, be adopted. The arrangement as at present regulated, is evidently defective. The members are sufficiently numerous, but are most unequally distributed.

We observe with much satisfaction that the Kansas Elections are completed, and that a majority of upwards of *Ten thousand* votes have been returned against the Slavey Constitution of the State, attempted to be forced on them by the Pro-Slavery minority, and sanctioned by President Buchanan and his Southern party. This, in this, as yet, thinly settled State, is an overwhelming number, and will in all probability finally settle the question.

We shall endeavour, as heretofore, to afford the fullest information in our power as to the proceedings in the Legislature, giving as much of the debates as possible on important and interesting matters.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, 8th February, 1858.

The Steamship *Arabia*, from Liverpool Saturday, January 22nd, arrived at this port last night, bringing one week's later news.

No important intelligence from India.

Lord Elgin had allowed the Emperor of China ten days for the consideration of his ultimatum, at the end of which time, if an unfavourable answer be received, hostile measures would be resumed.

The Duke of Devonshire is dead.

It is now ascertained that one hundred and fifty persons were more or less injured in the recent attempt to assassinate Louis Napoleon.

The French Minister has requested the British government to expel certain suspicious political refugees.

The all important topic of the British and continental Press is the approaching marriage of the Princess Royal with Prince Frederick William of Prussia, which would take place on the 25th.

London Money Market becoming easier. Bullion increased largely. Consols quoted at 95½ to 95¾.

Sugar has advanced 6d. to 1s. per cwt.
Coffee 2s. to 3s. higher.
Fair Congou quoted at 1s. 0d.
Breadstuffs dull and unchanged.
Provisions firm.

General Intelligence.

Foreign and Domestic.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—Mr. R. Miller delivered a lecture before this body on Friday last, on the Law and Love of Unity. It referred chiefly to the works of Creation as exhibiting the operations of one great Designer. On Tuesday next the Rev. Mr. Maturin is engaged to lecture on "Bibliography."

ABSENCE OF CRIME.—His Worship the Mayor remarked on Wednesday, as a fact unprecedented in his official experience, that that was the fifth day, in succession, without materials for a police report at the office. The circumstance, if it arises from no want of vigilance, is of a very gratifying character. Much better, indeed, to have police officers and watchmen employed for the prevention of offence than for its detection and punishment.—*Sun.*

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Killam's absence from the House is owing to the serious accident which he met with some time ago, and which obliges him to walk with crutches. We hope the Hon. Gentleman may be able to resume his place before long, in the House where he has always been a useful and valuable member.—*Journal.*

A railroad labourer near Shubenacadie, on the night of Monday, the 1st inst., in a fit of passion set fire to his house, sat down in the midst and was burnt to death. He had attempted to kill his wife and child with an axe, but they escaped and came to town by the cars on Tuesday morning.

During the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1857, out of 37068 barrels of flour and meal weighed at Halifax, there were 270 deficient 1824 lbs.

A countryman was driving into town with a load of produce one day last week, when it was discovered that the hay he had for his horse's feed was in a blaze. He proceeded some distance before it was discovered, as the wind was blowing in a contrary direction and carried the smoke from him. It is supposed it caught by a spark from the locomotive as it passed on the Railroad.

The *Bridgetown News* advocates the formation of a "Pomological Convention" for the purpose of securing and diffusing information on the best methods for the culture of fruit."

INCENDIARISM.—The new Engine House, No. 3, at Yarmouth, was set on fire about 12 o'clock on Saturday night, the 30th ult. A reward of £50 is offered by the Municipality for the discovery of the party guilty of such villainy, and another of £85 by the volunteer Engine Company.

TEMPERANCE IN CUMBERLAND.

COUNTY CONVENTION.—A large gathering of delegates from the various Temperance organizations in Cumberland, met in the Temperance Hall at Amherst, on Thursday, Jan. 7th, for the purpose of forming a Convention. Joshua Heustis, Esq., was chosen chairman, and W. F. Cutten, Esq., Secretary. After some discussion it was

Resolved, That an organization be now formed to be called "The Cumberland County Temperance Convention."

A Constitution was read and approved, section by section, and finally adopted.

Charles E. Hatchford, Esq., was elected President, and several Vice Presidents from the different localities in the county. The Rev. Mr. Temple, Secretary, and S. Fulton, Esq., Treasurer.

On Friday evening the Convention met again and agreed to several highly important principles as the basis of their operations.

We should be glad if our space permitted to give the proceedings in full. Our extracts will, however, shew that they are good men and true, and will be satisfied with no half-measures.

Resolved, 1. That the traffic in intoxicating liquors, producing as it does, crime, pauperism, disease and demoralization, is morally wrong and ought to be abolished.

2. That it is wrong and impolitic to give the sanction and protection of law to the liquor traffic.

3. That the history of past legislation effectually demonstrates the impossibility of regulating or restraining a traffic, the inevitable tendency of which is to produce a continual evil.

4. That moral suasion against intemperance is right, and, by the Divine blessing, has done much towards reclaiming the drunkard, but as a means it can never attain the end; since it wages war against a system authorised and protected by the law of the land.

5. That the legislative suppression of the traffic in intoxicating drinks will not infringe any moral or civil right, and is the only efficient means of removing the evils of intemperance.

They have taken steps for the purpose of employing a Travelling Agent, and for paying him. The Convention expressed their desire to obtain a law similar to that suggested by the United Kingdom Alliance. The Convention adjourned to meet again in July at Pugwash.

THE FERTILITY OF ANAPOLIS COUNTY.

Mr. Benjamin Whitman has obtained 1012 bushels of spring Rye from 4 bushels sowing.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Steamer Merlin arrived on Monday from St. John's N. F. in 4½ days.

The Legislature was opened on the 20th ult., by Governor Sir Alex. Bannerman. In his speech he informs the Legislature that the revenue for 1857 exceeded that of 1856 by £30,000.

A communication appears in the *Times* of the 27th ult., from

"FORTUNE BAY, Jan. 15, 1858.

"The herrings have struck in, and some schooners are loaded. Three hundred sail are supposed to be at the Brook, and some Americans have brought an article not very common in this Bay (*cash*) to pay for their herrings. The winter is still open; little or no snow."

New Brunswick.

GOLD IN NEW BRUNSWICK.—The *Sun* of Wednesday contains the following note:

"CARLETON, January 28th, 1858.

"The great excitement of the day is the discovery of gold in our vicinity, about eight miles from Carleton, in the stream at the Red Bridge, on the Nerepis road. The diggings are said to be very good by old Californians. Adam Glasgow got a piece worth twenty shillings, yesterday, together with several smaller specimens.

In fact they are coming in every day with gold. It has been tested by several of our scientific men, and pronounced to be gold of the first quality. There is quite an excitement here. Yesterday several friends and myself went out to see the mine. I was quite amused; the woods were alive with people—and on the road out we passed

large numbers, some on foot, some on horse-back

and in wagons. I expect in the Spring it will be young California. I send you the *Morning News*, where you will see it mentioned. We are all going out again next week. Over fifty went from Carleton this morning."

A letter from St. Andrew's, N. B., to the Yarmouth Tribune, says:

"Our Railroad is doing a good business—paying one-third more than the working expenses. We are shipping to St. John and the United States any quantity of Cord Wood, Bark, Shingles, Clapboards, &c. We shall be through to Woodstock by this time next year. The locomotive now goes upwards of 40 miles."

Letters Received.

John Whitman, 28th, 20s. David Rogers, Esqr., 30th. Wm. Sciley, 30th, 2 subs. Rev. W. Chipman, 25th, 1 sub. Thos H. Patton, 29th, 10s. Rev. Geo. Dimock, 28th. Rev. W. Hall, 1st, 12s. 6d. R. Trask, 29th, paid to Nov. 5, '57. W. Churchill, Esqr., 1st, 20s. G. B. Whidden, 1st, £3. Cyrus Black, Esqr., 2nd. Rev. W. Burton, 27th. W. L. Crowell, 27th, 2 subs. J. F. Foster, 22nd, £2 5s. J. De Wolfe, Esqr., 1st, 2 subs.—P. M., Pleasant River, is already a subscriber.—Are there two of the same name? S. Chisholm, 1 sub., 5s. Joseph Sibley, 1st, 23 15s. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 3rd, 1 sub. James Burgess, 3rd, £5. Rev. O. Parker, 30th, 20s.—The parcel with the papers you mention together with one for Aaron Rice have been regularly sent.—The alteration is made in the address.—Will enquire of Dr. T. about C. M. for J. W. Rev. Geo. Armstrong, 2nd.—Ordered Ch. Review at beginning of the year. J. B. Worthylake, 5th. G. V. Rand, 5th.

NOTICES.

MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS.

Dear Brother,—You will please make the following announcement of Missionary appointments made by the Domestic Missionary Board of the Western Association:

Rev. John Miller, eight weeks at Jordan River and Bay. Rev. James Moore, four weeks to Dalhousie West.

BENJ. S. FELLOWS, Secretary.

Cyrus Black, Esqr., calls our attention to an error in the Minutes of the Eastern Baptist Association, page 25, line 16. For "amount paid Rev. Wm. Burton for French Mission, £11 10s" read "Foreign Mission."

ACADIA COLLEGE.

WOLFVILLE, January 29th, 1858.

Editor Christian Messenger,

DEAR SIR,—Will you be kind enough to publish the accompanying Resolution, passed at the late meeting of the Board of Governors of Acadia College, held January 27th, 1858, and oblige,

Yours, &c.,

STEPHEN W. DE BLOIS, Secretary.

Whereas, By resolution entered on the Records of Acadia College on the twenty-fourth day of August last, this Board feels itself bound to regulate the expenditure by the amount of its receipts, and the receipts are yet far below the expenditure, and whereas, the time for so regulating the expenditure has nearly arrived.

Resolved, That notice be forthwith given through the columns of the *Christian Messenger* and *Christian Visitor* to the effect that this Board cannot be responsible for the salaries of the professors after the close of the present term, and that it has notified them accordingly, and that, therefore, unless the income shall be greatly increased by the sixth of June next the interests of the College will be most seriously imperilled.

From Dr. LEWIS, of Vermont.

BURLINGTON, VT., Nov. 12, 1854.

Gentlemen: I am pleased to state, that I have tried the *Oxygenated Bitters* for Indigestion and Debility, and found immediate relief from using only a part of a bottle. I have the greatest confidence in it as a cure for *Dyspepsia* and *General Debility*, and recommend it with much pleasure to all persons laboring under those diseases.

You are at liberty to use this as you think proper, to promote the sale of this excellent medicine.

Yours, &c.,

JAMES LEWIS.

The *Oxygenated Bitters* give a healthy tone to the Stomach and Digestive System, and act as the surest preservative against Fever and Ague, as well as other infectious diseases.

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JOHN NAYLOR AND MORTON & COGSWELL, Agents, HALIFAX.

DAVIS' PAIN KILLER.—I was attacked with dysentry, and it soon became very distressing; I used this medicine according to the directions, and was cured in three days. My wife was also attacked with pain in the stomach, in consequence of eating too soon after a fit of sickness; she was relieved in a few minutes after taking this medicine. To use her own words, she said she felt the pain remove after she had taken it, as quick as you could see a lump of sugar dissolve in cold water. My son was burnt so badly the skin was off; I applied the medicine immediately, and it took the fire out and healed the wound in less time than I ever saw one healed before. One of my children fell over a chair and bruised its head very bad, but the bruise was soon dispersed by bathing in this medicine. I will mention one case more of its wonderful effect in curing a wound inflicted by my son's falling out of doors and cutting himself badly; the pain was soon relieved, and the wound healed by this medicine. In fact it is the best family medicine I ever used for the cure of colds, coughs, and a number of other complaints incident to the human family.

PERRY M. PECKHAM, Fall River.

Sold in Halifax by Morton & Cogswell, John Naylor, and all respectable dealers.

Agents in Halifax, G. E. MORTON & CO.

On the 30th December, by the Rev. Obed Parker, Mr. William Holloway, of Clements, County of Annapolis, to Miss Eliza Abigail, fourth daughter of Jeremiah Smith, of Hillsburg.

Died.

On Monday, the 1st instant, Mr. John Bride, in the 74th year of his age.

On the 2nd instant, Mr. Forbes Black, Railway Contractor, aged 54 years, leaving a wife and six children to mourn their loss.

On the 3rd instant, Thomas Daly, aged 27 years.

On the 4th instant, Lydia Margaret, daughter of Arthur and Theresa Maria Anderson, aged 3 years and five months.

On the 4th instant, Mrs. A. Sinclair.

On the 5th instant, at her residence, Argyle Street, after a long and painful illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude and resignation, Margaretta, fourth daughter of the late Capt. C. Schmidt.

At the Poor's Asylum, January 25th, Jane Shepperd, aged 70 years. 26th, Philip Greenwood, aged 22 years.

27th, John Jamieson, aged 21 years. 29th, Jane Jenkins, aged 45 years; Andrew Burns, aged 55 years.

In Tremont, Aylesford, on the 3rd instant, William Oakley, infant child of George and Augusta Bowby, aged 5 months wanting one day. The bereaved parents have, by the inscrutable order of Providence, been called to part with their beloved and promising son, and only child, after an illness, by croup, of scarcely three hours.

At Sandy Cove, County of Digby, on the 2nd inst., Mr. Peter Raymond, in the 84th year of his age. He was one of the oldest settlers of the above place, and was a descendant of an ancient Welsh family.

At Chester, on the 30th ult., Edward Kirby, Esqr., M. D., aged 31 years, much and deservedly respected.

At Maitland, County of Hants, on the 27th ult., of consumption, Capt. Winkworth T. Cochran, in the 54th year of his age.

At Bathurst, on the 23rd ult., at the residence of Dr. Bishop, Elizabeth, relict of the late Mr. William Pallen, aged 88 years.

At Wadeville, on the 17th ult., of putrid sore throat, Prudence, daughter of Mr. Walter Wethers, aged 8 years.

At Wadeville, on the 18th ult., after a long and tedious illness, which she bore with patience, Mary Condon, aged 78 years. She was a native of Granville, and a professor of religion. She has left a large concern to mourn their loss. Her end was peace.

In Carbonar, on the 13th ult., Donald Bethune, Esqr., Deputy Collector of H. M. Customs, at that port, and Justice of the Peace for the Northern District, in the 45th year of his age, 21 of which he resided in Carbonar.