

subject, from which we make the following extracts:—

The number of signatures to the several petitions are as follows:—
Yarmouth, 1026 males, 833 females,
Argyle, 492 do. 526 do.
Annapolis, 127 do. 125 do.
Horton, 154 do. 76 do.
Hants, 333 do. 290 do.
Various other places, 265 do.

Making in all, 2397 males, 1850 females.

There is also a petition of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, representing a large part of the temperance people of this province, and a memorial signed by order and on behalf of a joint committee of the said Grand Division, and a Provincial Temperance Convention held in this city on the 23rd and 24th of last month, and representing largely the various temperance organizations throughout the province.

Your committee are strongly of the opinion that such a Law (A Prohibitory Law to be submitted to the people for confirmation) has now become indispensable, and would be hailed as a boon by the judicious and sound-hearted people of this province.

HALIFAX TEMPERANCE AID ASSOCIATION.—The half yearly report of this Society is published in the Abstainer of the 1st inst. From it we learn that active operations have been carried on during the past six months in the work of Moral Suasion in the city and neighbourhood. The number of members is 131.

The following is a summary of the work performed in the above period:—

Table with 2 columns: Item and Count. Meetings held, 17; Addresses delivered, 76; Persons pledged, 159; Visitations, 8; Addresses delivered, 23; 425 Temperance Newspapers, Books, and Tracts were distributed.

* Only one of whom has been known to violate.

The several meetings have been addressed by the following gentlemen:—

Messrs. J. S. Thompson, W. M. Brown, J. W. Quinn, Rodk. Fraser, Rev. N. Gunnison, Rev. P. G. McGregor, Richd. McLearn, S. Seiden, J. Shean, W. C. Silver, the President, W. A. S. Blewett, J. Coombs, R. Motton, junr., the Chairman of Committee, G. Matheson, W. Williams, R. R. McMillan, N. Russell, Wm. Fultz, Geo. Gammon, Geo. Thompson, G. Parker, H. G. Laurilliard, P. J. Beuree, Geo. Butler, C. W. Beuree, R. J. O'Brien, S. Boak and J. Crowe.

The financial statement shows how much may be done with a small amount of funds, where a few earnest men are combined in a good object.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

The Treasurer's accounts shew the following: Receipts, £14 11 10 1/2; Expenditures, 13 16 7; Leaving a balance on hand of 15 3 1/2.

Besides this some of the gentlemen above-named relieved the Treasury by paying the expenses incurred by their Delegations. In addition to which the following Donations are acknowledged:—

Table of donations: Halifax Mutual Improvement Club, £1 17 6; G. & J. A. Mitchell & Co., 10 0; Rev. Dr. Cramp, 10 0; J. Whitman & Son, 10 0; G. A. Starr, 5 0; Grand Scribe, 2 6; The Secretary, two Minute Books, 10 0; A. & W. Mackinlay, two Memo. Books, 2 6.

Two new Divisions of the Sons of Temperance have been opened recently. One on the 15th ult, at New Germany, called the WATERFORD DIVISION, when twenty persons were initiated by Rev. J. C. Hurd and others.

The other was opened at St. Mary's Bay, Digby County, on the 23rd ult, by Mr. Henry Stewart, Rev. Charles Randall and others. Sixteen were initiated. The name given was the "General Inglis Division."

General Intelligence.

Domestic and Foreign.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, March 23rd, 1859.

APPOINTMENTS.

His Excellency the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, by the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to make the following appointments:

To be Commissioners for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, and for taking Affidavits and Recognizance of Bail, in the County of Richmond—John R. Smith; Daniel O. C. Madden.

To be one of the Trustees of the Arichat Academy—Wm. B. Chandler, in place of John J. Jean, deceased.

To be additional Justices of the Peace in the County of Cape Breton—Alex. Kenna, East Bay; Dougald McDougall, do; Lawrence Kavanagh, Jr, Louisburg; George E. Burehell, Sydney; Wm. McQueen, S. Mines; York Barrington, do; Alex. McLean, Boisdale.

To be additional Justices of the Peace in Queen's County—Samuel Freeman; Stephen Colin Tupper; John Hall.

To be Commissioners of Sewers in the County of Yarmouth—Wm. Thurston; John Rose.

THE ELECTIONS.—Since our last we have learned that other gentlemen have been named as Candidates for Legislative honors.

In Annapolis County.—The Hon. Attorney General, Moses Shaw and Avar Longley are the Conservative Candidates. Those named on behalf of the Opposition are W. C. Whitman, Hallet Ray, and Israel Longley.

For North Riding of Hants—Ezra Churchill and Mr. Graham, of Shaubenaadie, as supporters of the Government.

For South Riding of Colchester, Alexander Campbell is named with A. G. Archibald.

For Cumberland.—Robert Donkin is named instead of Mr. Bent, who declines from ill health; with the Hon. Provincial Secretary and Mr. McFarlane.

Halifax County, Western District.—John Tobin, S. L. Shannon and William Silver are named as the Candidates on the Conservative side.

For Queens.—Nathaniel Minard, Lewis Smith and Sylvanus Morton.

For Shelburne.—Messrs. Geo. Geldert, Mosely and Waterman are named in addition to those given in our last. For Shelburne township, Mr. Locke will be opposed by Mr. Muir.

For Argyle.—Mr. Hatfield is expected to oppose Mr. Ryder the sitting member.

For Cape Breton.—The News says it is rumored that Mr. Caldwell, if he again offers, will be returned with Mr. Bourinot. Mr. McKeagney being Judge of Probate, will probably not offer.

For Victoria.—The News states it as confidently affirmed that the Hon. Charles J. Campbell and William Ross, Esq., will be returned.

A cargo of potatoes from Prince Edward Island was sold last week for 1s. 3d. and 1s. 4d. per bushel.

Two new locomotives for our Railway arrived a few days since in the barque Amelia, from Glasgow.

The Rev. Dr. Forrester was advertised to lecture at Temperance Hall last evening, before the Young Men's Christian Association. Subject—"The Physiology of the Sabbath."

The N. S. Literary and Scientific Society held a meeting on Monday evening, when the Rev. Mr. Honeyman read a paper on "The fossiliferous Rocks of Aresnaig, Sydney Co., N. S."

THE HARMONIC SOCIETY gave another concert on Tuesday evening last week. The vocal and instrumental performances afforded great satisfaction to the large audience.

The Countess of Mulgrave has presented a valuable donation of books and periodicals to the Provincial Hospital for the Insane.

The steamer Emperor is expected to make her first trip this season, from St. John to Windsor and back, this day.

DUST.—The Sun of Monday intimates that some movement is on foot for laying the dust in the city during the coming summer. If the City Council can accomplish this desirable object, they will be public benefactors, and fairly entitled to the thanks of the community.

The Liquor Law has produced a good many Legislative jokes, if it has done nothing else. Some discussion as to the etymology of the word "cider" having arisen, Mr. Wilkins suggested that it was derived from the Latin word "sidera"—stars—because its exhilarating properties make a man's eyes twinkle.—Journal.

On a false alarm of fire being given on Wednesday last, a man named Scully had his leg broken by one of the fire engines.

A young man named Beverly, employed in the Express office, committed suicide last week by jumping off Collins' wharf. His body was recovered after being in the water about fifteen or twenty minutes. He had shewed symptoms of insanity.

ACCIDENT.—On Friday last, during a trial at the Police Court of three young men on a charge of disturbing the Soiree at the Union School, there was so great a crowd in the gallery that the front was forced out, and the occupants precipitated amongst those below. Several persons were slightly injured, but none seriously.

The Liverpool Transcript says:—The weather continues to be very favorable for the lumbering interest of this County. Since our last date the price has fallen 2s. 6d. Lumber can now be purchased, at the wharves, for \$10 per M.

The brig Zambesi, owned by Messrs. Archibald & Co., of Sydney, which left that port a short time ago, on a Sealing voyage, has been telegraphed, as having arrived at St. John's, N. F., with 9,000 Seals.

Several cargoes of Sydney coals are reported on their way to Halifax.

The Sachville Borderer says that a couple of workable seams of valuable coal have been discovered within eight miles of Amherst, and four of a place of shipment, and that the coal is of a highly bituminous character, firm, free from sulphur, leaves but little ash, and is well adapted for domestic purposes, or for the manufacture of gas or paraffine, and judging from specimens presented us, we believe it to be a most valuable article. A shaft is now being sunk into the coal, under the directions of a scientific operative miner; one of the seams has been intersected at a distance of 30 feet from the surface, and the other, a few feet deeper, will be reached in the course of another week, when coal will be raised.

SIR SAMUEL CUNARD.—The Queen has been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Great Seal, granting the dignity of a Baronet of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland unto SAMUEL CUNARD, of Middlesex, Esq., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.

New Brunswick.

COST OF A NEW MAP OF THE PROVINCE.—From returns laid before the House on motion of Mr. McClellan, it is found that the publication of the new Map of this Province, though not on a larger scale than that issued by the Board of Works, has already cost the enormous sum of £1563, and an additional sum has been claimed by the compiler for his labor, which, however, has not been allowed. This sum does not include the copies for general use—in fact from the correspondence now produced, it appears that the aggregate cost of say 2000 copies will not be probably less than £2,500, or Ten Thousand Dollars of the public money. In addition to the above modest charges, the compiler claims, as a matter of justice to himself, all copyright privileges, and has further suggested that the plans and sketches belong rightfully to him—probably as an additional reward for his patriotism and ill paid labours! The Map, though small, seems to have been carefully prepared, but if this apparently exorbitant charge has risen from any mismanagement,—It is to be hoped that an investigation may show clearly upon whom rests the responsibility.—Ch. Visitor.

Letters Received.

Rev. T. W. Crawley, 25th, 1 sub. T. H. Rand, 28th. J. L. Tremain, Esq., 22nd. Robt Wallace, Senr., 26th. Ward Eaton, Esq., 28th, £2. Melanah Kinsman, 28th. DeMill & Fillmore, 23rd.—Will send the balance soon as 2nd Edition is published. J. C. Everett, 24th., 1 sub. Wm. Armstrong, 25th, 37s. 6d. Rev. Jas. Parker. Jas. A. Davidson, 26th. H. E. Payson, Esq., 26th. W. Churchill, Esq., 25th, £3. Weston Hall, Esq., 25th, 20s. Elisia D. Harris, 26 h, 1 sub, 20s. Rev. Jas. Reid, 24th. H. E. Fitch, 25th.—A. M. ordered,—the adv. will be 10s. Valentine Munro, 26 h, 1 sub. Charles Tedford, 21st, 20s.—Say the 10s. from J. H. pays to June 30th, '59. B. B. Moses, 26 h, 20s. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 28th, 20s. C. H. Harrington, 29th, £2. E. M. Phillips, 16th. Rev. D. Crawford, 22nd, 10s. Murdoch Ross, 23rd, £2. Rev. Obed. Parker, 30th, 1 sub.—Will send as soon as 2nd Edition is out. Samuel Wheelock, 1st. J. A. Davidson, 1st. C. D. Randall, Esq., 1st. Rev. Chas. Randall, 1st., 20s.—Parcel sent 27th ult. B. L. Teller, 21st.—Will write. Z. Chipman, Esq., 28th, £3.

SYDNEY, C. B., Feb'y. 22nd, 1859.

Dear Brother,—Will you kindly acknowledge, through the Christian Messenger, the receipt of Three Pounds from Elder J. E. Baloom, a donation from the Amherst Church, towards finishing the Chapel at Schooner Pond.

We trust that other Churches in Nova Scotia, whether they have been applied to by letter or not, will contribute to the same object according to their ability.

On behalf of the Committee, C. H. HARRINGTON.

Received from Capt. Sanderson, H. M. 62nd. Regt., for Maulmain Mission, \$2 50. Also, for Mrs. Wade's School at Maulmain, from Miss M.A.W. Sanderson, 1 25. From Infant daughter, 1 25.

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, this day, Wednesday, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

S. N. BENTLEY, Secretary.

Halifax, April 6th, 1859.

We have but little confidence in the trumpet tongued statements of the proprietors of advertised medicines generally, but we are forced to concur in the opinion, uniformly expressed by all who have used Perry Davis' Pain Killer, that it is a very valuable article, and one that it would be well for every householder to have at hand, in case of bruises, sores, burns, diarrhoea, dysentery, cholera, fever and ague, and the host of diseases, external and internal, which it is adapted to cure or alleviate. No article of medicine ever attained to such unbounded popularity and extensive diffusion. Invented only sixteen years since, its curative powers have been experienced by many, many thousands in every section of the United States and Canada. It has penetrated to every part, even the most remote of the known world, bearing with it its healing influences more potent than those of the spices of "Araby the blessed." We are informed by our principal druggists, that they sell more of this article for exportation than of any or all others, and that the demand is constantly increasing.—Salem Observer.

Sold at Wholesale by GEORGE E. MORTON & Co., AVERY, BROWN & Co., and by Druggists generally.

Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

Table of market prices for various goods: Fresh Beef, per cwt., 37s. 6d. a 45s.; Oatmeal, 16s.; Oats, per bushel, 2s. 6d.; Potatoes, 3s.; Apples, per barrel, 12s. 6d. a 15s.; Pork, Fresh, per lb., 6d.; Veal, 3d. a 4d.; Lamb, 4d. a 5d.; Mutton, 4d. a 5d.; Bacon, 7d.; Butter, 7d.; Cheese, 1s. a 1s. 1d.; Calf skins, 6s. a 7d.; Yarn, 2s. 6d.; Eggs, per dozen, 11d.; Poultry—(chickens, per pair, 2s. 9d.; Ducks, 3s.; Geese, each, 2s. a 2s. 6d.; Turkeys, per lb., 9d. a 10d.; Honespun Cloth, (wool), per yard, 2s. 6d.; Do., (cotton and wool), 1s. 7d. a 1s. 9d.

WILLIAM NEWCOMB, Clerk of Market.

Married.

March 29th, by the Rev. N. Gunnison, Mr. William Handley to Miss Louisa Bawcett. At the house of the bride's father, March 22nd, by the Rev. James Reid, Mr. George A. Fulton to Miss Clarissa Davison. At Chatham, Miramichi, March 19th, Samuel Thompson, Esq., to Jane Walker, eldest daughter of Isaac McCurdy, of Truro, N. S. At Liverpool, G. B., March 12th, at St. Michael's-in-the-Hamlet, by the Rev. H. L. Owen, of Halifax, N. S., Mr. T. C. Jones, Merchant, of the same Province, to Mary Henrietta, youngest daughter of Wm. Pope, Esq.

Died.

March 27th, Mary Kinsbury Matthews, in the 13th year of her age. March 30th, Sarah Ann, only daughter of Wm. M. Brown, aged 15 years. March 31st, William Welsh, in his 60th year. April 3rd, John Frederick, youngest son of Jacob and Jane Howell, aged 6 years and 4 months. At Dartmouth, March 29th, Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Elliot, aged 6 years. In Windsor, March 31st, Mrs. S. L. Egan, youngest daughter of James H. and Eunice Lohnes of Queen's Co., in the 28th year of her age, leaving a husband and four small children, and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Mrs. Egan was sweetly resigned to the Divine Will during her illness. In the exercise of unflinching faith she longed to depart from the body, that she might be present with the Lord. (Other papers please copy.) At Bellevue, April 2nd, Colin, son of James and Sarah McKay, aged 1 year and 4 months. At Newport, March 26th, Edgar Thompson, eldest son of Constant A. Lockhart, aged 7 years. At New Dublin Shore, Lunenburg, March 19th, Sarah Jane, Doneg, of Dartmouth, aged 16 years. At Maitland, March 18th, Abigail, wife of Mr. Jas. White, and fourth daughter of the late C. Smith, Esq., in the 59th year of her age. At his residence, in Falmouth, Feb. 24th, Mr. John Akins, in the 94th year of his age. Mr. Akins was the oldest surviving native of the Township, and was born on the property where he resided in August, 1765. His father was one of the original grantees of the Township of Falmouth. At Port Hood, March 22nd, of consumption, in the 26th year of his age, Patrick Smyth, son of Peter Smyth, Esq., M. P. P. At Chatham, Miramichi, March 17th, Mrs. M. Cranney, aged 62 years. At St. Luke's Hospital, New York, April 1st, after a severe illness, Mr. Daniel K. Harris, Merchant, of this city, aged 36 years. At South Boston, Feb'y. 27th, Ann Maria Flynn, aged 26 years, a native of Halifax, N. S. At Auckland, New Zealand, Robert A. Murray, Esq., formerly of Halifax, N. S., and Moorgate-st., London, aged 32 years.

A £5 VOLUME FOR ONE GUINEA.—The Annual Gift Book for 1859; a Drawing-room and Portrait Gallery of eminent personages, comprising forty beautiful Portraits, including—His Royal Highness, the Prince Consort, K. G. The Princess Frederick William of Prussia. His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, K. G. The Hero of Lucknow—Major-Genl. Sir John Inglis. The Hero of Kara—Genl. W. F. Williams. The Hero of Delhi—Major-Genl. Sir A. Wilson. The Hero of the Rodas—Genl. C. A. Windham. Sir Colin Campbell and Dr. Livingstone. Prince of Prussia and Bishop of Oxford. Rev. Dr. Cumming and Viscount Combermere. Weekly numbers and fortnightly parts of the Illustrated News of the World may in future be obtained of the Halifax Agents—G. E. MORTON & Co.

Also, received as above, Almanacs for 1859: Cassell's Illustrated Family Almanac, Rimmell's Almanac of the Language of Flowers, Illustrated London News Almanac, Punch's Almanac and Pocket Book. "The Reason Why,"—a volume of Information. The Sociable—a book of games and amusements, Inquire Within—a book of useful knowledge, The Great Republic Monthly Magazine.

COUGH REMEDIES.—Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, Search's Cough Lozenges, Gerry's Pectoral Tablets, Mrs. Gardner's Balsam of Liverwort and Horehound, Dr. Stone's Cough Elixir—received at the Medical Warehouse, by G. E. Morton & Co.

Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, March 29th.—Barque Halifax, McCulloch, Boston, 68 hours—Young & Hart—25 passengers; brig Florida, Weeks, Cienfuegos, 18 das—B Wier & Co; schr Margaret Bennett, Allen, Newfoundland, 4 days. WEDNESDAY, 30th.—Am. ship Charlotte J. Stabler, Rodgers Liverpool, G. B., 56 days—bound to Boston—put in for sails and spars; brig Hound, Anderson, Cienfuegos, 15 days—Essex, Boak & Co. THURSDAY, 31st.—Brig Mercy, Doane, Ponce, P. R., 19 days—T Bolton; Am schr Surprise Cole, New York, 4 days—Bauld, Gibson & Co; R. M. Steamer Delta, Hunter, Boston, 45 hours—S Canard & Co—5 pass; Merlin, Sampson, St. Thomas, 10 days, and Bermuda, 34 days—do—8 pass.; brig Spanish Main, Gange, Ponce, 13 days—T C Kinnear & Co; Sarah, Newell, New York, 5 days—W J Coleman. FRIDAY, April 1st.—Brigs Boston, O'Brien, Boston, 2 days—Young & Hart; Union, Armstrong, New York, 5 days—T C Kinnear & Co; schr Margaret, Green, Wilmington, 7 days—W Stairs, Son & Morrow. SUNDAY, 3rd.—Brig America, Meagher, Boston, 48 hours—5 passengers—B Wier & Co. MONDAY, 4th.—Schr's Jehouze, Rodding, Yarmouth, 3 days; Liverpool Packet, Dunlop, Liverpool.

Clear'd.

MONDAY, March 28th.—Steamer Alps, Hookley, New York; schr's Village Belle, Baltimore; Speedy, Leblanc, Newfoundland; French schr Oronoque, Gautier, St. Pierre, Mt. TUESDAY, 29th.—Schr Julia, Simpson, St. John, N B; Mary Furlong, F W Indies; James McNab, Atwood, B W Indies; brig Willow, Hunter, New York; brig Victoria, Ellinger, Havana. WEDNESDAY, 30th.—Schr's Susan, Farrel, C. Breton; Quikstep, Hills, do. THURSDAY, 31st.—Brig Frank, Jones, B W Indies; Wabash, Curry, Windsor; brig Milo, Campbell, Mahone Bay; schr's Ocean Wave, Publicover, Canso; Gold Hunter, Kenney, Shelburne. FRIDAY, April 1st.—Mary Balcon, Langenburg, Porto Rico. SATURDAY, 2nd.—barque Halifax, McCulloch, Boston; Charlotte A. Stabler, Rogers, New York; Ada, Green, do; Sultan, Day, United States.