

our General Conference. It was done, however, with the best intentions, but the result has proved the error, although under other circumstances a different result might have been arrived at.

The Christian Instructor, the organ of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, has had its office of publication removed from that of Mr. Barnes, Halifax, to that of Mr. E. M. McDonald, of Pictou. The Editor remarks:—

"We had hoped that arrangements would have been made before this time by which the burden of conducting the periodicals of the church would not be thrown upon a minister of a congregation.—This however, seems unavailable for the present. But should the union with the Free Church take place this year, we have no doubt that one of the first steps must be to employ a salaried agent to conduct its public business, and to conduct the periodicals of the church."

NEW CHURCH PAPER:—No. 1 of "The Church Record" has made its appearance during the past week. Its typographical appearance is very respectable. It contains a number of good selections from other publications. A letter signed H. Nova Scotia, (Bishop Binney) tells its readers that the paper was originated at his request, by a committee appointed for that purpose.

It is peculiar in one respect,—the Bishop recognizes an Editor, but says, according to the decision of the originators, it is to have no Editorials. This is to be merely an experiment, which is to be altered, if the subscribers generally express a wish to return to the ordinary practice.

Ecclesiastics at the Lieutenant Governor's Levee.

A correspondent of the Morning Chronicle on Saturday last, complains that Dr. Hannan, the Administrator of the Roman Catholic Church in Halifax since the death of Archbishop Walsh, was permitted the entree at Government House on the occasion of the Levee on New Year's Day—presented in a separate room, and standing with the Judges, Executive Councillors, Members of the Legislative Council, &c., to witness the presentation of all other persons. He makes no complaint about the Episcopal Bishop being present, and does not appear to think that circumstance at all obnoxious to Presbyterian, Methodist, and Baptist clergymen.

The Evening Express on Monday alludes to this communication, and offers, by way of explanation of the circumstance, a despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey in 1847, in which the Act of Parliament relating to charitable bequests in Ireland, is referred to, which recognizes the rank of the Roman Catholic Prelates, and instructs His Excellency to "address the Prelates of the Roman Catholic church, in his government, by the title of 'Your Grace,' or 'Your Lordship,' as the case may be."

The Express supposes that this "will settle this matter once and for ever." We beg to entertain a far different opinion.

We have no desire for controversy on this point, but as there is happily no National Church in this Province of Nova Scotia, we think it altogether inconsistent for any clergyman or Prelate of either Protestant or Roman Catholic church, to appear on state occasions, in any position not common to all denominations. When Bishop Inglis had a seat in the Legislature, there was some sort of excuse for such appearance; but now that no claim to such position is recognized, we think it would be far more seemly, and calculated to inspire more respect for their office, if they were content to remain with their brother clergymen of their own and other denominations.

The Express remarks:—"We presume that the reason why the despatch is confined to the Episcopal and Catholic Churches, is, because Prelacy is peculiar to the church government of these two bodies—the ministers of other denominations holding the same relative rank one to the other."

This we think a very unsatisfactory reason. The Methodist body elect a President of their Conference. His claim to distinction is, we should certainly suppose, not less than the head of the Episcopal or Roman Catholic Church. It would seem that the Express supposes that Prelacy was to be specially favored. We see no propriety in such conclusion, and we apprehend that the same feeling will prevail amongst Presbyterians, Methodists, and Baptists generally.

We hope when the Editor of the Morning Chronicle next attacks this subject, he will pursue the strain to which he was so much accustomed in former years, when in a differ-

ent position from that he now occupies, and make his objection to the Episcopal Prelate, as well as to the Roman Catholic. Other denominations will probably then have some respect for his opinions and denunciations.

We do not admit that in office, piety, learning, or influence, the Bishop of Nova Scotia, or the head of the Roman Catholic church in Halifax, is in any respect superior to other clergymen, nor entitled to any higher distinction.

Romanist.—THE "EX-REV. MR. MATURIN."—The Acadian Recorder says:—

"We have it from a reliable source that the ex-Rev. Mr. Maturin has in the press, to be shortly published, a work setting forth the reasons of his astonishingly sudden conversion from Protestantism to Roman Catholicism."

Should this prove correct, we have no doubt the work will be eagerly looked for, and read with no small amount of interest. We are informed that during last week a collection was being made on his behalf by his Roman Catholic friends, and that a large sum was expected to be realized.

We also learn that it is expected the Rev. Dr. Wilberforce will be appointed to succeed the late Archbishop Walsh.

DARING OUTRAGE.—The following piece of news has met with various comments from the press and the public:—

ALMOST AN ACCIDENT.—A farmer from Stewiacke informs us that about ten days ago one of the workmen, whose duty it is to look after obstructions on the railroad, found several planks placed on the Stewiacke Bridge, across the track of the line, firmly braced with chairs. The planks were so placed that the cars would have been thrown into the river, and loss of life resulted, had they not been discovered in time. We can scarcely find words sufficiently strong to condemn the baseness of such an act. As there are miscreants abroad capable of such wickedness as the above, we trust a close watch will be kept, that they may be detected.—Sun.

Some of our contemporaries would have the perpetrators cut up into inch pieces, others would have him or them hung. We cordially agree that a most severe punishment should follow such villany. All parties who connive at such acts of atrocity, too, deserve the severest reprobation of the whole community. Shame upon them!

For General Intelligence, &c., see 6th and 7th pages.

Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

Table with columns for goods (Flour, Cornmeal, etc.) and prices. Includes sub-section 'CORRECTED FOR THE WEEK ENDING JAN. 11.'

PRICES AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, JAN. 11.

Table with columns for goods (Fresh Beef, Oatmeal, etc.) and prices.

WILLIAM NEWCOMB, Clerk of Market.

Letters Received.

R. Chambers, 3rd, 1 sub. Rev. A. F. Porter, 31st, 10s. Rev. Jas. Parker, 28th, 2 subs. M. P. Freeman, 28th, 1 sub. Jacob S. Layton, 31st, 1 sub, 5s. Rev. A. H. Munro, 3rd, 10s.—Yes; get another. Rev. J. C. Hurd, 2nd. Whitman Holmes, 27th, 35s. Rev. J. A. Moore, 1st, 1 sub. W. H. Rogers, 3rd. Rev. T. A. Higgins, 1st. Rev. G. Armstrong, 5th. Obadiah Parker, 1st, 20s.—Yes; quite right. R. G. Freeman, 28th, 3 subs. Peter Corkum, Esq., 12s. 6d. J. A. Davidson, 4th. W. McLaughlin, 1st. Abramam Haines, 3rd. C. B. Whidden, 31st, £2. J. Graham, 28th. H. E. Payson, Esq., 4th, £4.—Sorry to hear of irregularity in arrival of parcels.—We have mailed just as usual. W. H. Lee, 4th. Rev. E. M. Saunders, 6th. Rev. Obed Parker, 4th, 20s. Isaiah Thurber, 1st, £3. Peleg F. Murray, 29th, 2 subs., 32s. 6d. W. H. Harris, 7th. Rev. D. Freeman, 4th. Geo. Bigelow, 6th, 25s. John Bradshaw, 4th, £2. C. H. Harrington, 3rd, 1 sub. Rev. H. Eagles, 5th, £2. Rev. Charles Randall, 4th, £2. Rev. A. Cogswell.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.—Several letters have lately been received from "J. A. D." We should not have objected to lay some of them before our readers, but from their containing some things which we considered would have injured rather than benefitted the good cause which he endeavours to serve. His leaving another communion and proposing to unite with a Baptist church, we think a matter which rests entirely between himself and the church with which he proposes to unite, and any notice of such intention ought not to be made public. His wish to obtain a license to preach we think should also be presented to the church itself, and not made a matter of public notoriety before he is even received into that church as a member.

We have no desire to open our columns to personalities, even if in the way of a defence against an attack made in one publication upon the writer of a letter in another. We would rather not interfere in other men's matters—see Proverbs xxvi. 17. Two periodicals we think quite enough to be engaged in one dispute, and that quite personal. To all matters of public interest we and our readers give our best attention. Other matters must be very brief and unobjectionable, or they will be put aside.

"A Country Tyro" hands us the following note:—

"Sir,—Please inform "A Strict Baptist" that I have shewn his "Notice" to our learned man here. He smiled when he read it, and said—"Nemo" means, 'no one'; 'pecco' means, 'I sin'; 'licet' means, 'it is allowable.' There is no dative case in the sentence. It appears to me that no one should quote Latin who does not understand it." I give you his very words, as near as I can recollect.

Yours, to serve A COUNTRY TYRO.

Note.—If I have blundered at all, please correct it. I have tried to write plainly.

ERRATA.—In the notice of Mr. Ferrie's Lecture, in our last, third column, line 8 from the top, for "to instance," read, "to Constance."

In the notice of marriage, of Rev. Edward M. Saunders, C. M. Dec. 29th, 1858, for "Mary Kisboro," read, "Maria Kisboro."

Married.

On the 4th instant, by the Rev. A. S. Hunt, Edward Newcomb to Rebecca, eldest daughter of the late John Butler, both of Cornwallis.

At Annandale, Wolfville, on the 5th instant, by the Rev. S. W. DeBlois, A. M., Henry E. Lovitt, Esq., of Cornwallis, to Mary Ann Lightenstone, daughter of Lewis Johnston, Esq., M. D., of Wolfville.

At Horton, on the 4th instant, by the Rev. George Armstrong, Walter Ricketson, Esq., of Annapolis, to Miss Elvira, daughter of John Johnson, Esq., of Horton.

At Lower Horton, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. J. G. Henniger, Capt. Daniel Coffil to Mrs. Lavinia Brown, of Economy.

At St. Mary's Bay, on the 31st ult., by the Rev. Charles Randall, Mr. David Wall, of Prince Edward's Island, to Miss Eliza, eldest daughter of Mr. Joseph Shortliff.

At Chester, on the 18th ult., by the Rev. J. C. Hurd, Mr. Charles Lovett to Miss Elizabeth Eisenhaur, both of the above named place.

At Dalhousie East, on the 4th ult., by the Rev. W. G. Goucher, Mr. William C. Starratt to Miss Melissa, fifth daughter of Mr. Robert Wilson.

Died.

On Saturday, the 1st instant, Mr. William Smith, in the 38th year of his age.

On the 1st instant, Elizabeth Alice, third daughter of James H. and Eleanor Lindsay, aged 9 months.

On the 2nd instant, John Edward, youngest son of Mr. Edward Grand, aged 2 years and 3 months.

On the 2nd instant, Mary Ann Maria, youngest daughter of James and Christians Riches, aged 2 years and 10 months.

On the 3rd inst., Laura, aged 2 years and 6 months, and on the 7th inst., Bessie Harris, aged 3 years and 8 months, daughters of Mr. John Stairs.

On the 4th instant, of scarlet fever, after four weeks intense suffering, Mary, only child of Mr. P. McPhee, aged 4 years and 2 months.

On the 6th inst., Ellen, youngest daughter of Patrick and Johanna Fahie, aged 3 years and 6 months.

On the 6th instant, Elizabeth Agnes Studley, aged 23 years.

On the 7th inst., Mr. Thomas Wise, aged 69 years. On the 8th instant, Elizabeth, daughter of the late Mr. Edward Foster, in the 73rd year of her age.

On the 8th instant, Mrs. Eleanor Stepton, in the 85th year of her age.

On the 8th inst., William, son of John and Rachel Kennedy, in the 7th year of his age. At Spring Gardens, on the 5th instant, Mortimer O'Brien, aged 81 years. At Dartmouth, on the 8th instant, Ellen Maude, eldest daughter of Dr. J. R. DeWolf, aged 11 years.

At Shubenacadie, on the 1st inst., Mary, the beloved wife of John Donovan, aged 23 years, leaving a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

At Musquodoboit, on the 2nd inst., Mary, widow of the late Peter Gordon, in the 65th year of her age.

At Digby, on the 5th instant, after a short illness, Joseph Whidden, fourth son of John C. Wade, Esq., aged 4 years and 10 months.

In Upper Wilmot, on the 24th ult., Margaret Irene, infant daughter of John and Irene Ann Banks, aged 1 year and 7 months.

At Chester, on the 27th ult., Mr. Peter Eisenhaur, in the 91st year of his age; leaving nine children, seventy-three grand-children, and twenty-six great-grand-children.

At the same place, Mr. John Rafuse, aged 37 years; leaving a disconsolate widow and five small children to mourn their loss.

At Yarmouth, on the 16th ult., of scarlet fever, Grace, second daughter of Nelson and Eliza A. Corning, aged 4 years and 3 months.

At Yarmouth, on the 25th ult., after a protracted illness, Caroline, wife of Mr. James W. Wyman, aged 34 years. Her end was peace.

In Granville, on the 27th ult., John Bent, Esq., aged 79 years, much and deeply regretted by a very large circle of relations and friends.

At Cornwallis, on the 3rd ult., of putrid sore throat, Mayhew, youngest child of Mayhew Beckwith, Esq., aged 7 years.

Also, on the 3rd ult., Emily Elizabeth, youngest daughter of John Fraser, aged 5 years.

Also, on the 16th ult., Levi Rand, in the 64th year of his age, an old and respected inhabitant of Lower Pereaux.

Also, on the 21st ult., after a long and painful illness, borne with entire resignation to the Divine Will, Mr. James Whaland, aged 55 years, leaving a wife and one child to mourn their loss.

Also, on the 25th ult., Juda Sanford, aged 25 years, leaving a wife and one child to mourn their loss.

On Handley Mountain, Co. Annapolis, on the 3rd ult., John Cropley, Senr., aged 93 years. He was born in Suffolk, England; at the age of 6 years, in 1771, he emigrated with his father to America, landed at Philadelphia during the Revolutionary war, where he remained with his father some 8 or nine years, thence with other Loyalists emigrated to this Province and settled in the Co. of Annapolis.

In Clements, October 15th, after a long and severe illness, Mr. Charles Pinkney, aged 69 years. His end was peace.

Also, October 31st, Bethia, wife of Mr. Frederick Milliner, aged 38 years. She died in joyful hope.

Also, December 1st, after a short illness, Margaret, widow of the late James Wright, aged 75 years. She felt an abundant assurance that to die was gain, to depart and be with Christ was far better.

NOVA SCOTIANS ABROAD.—Every Library and Reading Room should have Portraits of the two Nova Scotian Heroes.—In connection with the Illustrated News of the World, the following Portraits of eminent persons can now be supplied:—

The Hero of Lucknow—Major-Genl. Sir John Inglis. The Hero of Kars—Genl. W. F. Williams. The Hero of Delhi—Major-Genl. Sir A. Wilson. The Hero of the Redan—Genl. C. A. Windham. Sir Colin Campbell and Dr. Livingston. The Prince Royal and Prince Frederick. Dr. Cumming and Rev. Hugh Stowell Brown. The Bishop of Oxford and Duke of Cambridge.

Weekly numbers and fortnightly parts of this Illustrated newspaper may in future be obtained singly, or by yearly subscriptions, of the Halifax Agents, G. E. MORTON & Co.

Also, received as above.—All 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, \$1. The Sociable—a book of games and amusements. Inquire Within—a book of useful knowledge.

Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, January 4th, 1859.—Schr Brilliant, Cann, Yarmouth—bound to Newfoundland.

WEDNESDAY, 5th.—Steamship North American, Liverpool, G. B., 14 days—bound to Portland, put in in distress.

THURSDAY, 6th.—R M Steamship Delta, Hunter, St. Thomas, 10 days, Bermuda, 44 days—5 passengers.

FRIDAY, 7th.—Brig Florida, Weeks, Kingston, Ja., 24 ds.—W P West; barque Joseph Dexter, McCall, do, do—E C Twining; brig Time, McDougall, Baltimore, 16 days—S A White & Co; schrs Lunenburg Packet, Westhaver, Lunenburg—J M Watson; Paradise, Gowen, Jamaica, 34 days—D Cronan.

SATURDAY, 8th.—Brig Express, Frith, Inagua, 14 days—Wm Pryor & Sons; schr Esquimaux, Rude, New York, 7 ds.

SUNDAY, 9th.—Brig Express, Studley, Port Maria, 22 days—G & A Mitchell & Co.

MONDAY, 10th.—Schr Isabella Maria, Philips, Porto Rico, 23 days—Wm Pryor & Sons; Echo, McDonald, New York, 44 days; Ranger, Doane, Nassau, 15 days—G. H Starr & Co.

Cleared.

MONDAY, Jan. 3rd, 1859.—R M Steamship America, Miller, Boston; brig America, Meagher, do; brig Briek, Nickerson, do; schr Ospray, Kelly, U. States.

TUESDAY, 4th.—Brig Velocity, Attock, F W Indies; schr Gold Hunter, Kenney, Barrington.

WEDNESDAY 5th.—Schr Angelique, Babin, Arichat; Victory, Hereaux, do.

THURSDAY, 6th.—Steamship North American, McMaster, Portland, U. S.; schrs Happy Return, Babin, Arichat; Lima, Murphy, New York.

FRIDAY, 7th.—Schr Stella Maria, Farrel, N. York; Mountaineer, Sterling, Newfoundland; Barbara, Leblanc, Arichat.

SATURDAY, 8th.—Lucretia, Maxwell, United States; James McNab, Atwood, F W Indies.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE PAPACY: A Conspiracy against Civil and Religious Liberty.

A LECTURE before the Protestant Alliance of N. Scotia, by the Rev. ANDREW KING, A. M. For sale at the Wesleyan Book Rooms, and Stores of Messrs. A & W MacKinlay and Jas Jan. 12.

How to do Business: a New, et Manual of Practical Affairs and Guide to a successful Life; embracing the Principles of Business, of Success and Failure, How to Get Business Maxims, &c.