

LECTURES.—The Rev. G. M. Grant's lecture before the Young Men's Christian Association last week, on "The Young Man's Life," was an able production, and delivered with good effect.

General Intelligence.

DOMESTIC.

Trial for Murder.

The Supreme Court was opened for this trial on Monday last at 10 o'clock.

The Counsel for the Crown consisted of the Hon. Att. General and the Hon. Sol. General; and for the prisoners J. W. Ritchie Esq., and the Hon. J. W. Johnston.

The Jury was sworn as follows:—A. R. Proudfoot, E. G. Hamilton, John Hennessy, John DeGrouchy, James Donohoe, Thomas Stone, Charles Defraytas, James Watt, James Ryan, Philip Murphy, Richard Lynock, Donald Scott. James Donohoe was chosen foreman.

Mr. Ritchie challenged Henry Browne, Wm. Walsh, and John Mumford.

The Chief Justice stated that the Court would not sit after five o'clock each day, and the Jury would not be allowed to separate until they had given a verdict.

The witnesses were directed to withdraw until they should be recalled. Hon. Sol. General opened the case by saying that Edgar Burdell and Fred. Lane, the prisoners at the bar, were charged with the murder of Matthew Gardner one of the City Police while in the discharge of duty.

The Hon. Sol. General then called William Sullivan, butcher, Donald Fraser, policeman; H. F. Morgan, keeper of saloon; Garrett Cotter, City Marshall; Lewis Foster, Seaman on board Sch. Celerity, lying at Wier's wharf at the time of the murder; Daniel Lang, deputy marshal; Sophia Keating, Dr. Moren, and Margaret Aikens; who each gave their testimony establishing the facts exactly as on the Coroner's Inquest; and which has been given in substance in our pages.

Yesterday morning was occupied in the examination of Mr. Craig, the City Clerk, respecting the legality of the capias issued against Lane—not having the city seal affixed to it;—and of Charles Bent, one of the seamen on board the Shooting Star. The principal points brought out from his testimony were that Burdell had been drinking previous to the murder and that his shirt was torn by one of the policemen taking hold of him previous to his stabbing Gardner.

Mr. Ritchie was addressing the Jury, on behalf of the prisoners, when we went to press. It is likely the trial will not be over to-day.

GOLD is said to have been found at Upper Musquodobit last week, by a son of Mr. Daniel Fisher.

One hundred and fifty bags of sand were brought up to this city last week from the Lunenburg "Ovens." It is supposed that each bag will yield not less than about \$100 worth of gold.

The Colonist says:—We have just been shown the result of an assay of Lunenburg Gold made in London recently, from specimens forwarded by parties in this city, who are concerned in claims at the place named. Three different qualities of quartz were analyzed. One specimen yielded a fraction over 61 ounces to the ton; a cheering prospect; but, alas! the next yielded a trifle under one ounce to the ton; and the third not the 10th part of an ounce.

The Crusher at Freshwater has commenced operations, and quartz has been brought from the Ovens to be operated upon. A new crusher is to be erected at Tangier in the course of a fortnight by an enterprising New Brunswicker. Parties are selling their Quartz at \$5 per ton.

A man was severely injured by a blast in Mr. Chambers' tunnel on Monday last. Gold bearing quartz has arrived from Isaac's harbour.

The schooner Lord Lyons arrived on Wednesday last from Isaac's harbor. Her manifest at the Custom House contains the following entry:—"Twenty-five bls. of quartz, and three bags of gold."

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Halifax, Nov. 16th, 1861.

APPOINTMENTS.

Queens Co.—To be Registrar of Deeds—Nathaniel Freeman, in place of John Carten.

Inverness Co.—To be Justices of the Peace—J. Duncan Cameron, of Mabou Bridge, and Duncan McLean, of Broad Cove.

Cape Breton Co.—To be one of the Commissioners of Schools—Rev. E. Gelling, in place of Rev. Mr. Ruddle, removed from the place.

NEW GOLD WASHER.—We learn from the Sun that Mr. Joseph H. Rogers has invented and patented an improved machine for washing sand, gravel &c., from gold. It is described as follows:—

1st With the same number of hands employed this machine will wash ten times more dirt or sand than a cradle.

2d. It losses no gold, however fine it may be.

3d. There is no stoppage of the machine to load or unload the stones. It is so constructed that while it is removing the load at one end it is discharging the washed stones at the other, while the sand and gold are separated and carried another direction into a cleanser, from which the sand is discharged and the gold deposited in vessels so arranged as to receive the same—thereby saving, at least, one half of the valuable time.

4th. It requires no experiment (experience?) to work this machine, as it is worked by simply turning a crank.

5th. It may be constructed of any size required, and a machine worked by power would be capable of washing from fifteen to twenty tons of earth per day.

BIG BEETS.—W. Faulkner Esq. writes to the M. Chronicle as follows:—

SIR,—I observed in a morning paper, (I think the Journal) a few weeks ago, that a gentleman at Moncton, N. B., had presented the editor of a newspaper there with a large Beet, the weight of which was 9lbs., circumference 21 inches.—To this was added—"Beet this who can?"—Now, sir, as this banter was not confined to New Brunswick, I presume that any person is at liberty to accept the challenge.

I raised this season, among a quantity of others, seven sugar beets, which weighed as follows:

- 1 beet, wt. 16 lbs., circumference 30 inches.
2 " " 13 lbs., " 23 "
3 " " 50 lbs., cir. from 21 to 24 "
5 blood beets, wt. 43 lbs., cir. of each 21 to 24 in.

These beets may be seen by calling at "Retreat Cottage," Truro.

Truro, N. S., Nov. 18, 1861.—

ENCOURAGE DOMESTIC MANUFACTURE.—We have been shown by Mr. Geo. W. Freeman, of Amherst, a Sewing Machine, (which he informs us is an improvement on Grover & Baker's), the machinery of which he has simplified to such an extent, that whilst it will perform the same kind of work, he can furnish them at five or seven dollars.—Borderer.

Personal Census of Nova Scotia.

COUNTY OF HANTS.

Table with columns: Polling District, Male, Female, Total, No. of Fam. Rows include Windsor, St. Croix, Brooklyn, etc.

Of all ages—Married, 2680 males; 2667 females. Single, 6047 males; 5455 females; 200 widowers; 411 widows. Deaths during the year—122 males; 121 females.

Cannot read—above 15 years of age,—337 males; 313 females.

Cannot write—above 15 years of age,—552 males; 669 females.

Married during the year ending March 30, 1861.—137.

Colored persons, included in population,—206.

Indians, not included in population,—113.

COUNTY OF KINGS.

Table with columns: Polling District, Male, Female, Total, No. of families. Rows include Canning, Canard, Centreville, etc.

Of all ages—Married, 3110 males, 3115 females! Single 6349 males, 5589 females! 161 widowers, 407 widows. Deaths during the year ending 30th March, 1861—161 males, 148 females.

Cannot read—above 15 years of age—341 males, 287 females.

Cannot write—above 15 years of age—496 males, 510 females.

Married during year ending 30th March, 1861—113.

Colored persons included in population—218.

Indians not included in population—80.

YARMOUTH County has lately made some important additions to its amount of shipping.—The Dennis Horton 707 tons, and the Research 1460 tons were recently launched at Yarmouth, and a ship of 1270 tons at Tusket.

ENTERPRISE.—We understand that a company (with a capital of \$20,000) is about being formed, to run a screw steamer between Bridgetown and Halifax, touching at Annapolis, Digby, Westport, Yarmouth, Barrington, Liverpool, and Lunenburg (the Ovens). Should the company be formed, a competent person will almost immediately proceed to Glasgow, and purchase a Steamer, thoroughly built of course, adapted to the route.—Bridgetown Register.

SECOND EDITION!

DISTRESSING OCCURRENCE.—The following telegram was received in this city yesterday afternoon:—

LUNENBURG, Nov. 26th.—James R. McDonald, Superintendent of the Lunenburg Mining Company, was accidentally shot dead by F. Traunweiser. Inquest held at Ovens. Not heard result. Body will be brought to Lunenburg.—Sun.

Latest from Europe!

H. M. S. Himalaya arrived in our harbour on yesterday afternoon, from Portsmouth, England, after a voyage of 9 days having on board 350 soldiers for this garrison, and some for the West Indies.

The following item of intelligence was placed on the News Room Slate:—

"The Steamer Trent had arrived at England and a Frigate had left for the United States with special despatches."

ARRIVAL of the CANADA.

The Royal Mail Steamer Canada arrived this morning with dates to the 17th. No news later than that of the Himalaya.

Latest from the South.

BOSTON, Nov. 23d, 8 o'clock, P.M.—President Davis' Message to the Confederate Congress is published in the Richmond papers. He praises the Volunteer army and congratulates the Confederacy that its soil has been so far protected with accession of States and Territories made to it since the war commenced.

He asserts that the capture of Mason and Slidell is a direct violation of International law. He further says, that the blockade is ineffective, of which he shall present proof to Foreign Governments; and finally, declares that the Confederacy will fight until their independence is won.

Ayer's Compound Extract Sarsaparilla.

No one remedy is more needed in this country than a reliable Alterative, but the sick have been so outrageously cheated by the worthless preparations of Sarsaparilla abroad, that they are disgusted even with the name. Yet the drug cannot be blamed for the impositions from which they have suffered.

They are Sugar coated, so that the most sensitive can take them pleasantly, and they are the best Aperient in the world for all the purposes of a family physic.—PRICE 25 CENTS PER BOX; FIVE BOXES FOR \$1.00.

Do not be put off by unprincipled dealers with other preparations which they more profit on. Demand Ayer's, and take no others. The sick want the best aid there is for them, and they should have it.

Prepared by DR. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.

MORTON & COGSWELL, Agents, Halifax.

—May 15. 6 m.

Commercial.

RATES OF EXCHANGE.—On London, 12 1/2 per cent. New York, 6 " Boston, 6 "

PRICES AT THE FARMERS' MARKET, NOV. 27.

- Fresh Beef, per cwt., 20s. a 3s.
Oatmeal, " " 15s. 6d.
Oats, per bushel, 2s. 3d. a 2s. 6d.
Apples, per barrel, 10s. a 15s.
Potatoes, per bushel, 1s. 6d. a 2s. 3d.
Veal, per lb., 3s. a 3d.
Lamb, " " 3s. a 4d.
Mutton, " " 3s. a 4d.
Pork, Fresh, per lb., 4d. a 6d.
Bacon, " " 6d.
Butter, " " 8d. a 1s.
Cheese, " " 6d.
Calf-skins, " " 4d.
Yarn, " " 2s. 6d.
Eggs, per dozen, 7d. a 10d.
Poultry, Chickens, per pair, 1s. 6d. a 2s.
Ducks, " " 1s. 3d. a 1s. 9d.
Turkeys, per lb., 6d. a 7d.
Geese, each, 1s. 6d. a 2s.
Homespun Cloth, wool, per yard, 2s. 6d.
Do., (cotton and wool,) " 1s. 7d. a 1s. 9d.

Letters Received.

Arthur Ehler, 16th. Chas. Martell, 5th. Rev. H. Achilles, 15th, 20s. Gideon Longille, Oct. 6th. Rev. J. Davis, 23rd. Rev. W. G. Goucher, 18th. J. W. Bars, 23rd. Murdoch Ross, 9th, £3.

Marriages.

On Wednesday morning, the 20th inst., by the Rev. John Scott, Mr. John G. Reynolds, to Helen E., second daughter of the late Capt. F. Athol, of Stranreer, Scotland.

At St. Mary's Cathedral, on Tuesday morning, by the Rev. Dr. Hannan, Mr. Thomas Brophy, Printer, "Colonist" Office, to Miss Mary Ann Egan, both of this city.

On Wednesday evening inst., by the Rev. J. Brewster, Francis S. Beamish Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to Almira, second daughter of Mr. B. Davidson.

At Annapolis, on the 7th inst., by the Rev. James M. Ritchie, John H. Runciman, Merchant, to Margaret Elizabeth, second daughter of the late Jas. Runciman, Esq.

Deaths.

At Dartmouth, on Thursday morning, Edward H. Lowe, Esq., aged 63 years.

On Sunday 17th, Denis, the beloved and only son of Daniel Donovan, in the 13th year of his age.

Suddenly, on Sunday 17th, Mrs. Brene, a native of Ireland.

On Monday 18th, Jane, the beloved wife of David Brown, aged 28 years.

On Tuesday 19th, Thomas Hoban, aged 65 years.

On Thursday, Capt. William Farrel, in the fifty-first year of his age.

At Tur-le Grove, near Dartmouth, on the 13th inst., Mr. John George Milar, in the 68 year of his age.

At Lake Porter, on the 19th inst., Isabella, the beloved wife of Mr. George Brown, in the 73rd year of her age.

On the 18th inst., Pictou, Mr. George Milar, Merchant, in the 29th year of his age.

At Dartmouth, on the 23rd inst., after a long period of severe suffering, Euphemia Marshall, wife of John Bayne, Merchant, of Halifax.

A GEM OF ELEGANCE.—Budget's Persian Balm, for cleaning the teeth, shaving beautifying the complexion and all toilet purposes. This is the most delightful cosmetic a lady or gentleman can use. It insures sweet breath, white teeth, removes all disagreeable appearances from the skin, as tan, pimples, freckles, &c., and imparts freshness and purity to the complexion.

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

A Army and Navy Lists—quarterly.

B urns' Centenary Poems, \$1.50.

C assell's Illustrated Bible and History.

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E ntertaining Tings—monthly parts.

F amily Herald—weekly and monthly.

G reat Sermons of Great Preachers.

H udson's Bay, or Wilds of North America.

I llustrated London News Almanac, 1861.

K ane's Arctic Explorations.

L adies' Magazine of Fashions—monthly.

M acMillan's Cambridge Magazine.

N ews of the World—illustrated.

O nce a Week.

P unch, in half-yearly volumes.

Q ueechy and Wide Wide World, by E. Weatherall.

R ound the World—a Book for Boys.

S t. James's Magazine—monthly.

T emple Bar Magazine—monthly.

U ncle Tom's Cabin—by Mrs. Stowe.

W eldon's Register of Facts in Science, &c.

Y elverton Marriage Case—special reports, 25c.

With all the British Magazines, &c., at the News Agency of G. E. Morton & Co., opposite the Province Building, Halifax.



Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Tuesday, 19th.—Schrs Telegraph, Davison, New York 8 days; Neptune, Winchester, do 14 days—G. C. Harvey: (lost a man overboard on the passage); Eclisse, Smith, Montreal 12 days—A. G. A. Creighton & Co.: Isabella, Hadley, Guysboro; Perseverance, McDaniel, P. E. Island 6 days; Sir Colin Campbell, Liverpool; Carrie, Reddy, Canso.

Wednesday, 20th.—Schrs Snow Squall, Chasson, Newfoundland 5 days; Lord Lyons, Canso and Isaac's Harbour; Lark, P. E. Island and Canso; Union, LeVache, P. E. Island, W. K. Reynolds; Mary Ann, Collins, do; Flora, Josephine, Farrel, do; Armada, Degras, Bay Chaleur; Union, Watson, do.

Thursday, 21st.—Schrs. Levi Hart, Hutchison, Canso 2 days; Eliza Hooper, Hooper, Cape Breton; Morning Star, do; Oregon, Brown, Bay Chaleur 10 days; Mary Jane, Terrio, P. E. Island 6 days; Shannon, King, do 6 days; Mary Ann, Boudrot, do 6 days; Three Brothers, do 7 days; Integrity, McDonald, Sydney 5 days; James Pope, Pope, do 4 days.

Friday, 22nd.—Schrs Packet, Roxbury, P. E. Island 9 days.

Saturday, 23rd.—Packet schr Friend, Westhaver, Lunenburg—John M. Watson & Co.; R. M. steamer Merlu, Samson, Newfoundland and via Sydney 3 days—15 passengers: experienced very heavy weather yesterday.

Monday, 25th.—Schrs Spray, Stump, Malaga, 64 days; Zelia, P. E. Island.

Cleared.

Monday, 18th.—brig Express, Frith, St Jago de Cuba; brig John Smith, Rudolph, P. E. Island; schrs Magenta, Reynolds, do; Kate, Masserve, Bay St. George; Clara, Ozons, do; Temperance, Torreau, Magdalen Islands; Alisa, Cummius, Flint, Burke, do; Emma, L'Orcau, do; Annie, Terrio, do; Nettie, Murphy, Sheet Harbour; Emily, Nickerson, Barrington, Mary, Bagnell, Sydney; Mary Louisa, Rogers, do.

Tuesday, 19th.—Bridg J. McIntire, (Am.) McIntire, Camden; schrs Mary, Day, Boston; Swan, Ronke, New York; Eliza Catherine, Martell, Bay St. George; Annie McKie, Anderson, P. E. Island; Fame, Kenney, Barrington; Telegraph, D'Entremont, Pubnico; Two Brothers, Goodwin, do; Uncle Tom, Duffett, Sydney.

Wednesday, 20th.—brig Relief, Chambers, F. W. Indies; schrs William, Larkin, Pubnico; Planet, Nickerson, Barrington.

Thursday, 21st.—brigs Spanish Main, Gange, F. W. Indies; Emily Jane, W. W. Porto Rico; schrs Commerce, Keays, P. E. Island; Amelia, Gerrow, do; Sarah Elizabeth, Boudrot, Pictou; Condor, Romkey, Boston; Renfrew, McMillan, St. Mary's.

Friday, 22nd.—Scrph, Cleveand, Sheet Harbor; Betsy Bridge, Boudrot, Sydney; Mayflower, Gerrior Arichat; B. H. Dexter, Dexter, P. E. Island; Sam Jones, McDonald, Port Hood, C. B.; ship Nictaux, Davis, Sydney.