

Extract of letter received from Portland, Maine, with a remittance:

"Accept my thanks,—1st for your forbearance, 2nd for the regularity and neatness in which I receive the paper, and 3rd for the paper itself. I think 'Menno,' on Baptist History, pays me well for my money."

We have been asked by one of our subscribers,—who informs us he has some boys whom he desires very much to have properly educated,—for information respecting the "Scholarships" of Acadia College. One of the Governors has furnished the following statement:

"A contribution of £100 secures a Scholarship. The money may be paid in instalments: the unpaid portion must be secured by note, and the interest regularly paid."

"The owner of a Scholarship has the privilege of sending a student to College, free of all charge for tuition. And the privilege is perpetual."

"If the student desires to take the College Course, he must be prepared for it, according to our rules, i. e., he must have a good English Education, understand Algebra as far as Quadratic Equations, and be able to translate Virgil's Æneid, Cicero's Orations, and Jacob's Greek Reader."

"This preparation may be obtained in the Academy, or elsewhere. But the Scholarship does not provide for it, having nothing to do with the student till he comes into College. Whatever is learned in the Academy or elsewhere must be paid for."

"If, however, a student wishes to study particular branches only, such as History, Logic, Moral Philosophy, he may do so, under a Scholarship, without matriculating. But for general English Education he must go to the Academy, or some similar institution. I should recommend him, by all means, to enter our Academy."

For the terms at the Horton Academy we direct our friend to the advertisement which appears in another column of our present issue.

WEEK OF PRAYER IN HALIFAX.—At a meeting of the Committee of the UNION PRAYER MEETING with several clergymen of the City of Halifax, held on Wednesday, Dec. 29th, 1860, it was resolved unanimously to adopt, in general, the programme issued by the Committee of the British and Foreign Evangelical Alliance for a week of general prayer throughout the world, to commence on Sabbath, 6th January, 1861, and that the several Protestant Ministers in the city be respectfully requested to announce and recommend the same to their congregations on Sabbath, 30th December, and to introduce the observances of the week by preaching on the following Sabbath on "The Promise of the Holy Spirit."

A Sub-committee was appointed to mature arrangements for the Public Services.

On the following Monday it was agreed that the Meetings in Halifax should be held in the following order:—

- On Monday in St. Matthew's Church at 9 A.M., and at 12 1/2 P.M.
On Tuesday at Brunswick St. Church at 9 A.M., and 7 1/2 P.M.
On Wednesday at Chalmers Church at 9 A.M., and 7 1/2 P.M.
On Thursday at Granville St. Church at 9 A.M., and 7 1/2 P.M.
On Friday in Temperance Hall at 11 A.M., and 7 1/2 P.M.
On Saturday, at Poplar Grove at 9 A.M., and 12 1/2 P.M.

The meetings yesterday and Monday were held as above, and, considering the weather, were well attended. They will be continued through the week.

*By request of the Committee of the Mic-Mac Mission, it was agreed to add to the services on Monday, the 7th, an Evening Prayer Meeting in behalf of the Mic-Macs, in Poplar Grove Church. The Rev. S. T. Rand to preside.

The TRI-CENTENARY of the SCOTTISH REFORMATION was celebrated in Halifax by a meeting in Temperance Hall, on Thursday last. The meeting was opened by prayer by the Rev. W. H. Humphrey, and addresses were delivered by the Revs. Jardine, Brewster, Munro, Boyd and Hunter. T. A. S. DeWolf, Esq., occupied the chair. The evening was stormy, which interfered with the attendance. There was, however, a goodly number in attendance.

General Intelligence.

DOMESTIC.

The lecture by Rev. Mr. Rand before the Young Men's Christian Association was postponed, owing to the unfavorable weather on Wednesday last till 29th inst.

The next Lecture before the Young Men's Christian Association will be delivered on Tuesday evening, the 15th inst., at Temperance Hall, by Professor Everett of King's College, Windsor. Subject—"Originality."

THE LATE ELECTIONS.—The Sun of Wednesday last in an article, on this subject says:—

"There is one feature about the late Cumberland election which is disgraceful to us as a people. The bribery and corruption practiced at it were fearful."

The Witness of Saturday does not hesitate in making similar affirmations, and says:—

"We are convinced that had he, (Mr. Young) instead of Mr. Seaman, been the candidate on the 27th ult., he would have been returned with a fair majority. Cumberland, we are told, is woefully corrupt. Perhaps it is; and no effort should be spared to put an end to such practices. We agree with a contemporary in thinking that immediate steps should be taken to improve the Election Law. A strict Registration Law is perhaps the simplest improvement and the one most easily accomplished. We do not believe that either party can fling stones at the other with regard to bribery in Cumberland."

"The result in Victoria," the Editor states, "is due in great measure to the personal unpopularity of the Government candidate. If Mr. Gammell had been the candidate instead of Mr. Kidston, there would have been no opposition to his election."

We know nothing of the foundation there is for these statements. We were sorry to hear however that rum was pretty freely used on both sides. How can we expect honest Temperance legislation while such means are resorted to for the purpose of influencing an election!

The Banks in Halifax have adopted the Decimal Currency method. All cheques and deposits are now made in dollars and cents.

SUDDEN DEATH.—On Christmas evening, as Mr. Lemuel Churchill, of Chebogue, was returning home from a visit to his daughters (Mrs. Trefry), accompanied by one of his neighbors. Truly is it said, "In the midst of life we are in death." Mr. Churchill was an aged and highly respectable inhabitant of Chebogue.—Yarmouth Herald.

Brig Cascade, Williams, of Yarmouth N. S. was driven ashore in a gale of wind, at Laguna, Gulf of Mexico, on the 17th October, and became a total wreck. Crew and materials saved. Insured to the extent of £1000.

THE TANGIER GOLD.—A report is in town that the Tangier diggers, after excavating the rock to a depth of about twenty-one feet, have at length struck a vein, of comparatively rich gold-bearing quartz.—Recorder.

It is said too that gold has been discovered near Cape North C. B. We have not heard in what quantities.

MURDER AT TRACADIE.—Michel Potty, Way Office Keeper at Tracadie, was lodged in the county jail this morning, charged with murdering one of his neighbours, a young man named John Delory, by stabbing him in the back with a knife at a late hour last night. We have not yet heard the particulars of this sad tragedy, but understand that Delory gave very little or no provocation for the murderous thrust made on him, from the effect of which he died in a moment. Potty denies that he is the murderer.—Antigonish Casket.

The Rev. Dr. Milne, Chaplain to the Forces at Portsmouth, Eng., has been appointed successor to the late Dr. Twining. We also learn that the Rev. H. Bullock has been placed on the list of Chaplains, but appointed to no special duties.—Express.

We learn from The Church Record that an inquest was held at Newport on the body of a man named Thomas Nix, who was killed on the 11th ult. in a plaster quarry, by several tons of plaster falling on him.

A PLEASANT TRAVELLING COMPANION, and one that no traveller should be without, is Perry Davis' Pain Killer. A sudden attack of diarrhoea, dysentery, or cholera morbus can be effectually and instantaneously relieved by it. It is equally effectual in curing scalds, burns, &c. Sold everywhere.

New Brunswick.

The Hon. Joseph Howe made a speech at Lingley Hall, Sackville, N. B. on the evening of Monday, 24th December, touching upon various general topics.—Express.

The Fredericton Reporter says that the municipal election in the several parishes of the County of York, were held on Christmas Day, the law making it imperative that they be held on the fourth Tuesday of December.—Ib.

On Christmas Eve several members of the family of John Ryan, residing below town, were severely injured by the explosion of a bottle containing gunpowder. We understand that Ryan's daughter, unaware of the contents of the bottle, stuck a lighted candle in it, which, after burning down, ignited the powder.—Fredericton Headquarters.

From the St. John News we learn that several contracts have been entered into with New Brunswick ship builders, by persons in England, for building ships—a thing unknown since the flourishing times in the ship yards fifteen years ago.

Canada.

SIR EDMUND HEAD.—We have tolerably good authority—although from an unofficial quarter—for the statement that the Governor General will leave England to return to this country, on the 4th of February; he will, therefore, probably arrive here about the middle of the month.—Quebec Chronicle.

Everybody speaks in the highest terms of Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP.

Letters Received.

W.F. Cutten, Esq., 28th, 2 subs.—J.C.T. was struck off last year, Rev. Obed Parker, 27th, £2. Z. G. Gabel, Esq., 28th, 30s. Rev. James Spencer, 26th, 20s. W. H. DeWolf, 29th.—Did not observe the date of notice till this letter came. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 27th, £2. Wm. H. Anthony, 28th. Asaph Marshall, 29th, 1 sub. Richard Clark, 25th.—(1 sub., omitted last week—pays to Dec. 31, 1861.) Jos. Read, Esq., 29th, 20s.—to April 1, 1862. R. G. Freeman, 21th, £5. H. B. Mitchell, 30th, 1 sub. E. F. Freeman, 27th, 20s. James G. Dimock, 28th.—No extra charge or postage. D. O. Parker, 31st. L. S. Payzant, 2nd, 23s. 9d. J. Moser, 1st.—Is that your C. M. which goes to Margaret's Bay? Rev. P. F. Murray, 28th, 1 sub., 25s. Wm. Johnson, Esq., 1 sub., £4. Winkworth Chipman, Esq., 31st, 1 sub., 20s. Maurice Peters, H. E. Payson, Esq., 29th, 1 sub., £5. Asaph Whitman, 2 subs., £2 is. 3d. Simon Fitch, Esq., 1st, 10s. J. W. Bars, Esq., 1st, 10s. G. V. Rand, 2nd.—Yes, J. S. M. paid '60. X. Z. Chipman, Esq., 31st, 1 sub. £5. James F. Foster, 1st, £5 6s. Charles Davies 31st, 10s. Jacob F. DeWolf, 1st, 10s. W. T. Hammond, 31st, 10s. Melathia Kinsman, 1st, 1 sub. Ward Eaton, Esq., 2nd, 1 sub. £2. Rev. David Lawson, 26th, 5s. J. H. Longille. Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, 5th, 20s. Mentor, 2nd.—Doubtful speculation. Rev. Chas. Randall, 2nd, 20s.—No: you had better send direct. Rev. J. C. Morse, 2nd, 1 sub., £3. Peter Blackmore, 21st. Henry Keddy, 28th, 20s.—All right.

We have received the commencement of a MEMOIR of the REV. SAMUEL N. BENTLEY, from the pen of the Rev. Henry Angell, of Yarmouth. We shall have much pleasure in laying it before our readers next week.

The attention of our readers is invited to the Advertisement in another column, of the FEMALE DEPARTMENT OF HORTON ACADEMY.

To the Treasurer of the Home Missionary Society: I enclose to you £1 5s. for the purpose of Home Missionary Society.

A FRIEND IN NEWPORT.

From Isaac L. Lloyd, Locke's Island, for Mic-mac Mission, 10s.—paid to Treasurer.

"Remembered the Forgotten" was beautifully said of Howard the philanthropist. It also applies to every man who brings the ameliorations, comforts and enjoyments of life within the reach of persons and classes who are otherwise deprived of their advantages. Especially may it be said of him who laboriously seeks and finds new means of preserving health, "the poor man's capital and the rich man's power." We think this eulogium properly applied to J. C. AYER, of Lowell, the renowned chemist of New England who, spurning the trodden paths to fame, devotes his entire abilities and acquirements to the discovery of Nature's most effectual remedies for disease. When the hidden blessing has been revealed, he proceeds to supply it to all mankind, alike through our druggists at such low prices that poor and rich may alike enjoy its benefits.—Journal and Enquirer, Portland, Me.

Read This!

SHELBYVILLE, (Tenn.) Oct. 16, 1856. Messrs. Perry Davis and Son.—Sirs—Gratitude to you, and duty to suffering humanity, require that I should make known the benefit I have derived from the use of your truly valuable Pain Killer; and if by seeing this, any sufferer will be induced, as I was, to give it a trial and be healed, I shall be compensated a thousand fold. In June, 1855, after a protracted illness of several months, I was severely attacked with drowsiness, vertigo, dimness of sight, and loss of appetite, accompanied by fever, difficulty of breathing, etc. My physician pronounced my case pneumonia bordering on the first stage of consumption; and after exhausting his skill, declared positively that I had the consumption, that he could do nothing for me, and that I must die. However, he advised me to use * * * * * as the best thing I could do, which I did with no effect, I then made use of * * * * * which proved inefficient. By this time my symptoms were pain in the head, morning, evening, and during the night, darting pains through the chest, burning in the palms of the hands, quick pulse, night sweats, difficulty of breathing, etc., when fortunately I got hold of the "People's Pamphlet," in which I saw the cases of Messrs. Blinn, Cone, and others, which induced me to try Perry Davis' Vegetable Pain Killer, and strange as it may appear, I derived more benefit from the use of one twenty-five cent bottle of the Pain Killer, and am hearty and enjoy better health than I have heretofore done for a number of years. GUSTAVUS A. CELOY.

Agents in Halifax.—Geo. E. Morton & Co., Avery, Brown & Co., and Morton & Cogswell. Jan. 9. 2w in

Marriages.

On Christmas evening, by the Rev. John Brewster, Mr. George Hawkins, of Eastern Passage, to Miss Elizabeth Roome, third daughter of Mr. William Roome, of Halifax.

On the 1st inst., by the P. G. McGregor, Captain John Lang, of Halifax, to Miss Amelia McKeen, eldest daughter of Mr. Isaac McKeen, of St. Mary's.

Jan. 1st, 1861, by the Rev. James Parker, Mr. Shubal D. Thompson, to Miss Rachel Lamont, both of Cornwallis.

On the 6th inst., by the Rev. W. H. Humphrey, Mr. James Bonnyman, to Miss Catherine Cameron, of Pictou.

At Milton, Queen's Co., Dec. 19th, by the Rev. E. F. Foshay, Mr. Ellis Ford, to Miss Mchetable Freeman, both of Milton.

On the 27th of December, by the Rev. Obed Parker, Mr. James E. Cossett, to Miss Dilliah Rice, both of Hillsburg.

Dec. 2nd, at Litchfield, by the Rev. James Spencer, Mr. George Sidequist, to Mrs. Bethia Johnson.

On the 18th October, by the Rev. Samuel Thompson, Mr. Charles Bryson, of Truro, to Miss Amelia McCully, of Masstown, Londonderry.

By the same, at the residence of Mr. John Baird, Onslow, on the 27th Dec., Mr. Charles Hamilton of Onslow, to Miss Mary Jane Crow, of DeBent River, Londonderry.

By the same, Jan. 1st, Mr. Richard McCully, of DeBent River, Londonderry, to Miss Mariah Staples, of Onslow.

Deaths.

On Friday, 4th inst., after a long and severe illness, Ann Crowell, relict of the late Thomas Crowell Master Mariner.

On the 30th ult., Horatio, aged 21 months, son of George Renwick.

On the 30th ult., Mr. Sarah Morris, aged 80 years. At Cole Harbour, on the 8th inst., John Craik, a native of Scotland, aged 73 years.

On the 4th inst., in the 20th year of her age, Elizabeth, widow of the late E. G. Wisdom.

At the Poor's Asylum, 29th December, Edward Walsh, aged 68 years.

At the Poor's Asylum, Jan. 1st., David Goffigan, (Coloured) aged 74 years, a native of the United States.

In Aylesford, Dec. 25th, Athea S., infant daughter of Samuel and Charlotte Morse, aged 10th months and 18 days.

At the residence of his son David, on St. Mary's Bay, Digby Co., on Christmas day, Mr. George Saxton, aged about 95 years, leaving a large circle of descendants, part of whom reside in Canada West, Mr. Saxton, came to N. S. with the Loyalists and has ever since resided in this County. He was one of the first settlers on St. Mary's Bay.—Canada Baptist, please copy.

Peruvian Syrup.

TRY IT.

N. B.—Descriptive pamphlets may be had gratis. Agents G. E. Morton & Co., Halifax.

GIFT FOR THE SEASON.—A beautiful and seasonable gift is Rimmel's Perfumed Almanack for 1861—so portable as to be readily enclosed in a letter. 6d. stg., or free by mail for three stamps.

G. E. Morton & Co. Agents, Halifax, who supply all the British Almanacks and Magazines at Publishers' prices.

N. B.—Drawing-room Portrait Gallery, and other gift volumes, just received per Europa.

Dyer's Healing Embrocation destroys pain, external and internal. Reader, don't be without it. If you become cut or bruise, use it; if you suffer from pain, rheumatism, sprains, stiff joints, &c., try it, and it will truly effect a cure.

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

Shipping List. PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Monday, 31st.—Brigt Eastern Light, McCulloch, New York 9 days—J Cochran & Son and others; schrs Truro, Cox, do 12 days—W L Evans; Labrador, Davis, Pone 20 days—D Cronan.

Tuesday, January 1st, 1861.—Schr Ocean Queen, Dover.

Wednesday, 2nd.—R M steamer Delta, Hunter, Saint Thomas 9 days, Bermuda 4 1/2 days; schrs Julia, Simpson, St. John, N B 15 days; Inkerman, Tobin, Baltimore 7 ds; packet schr Sylvia, Young, Lunenburg 5 1/2 hours; brig Africa, Lassen, Inagua 17 ds.

Thursday, 3rd.—Brigt Boston, O'Brien, Boston 3 days—J M Watson & Co. and others—15 passengers.

Sunday, 6th.—Brigt Rover, Walsh, Port Marie, Ja, 24 days, to G and A Mitchell; Schr Phantom, (new), Lahave, to B Wier and Co.

Monday, 7th.—R M S Merlin, Sampson, St. John, N F, 4 days; Brig Havelock, Dexter, New York, 18 days, to J Cochran and Son; Brig Frank Jones, Mayaguez, 17 days, to T C Kincaid and Co.—left Emily Jane and Dasher; Brig Jane Bell, Acker, Shelburne; Sea Serpent, Lahave; Ocean Star, Jenkins, Inagua.

Cleared.

Monday 31st.—schooner Annie, Gillis, Providence U. States.

Wednesday, January 2nd, 1861.—schr Scotia, Forrest, Arichat; Victory, Dureaux, do; Active, Bahin do; Saxe Gotha, Martin, Port Mlgrave.

Thursday, 3rd.—Margaret, Barrington, Sydney; Storm Cloud, Foster, Port Medway; George McKean, Adams, Porto Rico; brig Queen of the West, McFarlane, Kingston, Jam; Sarah, Harding, B W Indies.

Friday, 4th.—John Tilton, Murphy, Nfld; Ornate, McCulloch, Jamaica.

Saturday, 5th.—Jupiter, Hubert, Arichat; Spey, Sturns, Jamaica; Pictou Packet, Marmad, Arichat; Seaflower, Ebert, Arichat; Express, Frith, Kingston Ja.

Memoranda.

Brigt Magnet, of and from this port, bound for England, with a cargo of sugar and molasses, put back leaky—seven days out.

The brig Athol, of St. John, N. B. floated off S'ony Beach, Eastern Passage, after discharging her cargo of coal.

The brig J. H. Harmon, of Pictou, from Bedouque, P. E. Island, with a cargo of oats, for Liverpool, G. B., went ashore at Ship Harbor on Sunday night, and became a total wreck.

Capt Lassen of the brig Africa, reports on the passage from Halifax to Jamaica, on 6th Nov. in lat 37 40 North, lon 65 50 West, passed a wreck, water-logged and dismantled, named the Argus, of Harrington.

HOLMES' HOLE, Dec. 25.—The brig Marietta, Allen, from Baltimore for Cornwallis, got ashore yesterday near the East Chop; has sustained no damage; is tight, and will probably be got off in a few days; if weather continues moderate; is in ballast, with exception of 150 bbls flour.

BERMUDA, Dec. 25.—The brig Alice Franklin, of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, Captain Clements, from Ardrossan bound to New York, laden with pig iron and coal, out 70 days, in want of sails and provisions, anchored at St. George's on the 21st inst. The A. F. has been on the coast and experienced such heavy weather that she was obliged to bear up for these Islands. Lost overboard on the 23rd October, while lying too in a heavy gale of wind, while standing on the quarter-deck, acting in capacity of a seaman, Captain Samuel Wade, of Granville, N. S. aged 27 years.