

Two Articles, "Do Rocks grow?" and "Vegetable Electricity" on the fifth page of our present issue, we commend to the careful attention of our readers.

News Summary.

Very little news has transpired during the last week. The hostile armies of the North and South are still lying in sight of each other on the opposite banks of the Potomac.

European dates by the last mail, are as late as the 7th inst. The disturbed state of Southern Italy still continues, especially in and near Naples, where bands of brigands in the name and with the sanction of the expelled King, are almost daily committing acts of plunder and murder, which owing to the broken and mountainous nature of the country it is difficult to repress.

The Emperor of Austria and his Hungarian subjects are still at variance. Hungary, which contains some ten millions of souls, has for 800 years enjoyed a Constitution and laws, which ensured to the inhabitants rights and liberties very far in advance of many other of the nations of Europe.

General Intelligence.

GOLD.—We have had some important items of news on this subject during the past week.

The ship Roseneath has arrived from Glasgow, and has on board a quartz-crushing machine for Tangier.

A big specimen was found on the Eastern road, about 6 or 7 miles from Halifax, on Friday last. It is a large piece of quartz about a foot in length and three inches in thickness, having on one side small pieces of gold embedded in the quartz.

A fine specimen was brought from Tangier last week worth \$32. It is in the possession of John Duffus Esq.

The Reporter of Saturday says "Dr. Hume to-

day discovered gold-bearing quartz near the Hospital. We have seen some fine specimens which afford every indication that Gold may be found in abundance in that locality.

It is said that some labourers in digging a drain in Argyle Street found some indications of gold. We are informed that a small quantity was actually obtained in making their excavations.

The Colonist says: "We are informed by a gentleman lately arrived from Britain, that the greatest excitement prevails in many towns in England, respecting our gold fields. To use the expressive words of our informant—Go where you will the gold mines of Nova Scotia form the principal topic of conversation."

It is said that some specimens of gold-bearing quartz from Tangier, sent to London for analysis has returned \$550 worth of gold per ton. This is unusually rich.

We hear it is the intention of the Government to purchase a considerable quantity of gold and gold-bearing quartz, for the purpose of sending home to the International Exhibition. This will doubtless have the effect of keeping up the interest and bringing out a considerable number of emigrants next Spring.

W. K. Reynolds, Esq., of St. John, has invented a quartz crushing machine, and intends proceeding with it to Tangier immediately.

Capt. Stone, of the Cunard steamer Arabia, has received a valuable ring from Prince Alfred, as a memento of his late pleasant trip, under Capt. Stone's charge, from Halifax to Liverpool.

MELANCHOLY OCCURRENCE.—A distressing accident occurred to a man named Hugh Hamilton, of South Rawdon, on Tuesday last. He was on his way to this city with a load of Hay. When about half way down, on the Windsor road, it is supposed he fell off the shaft of the wagon and the wheels went over his body; he lived but a few hours after the accident. He has left a widow and large family.—Recorder.

KENTVILLE.—A public meeting was held at the Court House, Kentville, on Tuesday last, in reference to the International Exhibition. R. G. Haliburton, Esq., the Secretary to the Commission, was present and impressed upon the meeting the necessity of energetic action.

The Volunteer companies in Halifax have been taking advantage of the late moonlight evenings for the purposes of drill.

MACKEREL.—On Thursday and Friday last the mackerel were very abundant in our harbour, and many were caught from the wharves, with a hook and line. Friday evening the surface of the harbour was dotted in every direction with boats, whose crews were busily engaged, in the exciting sport of mackerel catching.—Journal.

The Eastern State which has so long and regularly plied between Halifax and Boston arrived on Thursday last and immediately, on clearing out her cargo on Friday evening, left for New York. She has been hired by the U. States government for \$2,000 per month and will be employed as a war steamer. Halifax will greatly miss this packet. We understand that Capt. Churchill will endeavour immediately to secure another steamer for this route.

In passing along the Tower road a few days ago, we noticed a number of mechanics engaged at work on the fort known as the Tower. On enquiry we ascertained they were engaged in building a magazine inside of the fortifications capable of holding a large amount of ammunition.—Express.

COALS AT PICTOU.—The Eastern Chronicle says that the shipment from the Albion Mines up to the close of last week amounted to nearly 126,000 tons, being nearly 5000 tons in excess of those of the corresponding date last year. We are glad to learn that the coal trade at Sydney and Lingan is also in the same flourishing condition. The present rate of freight to Boston is about \$1 50 per ton.

CIVIC ELECTIONS.—W. J. Coleman and P. C. Hill Esqrs., it appears are to be the Candidates for the Mayoralty.

The following gentlemen have been named for Aldermen: Ward 1 W. Dunbar; Ward 2 Thos. Kenny, Junr.; Ward 5 Jeremiah Conway and C. Phelan; Ward 6 M. H. Richey.

A PEDESTRIAN.—A few days ago a widowed woman of River Inhabitants, County of Inverness, walked, with a bundle of several pounds weight on her arm, the distance of 32 miles in 9 hours; and after having accomplished the journey did not seem to be the least fatigued.—We doubt if there are many, if any, women of her age (32 years) in this Province that can perform the same feat.—Antigonish Casket.

SCROFULA IS THE PROTEUS OF DISEASES!—Now it develops itself in the flesh, now on the skin—sometimes in the glands, sometimes in the muscles. Its locality is in one instance the throat, in another the eyes, in a third the scalp, in fact, there is no portion of the body which may not be the seat of this awful malady. But it can be dislodged from each and all. How? inquires some agonized victim. We answer, by the persevering use of JAYNE'S ALTERATIVE. If this is doubted, let the skeptic read the testimonials. They are open to all. Read them you who doubt, and then continue to doubt if you can. See advertisement in another column.

Sold by BROWN, BROS. &, Ordnance square, Halifax.

Letters Received.

J. W. Barss, Esq., 18th. J. M. Parker, Esq., 15th, 22s. 6d. Abel Parker, Esq., 16th. B. B. McPherson, 16th. W. H. Richan, 17th, 20s. Rev. T. C. Delong, 13th. G. B. Sanford, 10th.

NOTICES.

Horton Academy.

The second quarter of the present term will commence on Monday the 7th of October. All pupils expecting to enter the Academy before the Winter Vacation are requested to be present at that time.

T. A. HIGGINS, Principal.

Tea Meeting at Hantsport.

On Wednesday the 16th day of October next, the Ladies of Hantsport intend to hold a Tea Meeting and sale of useful Articles, at the Temperance Hall, for the purpose of repairing the Baptist chapel.

Tea at three o'clock, P. M. Tickets—1s. 6d., children under 12 years of age 1s., to be had at the door. N. B.—Should the weather prove unfavourable the Meeting will take place first fine day.

Hantsport, September 10th, 1861.

To J. W. BARSS, Esq., Treasurer of Acadia College.

I enclose to you the accompanying proceedings of the Board of Governors of Acadia College:

1st. At a meeting held on the 3rd April last the following resolution passed unanimously:

"That it is essential to the welfare and stability of the College, to collect all outstanding Notes and Subscriptions with the utmost possible despatch, and invest the proceeds in good Real Estate securities in the Provinces."

2nd. At a meeting of the Convention on the 26th August last, on reception of the report of a Committee in reference to the above matter, the following resolution passed unanimously:

"That the Treasurer of the College be empowered and directed to take immediate steps for the collection of the outstanding Notes, in order to investment."

S. W. DEBLOIS, Secretary.

Referring to the above Resolutions, I would respectfully call upon all who are indebted to Acadia College by note or subscription to make arrangements to remit me their respective amounts at as early a period as possible.

JOHN W. BARSS,

Treasurer A. C.

Wolfville, Sept. 12, 1861.

For Colonial and Foreign News, see sixth and seventh pages.

Commercial.

RATES OF EXCHANGE.—On London, 124 per cent. New York, 5 " Boston, 5 "

HALIFAX MARKETS.

Table listing market prices for various goods including Flour, Cornmeal, Bread, Butter, Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Molasses, Beef, Pork, Mackerel, Herring, Alewives, Haddock, Leather, Bar Iron, Hoop, Sheet, Nails, Lumber, Shipping Pine, Spruce, Hemlock, Coal, and Fire Wood.

PRICES AT THE FARMERS' MARKET, SEPT. 25.

Table listing prices for fresh beef, oatmeal, apples, potatoes, veal, lamb, mutton, pork, bacon, butter, cheese, calf-skins, yarn, eggs, poultry, ducks, turkeys, geese, and homespun cloth.

WILLIAM NEWCOMB, Clerk of Market.

Marriages.

On Monday 16th, by the Rev. John Brewster, Mr. Josiah Willoughby, to Mrs. Sarah Martin, both of Halifax.

On Thursday 19th, by the Rev. John Boyd, Mr. John R. Murray, to Eliza J., eldest daughter of Mr. James Reeves.

At Kentville, by the Rev. D. O'Connor, Mr. John Tobin, of Cornwallis, to Agnes, daughter of Thomas Quigley, Esq. of Horton.

By the Rev. T. C. Delong, Aug. 31st, at the residence of Mr. Obadiah Sanders, the bride's father, Mr. John J. Pusey, to Mrs. Matilda Final, of Springfield, Annapolis Co.

At Lower Granville, N. S., on the 17th ult., by the Rev. Isaiah Wallace, A. M., Mr. James Henry Hamilton, of Guldaboro Me., to Eunice Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. James John, of the former place.

Also, by the same, on the 5th inst., Mr. James W. Hayden, to Miss Saphronia Adams, both of Lower Granville.

Also, by the same, on the 10th inst., Mr. Whitfield W. Flect, to Miss Agusta Roach, both of Lower Granville.

On Thursday, the 19th inst. at Trinity Church, Liverpool, by the Rev. Thomas Howland White, assisted by the Rev. Wm. Seovel, the Rev. E. E. Nichols, Rector of the Parish, to Amelia C., youngest daughter of the late William Sterns, Esq.

Deaths.

On Wednesday, Patrick Burke, aged 38 years. On the 20th inst., William Story, Esq., in the 72nd year of his age.

On the 20th inst., Jane Cummings, aged 63 years. On the 20th inst., Sarah Ross, aged 78 years. Suddenly, on Sunday morning last, Mr. George L. O'Brien, in the 70th year of his age, a native of Liverpool, England.

At the Poor's Asylum, September 15th, James Seamore, (colored), aged 70 years. 18th, William Paul, (colored), aged 70 years.

At Chester Basin, on the 9th inst., Mr. L. Clark, leaving six orphan children to mourn their loss.

At Quoddy, Eastern Shore, on 14th September, Mary, the beloved daughter of Mr. John O'Leary, late of the same place.

At Falmouth, on 15th September, Samuel Perry Borden, formerly of Horton, in the 56th year of his age.

At Douglassville, Chester, on the 10th inst., Mr. Lanshaw Clarke, in the 47th year of his age.

At Digby, on the 9th inst., Janie Howe, the only and beloved child of R. S. Fitzrandolph, Esq., in the fifth year of her age.

On the 18th of July, in the encounter at Bull's Run, Thomas, seventh son of Mr. William Rooome, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, in the 39th year of his age.

A GEM OF ELEGANCE.—Bodgett'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.

Shipping List. PORT OF HALIFAX.

Table listing shipping arrivals and clearances, including ship names, destinations, and dates. Arrived: Tuesday, 17th—Brigt Emily, Jane, Watt, Mayaguez 13 days; schrs Eliza Hooper, Hooper, Cape Breton; Mars, Hurst, Labrador 6 days—W. Pitts; Rising Dawn, Mills, Magdalen Isles 6 days—D. Cronan; brig Reindeer, Hays, Porto Rico 14 days; H. I. M. S. Pomone, Marquis de Mantaigao de Chauvance, Sydney. Wednesday, 18th—R. M. steamer Europa, Anderson, Liverpool via Queenstown 11 days—95 passengers, 35 for Halifax; bark F. orange, Toy, Spain 36 days—bound to Boston; schrs Superb, Swain, Nelson 5 days—S. A. White & Co.; John Nelson, Boston 5 days—Young & Hart and others; Rainbow, Haver, Pictou 14 days—bound to Maine; Delaware, (Am.) Manning, Rockland 6 days—bound to Cape Breton. Thursday, 19th—Steamer Eastern State, Churchill Boston via Yarmouth 2 days—45 passengers; ship Roseneath, Auld, Glasgow 25 days—Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow and others; brig Latina, Fanning, Ponce 14 days; schooner Sarah, Boudrot, Sydney. Friday, 20th—R. M. steamer Arabia, Stone, Boston 40 hours—90 passengers, 29 for Halifax; brig Margaret, Balcom, New York—John Tobin & Co., and others; brig Hound, Anderson, Falmouth, Jamaica 22 days. Saturday, 21st—Schrs. Tom Sayers, Davidson, Liverpool 47 days—E. Albro & Co.; Sylvia, Young, Lunenburg—Lordly and Stimpson; Am. ship Prince of Wales, Havre. Sunday, 22nd—Barque Halifax, O'Brien, Boston, 4 days, to J. M. Watson & Co.; schrs Emblem, Poole, Port aux Basques, 6 days, to W. Pryor & Sons; Eclipse, Connaught, New York, 10 days, to S. A. White & Co.; H. M. Surveying Steamer Magenta, Stevenson, Sydney. Monday, 23rd—Barque Stag, McKenzie, Havana, 17 days, to Esson, Boak, & Co.; schrs Edith, Kendrick, Montreal, 10 days, to Murphy & Twining; Stag, McCuneil, New York, 7 days, to J. & R. B. Serton and W. L. Evans.

Cleared.

Table listing shipping clearances, including ship names, destinations, and dates. Monday, 16th—schooners Euxine, McLeod, Liverpool, N. S.; Pacific, Hatfield, Yarmouth; Annie Maria, Landry, Arichat; Brig, Lisk, North Bay; Mary Ann, Hopewell, F. W. Indies; Emery, Abbott, Matanzas; Rainbow, Jeffery, Newfoundland; St. Marie, Margaree; Charles, Smith, Barrington. Tuesday, 17th—schrs R. O'Bryan, Montreal; Lucknow, Mitchell, Wallace; Mary, White, Margaree; Durham, Chadsey, Ragged Islands; Ranger, Tatamagouche; Rival, (pkt.) Andrews, Liverpool N. S.; Isabella, Margaret and Appollo, Sydney. Wednesday, 18th—R. M. steamer Europa, Anderson, Boston; schrs Foaming Bidlow, Ratledge, New York; Harriet White, Forest, Arichat; Sophia, Nicolle, Lamaline, N. F.; Pearl, Lingan; Laura, River Bourgeois; Charles Albert, Kennedy, Sydney. Thursday, 19th—R. M. steamers Delta, Hunter, Bermuda and St. Thomas; Ospray, Gulliford, Sydney and Newfoundland; Arabia, Stone, Liverpool and. Friday, 20th—Steamers Arabia, Stone, Liverpool; Eastern State, Churchill, New York, via Yarmouth; schrs Argyle, Hocker, Port Medway; Vlyon, Wickwire, Cadang; John Nelson, Nelson, Mainland; Rambler, Lahey, Sydney. Saturday, 21st—Florida, McDonald, Porto Rico; Peerless, Essex, Rigby; Lady Mulgrave, Hartigan, B. W. Indies; J. B. Huey, Huey, Baltimore; Mathewman Ostle, Powell, Richibucto; Alma, Jewers, F. I. Island and Miramichi.