

ble excitement, especially on the second day. The distances were at ranges of 200, 300, and 400 yards. The firing at 200 and 300 yards was completed on the first day. The ties and the 400 yards range occupied the second day. The following is the list of those who took the prizes:—

- Thomas McKay, Rothsay Blues, Truro—first prize, Medal and £10.
Dr. Lewis Johnston, Pictou Greys—second prize, £10.
Joshua Smith, Windsor;
Donald McKenzie, Pictou Greys;
Mr. Proctor, Windsor;
B. Smith, Halifax Queen's;
Michael Neville, Halifax Rifles;
C. A. Stayner, Chebucto Greys;
Albert Dogget, Truro;
James W. Fraser, New Glasgow;
James W. Jackson, Pictou;
J. H. Chisholm, River John—£5 each.
Corpl. Jas. Shepherd, Mayflower Company;
Isaac Publicover, Dartmouth;
W. E. Logan, Truro;
Corporal Huestis, Wallace;
Brenton Harrington, Chebucto Greys;
Sergt. W. D. Harrington, Scottish Rifles;
G. W. Wier, Clyde Rifles;
Murdoch Munro, Wallace Greys;
Corporal McKay, Pictou; and
Lieut. Curry, Windsor—£3 each.

On Friday the winner of the first prize was challenged by Mr. Keen of Digby, but McKay was the winner on this occasion also. There was much betting on this match. We regret to learn that there was a considerable amount of drinking at Truro on these two or three days. Probably some of those who came with the prospect of being more successful, failed because of what they had taken to drink, and went home with damaged reputation, instead of a prize.

The Presbyterians very considerably, on the same day, got up a bazaar, on the grounds, in behalf of a church at Salmon River. It is said to have been well patronized.

COLLEGE AGENCY.—We perceive by a letter from Rev. A. D. Thomson in the Christian Visitor, that the Governors of Acadia College have acceded to the urgent request of the New Brunswick Baptist Board of Education to release our brother for a limited time from his College Agency, that he may "take hold of the Seminary incubus and free the institution from its cumbersome load, which," he says "I hope to do, and indeed I have but little doubt about it, if health be continued, other things equal, and the unanimous and hearty co-operation of my ministering brethren with me in their fields of labor. As far as I have had opportunity of presenting the claim, the response has been satisfactory."

We shall be glad to hear of this desirable work being accomplished. The debt, we believe, with interest, amounts to £500.

The following note is on a subject always in season. Whilst we do not think the brief extract to which it refers was at all superfluous, by way of caution, we feel assured that this side of the question needs great consideration. We fear that churches and church-members are far more frequently indebted, both morally and legally, to their ministers than ministers are to them. Whilst these remarks come from a brother in New Brunswick, they may possibly apply to parts of Nova Scotia, and we hope that where they do the parties concerned will allow them to be "a word in due season," and may have the experience promised in Prov. xvi. 23,— "how good it is."

New Brunswick, Oct. 19th, 1863.

MR. EDITOR,—

I was interested in the short article "St. Paul in money matters," inserted in your issue of the 14th inst. The subject is of great importance. I hope all our ministers will "think of it," and, if possible, keep out of debt; but for the excellent suggestion to be carried out fully, it will be necessary for the churches to "think of it" too, and see that the ministers have a sufficient salary to maintain them and their families, and conscientiously resolve that such salary shall be promptly paid when due. Ministers may then be able to keep clear of debt and the churches have the benefit of a more efficient and faithful ministrations."

A DEACON.

The Day Spring, Presbyterian Mission Vessel, is now lying at Collins' Wharf. She is expected to leave for the Pacific in ten or twelve days. Visitors will be admitted to see her by ticket only.

Our correspondents concerning the Dalhousie scheme must have patience. We have two communications on hand which we hope to insert next week.

The editor of the Witness is, of course, at liberty to reject correspondence on the subject, if he thinks proper. Those who think differently from him, even belonging to the same body, need not expect that their sentiments will receive any favor, seeing that he is the only exponent of "the happy family."

The Africa was to be slightly repaired at St. John's, so as to enable her to return to Liverpool. She was expected to leave on Saturday last.

News Summary.

THE Diplomatic correspondence between England, France, and Russia, relative to the Polish insurrection, appears to have been finally closed by the answer of Russia to the notes of the two former Powers. Their conclusion on the subject does not seem at all likely to lead to active hostilities in favor of the Poles. France will not act without England, and England has already suffered too much from foreign wars to expend her blood and treasure, unless compelled by some strong national, individual interest. However chivalrous a contrary course might appear, the heavy debt under which she now labours, and the welfare of her own subjects forbid her incurring the heavy responsibility of a war that would set nearly all Europe in arms, and add many millions to the public debt.

Prince George of Denmark, the newly elected king of Greece, after paying a visit to his sister, the Princess of Wales, in England, is on his way to take possession of his new kingdom. It is to be hoped that he will know better how to manage his government than the Bavarian Prince, whom the Greeks have just driven from his throne. The Ionian (Greek) Islands, which were taken possession of by Great Britain during the great French war, and have been held by her ever since the peace of Vienna in 1815, are to be given up and reannexed to the dominions of the new sovereign of Greece.

A question of much importance as to its probable results, is being again agitated with much warmth between Denmark and the Confederate German States, relative to Holstein, a province chiefly peopled by Germans, but forming part of the Danish dominions. We do not recollect the precise grounds of difference between the parties. It is a somewhat complex question, however, and of long standing, and unless France and England should interpose to mediate between them, will probably involve Denmark and Sweden in a war with Prussia and several other German States. The great evil to be feared is, that the interests of all the European States being so closely interwoven together, a war between any two, will almost necessarily produce a general rupture.

There have been two or three arrivals of news from Europe since our last, the latest of which is by the Hibernian from Galway on the 13th inst. She arrived at St. John's, Newfoundland on the 20th.

The seizure of the steam-rans by the British Government is the great subject of discussion in the press.

The speeches at New York before the Russian officers are also made the occasion of severe comment. It is not considered a matter of much moment that a Russian squadron should winter in an American port.

Lord Lyndhurst died on the morning of the 12th.

Queen Victoria and the Princesses Louise of Hesse and Helena, were, turned out of a carriage near Balmoral, but sustained only slight bruises. The carriage was thrown on its side through the coachman mistaking the road.

The king of the Belgians will pay a lengthened visit to Victoria during the winter.

Official investigation into the loss of the steamer Norwegian, resulted in the suspension of the Captain's certificate for twelve months, on the ground of want of caution.

The Paris correspondent of the Times believes it true that Prince Czartorisky has demanded of French and English governments the recognition of the Poles as belligerents, and that France will not at present accede to the request. The reply of England is unknown.

It is stated that Napoleon has addressed an autograph letter to Archduke Maximilian; fully approved his reply to Mexican Deputation, also stated his reply is regarded in Austria as an acceptance, and measures being taken accordingly. Archduke will set out for Mexico in February or March next.

Notices, &c.

Acadia Athenaeum.

A lecture will be delivered by the Rev. G. M. Grant, in the Vestry of the Baptist Meeting House, on the evening of Friday, 30th inst., at seven o'clock.

Subject—"COLLEGE LIFE IN GLASGOW."

H. C. CURRIE, Cor. Sec'y.

Wolfville, Oct. 26th.

Annapolis Co. Ministerial Conference.

The next meeting of the Annapolis County Conference of Baptist Ministers is appointed to take place at the Parsonage, Lower Granville, on Tuesday the 17th of Nov., at 9 o'clock, A. M. Public Missionary Meetings to be held in connexion with the Conference, as follows:—Stoney Beach, Monday Evening; Lower Meeting House, Tuesday Evening; Granville Ferry, Wednesday Evening. Services to begin at 6 o'clock.

ISA. WALLACE, Secretary.

Lower Granville, Oct. 22nd, 1863.

Letters Received.

Rev. Dr. Tupper, 23rd, 20s. H. C. Creed, 24th. Ira Raymond, Esq., 22nd. Rev. A. S. Hunt, 17th. Rev. D. McKuen, 17th. W. Churchill, Esq., 10th. Rev. A. Stronach, 20th. T. B. Layton, 28th. Rev. W. Hall, 11th, \$6.

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Fancy do Gloves, Mantle Velvets,
Broad Cloths, Hosiery, Bonnet "
Doeskins, Fancy Woolens, Trimming "
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LUMBER.

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Oct. 21. JAS. McDONALD, Commissioner.

RAILWAY OFFICE,

HALIFAX, N. S., 15th Oct., 1863.

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HAY SHED AT RICHMOND,

according to plan and specification to be seen at this office—the contractor to furnish all materials and to prepare the foundation for the building. Two good sureties to be given for the fulfillment of the contract, and payment made on completion of the building to the satisfaction of an officer to be named by the department.

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