great capital, and by turns the scat of regal, republican and Imperial power, is the great object of every Italian's hopes and desires. The frail fabric of the daily diminishing temporal power of the Pope, supported by France, is that alone which stands in the way of the wishes of Italy. Few countries in modern times have exhibited to the world a more interesting history than that of Italy. of Foreigu Despots, and under the iron yoke of the most abject superstition, she has risen within a few years by a noble and generous struggle, to a second rate Power in Europe, enjoying the blessings of a free and constitutional form of government, which has every appearance of a safe and permanent endurance.

The late accounts from the Southern States appear to shew the balance of success largely in favor of the Federal cause. Sherman has reached the Atlantic coast at Savannah, the capital of Georgia, which he is now said to have taken. Gen. Hood has been defeated in Tennessee by Gen. Thomas, with severe loss. Wilmington, the great centre of the blockade running trade, is also invested by a Federal fleet, and to all appearances the present state of the Confederate cause is on the decline. Nothing of importance is heard from Richmond, where the two great armies that are to strike the most decisive blow are still confronted.

Motices, &c.

Meeting of the N. S. B. Home Mission. ary Board.

IN THE VESTRY OF THE G. S. CHURCH. Present,-Rev. Dr. Pryor in the chair. Revds. A. H. Munro, R. R. Philp, Brethren Geo. Robins, S. Selden, Dr. Parker, R. J. Griffiths.

Letters read from Revds. Benj. Scott, T. H. Porter, Jr., Dr. Cramp, Alfred Chipman, J. F. Kempton, and Bro. James F. Morton.

Appointments, -Rev. Obed Parker, 4 weeks at Da tmouth and vicinity, Halitax Co. B:o. James F. Morton, Licentiate, 3 weeks at Walton and vicinity, Hants Co.

Rev. John Shaw, 6 weeks in destitute portions of ple.—Boston Herald. Rev. Wm. Dobson, 6 weeks in destitute portions

of P. E. Island. R. N. BECKWITH, Sec'y. H. M. Board.

Annapolis Co. Ministerial Conference. The next Meeting of the Annapolis County Conference of Baptist Ministers will be held D. V., at Clements Vale, on Tuesday the 3rd day of January, 1865, at 9 o'clock, A. M. Preaching on the previous

evening. As the Ordination of Bro. G. D. Cox, is expected to take place there on the following day, (Jan. 4.) A full attendance seems especially desirable. ISA. WALLACE, Secretary. Lower Granville, 6th Dec., 1864.

Colchester County S. School Convention. There will be a quarterly session of the Colchester Baptist Sabbath School Convention, at the Baptist Meeting-house, Truro, on Friday, December 30th, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

T. B. LAYTON, Secretary. Londonderry, Dec. 6th.

LETTERS RECEIVED will be acknowledged next week.

General Jutelligence.

Domestic.

POST OFFICE ROBBERY .- We understand that a serious robbery was committed, at the Post Office, Truro. The Keeper had left the building but a few minutes in the evening, and on returning discovered that stamps to the value of \$350, and \$100 in money, had been in some manner abstracted. It is supposed that the thiel was secreted about the building. Several parties were arrested on suspicion, but no clue to the actual perpetrator of the theft had been obtained .- Recorder.

FATAL ACCIDENT .- We learn from the Eastern Chronicle that at Upper Barney's River, on Thursday the 8th inst., Wm. McKay, a boy 12 years of age, a son of Donald McKay, took his father's gun from were it was placed, and ignorant of the fact that the piece was loaded, he put powder in the pan, when it accidentally went off; his sister, Mary Ann McKay, was washing at the opposite side of the room; the shot lodged in her face and forehead, from the effects of which she fell a lifeless corpse.

ACCIDENT AT SHERBROOKE, -A correspondent informs us that a very untoward event has taken place in the vicinity of Sherbrooke, which has cast a gloom over the whole neighborhood. Two young men, in attemping to cross College Lake during a heavy breeze on the 16th inst., capsized their canoe, and melancholy to relate one of the party, Alexander McEachern, was drowned before assis ance could be rendered volunteer company at Iroquois, and while reHis body has not yet been found. The other turning home from drill the sad catastrophe INGS, very cheap. BLANKETS at 6s. 6d. to 7s. 6d.

The other turning home from drill the sad catastrophe per pair: Heavy do., 8s. 9d. to 1 is. 6d.; Witney do., man was with difficulty saved in an exhausted happened. state. - Recorder.

FOUND DEAD .- The body of a soldier belonging to the 16th Regiment, was picked up on Thursday morning in the moat surrounding the Citadel. It is supposed that the unfortunate man fell over during the previous night, and must have been instantly killed.

We learn from the Free Press that the Annapolis election is to be held on the 12th Janu-

The friends of Temperance in Chicago, Illinois, recently held a fair for the benefit of the Washingtonian Home in that city. They took hold of the matter in earnest, and netted nearly one thousand dollars for that noble institution.-Boston Nation.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES .- We are infromed that one or more Societies, under the Act of last Session, have been formed in every county of the Province, except in Queens, Divided for ages past into petty kingdoms Richmond, and Shelburne. The total number and Principalities, ruled over by the nominees of Societies formed is thirty-eight. Thirty-four of these have participated in the Provincial Grant. It is expected that other Societies will be formed next year.

> COLD WEATHER.—Quite a change took place last week. Winter came upon us suddenly increasing in severity, till on Friday the themometer stood at 4 below Zero. Telegrams received from other places shewed that this visit of Jack Frost was not paid alone to Nova Scotia. At 9 a. m. it was.

At Plymouth, N. H.30 below zero. Woodstock, N. B..................20 " Fredericton................................20 Calais, Me......22 " Boston 4 above.

The Emperor of Brazil has appointed a Board of Health" to investigate and decide what proprietary remedies should be admitted into the country and what excluded. After some months session they have reported condemning them all except Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co.'s preparations. Three of those they recommended the Emperor to admit for the benefit of the public health, white they hold the fourth Cherry Pectoral under advisement for further information respecting one of its ingredients-morphine, which, while so extensively employed and so highly esteemed as a remedy in this country, is scarcely known in that. Of all the other medicines before them, the Imperial commission say, "no one of them merits any favor whatever, or protection from this Government, as they contain nothing new nor any specific virtues not fully known and used by our own physicians." The Imperial Government has accordingly prohibited them all from admission through the custom house, except the remedies of our distinguished countrymen above mentioned-a discrimination by their learned men, very like that to which experience has led the American peo-

Canada.

MR. CARTIER'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON .-The visit of the Ron. Mr. Cartier to Washington was, we understand, of the most satisfact- Baddeck. ory character. The reception of the Attorney General East was most cordial, and we learn with the highest satisfaction that he was enabled to explain away many little, but not the less irritating, impressions. In this respect Mr. Cartier's sojourn in the States has been opportune in the extreme. There are just now so many causes for misunderstanding, and so Campbell, Portland; Emily Jane, Gammon, Jamaimany parties interested in misrepresenting to ca; Ocean Star, (new, 230 tons,) Jenkins, Bermuda the Federal authorities the animus of the Canadian Government in its action upon the cases of international law which have arisen, that the presence of a leading member of our Government at their capital was most timely. The social qualities of the honorable gentleman would do more to soften down asperities in half an hour than diplomatic communications would have effected in a month. We rejoice to hear that such has been accomplished. - Quebec

EFFECTS OF A GALE ON THE LAKES .- The Quebes Mercury says that the tide on the morning of the 10th inst., was the lowest ever known at that port. It being from eight to ten feet below the usual line. It is stated that all along the coves the wharves in many places were high and dry. In front of the market wharf, discoveries were made of money, articles connected with the navigation of boats and steamers, and for a short time a large number of persons were occupied in picking up things that would have forever been lost but for this phenomenon. Mr. O'Connell, pilot, took the bearings of a large boulder at one of the coves the existence of which was not previously known. It is supposed in the Lower Town that the strong westerly wind that prevailed for a few days previous, and the sudden frost may probably have been the cause of this recession of the waters of the St. La wrence.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF MON-TREAL ON COFEDERATION.—It is tumored that the Roman Catho'ic Bishop of Montreal contemplates, during his stay in England to offer ment for the abolition of tithes in Canada. A liberal compensation for the giving up of that old mode of living would be suggested by his Lordship. It is also reported that the Bishop to the clergy of his diocese to preach against ers, Meltons, Doeskins, Tweeds, &c, &c. confederation .- Montreal Witness.

A melancholy accident occurred near Ircquois, in immense variety-Aberdeens, Wirceys, Baratheas,

Throat Affections.

A Physician writing from Newfane, New York, speaking of the beneficial effects resulting from the use of "Brown's Bronehial Troches," says: "For alleviating that horrid irritation only felt by those who have sufferred from any Bronchial Affection, and for Hoarseness and Some Throat too, I am free to confess (through I am an M. D., they answer all you claim for them." To avoid disappointment, be sure to obtain the genuine "Brown's Bronchial

Marriages.

At Berwick, Dec. 8th, by the Rev. E. M. Saunders, A. M., Mr. Charles M. Cogswell, to Miss Jane A. Palmer, daughter of Mr. Elijah Palmer. By the same. Dec. 23rd, Mr. Charles E. Dodge, to Miss Maria Shaw, daughter of the late James Shaw.

Deaths.

On Christmas morning, after an illness of 12 years Mrs. Ann Baker, the beloved wite of James Baker, aged 65 years, a native of the County Kent, England.

At the Provincial Asylum, on the 18th inst., Mary Jane Duncan, in the 30th year of her age. At Charlestown Mass.. Dec. 14th, after an illness of four weeks, of Lung fever, Isabel, only daughter of Henry L. and Jane Martin, and Grand daughter of Samuel Spinney, of Wilmot, N. S., aged four years four months and eight days.

At Middle Musquodoboit, with Scarlet Fever, Dec. 16th, 1864, Adoniram Judson, eighth son of Edward and Sarah J. McCabe.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Tuesday, Dec. 20th.-Brigt Reaper, LeVache, Sydney-coal; schrs. Mary, Landry, Arichat-fish C. W. Wright, Dickson, Canso—fish; Maria, Murdoch, St. Mary's—fish; Mary, Leary, P. E. Island—produce; Rifle, Balcam, Sl.eet Harbour—lumber; Mary Joseph, Robinson, P. E. Island-produce. Wednesday, 21st.—Steamer Old Dominion, Page, Nassau, 7 days—ba!last; R. M. steamers Africa, Anderson, Liverpool via Queenstown 10 days; Del-ta, Gulliford, Newfoundland 3 days; brigt Watch-man, New York—flour.

Thursday, 22nd,-Brigt Mathilda, (Danish) Preper, Bermuda-sugar and molasses. Friday, 26th .- Schrs. Mary Jane, Hopkins, Ina-

gua; Foam, Lessef, Inagua; Mary, Murray, P. E. Island; Condor, Romkey, Boston. Saturday, 24th.—R. M. S. Canada, Hockley, Boston; Packet barque Halifax, O'Brien, Boston, 3

Cleared.

Tuesday, 20th.-Brigts Gem, Crook, F. W. Indies Africa, Sherring, Nassau; Starlight, McDonald, Baltimore; schrs. Harkaway, Smith, Bermuda; To Contractors.
Fleetwood, (Am.) McDonald, Maine; Victory,
Thompson, P. E. Island; Good Intent, Burke, Mainadieu; Mary, Petipas, Arichat

Wednesday, 21st .- Schrs. Oscar, (Am.) Mallock, Indian Island, N. B.; John Loughlan, Livingston,

Thursday, 22nd -R. M. steamers Africa, Anderson, Boston; Delta, Gulliford, Newtoundland. Friday, 23rd .- Brigts Ocean Star, Jenkins, Bermuda; Regina, Wilkie, LaHave; Spanish Main,

Langenberg, Porto Rico. Saturday, 24th.—Steamers Canada, Hockley, Liverpool; Delta, Gulliford, St. John's Nfld.; brigts Chieftan, (new, 126 tons,) Conrod, B. W. Indies; Mary G. Williams, Hunt; Queen of the North, Kate, Johnston, Kingston, Ja; schr. Snow Squall, Chasson, Margaree, C: B.

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by which four young men lost their lives in the French Merinoes, Coburgs, Camlets, Poplinette Robes, river St. Lawrence. They were members of a Delaines. CHEAP PLAID, from 74d per yard and per pair; Heavy do., 8s 9d. to 1 is. 6d.; Witney do., 12s. 6d. to 14s.; Super. do., 17s. 6d. to 22s. 6d.; Extra do. (large size), 25s. to 30s.

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Offices, No. 11 and 12, Union Marine Insurnce Building, Beford Row. Halifax, Dec. 14, 1864. Dec. 28.

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THE Subscriber offers at private sale, that UPLAND FARM, formerly owned by Capt. Dormon, situated in the township of Fai mouth, bounded on the East by the Avon River, West by the main post-road, and two miles below the Railroad Terminus at Windsor; containing about fifty-five acres of excellent land; fifteen of which have been under the plough. The remainder has been cleared and could be easily ploughed. There is a convenient place to get marsh mud for the upland which could be made equal to dyke. There is on the premises

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GEORGE J. YOUNG. Falmouth, Dec., 1864.

NOVA SCOTIA RAILWAY.

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16th Dec., 1864.

CEALED TENDERS will be received at this

office until TUESDAY, the 17th day of January, 1865, at Noon, (to be marked "Tenders for Fencing,") for the

Erection of Fences

on Sections Nos. 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the Pictou Extension. Teuders for the whole, or for each separate Section, will be received.

The Fence to be erected will be similar to that already contracted to be built on the first Section of the Railway out of Truro. Specifications, Form of Tender, or any further information may be had on application at the Engineer's Offices at Halifax, Truro, and New Glasgow.

AVARD LONGLEY, Chief Commissioner. till Jan. 17.

Dec. 21.



NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

GENERAL POST OFFICE.

MONEY ORDER ARRANGEMENT.

NONEY ORDER INTERCHANGE is to 1865, to the various Money Order Offices of Newfoundland, and to Charlottetown, Prince Edward

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