

The Halifax Sun of Friday last, among its "Odds and Ends," informed its readers that "Spurgeon, the London Beecher, has been discharged from the Evangelical Alliance."

THE INTERCOLONIAL CONFERENCE.—This convention of leading politicians closed its sittings at Quebec on Thursday last. Later telegrams than those given in our last have appeared in some of the morning and evening papers, concerning the matters under consideration.

What is meant by "sooner," we are left to conjecture, probably it is that the Legislature may be called together "sooner" than usual, for the purpose of having the matter submitted.

NEWS SUMMARY.

The R. M. Steamer Canada arrived with the English mails on Thursday last. The most important matter that they contain is the news of the termination of the war in New Zealand.

The Dano-German peace negotiations are at last concluded, with the loss to Denmark of the Province of Holstein and the greater part of Slesvig. This result was fully anticipated by Denmark from the beginning.

Commercial affairs in England, in some departments of trade, are still in an unsettled state. Several bankruptcies to a considerable amount have occurred, but there seems no reason for apprehending any more extensive derangement of monetary matters.

The posture of the hostile armies before Richmond is almost unchanged for the past week. Some partial conflicts, to no great extent, appears to have taken place.

The victory of Sheridan over Early in the Shenandoah Valley, appears to have been a dearly bought one, a large loss having been suffered by the Federal General in the early part of the action.

Notices, &c.

Annapolis Co. Ministerial Conference.—The next meeting of the Annapolis County Conference of Baptist Ministers, will be held D. V., at Hillsburg, (Bear River), on Tuesday the 22nd of November next, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Received from Upper Londonderry Church per Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, \$4 for 2nd Hammonds Plains Church.

ERRATUM.—Of the Stanzas, on 'Soul Freedom,' which appears in the C. M., of Oct. 19th, the first seven lines should have been marked as a quotation.

Letters Received.

Dr. Tupper, 21st, \$5.—Will send according to request. W. Churchill, 13th. D. DeLong, 10th. Rev. T. C. DeLong, 10th. Geo. Davies, 27th, \$4.50. A. E. Durland, 11th, \$2. A. S. Blenkhorn, Esq., 25th. Hon. W. B. Kinnear, 24th, \$2. Melanah Kinsman, 24th, \$2. W. Gremley, 23rd, \$2. A. J. Walker, 29th. Rev. Jas. Reid, 17th. Jos. Sutherland, 25th.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

Temperance Matters.

The Grand Division of Nova Scotia of the order of Sons of Temperance held its Annual Session on Tuesday and two following days, last week. The attendance of representatives from the country was larger than for several years past.

The sessions for the ensuing year are to be held—

- In January, at Middle Musquodoboit. In April, at Bridgetown. In July, at Antigonishe. And in October, at Halifax.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

- G. W. P.—Dr. McRobert, Londonderry. G. W. A.—Stephen Selden, Halifax. G. SCRIBE.—P. Monaghan, Halifax. G. TREAS.—H. A. Taylor, Halifax. G. CHAP.—Rev. J. O. Ruggles, Kentville. G. CON. John McLearn, South Rawdon. G. SENT.—Geo. W. Delano, Halifax.

A Soiree was held on Wednesday evening of which the Abstainer gives the following report:

"G. W. P. Dr. McRobert presided, made a few introductory remarks, and introduced the various speakers. The Grand Chaplain, Rev. J. O. Ruggles, was the first speaker, and referred to the state and progress of the cause in Kentville.

On Thursday afternoon a very pleasing meeting was held in Temperance Hall. The Sun of Friday gives the following brief account of the proceeding:

"The Bands of Hope in this city, numbering about 300 children, of both sexes, neatly attired, met in Temperance Hall yesterday afternoon, where they were met by the Grand Division. An address was presented to the Grand Division which elicited a suitable reply. The children were addressed by Messrs. Selden, McArthur, DeWolf, Barratt and Skinner.

Dr. McRobert's name should have been the first in the list of speakers.

WOLFVILLE.—Early in the present year a man named W. A. Rockwell was prosecuted by Wolfville Division for selling liquors to minors, in violation of the License Law.

HANTS COUNTY.—A Correspondent of the Abstainer writes from the Gore:—"The Court of Sessions of East Hants has just closed for the present year.

His Worship the Mayor promises to use his influence and power for the suppression of the low drinking places in the city. He has taken steps to ascertain the names of parties convicted of violating the law so that on a second conviction they may have their licenses revoked and a heavier penalty inflicted.

We learn from the Express that a man named Wilson was found drowned on Monday morning in Dartmouth Cove.

HALIFAX POLICE FORCE.—The following is a list of the city Police force, appointed Friday last:—John Keefe, Wm. Hannigan, David Evans, James Burke, Wm. Hood, Wm. Roddick, Louis Hutt, Patrick Caulfield, Maurice Power, John Arthur, Thomas Hayden, Thos. Dillon, John Hearn, John Muivena, Michael McGrath, Matthew Keer, James Tyrrell, David Barry, Bartholomew Dillon, Timothy Burns, David Redmond, David Power, Wm. Maloney, James Meagher, John J. Hamilton, John Granaway, Patrick Heilly, John Story, Martin Callahan, Matthew Sullivan, Jas. M. Wilson, Matthew Morrison, and Daniel Webber.

MILITARY FUNERAL.—On Saturday last, Col. Sergt. Ward, of the 16th Regt., and Keeper of the Garrison Club, was buried with military honors. The remains were borne upon a gun carriage, and followed to the grave by men from all the different corps in the Garrison.

STRAIT OF CANO MARINE RAILWAY.—This work has now been in operation for about six weeks, and so far has been very successful. In some respects it is the most complete work of the kind on the continent, having a better depth of water than any other can boast of.

A BIG POTATO.—Mr. John Dicken, of Claremount, River Philip, Cumberland County, recently dug a Jenny Lind potato, which measured nine inches long by nine inches broad, and weighed 7 1/2 lbs.—Ads.

Lawrence O'Connor Doyle, formerly representative of Halifax in the Provincial Parliament, died in New York on Friday last. He was about 60 years of age.

A young man named Burns at Digby was lately thrown from a horse and so badly injured that he died on the following morning.

We learn from the Bridgetown Free Press that Mr. James Alexander, of Lawrencetown, has invented a new machine which he has patented, for the use of wind as a motive power, to be applied to the purposes of navigation, mills, factories, &c.

Several soldiers have been of late detected in committing robberies in stores of the city and are to be tried before the Supreme Court.

AGRICULTURAL.—At the recent meeting of the Provincial Agricultural Board thirty-three County or District Societies were reported for participation in the Legislative Grant. It was decided to extend the time for receiving Returns from Societies not yet reported to December 1st.

A gentleman interested in collecting objects of natural history, recently sent a specimen of the Halifax press to Boston, as a curiosity, and has handed us the following scientific description of said quadruped for publication:—

TAUROBANA ACADICA, St. Genus et species novum. Synonymus:—BULLFROGGUS ACADICUS, QUIS.

The old genus BULLFROGGUS has become obsolete. RANA CATERBIANA BOSC.

LOCALITY.—Vicinity of a mudpuddle, Hollis St., Halifax, N. S.

SUPREME COURT.—The Grand Jury returned true bills on Monday in several cases of larceny, &c., for trial. In the afternoon they were engaged in further investigating the case of the recent homicide of Keefe.

A little girl fell from the Dartmouth Ferry boat just as she was landing, on Monday, but was rescued by her father.

A public meeting of the Ladies of Halifax will be held (D. V.) in Chalmers Church, on Monday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock, under the auspices of the Halifax Ladies Bible Association.

Y. M. C. ASSOCIATION.—At the Prayer-meeting, inaugurating the 12th Course of Lectures, the Rev. Mr. Geddie, the returned missionary from the South Sea Islands, gave an address. The Revs. J. J. Joplin, Dr. Pryor, and J. Lathern engaged in prayer.

New Brunswick.

SACKVILLE AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—The Borderer gives a full account of this display of the native productions of that locality and Westmoreland county:

The show of horses and cattle was good and the competition lively in both branches. The young stock (cattle especially) were of improved breeds, proving that our farmers now take greater interest in the raising of stock.

Canada.

The potato rot is making havoc in Lower Canada; in some districts the crop is not worth digging, and where it was taken up before the rain, the tubers are decaying rapidly.

Sir Richard G. McDonnell was at Hamilton, C. W., on Saturday, the 22nd ult. We hear that it was the intention of His Excellency to remain for a short time at Niagara Falls.

The Canadian Revenue this year, so far, has largely exceeded the estimate.

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ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

ALL demands against the Estate of the late Thomas Walsh, of Cape Canso, are requested to be sent (duly attested) to the Subscribers on or before the twenty-fifth day of January next.