

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

PROGRESS.—Yarmouth was illuminated with gas for the first time on New Year's eve.

THE RINK was opened on Thursday last, the Royal Artillery Band was in attendance. Music will be furnished during the season as follows: Royal Artillery on Thursday evenings; H. M. 16th on alternate Thursday afternoons; H. M. 17th on Saturday afternoons.

The Poor's Asylum in this city has upwards of 400 destitute poor therein.

NOVA SCOTIA MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At the annual meeting of this Society, held at the room on Tuesday evening last, the following gentlemen were elected office bearers for the ensuing year:—Dr. J. C. Hume, President; Dr. C. Cogswell, 1st Vice President; Dr. B. D. Fraser, 2nd Vice President; Dr. Almon, Dr. Smith, Dr. Parker, Dr. Garvie, Dr. Black, Council; Dr. Gossp, Secretary; Dr. Cowie, Corresponding do.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE.—The Abstinence informs us that the Order is about being reconstituted at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County. A new Division will shortly be organized. The application for the Charter had thirty-one signatures. The Order in this Province appears to be prospering, and we hope the cause will progress accordingly.

At the session of the Grand Division of Canada West, recently held at Toronto, the following resolution was moved:—

"That in the opinion of this Grand Division, it is expedient to form a General [National] Division for the British Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, P. E. Island and Newfoundland."

The resolution was lost, only fifteen members voting for it.

ALMOST AN ACCIDENT occurred on the ice at Napan, Cumberland, 5th inst., occasioned by a young man driving a sleigh and span of horses among a crowd of skaters. The ice gave way, submerging sleigh, horses, and several men and women, but happily without any loss of life.

The Pictou Standard tells of another on Thursday last, an attempt was made to cross the ice with a small sleigh, in which was deposited the eastern mail. The sleigh was drawn by two men. After getting about half-way across, the ice was found to be pretty weak, and at one time gave way. The wadding of a few books, and of course a slight feeling of alarm experienced by the carriers, constituted the only damage sustained.

An unknown body has been washed ashore at Cape George—as well as a lot of deals—evidences of some unfortunate wreck.

An item in one of our evening papers last week informed us that Miss Hattie Willis Greenwood, of Windsor, would lecture at Dartmouth, on the "Duties of Young Ladies in relation to Society, Courtship and Marriage." Miss Greenwood is last from New Brunswick en route to the States. A doubtful business!

The Merchant's Exchange News Room is shortly to be removed to the new building erected in Hollis Street by Messrs. Doul & Miller.

THE SPLENDID SLEIGHING in our streets has rendered it necessary for great caution in driving. His Worship the Mayor has consequently given direction to the police, to report every person guilty of furious driving.

THE HOUSELESS POOR.—The City Council on Friday last received a resolution from the Commissioners of the Poor's Asylum, requesting them to provide additional accommodation for houseless paupers. After discussion, Ald. Nash moved that the Commissioners of the Asylum should be requested to procure additional room as shelter for the homeless, helpless poor, applying for relief, on the understanding that the city would bear a proper proportion of the expense. This motion passed by a large majority.

THE "CHESAPEAKE" IN COURT.—The Vice Admiralty Court met at the Court House on Saturday last, for the consideration of the case of the captured steamer "Chesapeake." Hon. Judge Stewart, C. B., presided.

The Proceedings commenced with the reading of letters patent, dated Sept. 1863, appointing Hon. J. W. Johnston Advocate Procurator General, and he appeared on behalf of the Crown. W. A. D. Morse, Esq., represented the owners of the "Chesapeake," and Isaac J. Wyke, Esq., appeared for persons resident in Canada and New Brunswick, who owned goods on board of her when she was captured. J. W. Ritchie, Esq., Q. C., represented the Confederacy.

The Judge, in opening the Court, stated that the cause was entertained upon the ground that the seizure of the vessel was a piratical act. He was of opinion that the steamer ought to be given up to her owners. Mr. Ritchie asked the Judge to contemplate the probability of an application being made, by the Confederate States, for the "Chesapeake," on the ground that she is a lawful prize; but His Honor declared that he would not entertain anything of the kind.

The Advocate General said he had felt some difficulty in bringing the case of the steamer into this Court, as there was a pretence of the vessel being a legitimate prize, but prima facie the capture was an act of piracy. He was of opinion that the steamer should be delivered up to the owners. To afford time for a conference with parties concerned, with reference to landing the articles, owned in Canada and New Brunswick, at this port, and other considerations, the Court was adjourned until the 13th inst.

An Industrial School for boys and girls has been commenced in Halifax, and we hear is in successful operation.

THE WEATHER.—Snow has fallen more or less for several days during the past week, and we have excellent sleighing in our streets. On Thursday last the thermometer stood at 7 or 8 below zero.

It has been unusually cold in the United States. In Philadelphia four persons were frozen to death on the night of the 2nd inst. At Indianapolis the thermometer stood at 20° below zero. At Chicago the railroads were entirely blocked up with snow, and the thermometer stood at 28½° below zero.

The Secretary of the DEAF AND DUMB ASYLUM makes his monthly acknowledgement of several very handsome contributions to that institution—one of these is "Printing material from an anonymous benefactor, value about £25."

SHOAL OFF CAPE RACE.—Captain Orlebar, R. N., has discovered a shoal near Cape Race, N. L., 15 miles long by 5 miles broad, with 15 fathoms of water upon it. This shoal is situated about seven miles off Cape Race. A St. John paper says the locality will afford good anchorage!

A lecture was to be delivered before the Young Men's Christian Association last evening by Rev. Prof. Hensley, A. M., of King's College, Windsor. Subject: "The Life and Times of Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury."

OAK ISLAND.—Operations are still going on in searching for the hidden treasure. The Colonist has a highly interesting historical sketch of the enterprise.

Prince Edward Island.

FIRES have recently occurred at Charlottetown. In one case a sch. called the Amagent, was badly burnt at the head of the Queen's wharf. At another four horses and a stable, owned by a Mrs. Young, were destroyed. The fire department is loudly complained of.

MURDER IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—A man named Terrence McInnes, residing a short distance from Sparrow's Road, was brutally murdered, some ten days since, on his way home from Mullin's Grist Mill. He left home in the morning with a horse and cart, and a few bushels of grain for the Mill. He went to the Mill, got his grain ground, and left for home. He was seen, we are informed, following his horse and cart, near a bush on the Sparrow's Road. Late in the evening a neighbour, who had sent some grain to the Mill, by McInnes, called at his house, to see if he had returned, and not finding him home, sat for awhile and then went to the door apparently for the purpose of ascertaining if he was coming, and found the horse and cart at the door, and on looking into the cart the dead body of McInnes. The body was taken into the house, and no alarm was given, or anything said about the murdered man until the middle of the next day, when an inquest was held on the body, and some five or six wounds found in the skull. A verdict of wilful murder, by some person or persons unknown, we understand was the result of the inquest. Various rumours are afloat respecting this wicked affair, and strong suspicion attaches to the wife of the deceased, and the man who discovered the horse and cart at the door. An improper intimacy is said to have existed between them for some time past. We refrain from making any further remarks, until we can obtain more reliable information. In the meantime, we hope every exertion will be used to bring the guilty party or parties to the bar of justice.—Islander.

New Brunswick.

FORGERY.—Two forged checks, amounting to \$1400 have been presented at the Bank of New Brunswick and paid.

A check for \$90, presented and paid at Commercial Bank, bearing the signature of J. W. M. Irish, Esq., was found, on that gentleman's settlement, to have been forged.

Four handsmen of the 15th regiment deserted last week from Fredericton.

A man named Cotter was lately arraigned at the police court in St. John, and confessed that he had contributed to the police court for fines, &c., £315. To his other crimes he added that of charging his own misconduct to his having a bad wife!

A Mrs. Bohan was recently found dead on the ice near Scott's wharf, Fredericton.

A great fire broke out in a grist mill in Carleton, St. John, last Sunday. The mill building was destroyed with all its contents—part of which consisted of 200 barrels of flour, 80 barrels of corn meal, and a large quantity of wheat. Two dwelling houses were also consumed.

Free lectures are being delivered to the working classes at the Institute, St. John.

The sum of \$13,000 was deposited in the St. John Saving's Bank one day last week.

Canada.

A man sat down on the sidewalk in Quebec a few days ago and was frozen to death, dozens of people passing all the while.

A gentleman recently performed the distance between Halifax and Montreal via Boston by Cunard steamer, in fifty one hours.

Two hundred and eighty-five thousand bushels of oats were sent from Montreal lately in one week, to the United States, principally for the army.

OVER THE FALLS.—The Toronto Leader relates that on Monday of last week a Buffalo steam tug with two scows in tow, got 400 feet into the current of the Niagara river, just above the falls, for the head of steam on, and the captain and crew of four men becoming alarmed leaped overboard and struck for the shore. The captain and three men succeeded in getting to land, but the fourth man sank beneath the leaping and boiling waters and was carried over the awful cataract. Some men in one of the scows were rescued by two boatmen who put off in a skiff to their assistance. The tug and one scow went over the falls, but the other scow struck on a rock just before the brink and remains there.

MONTREAL.—About a thousand persons were amusing themselves on the river below the Island wharf—when the ice, which at that part was only five inches thick, gave way suddenly; and about thirty persons sank with the sinking flakes. Fortunately the wharf was beneath their feet so that the water reached no higher than their waists but their struggles to extricate themselves were rendered very difficult by the confusion, and the breaking of the edges to which they clung.—Several soldiers of the Guards gave gallant assistance in rescuing the unfortunate skaters, two of whom were ladies—and they were all hauled up at last, almost dead with cold.

The Quebec Mercury thinks that the public departments will be removed to Ottawa next October.

CENTRAL AMERICA.—The following is an extract of a letter just received from British Guiana, dated Demerara, 6th of November:—"The Eldorado of Sir Walter Raleigh appears to be at last discovered close to the penal settlement up the Cuyuni river; and a company is just starting to work the gold mines, which appear to be the richest and most easy of access in the world." The yield, so far, is at 240 grains to the cwt. of quartz, against 20 grains in the Port Philip Company, and extent of quartz very great.

JAMAICA.—Small-pox is now dangerously prevalent in Jamaica.

The Jamaica House of Assembly have passed a string of resolutions reflecting strongly on the conduct of the late Governor, Edward John Eyre, Esq., and declaring him unfit to fill the office.

Kingston papers of Dec. 5th says there had been very heavy rains over the island. Trade had revived, and sugar advanced in consequence of the rise in England; corn meal was scarce and the price had gone up. Sickness was general throughout the island, and a very severe shock of earthquake had greatly alarmed the inhabitants.

NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER has for sale a lot of land situated in Waterville, Cornwallis, containing one and half Acres, with

A NEW DWELLING HOUSE,

finished outside, a very good stand for trade. It is on the post road, at the corner of the new road leading to the South Mountain, and a direct road to Canada wharf on the Bay Shore, and within call of six Mills, which makes it very public. Also on the opposite corner

Eleven Acres of Land,

with a good DWELLING HOUSE and BARN, with out-houses, a well of superior water, and a good Orchard, containing forty trees of grafted fruit, the third year's bearing, and a number of plum and cherry trees.

Also a wood and pole Lot of TWENTY-FIVE ACRES on the new road leading to the mountain, one mile from the post road.

Also SEVENTY ACRES OF LAND with a house and a first-rate CRIST MILL, having two run of Stones French burr, iron cases, patent, and a grain cleaner, which cost Ninety dollars in Boston, and a good Saw Mill on the same dam. At the head of the pond there are three Acres of meadow, cleared, and a swale with any amount of black mud.

Any person wishing to purchase, may obtain all the information necessary, on application to the subscriber, who will sell the whole in one lot, or in different lots to suit purchasers.

HENRY V. WHITE, Waterville, Cornwallis, Dec. 12th, 1863, 5 wks. Dec. 23.

MADE FROM THE PURE BALSAMS OF VERMONT!

N. H. DOWNS'S VEGETABLE BALSAMIC ELIXIR.

This honest, standard old Cough Remedy, has been used with entire success for thirty-three years. It is warranted as usual for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, Croup, Asthma, and all diseases of the throat, Chest, and Lungs, and all diseases tending to CONSUMPTION.

We have testimonials from many of the best physicians and gentlemen of standing, among whom we mention the Hon. Paul Dillingham, Lieut. Governor of Vermont; Hon. Bates Turner, late Judge of the Supreme Court of Vermont; Dr. J. B. Woodward, Brigade Surgeon U. S. Army.

JOHN F. HENRY & CO., Proprietors, (Successors to N. H. Downs,) 303 St. Paul Street, Montreal, C. E.

Sold by M. S. Barr & Co., 26 Tremont Street, and George C. Goodwin & Co., 38 Hanover Street, Boston. Price 25 cts., 50 cts., and \$1 per Bottle. Cogswell and Forsyth, Avery Brown & Co., Halifax. Wholesale Agents for N. B. Also sold by A. H. Woodill, M. F. Eager, Geo. Johnson, H. A. Taylor, and T. Ducey, Halifax. 4 mths. Sept. 15.

New Winter Goods,

.....AT THE..... Commerce House, No. 144 Granville St.

WE have received, ex Canada and other steamers: COBURG CLOTHS, in all colours, 7 4 FRENCH TWILL DO., superior quality, and a large Discount from their value Black and Colored ORLEANS and ALPACAS

Cheap Mohair and Repp Dresses, Plain and Check'd WINCEYS, 6-4 Worsted and Uni a CURTAIN DAMASKS, Black and Colored MORENS, Plain and Fancy FLANNELS,

Fine Black Cloths and Beavers—Witney, Velvet Flee and Sealskin MANTLE CLOTHS! ...ALSO....

White & Grey Blankets, From 9s. to 30s. per pair. R. McMURRAY & CO.

Dec. 30.

TO CONTRACTORS. GOVERNMENT BUILDING, MARKET SQUARE.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Commissioners for Election of above Building, will be received at the Office of the Secretary, until 12 o'clock, on Monday, the 1st day of February next, from all persons desirous of contracting for same, according to plans and specifications, which may be seen on and after Monday, the 4th inst., in the large room of the Nova Scotia Marine Insurance Building, Bedford Row, fourth story.

The building is to be of Freestone, 3 stories high, and measures 125 feet long by 54 wide, more or less, and any further information required in reference thereto may be had on application to Mr. David Stirling, Architect, Hollis Street.

Tenders must be accompanied with a guarantee from two responsible persons who are willing to become security for the faithful performance of the contract entered upon.

The Commissioners do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. JOHN DUFFUS, Chairman. A. G. JONES, Secretary.

Jan. 6.

FOR COUGHS AND COLDS.

SHARP'S BALSAM OF HOARHOOND AND ANISEED.

IS the best, the safest, and cheapest remedy ever offered to the public. Those suffering from Throat complaints, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Shortness of Breath, or Whooping Cough, will find it a sure and speedy relief. It has now been in use in New Brunswick for upwards of ten years; during that time the sale has, without puffing or advertising, increased, to such an extent as to supersede all other Medicines of a similar kind.

Prepared by JOHN G. SHARP, Member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain.

St. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 13th, 1861.

For nearly ten years we have sold Sharp's Balsam of Hoarhound and Aniseed, prepared by Dr. J. G. Sharp of this city—and during that time we have not known any other Patent Medicine for Coughs and Colds that has given such universal satisfaction to all who have used it.

It has become in this city, a standing Family Medicine, although it has been little advertised the sale has steadily increased, and in one year we sold over 1500 Bottles, although some time it was kept and sold in eight or ten other Drug Stores here.

GEORGE F. EVERITT & Co.

St. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 12, 1861.

J. G. Sharp, Esq., Dear Sir—Having been engaged in the sale of your Balsam of Hoarhound and Aniseed for the past ten years I can testify in favor of its good qualities, it certainly gives the best satisfaction of anything of the kind that I have ever sold.

JOHN CHALMERS.

J. G. Sharp, Esq., Dear Sir—I have noticed the increasing popularity of your "Balsam of Hoarhound and Aniseed," for the last eight years and have much pleasure in stating that I believe it to be one of the best Medicines of the kind now in use.

T. B. BARKER.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 1859.

Cogswell & Forsyth, General Agents for Nova Scotia. For sale by Brown Brothers & Co., Avery, Brown, & Co., Jas. Richardson, A. H. Woodill, H. A. Taylor, and all Druggists. Jan. 6. 3 mths.

HOLLIS STREET. 193, COGSWELL & FORSYTH, 193

THE SUBSCRIBERS offer for sale at low prices, the following goods, previous to taking stock, viz:

- 175 kegs Carb. Soda, 140 130 " Soothing Syrup,
- amb. do 50 " Pulmonary Balsam
- 14 casks do 160 " Holloways Pills,
- 100 bbls. Washing Soda, 160 " Dintment,
- 4 cases Castile Soap, 150 " Browns Bronchial
- 14 " Castor Oil, Troches,
- 2 " Nutmegs, 72 " Wild Cherry Bitter
- 1 " Indigo, 25 " Langley's do
- 10 casks Sulphur, 9 " Sturgis's Powder,
- 10 " Epsom Salts, 35 " Cummings Sedatives
- 4 " Roll Brimstone, Powder,
- 4 " Olive Oil, 350 " Morse's Pills,
- 3 " Turpentine, 150 " Judson's Worm Tea
- 3 bbls. Furniture Varnish, 100 " Carlton Condition
- 1 lb. do Powders,
- 2 " Bluestone, 50 " Judson's Assorted
- 30 " Copperas, Dyes,
- 135 boxes Ext. Logwood, 121 " Davis Pain Killer,
- 5 Tons Stick do 75 " Corrells Ric's Loaf,
- 4 " " Redwood, 50 " Radway Relief,
- 10 " " Paste, 50 " Vornifuge,
- 100 gross Black Lead, 50 " Worm Lozenges,
- 50 gross Plantation Bitters, 50 " Farina's Rau de Co-
- 200 " Curtis Pain Killer. logue.

Dec. 23. COGSWELL & FORSYTH.