

Benaiah Gates, son of Mr. Emerson Gates, of Waterville, Aylesford, King's Co., was found drowned in the river near his father's mill, on the 19th inst.

A lead of gold-bearing quartz, eighteen feet thick, has been discovered about six miles above the village of Bridgewater.

ACCIDENT.—Mr. Hiram Johnson, Port Williams, Annapolis, broke his leg on Wednesday last, when logging, by a log rolling upon his leg and crushing it. It is hoped that under the skilful management of Dr. Morse he will speedily recover.

Dominion and Foreign News.

The Intercolonial Railway Route.

This subject has had no small amount of debate, and the question which of three or four routes shall be adopted is causing delay in the operations, and will probably for a few weeks longer. The Northern or Major Robinson route is the one which it seems probable will be adopted. The Visitor of last week comes out in favor of the Central route, and gives several reasons for that preference. The following are some of said reasons:—

A central route would serve Fredericton, St. John and Halifax, most fairly. The frontier or Northern routes, seem to favour St. John at the expense of Halifax, or Halifax at the expense of St. John. Thus, by the best of the frontier lines, St. John is distant 301 miles from Riviere du Loup, while Halifax would be at a distance of 561 miles. By the shortest of the Northern lines, the latter city is 547 miles from Riviere du Loup, and St. John upwards of 473. On the contrary, Central route, "No. 3," if found practicable, would shorten the distance to Halifax, to 536 miles, and to St. John, 344. "No. 6"—the route deemed most feasible by Fleming, would also deal impartially to both cities:—to St. John it is 380 miles; to Halifax 572. A Central route would also serve Fredericton and the valley of the St. John, which the advocates of a Northern line treat with contempt.

A central road would open up for settlement a district of country of great fertility, which requires a railroad for that purpose, more than any other part of the Province. The North Shore does not need railroads to attract settlement. Its noble rivers and fine harbours will none the less become populous, were a mile of rail never laid there. The people along the Boundary have already a line to Woodstock; and the inhabitants of the Valley of the St. John, can scarcely desire a better highway than that given them by nature. But the vast country in the centre of New Brunswick, containing millions of acres of rich land, needs the impetus of a railroad for its settlement. Were there no other good reason for the selection of a Central route, this, we think, should surely have weight with the Government of the Dominion.

By a pamphlet recently published, by order, at Ottawa, containing Major Robinson's report on the route for the Intercolonial Railway, the following are the distances given:

Table with 2 columns: Route description and Miles. 1st. By the mixed route, Halifax to Annapolis, by the St. John to Quebec, the distance will be 600. 2nd. By the Halifax and Eastern, or Bay Chaleurs Route, to Quebec 635. 3rd. By the Direct Route, Whitehaven, Boistown and Quebec 652. 4th. By the Halifax, Truro, Amherst and Boistown to Quebec 595. 5th. By the Whitehaven, Bay Verte and Bay Chaleurs, to Quebec 692.

OTTAWA, March 27.—The Duke of Buckingham has written to Lord Monck stating that the Home Government would not be justified in mitigating the sentences of Rev. Mr. McLabon, and other Fenians.

The American Life Insurance Companies will be allowed to do business in Canada on depositing bonds of American security to the amount of fifty thousand dollars.

March 28.—In the House of Commons Dr. Parker gave notice of a motion for the recall of Dr. Tupper from England.

The Contingent Committee of the Senate recommended the abolition of the chaplaincy of that House, thus saving six hundred pounds per annum.

The gratuities to the dismissed officials are to be charged to Ontario and Quebec.

The Contingent Committee of the House of Commons, recommends a reduction of 12 1/2 per cent. on all salaries of officers of the House, and the dismissal of several employees.

It is confidently stated that the duties on flour, corn-meal, &c., will be repealed.

A lively discussion is kept up in the papers on the Intercolonial Railway route.

Nine persons were burnt to death in a farm house twenty miles from Ottawa on Wednesday last.

Now Brunswick.

The New Brunswick Legislature has closed its labors after a session of six weeks. His Excellency came to the Council Chamber with the usual ceremonies and delivered the following Speech (not a very elaborate one):

"I thank you for the diligence and assiduity with which you have devoted yourselves to the subjects which have been submitted for your consideration."

"The several measures which you have passed will, I have no doubt, conduce to the general welfare of the Province."

"I am obliged to you for the Supplies which you have granted for the service of the year, and especially for your generosity in aiding the distressed Fishermen of our Sister Province of Nova Scotia. Your labours of the present Session being now concluded, accept, before returning to your homes, my sincerest wishes for your welfare, and that of your families."

It appears that in granting the supplies they voted \$800 in aid of the salary of the Professor of Logic in the University, for this year only.

A Church Presentation Bill was also passed. It takes the power of presentation from the Bishop and vests it in the hands of the parishioners. (Is this Episcopacy?)

Also a bill introduced by Mr. Pickard, providing the subsidy of \$10,000 a mile to the branch railways, to be paid at the rate of \$12,500 on an expenditure of \$50,000, instead of \$25,000 on an expenditure of \$100,000, as the law demands. It was contended by some of the constitutional lawyers on the floor of the House that some of the bills passed relate to matters out of the jurisdiction of the local Parliament, the two last named bills amongst the number. The question will be decided when they go up to Ottawa for assent.

Prince Edward Island.

Hon. Edward Thornton, of Three Rivers, of P. E. Island, was found dead on the road within 400 yards of his own residence on the 21st inst.

The P. E. Island House of Assembly has passed a bill abolishing the Usury Laws, with a provision that it shall not go into operation for two years.

Michael McWade, Esq., merchant of Souris, P. E. I., was recently drowned by driving into a hole in the ice at the head of St. Peter's Bay.

Newfoundland.

The Merlin arrived on Saturday evening.

The Legislature is still in session. The tariff bill was brought down on the 6th inst., and passed on the 11th after a stormy debate. The duty on nearly every article is largely increased. The duty on smoked meat, &c., is increased from \$1 (under last year's tariff) to \$2; butter from 70c to \$1.12; cheese from \$1.25 to \$1.50; flour from 36c to 41c; lumber from 60c to \$1; corn meal from 12c to 15c; oatmeal 12c to 20c; pork 70c to \$1; shingles 30c to 40c; tobacco 7c to 12c. The Opposition made a good fight against the increase but it was of no avail—the tariff passed 13 to 7.

The amount of import duties received in the year 1867 was \$544,420, against \$588,402 the preceding year,—being a decrease in last year's receipts of \$33,982.

The Wesleyan Chapel and Parsonage at Twillingate were recently destroyed by fire.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

By Atlantic Telegraph.

ENGLAND.—London, March 26.—The House of Commons last night passed the bill for the abolition of Church rates.

March 27.—In the House of Lords, this evening, the question of the Alabama claims came up, and gave rise to some debate. Earl Russell made a speech, in which he reviewed the relations of Great Britain and the United States during the war of the rebellion, and defended the policy pursued by him in the case of the Alabama and other Confederate cruisers. Lord Westbury defined the laws of England bearing upon the questions at issue, and denied the justice of the claims for indemnity, urged by Mr. Seward, in the House of Commons.

Lord Stanley gave notice that on Monday next he should offer a resolution that the consideration of the question of Reform in the Irish Church Establishment be left to the next Parliament.

The bullion in Bank of England has increased 157,000 pounds.

A new iron-clad of the Hercules class has been commenced in the same dock from which the Hercules was lately floated out at Chatham.

March 28.—Despatches from the British Expedition in Abyssinia had just been received. They had commenced the march for the high lands of the country. The ascent to the high lands of Abyssinia is regarded here as a very difficult undertaking, but it is understood that Gen. Napier's advance is by the safest and most travelled route, that of the East by Senate and Doganata. The country is represented as variable in appearance, fertile and extremely barren alternately, and some of the mountain passes very formidable.

March 30.—The War Office has despatches from Gen. Napier's headquarters in Abyssinia to the 9th inst. The General expected the first brigade to arrive at Lake Ashango on the 16th March. The despatches report King Theodore posted, having guns and mortars, defending his position on the table land near Salanta, in the neighborhood of Magdala. The British captives held by the King were safe and in good health on the 17th February. The baggage of the British army of every description has been reduced two-thirds by order. Forage for cattle is scarce, the roads very bad and difficult to travel. The country for the most part dry and of volcanic formation. The soldiers are suffering from dysentery and fever.

FRANCE.—March 24.—Emutes are reported to have occurred at Bordeaux, and seditious placards have made their appearance at Paris, Lyons, Marseilles and Rouen, and the reforming "Guard Mobile" is assigned as cause of these disturbances.

March 25.—In the Corps Legislatif the bill concerning the right of public meetings was passed. The Corps Legislatif has adjourned until the 16th of April.

The Emperor of the French has received a copy of the work recently issued by Queen Victoria, and has spoken of the deep interest which he took in its perusal.

ITALY.—Florence, March 27.—Troops have been sent to the Province of Naples, to suppress Brigandage. Gen. Pallavicini commands the forces.

George Peabody, the American millionaire is now on a visit to Rome.

PRUSSIA.—Belgium, March 27.—A revolt took place recently, which was suppressed by the troops, many of the operatives being killed and wounded.

It is reported that the Prussian Government has addressed a circular note to all its diplomatic representatives abroad, denying emphatically the recent mission of Prince Napoleon to Berlin and Germany had any political object.

AUSTRIA.—Vienna, March 25.—The Free Press, in an editorial on the recent visit of Prince Napoleon to Germany, asserts that his object in going to Berlin was to hold a conference with the signers of treaties of 1815, for the purpose of urging them to unite in a remonstrance against the absorption of the kingdom of Poland by Russia, in violation of terms of these treaties.

SPAIN.—Madrid, March 27.—The Spanish Cortes have passed a Bill, granting indemnity to Great Britain for the seizure and detention of the vessels of Queen Victoria.

March 29.—Government is vigorously excluding all American newspapers, seizing them in the mails or wherever found. Even those addressed to Mr. Hale, American Minister, have been seized. Mr. Hale has protested to the Spanish Government against the outrage.

Notices, &c.

Received for Foreign Missions.

Table with 3 columns: Date, Location, and Amount. Feb. 27. Pine Grove Church, } to support } 15 00. 28. Nictaux Church, } a preacher, } 2 50. Mar 16. 'Thy Kingdom Come,' do..... 25 00. 20. Friend in Halifax, for nat. preacher..... 50 00. Interest on Debentures..... 60 00. J. Bew, Arichat..... 3 00. For Miss De Wolfe. Baptist Sabbath School Charlotte-town, P. E. I..... 3 34. Nov. 11. Widow of Rev. G. Dimock..... 1 00. Friend in Newport, by C. Skinner.. 2 50. C. TUPPER, Sec'y.

Aylesford, March 25, 1868.

The Annapolis Co. Ministerial Conference.

The next meeting of the Annapolis Co. Conference of Baptist ministers is appointed to be held at Granville Ferry, on Tuesday the 7th of April, at 9 A. M. Preaching on previous evening by Rev. N. Vidro. The Public Meetings will be protracted a few days with a view to the revival of God's work. A full attendance is cordially solicited. I. WALLACE, Sec'y. pro. tem. Granville, March 12th, 1868.

Acadia Athenaeum.

The next lecture before the Acadia Athenaeum will be delivered in the Vestry of the Baptist Chapel, Wolfville, on Friday, April 3rd, at 7 P. M., by Rev. H. McKown. Subject—Ireland and the Irish. NEIL MACLEOD, Cor. Sec'y.

French Mission Board.

There will be a Meeting of the French Mission Board at Hebron, on Wednesday the 8th day of April next, at 2 o'clock, P. M. There will be special business before the Board to which the attendance of members is requested. B. B. MOSES, Sec'y.

Letters Received.

Rev. W. G. Parker. Rev. J. M. Parker.—Weston Hall, Esq., \$8. Rev. Isa. Wallace. Asaph Marshall, Esq., \$4. Rev. J. C. M... G. J. Creed, Esq. Rev. Dr. Tupper. M. Kinsman, Esq., \$4. J. Hain, S. Smith. Rev. S. B. Kempton. J. S. Witter, Esq., \$13. W. J. Gates.—All rights: J. Wheelock, \$2. E. Rand, Esq. Rev. L. B. Gates. Rev. G. F. Miles.—(Have several letters for you.)

Marriages.

On March 9th, by Rev. James Reid, Mr. John B. Campbell, of Portauquique, to Miss Mary Jane Wilson, of Wallace. At Sable River, by Rev. J. McKenne, March 5th, 1868, Mr. Freeman Dunlap, to Miss Antoinette Dunlap, both of Sable River. By Rev. J. E. Goucher, on the 25th of March, Thomas Lockhart, to Annie Hazel.

Deaths.

At Lewis Head, Feb. 13th, 1868, Mr. W. J. Giffin for many years a member of the Baptist Church of the above named place. His sickness was short, his death unexpected, but he was prepared for the change. His end was peace. He has left a wife and an adopted son with a large number of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.—Com. by Rev. John F. McKenne.

At Sable River, Feb. 27th, 1868, suddenly of heart disease, Mr. Stephen Harding, aged 47 years, leaving a wife and one child, together with a large number of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. We trust his end was peace.—16.

At West Sherbrook, Feb. 7th, John Jefferson, in the 32nd year of his age. He professed faith in Christ, was baptized by the Rev. P. F. Murray, and united with the church in West Sherbrook, a little over a year before his death. His sickness was short, but severe. He manifested strong confidence in the merits of Christ, and died embracing Him as the Sinner's Friend. A wife, two children, and parents and many kind friends are left to

mourn. May the widow and fatherless be sustained and the sorrowing comforted.

In Portauquique, March 10th, Mrs. Elizabeth Carr, relict of Mr. Paul Carr, aged 74 years. Her death was sudden and unexpected, being sick only one day. But we trust, she was prepared, as she professed to have experienced a saving change in her youth, and during her life she believed in the Lord Jesus Christ. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church and much esteemed by all that knew her. She was an affectionate mother and kind to the sick and the poor, her death is much regretted. We hope that our loss is her gain, and that she has entered into that rest which remaineth for the people of God.—Com. by Rev. J. Read.

At Stronach Mountain, Wilmot, March 23rd, Susia Etta, eldest daughter of John and Elizabeth Downey, aged 3 years and 30 days.

At Margaretville, Wilmot, March 23rd, Eudavilla, infant child of Samuel and Matilda Spicer, aged 7 months.

At Steam Mill Village, Cornwallis, Feb. 27th, aged 77 years, Mrs. Wm. Wood, widow. Sister Wood was among the number of those whom Father Manning baptized the last time he administered the ordinance. She cherished his memory with much affection till the close of her life. Her last illness was somewhat protracted and severe, but borne with much patience and even cheerfulness. She struggled through many a trial during her long life, but in old age still retained a pleasant, buoyant disposition. She left a number of children and grand-children to cherish tenderly her memory. So death has claimed another, and added too, another to the host of the Redeemer. Silently but surely the number of the saved is being accomplished. Let us also be ready.—Com. by Rev. S. B. Kempton.

On Friday evening, 27th inst, Obadiah Nagler, aged 19 years.

On Saturday, 18th inst, Fryer Murgatroyd, aged 47 years.

At the Poores' Asylum, on the 27th inst, Mary McKay, aged 84 years. March 16th, John Conners, aged 85 years. Also, Celia Alexander, (colored), aged 78 years.

Suddenly, at Upper Kennetcook, on the 20th inst, of brain fever, John, eldest son of Daniel and Alice Dunn, aged 17 years and 6 months.

On Friday, Mrs. Martha Ann Tucker, (colored), aged 44 years.

At Meagher's Grant's, on the 22nd inst, Alexander Riach, in the 80th year of his age.

At Fall River, Halifax County, 25th inst, Philip Miller, aged 70 years.

At St. Mary's Bay, Feb. 27th, Cordelia Maria, daughter of James and Clarissa Warner; aged 3 years and 8 months.

On the 25th inst, Harriet Maxinor, widow of the late James Maxinor, in the 72nd year of her age.

At Hammonds Plains, on 29th March, 1868, at the advanced age of 82 years, Mr. Robert Thomson, respected by all who knew him, leaving an aged widow and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Tuesday, March 24.—Brig Fawn, Doat, Cienfuegos; brig's Kingston, Veale, Barbadoes; Annie M. Carey, Boston; schrs Royal Arch, Pushee, Ponce P. R.; Lizzie, Stephens, New York; Mary Kate, Mearns, New York; Flash, Hyson, Mahone Bay; Thistle, Larder, St. Pierre.

Wednesday, 25.—Brig Italia, Hayes, Boston.

Thursday, 26.—R M S City of Washington, Tibbitts, Liverpool; S S Carlotta, Magune, Portland.

Friday, 27.—R M S City of Cork, Phillips, New York; schrs Maria, Lassen, Boston; A. C. Major, Perry, Cape Negro; J. Morton, Smith, New York; Rival, Smith, Liverpool, N S; Messenger, Young, Lunenburg.

Saturday, 28.—R M S Merlin, Shaw, Newfoundland; schr J N S Nickerson, Barrington.

Sunday, 29.—No arrivals.

Monday, 30.—Steamer Acadia, Lees, Glasgow; brig Mary Olevia, (of Parrsboro), Corbett, Cienfuegos, for St. Johns, Nfld. Not being able to proceed, in consequence of the ice, put into this port. Was also at Louisburg, C B; schrs General Williams, LaHave; Stella Maria, St. Pierre; Seraph, Little Glace Bay; J R Kenney, Barrington; Harmony, Bagnall, Cape Breton.

Cleared.

Tuesday, 24.—Schrs Sentinel, Ross, Cardenas; Candour, Landry, St John, N B; Triumph, Rood, Fortune Bay, Nfld.

Wednesday, 25.—Brig America, Doody, Boston; schr Juliet, Simpson, St John, N B; J L Vogler, Smith, Boston; Sweepstake, Richards, do.

Thursday, 26.—R M S Alpha, Hunter, St Thomas; S S Carlotta, Magune, Portland; brig's Falcon, Ingraham, Trinidad; Chiefain, Langenburg, Cuba; schr Abby Alice, Vogler, Boston.

Friday, 27.—R M S City of Washington, Tibbitts, New York; R M S City of Cork, Phillips, Liverpool, G B; schrs Christopher, Harvey, St. Johns, Nfld; Curlew, Wiggins, Barrington; Island Belle, Bollong, Tangier.

Saturday, 28.—Brig's Kingston, Woods, Barbadoes; schrs John McKee, Getson, Western Banks; Pencil, Hornish, Port Medway and Liverpool.

Monday, 30.—Schrs Frank, McKinnon, F W Indies; Maria, Lassen, Porto Rico.

Memoranda.

A British brig (name not ascertained), from Halifax for Boston, was passed off Green Island, 19th, badly used up. She left port in September, since which she has been frozen up at different points on the coast; she had lost sails and part of deckload, and was badly cut up and scarred by the ice. She had a batch of rags spread for sails, and was making for Portland.

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