

A NEW TRANS-ATLANTIC ROUTE.

King Leopold, of the Belgians, it is reported, is engaged in an enterprise having for its object the founding of a new route for ocean travel between America and the Old World.

The fortieth parallel is comparatively free from the long storms besetting ocean courses, and icebergs rarely get so far south.

The new route, the Belgians claim, will be from 150 to 300 miles shorter than the route to Liverpool, and will have the Canary Islands as a sort of half-way station if necessary.

MISSIONS TO THE BURMESE.—The following from Mrs. George will be read with interest:—

ZEGONG, BURMA.

I am sure you will be glad to hear how perseveringly and patiently the sisters worked last rains to learn the "way more perfectly."

The following telegram appeared in one of our morning papers a few days since:—

Our Ottawa correspondent telegraphs that there will be no more Gilchrist scholarships for Canada after the present examination.

One of our contemporaries offers the following comment on this:—

"The reason, we assume, that the Gilchrist has proved unsatisfactory, is that the Lower Provinces have been taking nearly all the scholarships for Canada.

We can hardly think this would be a reason for such a decision.

COMMON SENSE AND TOTAL ABSTINENCE.—This is the way Robert Burdette, of the Hawkeye, puts the matter:—

"Just quit. Without oath, resolution, or promise. Simply quit. If you have a young man's weakness for wine or whiskey, as the railroad men say, 'Shut her off.' There is no trouble about it.

The brief epistles of Mr. Spurgeon from his sick room—to be read from the pulpit to his people are a remarkable feature in his relation to the large congregation in the Metropolitan Tabernacle.

Westwood, Upper Norwood, March 9.—Dear Friends,—I am greatly disappointed in being still unable to enter upon my work, but so it is.

A correspondent at North River, P. E. I., writes April 25th:—"The weather is very fine and warm. Snow almost disappeared.

Home News

Nova Scotia.

St. George's Society celebrated their anniversary by a brilliant procession as usual, headed by the band of the 63rd Regt.

The Civic Elections will take place to-day. The persons nominated are FOR MAYOR.

Edward Jennings, M. D., and J. C. Mackintosh.

FOR ALDERMEN.

Ward I.—T. R. Almond, M. D. and Benj. Pearson.

Ward II.—Duncan McDougall.

Ward III.—Wm. Crowe, and James E. Wilson.

Ward IV.—Patt. O'Mullin.

Ward V.—John Somers, M. D., and John McInnis.

Ward VI.—Wm. Taylor.

Aldermen McDougall and O'Mullin are re-elected; and Mr. W. Taylor, goes in by acclamation for Ward 6.

Herring Cove at the entrance of Halifax harbor has had a Life Boat for some time, but it has not been fully tried until Tuesday of last week.

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A destructive fire occurred on Sunday evening at the Mayflower Tobacco Factory in Cornwallis Street.

There were about sixty-five hands employed, they could turn out about 1,200 or 1,500 lbs. per day.

Another fire was reported at the same time of the above at the Halifax Hotel in the basement.

A Dairyman's Convention was formed at Truro on Friday last, the Rev. A. C. McDonald of Antigonish read a paper on Dairying on the previous day.

This is not the first charitable act of Captain Rood, and who always looks after the interest of the passengers committed to his care.

The patient has been taking it for some time and has improved in a most astonishing manner.

The Railway without on the track to St. John afforded an opportunity for a display of heroism on the part of a lady at Frosty Hollow.

Our railway travelling and mails from the Upper Provinces have been seriously interfered with by the freshets.

The Antigonish Casket says, it is expected that the export of cattle to Europe from that portion of the country, will be unusually large this year.

The Hon. Charles Dickie, M. L. C. died at Canning, on Monday of last week.

The "Northern Light" has of late been making shorter trips between Pictou and Georgetown.

The St. John Telegraph says the market is flooded with spurious maple sugar. Most of it comes from Westmorland and Kings counties.

Rev. John Eastman, a well known colored Baptist preacher, died a week or two since.

Rev. T. W. Crawley, of the Baptist Church at St. Andrews, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Milltown Baptist Church.

Stream driving operations are now in full blast on the Upper St. John and tributaries.

The Conspiracy case was before the Grand Jury at Toronto on Friday last and they returned a true bill against Wilkinson, Bunting, Kirkland and Meek.

The Canadian Pacific Railway have investigated on their own account the alleged discrepancy of duties between their vouchers and those of the Winnipeg Custom House.

In the Manitoba Legislature on Tuesday Mr. Norquay introduced a long resolution expressive of what they regarded as their rights in the way of claims to hold lands and build railways.

It is said that Mr. Brecken, M. P., will be appointed Lieut-Governor of P. E. Island on the expiration of Mr. Haviland's term.

Otto Koiz is to undertake, by direction of the Dominion Government, a topographical survey of the country between Winnipeg and Hudson's Bay.

There have been several prosecutions for violation of the liquor laws at Mahone Bay and Lunenburg.

BAPTIST BOOK ROOM AND TRACT SOCIETY.—Acadia College Memorial Volume, 65 cts. each, post paid.

CAPTAIN ROOD of the steamship, Edgar Stewart, has just brought to our notice a most remarkable case of a young lady who was a passenger with him some little time ago.

The captain seeing that she was very sick and having a very severe cough, gave her a bottle, that he had on board of Putner's Syrup Hypophosphites.

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The number of persons killed on rail ways in the Dominion last year was 169 and injured 530—quite an increase over the preceding year.

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THE BARRINGTON BAPTIST MEETING-HOUSE which for some months past has been undergoing completion, will be re-opened (D.V.), on the first Sabbath in May.

THE YEAR BOOK. The Baptist Year Book for the Maritime Provinces is now ready for distribution.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. Alex. McArthur.

NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH, GOTTINGEN STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Manning.

DARTMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 3 P. M.

TABERNACLE, NORTH BRUNSWICK ST.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. F. Avery.

AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH, CORNWALLIS STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M.

TREASURERS OF BAPTIST FUNDS. 1. CONVENTION FUNDS: Nova Scotia.—Rev. G. E. Day, M. D. Yarmouth.

2. HOME MISSION BOARD.—Rev. J. A. Gordon, Yarmouth.

3. FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD.—Chas. F. Clinch, Clinch Mills, N. B., Treasurer.

4. ACADIA COLLEGE AND HORTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY.—X. Z. Chipman, Esq., Wolfville.

5. INFIRM MINISTERS' RELIEF AND AID FUND.—Rev. E. M. Saunders, Halifax, N. S.

6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND.—Jno. W. Bards, Esq., Wolfville.

7. NOVA SCOTIA WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY.—Mrs. M. R. Selden, Halifax.

Money Received. J. Wheelock, \$5. E. M. Beckwith, \$6. J. D. Marsters, \$15.

The Postmaster requests us to make the number of our Post Office Box known to our correspondents.

The Baroness Burdett-Coutts has been nominated for election as a poor-law guardian for the East Ward of the parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green.

MAIL CONTRACT. SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on FRIDAY, 2nd May.

DEAN and SEUBENACADIE under a proposed contract for four years from the 1st July next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of Proposed Contract may be seen, and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices of Dean and Seubenacadie, or at the office of the subscriber.

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TO LET. HASTINGS HOUSE, 73 GRANVILLE ST. POSSESSION GIVEN 1st of MAY. Enquire of S. SELDEN, 71 Granville Street.

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RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES. Mrs. Wills, Pugwash, per Mrs. Bood..... \$1 00 Newport—Mrs. Levi Dimock..... 1 50 M. R. SELDEN, Treasurer. Halifax, April 29th, 1884.

Rev. Dr. Welton wishes us to say through the MESSENGER that after May 1st, and till further notice, his address will be Wolfville.

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