

The Packet Brigs *Acadian* and *Halifax* sailed for Boston on Monday, with apparently as usual full fares of passengers. During the present year there have been four regular packets sailing between the two ports. According to our estimate, these vessels have carried from this city about four thousand five hundred persons. It would be, we think, somewhat within the mark to assert, that two thousand more have left in transient vessels which have sailed hence for the several ports in the United States.—*Halifax Courier*.

**THE BERMUDA ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.**—By advertisement, the public are informed that the beautiful steam-propellers *Ospray* and *Falcon*, will keep up the communication between this port and the "Summer Islands," once a month during the present season. The clock-like regularity with which those splendid ships have performed their work, since they have been on the line, added to their elegant accommodations, and obliging Commanders, render them valuable auxiliaries to trade, and indispensable to the travelling public.—*ib.*

**ARRIVAL OF THE ADMIRAL.**—The line of battle Ship *Wellesley*, bearing the flag of Vice Admiral the Earl of Dundonald, G. C. B., Captain Goldsmith, from Halifax, arrived on Friday last. The *Wellesley* was accompanied by H. M. Steamer *Scourge*, commander A. Wingrove.—These vessels left Halifax on Sunday week, and kept company the whole time, occasionally towing each other. We are informed that the *Wellesley* towed the steamer for some time at the rate of ten miles per hour!!—*Bermuda Gazette*.

**BARBADOES, November 23.**—Accounts from the Garrison are still very deplorable. Yellow fever has carried great numbers of the men to the grave, and several officers have fallen victims to this awful disease. On Saturday we heard that there were sixty cases in Hospital. On that day five soldiers were buried. Several officers have been dangerously ill, amongst whom were Colonel Walters and Major Thronyke, but both these gentlemen, we are happy to hear, are convalescent. We hope the violence of the epidemic is beginning to decrease. Fever is not only in St Ann's; there are several cases in town, but whether it is yellow fever or not, we cannot say, except in the case of Captain Ross, residing on the River road, with his whole family, are now suffering from severe attacks.

Having had several years of great healthiness in this island, we cannot be surprised if there should be now a change. We have lately experienced several very damp nights and mornings, followed by extremely oppressive heat in the day; such transitions of weather being very likely to produce sickness.

We deeply regret to hear from a gentleman who has just come into town from the Garrison, that two officers more have sunk under the violence of the yellow fever—one died last night, and the other this day. Both these gentlemen were residing at Worthing. We are informed also, that two other officers are in a very low state, and likely to fall. One of the deceased officers, we learn, is Captain Hope, the other Lieutenant Lindsay, or Lindlay.

Died on Monday evening, the 6th instant, at Government House, Mary Ann, the beloved wife of His Excellency Charles Henry Darling, Lieutenant Governor of this Colony, in the 33rd year of her age. The lamented lady died of fever, and had been but a few days ill, the rapid inroads of the malignant disease being but too fatally accelerated by the tenderness of her constitution, which at the period of the attack was peculiarly delicate.—*St. Lucia Pall.*

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**THE ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH** is now ready for operation.—A beginning was made yesterday, and the line was found perfect as far as Calais. Something, however, is wrong between Calais and Bangor; but, no doubt, in a day or two, all will be made right. We noticed the Telegraph Office encircled all day yesterday, by a crowd of wondering observers; and this, certainly, even in an age of exciting marvels, is an invention to be wondered at.

When we consider the facility with which business messages can now be transmitted, and the command of markets thereby attained, we cannot but think this one of the greatest boons that could be conferred on a commercial community. Without it, indeed, we would have been quite behind the age. We are gratified to learn that one of our own folks is to be Operator here. Mr. Mount, late Sergeant in the Royal Artillery, who has been for some time engaged at Quebec, is to take charge of this Station.

**SNOW STORM.**—An exceedingly heavy snow storm, which commenced here on Wednesday night and continued all day on Thursday, accompanied by a strong north wind, has blocked up the roads to such an extent as to impede travelling very much. The Halifax Mail, due yesterday at noon, arrived about nine P. M.; but the United States and Saint Andrews Mails, due on Thursday evening, did not get in until after nine o'clock this morning. The Fredericton Mail was received about the usual hour to-day.

**ANOTHER INCENDIARY ATTEMPT.**—About a month since the house in Sewell Street, occupied by Mr. T. E. Millidge, received considerable injury from fire, which, after a careful examination of the chimney, was generally supposed to be the work of an incendiary, the opinion being strengthened by the fact of fire being discovered the day following on the top of the hay in a barn on the same premises. We have now to notice another diabolical attempt to set fire to the same dwelling house. About four o'clock on Wednesday morning last, some of the family perceiving smoke in

the house, search was immediately made by Mr. Millidge, and wood shavings and other combustibles were found to have been placed in an upper room, close to the roof, and set on fire. Owing to the timely discovery that was providentially made, the flames were extinguished before much damage was done.

On Wednesday a male servant, who sleeps in a room through which any person going to the place where the fire was found would have to pass and open a door against his bed, underwent an examination before His Worship the Mayor and Alderman Lockhart; but although some circumstances were found to be rather suspicious, yet there was nothing sufficiently positive to implicate him in so heinous a crime, and he was therefore discharged. He was found apparently asleep by Mr. Millidge. The Police should be instructed to keep a vigilant watch upon suspected parties and places, as a gold watch belonging to Mrs. Millidge, and other valuable articles, which were stolen at the first fire, are still missing. The watch was taken at the time from a young gentleman belonging to this City, by a lad who represented himself as living in the house. He has as yet eluded detection.

**FIRE IN PORTLAND.**—Between eleven and twelve o'clock last night, a fire broke out in a house on the east side of Simonds Street, Portland, owned by a Mr. Mealy, which was consumed, with four or five others, belonging, we are informed, to Messrs. Wark, Nelson, M'Candless, and Baird, before the progress of the flames could be arrested. A house belonging to a Mr. M'Intyre, adjoining those burned on the north, was much injured. Several of the owners of the buildings are said to be insured, but some sixteen or twenty families have by this calamity been turned out of doors at an inclement season of the year, each losing more or less of their effects. It was not until after much exertion that a fire engine was got over from the City, through the deep snow which encumbers the streets. The Portland engine, however, was early on the spot, and, as usual, did much good service.

We are rather surprised that the snow banks in front of some of the Engine Houses (if not all) in the City, are permitted to remain as obstructions to the getting out of the engines.

**CHOLERA IN NEW YORK.**—A man was attacked at 161 Washington Street, New York, with Cholera, and died on Wednesday, 20th instant. He was a German, about to take passage for Europe, and had been in company with some of the passengers by the New York, cholera ship, from Havre.

On Friday, 22d, the Health Officer at Quarantine reported seven new cases and three deaths by cholera, since the preceding day—all inmates of the hospital. No new case had occurred in the city.

A SINGULAR FACT is mentioned by Dr. S. R. Harris, late Health Commissioner. The packet ship *Henry the Fourth*, Capt. Pell, while crossing the Atlantic from Havre, in June, 1832, had the cholera break out on board in very nearly the same latitude and longitude as the *New York* was in when it broke out on board of that vessel.

**NOTICE TO MARINERS.**—The New Light House at Black Rock Point on the south shore of the Bay of Fundy in lat. 45 12, N., long. 64 39, W., is now in operation, and shows a plain white Light, 45 feet above sea level, at high water (rise and fall about 50 feet.) The building is square and painted white—small vessels resort for shelter, (at high water) to Kennedy's Breakwater,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile east of it, and at Given's Breakwater,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles westerly. It will be a guide for vessels in clear weather making Spencer's Island anchorage and the channel leading into the Basin of Minas. The following are bearings of the prominent head lands within view from the Light:

Long Point, south shore,	S. 86 $\frac{1}{2}$ deg. west.
To Givan's Breakwater,	S. 81 " west.
Isle of Haute,	N. 49 " west.
Cape Chignecto,	N. 21 " west.
Cape D'or,	N. 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ " east.
Spencer's Island,	N. 35 " east.
Cape Split,	N. 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ " east.
Range of shore towards } Hall's Harbour, }	N. 89 " east.

The New Light House on Hetty Point, or Cape Capstan, in lat. 45 35 N., long. 64 42 W., being the north side of the entrance of Apple River, on the south shore of Cumberland Bay, about 5 leagues above Cape Chignecto, is also in operation, and shows two Lights horizontally, when approaching it from the westward or seaward side. The lights are about forty feet above high water, (rise and fall about 55 feet.) The building is square and painted white, and is a conspicuous Beacon in day time to mark the entrance of Apple River, a place of resort for vessels of 100 tons, and under. The following bearings are given from the light:

To the Sisters' outermost head,	S. 61 deg. west.
Salmon River,	N. 9 " west.
Cape Enrage Light,	N. 41 " east.
Grindstone Island,	N. 51 " east.
Along shore, easterly,	N. 62 " east.

#### Died,

In this City, on Saturday morning last, after a lingering illness, Mr. John Williams, aged 49 years, leaving a Widow and six children to mourn their loss.

At Saint John, on Wednesday morning last, after a short illness, Captain William Wilson, Mariner, of London, in the 41st year of his age.