

The weather since our last, has been highly favourable to the Grain crop, which is fast becoming ripe for the sickle. The Potato crop has suffered more from the blight than we anticipated; yet we believe, as far as it can now be judged of, that there will be a tolerable good yield of that wholesome and indispensable esculent.—*Cape Breton News.*

The farmers in P. E. Island are receiving a rich reward of their toil this year. All sorts of crops are above the average.

The Montreal *Com. Advertiser* of Aug. 28 says:—"A child of four months old, of respectable French Canadian parents, met with a singular death on Monday night. It fell from its mother's arms during her sleep, and the string of its cap catching upon the post of a cot at the side of the bed, it was suspended and strangled. When the mother woke in the morning, she missed the child, and looking for it found it hanging dead. It was an only child."

The Canadian government has granted four million acres of land to aid in constructing a railroad from Quebec to Montreal, along the north shore of the St. Lawrence, to the city of Ottawa, and thence to Sault St. Marie. This road is to be completed within five years.

United States.

It is said that in cutting through Oliver street, in this city, for the purpose of extending the Bowery, a tomb-stone was exhumed, and a perfect skull found beneath it: the former bearing a Hebrew inscription dated about four centuries back, or nearly forty years before the discovery of the Western world by Columbus. If genuine, the relic was probably transported from Europe by some Jewish emigrant.—*Examiner.*

One hundred dollars damages were obtained, on the 12th ult., in Newark, N. J., for a breach of contract, made by the Overseers of the Poor and a farmer, which stipulated that an apprentice, bound by indenture to said farmer by the Board, should be taught to read and write, as provided by the statute. The boy was not so taught, and he sued the farmer, recovering the above verdict, all the law allowed.

Mrs. Ruhamah Birge, of Coventry, N. Y., recently deceased, continued to card, spin and weave one hundred yards of cloth a year, till she was ninety years of age! She lived to be 97, and when dying, she raised her hand and closed her own eyes.

One thousand men are said to be now at work on the Leviathan steamer building in London. It is expected in Portland, Me., in May next, and a large wharf is being built for its accommodation.

California.

TERRIBLE CONFLAGRATION.

On Saturday, the 13th inst., we witnessed the most terrible conflagration ever known in California, though California has become noted for its great fires. One city, Nevada, the largest and most flourishing mining city in the State, was totally destroyed by fire. Every church, and there were five, every banking-house, store, shop and grocery, save two fire-proof, lay smouldering in ruins. Our house of worship, the most beautiful church in any mountain, city or town in California, is no more. A court-house just completed at an expense of fifty thousand dollars, with all the county records is destroyed. Not a vestige of the county, town or city records is left. Eight of our citizens, young men in the prime of life perished in the flames, and many others were badly burned. Two of these young men, supposing their buildings fire-proof, voluntarily remained in them. Four others were in a fire-proof building as they supposed; closing the shutters until the flames cut off all hope of escape. Their bones were found side by side in the cellar of the building. There were twenty-six (so-called) fire-proof buildings, and only six withstood the test, and two of these were saved with great difficulty. A person who has never witnessed a California fire, can form no idea of this awful conflagration. In twenty minutes after the fire broke out our city seemed to be but a lake of fire. Men, women and children, fleeing for their lives in every direction. Mothers, with two or three children in their arms, hastening from their dwellings, without saving a garment except their present attire. Not less than 500 buildings, covering an area of 100 acres, were consumed in less than one hour and a half. The fire broke out about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the heat of the sun was most oppressive, when every thing was as dry as the sun could make them. We had had no rain for about three months. Besides, our lumber is all full of pitch, and our buildings lined from top to bottom with cotton canvass instead of being lathed and plastered. A high wind arose as the fire broke out, and the flames rolled like an ocean wave from building to building. More than one-half of our citizens have lost all they possessed.

There were husbands and fathers who had wives and children in the Atlantic States, who had been looking anxiously for their return. They had promised again and again that they would return home, and they had now made a little fortune and were soon to leave for home. But now all is swept away.—*W. & R.*

Letters Received.

J. H. Douglas, 5th, 1 sub., rem. J. Lyman, 22nd, rem. Rev. W. Chipman, 3rd, rem.—When shall we commence sending the two copies to C. P. P. Rev. C. Tupper, 5th, rem.—It is for Gilbert P., not George. Rev. J. A. Stubbart, rem. Rev. Jas. Parker—J. E. C. M. is sent regularly in the parcel to C. R. Bill, Esq. A. Marshall, 8th, rem.—Accept thanks. W. T. Waterman, 6th, rem. H. Eagles, 3rd, rem. W. North, 9th. J. Farquharson, 4th. I. Thurber, 9th, rem.

Rev. A. Hunt's letter received this morning. Will give a full explanation next week.

Our Subscribers in New Brunswick, and others who are in arrears for the Christian Messenger, are respectfully requested to pay the amounts due, to Rev. Mr. Tupper, at the Convention at Portland, on Saturday the 20th, and following days.

Received for Foreign Mission, from "A friend to the cause", £1. D. W. C. DIMOCK.

ERRATA.—In the Minutes of the Western Association on 3rd page, after "Rev. J. J. Skinner, Clerk," read "Rev. James Spencer, Assistant Clerk," on 20th page read "Geo. Armstrong, Secretary," and "Hugh Ross, Gaelic Missionary." Those who preserve their Minutes will please make these corrections with their pen.

NOTICES.

The members of the Executive Committee of the Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society are hereby notified that there will be a meeting of the Committee at Wolfville, on Wednesday, the 1st day of October next, at 3 o'clock, p. m.

A. S. HUNT, Secretary.

The Church at Hammond's Plains intend holding a protracted meeting, to commence on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 3 o'clock, p. m. Ministering brethren and others are affectionately invited to attend. And we do most earnestly pray that they may come to our assistance in the spirit and power of the gospel.

T. H. PORTER, Pastor.

A Quarterly Meeting will be held with the Baptist Church at Amherst, in the Chapel at Amherst Corner on Monday, October 20th at 2 o'clock p. m.

D. MCKEEN.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

The Board of Governors will meet in St. John, N. B., on Saturday evening, the 20th inst., at seven o'clock. A full attendance is particularly requested.

J. M. CRAMP, Secretary.

Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

CORRECTED FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPT. 16.

Bread, Navy, per cwt.	22s. 6d.
" Pilot, per bbl.	22s. 6d.
Beef, Prime, Ca.	60s.
" " N. S.	50s. a 55s.
Butter, Canada, per lb.	11d.
" " N. S.	1s. 1d.
Coffee, Laguira, "	8d.
" Jamaica, "	8d.
Tea, "	1s. 5d.
Flour, Am. spf. per bbl.	38s. 9d. a 41s. 3d.
" Canada spf. "	42s.
" Rye, "	2s.
Cornmeal, "	18s. 6d.
Indian Corn, "	none.
Melasses, Mus. per gal.	2s. 3d.
" Clayed, "	1s. 9d.
Pork, Prime, per bbl.	100s.
" Mess, "	115s.
Sugar, Bright P. R., per cwt.	51s. 3d. a 52s. 6d.
Bar Iron, com.	18s.
Hoop, "	25s.
Sheet, "	30s.
Codfish, large, per qt.	17s. 6d.
" small, "	14s.
Salmon, No. 1, per bbl.	100s.
" " 2, "	90s.
" " 3, "	80s.
Mackerel, No. 1, "	100s.
" " 2, "	60s.
" " 3, "	27s. 6d.
Herrings, " 1, "	17s. 6d.
Alewives, "	12s.
Haddock, "	30s.
Coal, Sydney, per chal.	21s. 6d.
Fire Wood, per cord,	

PRICES AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, SEPT. 16.

Fresh Beef, per cwt.	30s. a 40s.
Oatmeal, "	15s.
Pork, Fresh, per lb.	none.
Veal, "	4d. a 5d.
Lamb, "	4d. a 5d.
Bacon, "	7d. a 8d.
Butter, "	1s. 1d. a 1s. 2d.
Cheese, "	6d. a 7d.
Eggs, per dozen,	10d. a 1s.
Poultry—Chickens,	2s. 6d.
" Geese, none	
" Ducks, "	
Turkeys, "	
Calf-skins, per lb.	6d.
Yarn, "	2s. 6d.
Potatoes, per bushel,	4s. a 4s. 6d.
Apples, per barrel,	20s.
Plums, "	15s. a 25s.
Homepun Cloth, (wool,) per yard,	2s. 6d.
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On Saturday morning, 13th inst., by the Rev. R. F. Umanek, Mr. Thomas P. Studd, late of England, to Martha Maria, daughter of Wm. Johns, Esq., of this city.

On Thursday evening, by the Rev. P. G. McGregor, Mr. C. Miller, of Truro Road, to Miss Christy Cameron, of Caledonia, St. Mary's.

At Newport, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. H. M. Spike, Mr. Augustus O. Creighton, of this city, to Eliza, third daughter of the late John Cochran, Esq., of the former place.

By the Rev. A. Martell, on the 4th inst. in the Baptist Meeting-house Milton, Queen's Co. Mr. William Hall, to Miss Elizabeth Mc. Donald, both of Milton, Queen's Co.

On the 8th inst., at Vernon Cottage, by the Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, Mr. Thos. David Davison, of Port-au-Pique, to Miss Sarah Amelia Fletcher, of Londonderry.

At the Baptist Meeting-house, Aug. 21st by Elder George Richardson, Mr. Richardson Dobson, to Miss Susan third daughter of the late William Evans, both of Sydney.

At Pugwash, on the 4th ult., by the Rev. E. F. Foshay, Capt. John James, to Anne second daughter of Levi W. Eaton, Esq.

Capt. James and Lady left immediately for Liverpool, G. B. in the Barque *Palmitta*, built and owned by the bride's father.

On the 6th of August, at Owen Sound, Canada, by the Rev. Peter McDonald, Richard Judson, son of Elder John Doyle, formerly of N. S., to Miss Mary Stevens, all of Owen Sound.

Died.

On Sunday, the 7th inst., Mr. Alexander Kevil, aged 50 years.

On the 8th inst., Elizabeth Mary, wife of Capt. Henry Cleverly, in the 36th year of her age.

On the 12th inst., Mr. Michael McDuff, aged 42 years.

On the 12th, after a short but severe illness John, son of Anne and the late Nicholas Lynch, in the 8th year of his age.

Suddenly, on the 4th inst., Wm. George Haile, aged 12 years.

At Jacksonville, Florida, Sept. 4th, Wm. M. Campbell, Esq., son of the late Hugh Campbell, Esq., Merchant of this city.

At Truxillo, Honduras, Central America, July 15th, Charles McCully, son of the late Wm. McCully, of Truro, N. S., in the 28th year of his age.

Suddenly, at Wilmet, on the 28th ult., Leander Balcom, aged 3 years.

On the 7th inst., of Diarrhea, after a few hours sickness Joseph Balcom, aged 5 years sons of Mr. William Balcom.

At Clements, on July 19th, Urania Francis, wife of Mr. William Berry, in the 20th year of her age. Her end was peace.

Also, Solomon Potter, son of Mr. David Potter, in the 3rd year of his age.

At Cornwallis, on the evening of the 31st ult., after a tedious and painful illness of nearly nine months, Sarah, widow of the late Stephen Rand. For many years Mrs. R. was a member of the 1st Baptist Church at Cornwallis, and was highly and deservedly esteemed for her amiable christian character. During her long and painful illness, her mind was constantly cheered and strengthened by the enjoyment of the presence of her Saviour. She met the last enemy in the triumph of faith, affording to all who witnessed the scene, the most pleasing testimony of the power of Divine Grace, to afford a true and glorious victory. Two sons survive to mourn their loss.—May it be sanctified to their spiritual good.—*Com. for the C. M.*

Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, September 9th.—Brigt Mary Ann, Balcom, Sydney, C. B.; schrs Lima, do; Hector, Fraser, do; Sophia, Newfoundland, 6 days; Cherub, Bears, Miramichi, 8 days—J. & M. Tobin; Planet, Crowell, New York, 10 days; Queen of the Isles, Magdalen Isles—J. B. Fay; John, do; Alexander, Shelmut, Bathurst, 6 ds; Eugenia, Fishing Banks—Allison & Co.

WEDNESDAY, 10th.—Packet brig America, O'Brien, Boston, 3 days—B. Wier & Co.—50 passengers; brig Eclipse, Martell, Sydney, 6 days; H. M. S. Brilliant, Capt. Paynter, Portsmouth; Govt. schr Daring, Daly, from a cruise on the Western Coast; schrs Sylvia, Young, Lunenburg, 5 1/2 hours; Cygnus, Brown, Bay Chaleur; Three Brothers, Nearing, Nfld.—Allison & Co.; J. C. Archibald, Martell, Sydney; Village Bride, Smith, Lahave, 24 hours—P. Powell & Co; Emma, Muggah, Sydney—B. Wier & Co.

THURSDAY, 11th.—Brigt Eclipse, Mitchell, New York, 4 days—Creighton & Grassie; brig General Canrobert, Pictou, bound to U. States; schrs Splendid, Perry, Roseway; Eliza Hooper, McKenzie, L'Ardoise; British Queen, Fye, Newfoundland.

FRIDAY, 12th.—R. M. Steamers Niagara, Leitch, Boston, 42 hours—100 passengers, 13 for Halifax—was detained off the harbour 10 hours; Cambria, Moodie, Liverpool, 12 1/2 days—97 passengers, 20 for Halifax; bark Halifax, Laybold, Boston, 2 days—Young & Hart—35 passengers; H. M. S. Pyades, Capt. D'Eyncourt, from a cruise to the coast of Newfoundland; schrs Benice, Griffin, Bay Chaleur; Melbourne, Norris, New York, 5 days—Essex, Boak & Co; brig Union, Perry, do 10 ds—T. A. S. DeWolf; brig Mary, Dobbie, Ponce, P. R.—18 days—T. C. Kinnear & Co; schr Eliza Hooper, McKenzie, Cape Breton.

SATURDAY, 13th.—R. M. S. Arabia, Stone, Liverpool, 8 1/2 days—114 passengers, 8 for Halifax; steamship Khersonese, Powell, Liverpool via St. John's, N.F., 20 1/2 days—38 cabin and 117 steerage passengers; brig Onward, Banks, St. John's, P. R., 20 days—G. H. Starr & Co.

SUNDAY, 14th.—Brigt Halifax, Turner, Antigua, 16 days—B. Wier & Co; brig Ranger, Paynter, Turks Island, 16 days—Frith & Harvey.

MONDAY, 15th.—Brigt R. B. Porter, Sealing, Liverpool, G. B., 30 days—T. A. S. DeWolf; schrs Isabella, Hadley, Guysborough, 7 days—Allison & Co; Eclipse, Simpson, P. E. Island—do; Inkermann, King, Richmond, Va., 12 days—Salter & Twining; Mary, Pitts, Newfoundland, 7 days; Pictou Packet, Curry, Pictou—Essex, Boak & Co; James, Walsh, Fortune Bay, Nfld.—J. A. Moren; Nautilus, Murray, Burin, Nfld.—J. & M. Tobin.

Cleared.

TUESDAY, September 9th.—C. W. Wright, Dickson, Montreal; Active, Armer, Boston; Magnet, Lewis, New York; British Tar, Mullock, North Bay; Gaz, Palmer, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

WEDNESDAY, 10th.—New schr Quickstep, Dorman, Boston.

THURSDAY, 11th.—R. M. Steamers Ospray, Corbin, Sydney and Newfoundland; Niagara, Leitch, Liverpool; brig Velocity, Mann, B. W. Indies; brig Velocipede, McDonald, Cuba; schrs Clara, Langlade, Montreal; Dart, King, Fortune Bay; Brilliant, Seaboyer, West Indies.

FRIDAY, 12th.—Brigt Kaloolah, Hays, Brazil; Clyde, Lovett, Canada; schr Augusta Parker, Smith, Boston; R. M. S. Cambria, Moodie, Boston.

SATURDAY, 13th.—R. M. S. Arabia, Stone, Boston; Flirt, Walsh, Magdalen Islands; Planet, Kenny, Gaspe; Odd Fellow, Young, F. W. Indies; Harriet Newall, Parsons, Bay St. George, Nfld.

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