

It almost equals Paris, New York and Brooklyn combined into one. You can drive fifteen miles on one of its diameters. When, in my college boy days, I once went out to pay my respects to Joanna Baillie, the eminent authress, who lived near Hampstead Hill, I walked clear out of town and over open fields. I am now staying at the hospitable house of our friend, the Rev. Newman Hall, who resides on the same Hampstead Hill, in the midst of compactly built streets.

Rev. W. F. Belcher, a Moravian Missionary at Berea, South Africa, writes that the schools were never in a more flourishing condition. The latest reports show that there are 2000 scholars against 1000 in 1870. There is a general movement in the colony respecting education. A Normal High School will be established at Wellington to educate young ladies for governesses, to teach the farmers' children. A similar school is to be established in the eastern part of the colony. The Fulgros, beyond the frontiers of the colony, are also about to open a seminary, for which purpose they agreed to pay five shillings a head.

A missionary at Monastir, European Turkey, writes: "I noticed the other day, in one of the warehouses, quite a number of barrels of Boston rum. I think America sends to this city more rum than gold or specie. In making calls on New Year's day and other holidays, I have frequently seen New England rum offered to guests."

Although one of the most active in the cause of Christian missions, the Moravians are not only one of the smallest, but one of the poorest bodies in Christendom. From an English paper, it seems that their Boards are in debt some twenty-three thousand dollars. In addition to this, they have just sustained a heavy loss by the wreck, on the Mosquito coast of Central America, of two missionary vessels, the *Messenger of Peace* and the *Mata*. The former of these, cost seven thousand dollars, which was mainly raised by the contributions of Sunday school children in the United States. Contributions from any source are in order.

The News and the Press.

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 11, 1874.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Diphtheria is prevalent in Catham....Dorchester has *declined* not to have a new Court House at present....The *Carleton Sentinel* says that an immense amount of capital in lots is scattered along the river, lying on the banks, islands and bars, which, in all probability, must, to a large extent be lost in the spring. The value of these lots is estimated to reach \$50,000....Fredericton has an employment bureau....The *St. Croix Courier* states that Mr. Henry Bull, who lately died at Andrews, was a nephew of Mr. Gladstone....The *Penwick* says that Mr. Theriault's election to the Local House has been set aside, in consequence of there having been no legally prepared voting lists....The Military School opened at Fredericton with eleven cadets....The Westmorland County Court met on Tuesday....A new freight house is to be constructed at Sackville....Bar (coloured), charged with killing Tom in Sheffield street a few weeks ago, has been found guilty of manslaughter, and sentenced to three years in the Penitentiary....The *Gloucester* says diphtheria has been causing sad ravages in this county, and that the Province stricken three children by this disease have been taken to work on Mr. Alex. Barnhill's new mill, Pleasant Point, on the site of the one recently destroyed by fire is being pushed forward energetically....On Monday the carriage of Bishop Sweeney, and books belonging to the Rev. Messrs. Murray and Chapman, were sold for taxes, the former realizing \$210, and the latter \$37.75....A physician is to be in attendance at the Board of Health office, in this city, every Tuesday and Friday, between four and five o'clock, p. m., who will vaccinate, without charge, all poor persons.

NOVA SCOTIA.—Rev. Dr. Warren, Curate of St. Paul's Halifax, died Thursday afternoon last, after a very short illness....Judge Lowell decided to hold John Dugan, who was brought before him on a charge of murder preferred by a detective officer named Hutt, which crime was committed in Clair, Digby County, in the Province of Nova Scotia. The man was remanded to jail to await the official requisition....A Halifax telegram states that Hon. Mr. McElphie of the Nova Scotia Government, died on Saturday, at noon....A firm doing business under the name of "John McMillan, Brothers," at Isaac's Harbor, Guysboro, have been acted in the sum of \$31.50 for violation of the Act for the preservation of game, three moose hides have been found in their possession....Amos Purdy was selected by a Liberal Convention held on Wednesday evening at Amherst, as a candidate....A six year old cow recently killed near Yarmouth, N. S., is believed to be the largest ever raised in that vicinity. The best weighed 664 lbs.; the hide, 96 lbs., and the tallow (after being "tried"), 624 lbs....On Thursday, 26th ult., Capt. B. N. Banks had a very narrow escape from death near Falmouth, Hants County. He and his son were out in a large boat; when at the mouth of Church's Creek the boat stuck in the mud, and Capt. Banks attempted to wade ashore, but sunk in the mud up to the armpits, where he remained, supported by an oar, over three hours before assistance reached him. If assistance had not soon arrived, the incoming tide would have drowned him....The yield of apples throughout this province this year has been remarkably large. We learn that the quantity exported from the Annapolis valley alone, exceeded 300,000 barrels....A dwelling-house owned by George H. Croakill, Carleton street, Halifax, was badly damaged by fire on Sunday evening about half past five. The furniture was pretty much all destroyed. Mr. Croakill had \$3,200 insurance on the house and \$800 on the furniture....The *Halifax Chronicle* states that Messrs. G'reisbair & Burpee, for the building of the railway from New Glasgow to the Straits of Canso, are taking energetic measures to carry on the work....The schooner *Cordelia* cleared the 23rd of November for Margareville, Annapolis County, with liquor and other cargo....On the 27th the vessel was found ashore on Black Point, near Shelburne, wrecked and abandoned, and the cabin furniture and stores carried off. The impression in Halifax is that the cargo was snuggled into some port alongside, the vessel being then taken to sea, scattered and abandoned.

NOVA SCOTIA ELECTIONS.—THE CANDIDATES.—The following are the candidates for the coming election in the different counties, as far as at present no minuted:—

HALIFAX.

Gov't.—P. C. Hill, Edward Parrel, Donald Archibald.
Opp.—V. J. A'mon, Mr. J. Griffin, Robert Sedgewick.

COLCHESTER.

Gov't.—Fr. d. Putnam and Thomas Morrison.
Opp.—John B. Dickie and W. A. Paterson.

PICTOU.

Opp.—S. Holmes, Hugh Cameron, Alexander McKay.

LENUNGBURG.

Gov't.—James Glenahar. W. B. Desbrisay.

GUTSBOURG.

Gov't.—W. H. W. v. d. C. M. Frenchville.
Opp.—Stewart Campbell.

VICTORIA.

Gov't.—D. McDurdy
Uncertain.—Mr. Fraser and Mr. Morrison.

CAPE BRETON.

Gov't.—Alonso White
Hon. J. Ferguson.

ELI NGES.

Gov't.—Henry Shaw
Opp.—D. B. Woodward
and W. A. Porter.

ANTIGO NISH.

Gov't.—Messrs. D. McDonald and Joseph Mc-McDonald (old members).

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