

BELLEVILLE.

	7 a. m.	1 a. m.	9 a. m.	Max.
Oct. 10th	46.2	50.7	40.0	58.0
" 11th	33.5	42.7	33.2	44.2
" 12th	33.3	44.0	48.0	48.0
" 13th	No Observations.			
" 14th	42.7	48.0	34.9	50.5
" 15th	33.6	43.7	40.0	50.0
" 16th	41.7	45.7	37.2	48.3
" 17th	32.1	45.6	51.7	51.7
" 18th	41.8	53.3	43.4	54.4
" 19th	41.4	44.6	33.3	46.0
Average.....	38.5	46.5	40.6	50.1

DUNVEGAN TO ST. JOHN.

7 a. m.			
23.00		47.00	9.00 p. m.
37.00		53.00	7.30 p. m.
	Noon in shade.		
	70.00	37.00	6.00 p. m.
	1 p. m.		
	73.00	38.00	8 00 p. m.
		49.00	8 00 p. m.
	Noon.		
	61	40.00	7.45 p. m.
		47.00	8.45 p. m.
		49.00	8.00 p. m.
		31.00	8.00 p. m.
	1.45 p. m.		
26.00	43.00	34.00	8 30 p. m.
		42.5	

"It will be seen by the above table that there were only four degrees difference between the temperature of Belleville at 1 p. m. and Dunvegan at about 8 p. m., while the temperature at noon could not have been less than 60° on an average.

"In a pamphlet published last year, at Ottawa, by Malcolm McLeod, Esq., there is a table given, comparing the summer temperature of Dunvegan with that of Toronto; and while the average of the latter

for six months is 54.87, the former is 54.44 or only half a degree lower, though Dunvegan is more than twelve degrees farther north. This shows that 1872 was not an exceptional year."

We might quote much more to the same effect, but these appear to be governing facts, and their importance as affecting the position of the Dominion of Canada this continent cannot be over estimated.

Post Office of the Dominion.

NEW POSTAL CONVENTION.

A postal convention of the greatest importance has been made by the Postmaster General of Canada and the Postmaster General of the United States, to take effect on February 1st, 1875. It is in substance as follows:—

Each country shall retain its own postage; that is, the money it collects.

A common rate of postage on all mail matter (except parcels and samples) throughout Canada and the United States; that is a letter not over ½ oz. stamped with 3 cents postage in Canada, or 1 cent post card will pass to any part of the United States, without additional postage; and the same with a letter or postcard posted in the United States for any part of Canada.

As regards other mail matter to the United States, the ordinary Canadian rates will be charged. This applies to newspapers from the office of publication, transient newspapers and written and miscellaneous matter of all kinds. No additional charge will be made in the United States.

All mail matter for the U. States, and vice versa, for Canada, must be fully prepaid, or it will not be forwarded, but sent to the Dead Letter Office, with the words "unpaid" or "insufficiently paid" marked on it.

Each country will transmit the domestic mails of the other in closed pouches through its own territory free of charge.

No accounts will be kept between the Post Offices of the two countries in regard to international correspondence.

The charge for the registration of letters to the United States will be 5 cents as heretofore. And it is believed that an arrange-

ment will shortly be made to include *bona fide* closed packages with samples.

On a specific number of letters sent there will of course be some diminution of revenue to both countries from this agreement. The Postmaster General of the U. States estimates this at about \$20,000 a year on the present correspondence. We have not yet the estimate of the Canadian Postmaster-General on this point, and he will probably not make explanations till Parliament meets. But so great a boon as increased postal facilities between two contiguous countries is not to be set against a slight diminution of revenue. It is besides probable that the augmentation of correspondence will prevent diminution of revenue.

We understand that it is the intention to extend an arrangement of this nature to other countries if practicable.

LETTER RATE.

Prepaid 3 c. per ½ oz, unpaid 5 c. per ½ oz., if partially paid the unpaid portion will be charged on delivery; when re-directed no further charge; if forwarded from Dead Letter Office 3 c. additional, and 2 c. when delivered by carriers, except in those cities in which the free postal delivery by carriers is established.

It is, however, to be observed that letters for the United States are an exception from the above rule as to partial payment. They must be fully paid or they will not be forwarded.

Post Cards within the Dominion and to and from the United States.

Postage Cards circulate in the Dominion and to and from the United States, at 1 c. each.