

RELIGIOUS.

METHODIST.

The Rev. John Wier of Coburg Road church was married last week to Miss Dauphine of Lunenburg. We wish the young couple every happiness.

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church which meets in 1888, will be held in New York.

A very successful bazaar was lately held by the Methodist Church of Fredericton, in aid of the organ fund. The proceeds amounted to \$800.

The foundation stones of the English Memorial Chapel, to the memory of Rev. Dr. Punshon, were laid at Bournemonth, Eng., on the 12th of June. The cost of the building is expected to amount to \$40,000.

BAPTIST.

There seems to be a great dearth of Baptist pastors in Prince Edward Island. It is reported that fourteen out of twenty churches are without ministers.

The Eastern Nova Scotian Association was held at Onslow, on the 11th inst.

Miss Wright is in much better health, according to the latest advices from India.

A very hearty and unanimous call has been extended by Teicoster Street Church, St. John, to the Rev. J. A. Gordon, of Milton, Yarmouth, who has intimated his intention to accept. He will enter upon his duties next month.

CATHOLIC.

Right Rev. Dr. William Walsh, who has been appointed Catholic Archbishop of Dublin, was born in that city in 1841. In 1856, he entered the Catholic University there, which had been established a few years earlier and was then under the rectorship of John Henry Newman. He passed a highly creditable examination, winning a scholarship in Mathematics from twenty competitors. Before he had completed the third year of his Arts course, he entered Maynooth College, and there distinguished himself in Greek, German, Logic, and Moral Philosophy. In 1864, he had completed the course there, but was too young to be ordained. He therefore passed into the Dunboyne Establishment where he spent three years in special studies. Since 1867, he has been a professor in Maynooth—at one time of Canon Law, afterwards of Hebrew and Sacred Scripture, &c.—and upon the death of Dr. Russell he became President of that institution. He has written "De Actibus Humanis," "Exposition of the Land Act of 1881," and other works. He has written several powerful magazine articles upon philosophical, scientific, and literary subjects. His intimate acquaintance with the physical sciences as evinced by some of his writings has won him compliments from such scientists as Tyndall, Sir Wm. Thompson and St. George J. Mivart.

The Jesuits are said to have seventeen astronomical observatories south of the equator.

The Catholic priests of Paris are trying hard to get a mandate prohibiting the insulting demonstrations of the "Anti-Deists," a society having for its avowed object the abolition of all religion and the institution of a state religion. The "Anti-Deists" have drawn up "thirty-one articles of faith, one of which distinctly asserts, that in the interests of French progress the superstitious belief in God and Christ should be removed from the minds of the rising generation of Frenchmen; while another declares that it is laudable to endeavor by all possible means to destroy the influence of the clergy and to prevent people from assembling in churches to sing the praises of a supreme being who exists only in their imagination. Mgr. Guibert, Arch bishop of Paris, says that the new society will for a time flourish in Paris, but not throughout France.

There are more Roman Catholics in New York City than in any other city in the world.

PRESBYTERIAN

Zion Church, Charlottetown, was re-opened last Sunday. Rev. Dr. Burns of this city preached on the occasion.

The death of Rev. Alex. Munro of Valleyfield, P. E. I., took place last week at the residence of his son-in-law, Rev. Wm. Bayne, of Middle Musquedoboit. For nearly a third of a century the deceased labored on the Island. He has one son in the ministry, who is pastor of the Antigonish congregation.

The Rev. John A. McDonald, who is settled in California, is spending a short vacation amongst his old friends in Pictou.

Rev. A. L. Wylie has on account of ill health tendered his resignation as pastor of Grove Church of this city. He is at present on a visit to Cape Breton.

Principal Grant of Kingston is at present in Cape Breton. It is his intention to remain on the Island for some months. We trust that an opportunity will be given his many friends in Halifax to hear him preach, before his return to Kingston.

The Rev. Wm. Hamilton, late of Scotland, has received a cordial call from the congregation at Richibucto. It is likely that the reverend gentleman will accept.

The Rev. J. C. Quinn of Bathurst has received an appointment from the Home Mission Board to labor in the North-West. He will shortly leave for his new field.

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