

## The Church Times.

HALIFAX, SATURDAY, OCT. 24. 1857.

## DAY OF FAST AND HUMILIATION.

WEDNESDAY the 7th October, was appointed by Her Majesty to be kept as a Day of Fast and Humiliation throughout the United Kingdom, consequent upon the events in India. The public mind has been for some time prepared for such an occasion, which judging from the tone of the public journals, will have been devoutly and religiously observed by every Christian persuasion.

In accordance with the above worthy example, and probably by command, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has appointed Friday next, the 30th inst. to be kept as a day of Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer, in this Province.

We hope that the people of Nova Scotia will come to the observance of the day appointed fully impressed with the seriousness of the occasion.—Forming a portion of that great nation with whom the destinies of the richest possessions of the East have been entrusted, we are implicated in her transgressions, and in her sins of omission and commission—we still more deeply feel ourselves a sharer in her calamities—and we ought to feel an equal interest in her supplications to the Throne of Grace. Nor yet will it be inappropriate to mingle with our sense of the national backslidings, a conviction that our own doings are not pure in the sight of Him who abhorreth iniquity. It will become us all to ask forgiveness of our sins as a people—and to pray earnestly that those seeds of contention and strife which prevail in this Province, and affect and mar His gracious designs towards us, may be abated, that peace may dwell within our walls, and prosperity be allowed to diffuse itself over the land.

## LATEST NEWS.

THE news by the Steamship *Europa* does not add much of interest to our previous advices. India is still the all engrossing topic. The public mind is becoming more highly excited as each mail arrives from the East, and as yet nothing has transpired which can lead to any favorable anticipation with reference to the position in which the British garrisons there are placed. But though the reality of their condition is a strong test of human endurance, it affords no ground for despair. Lucknow still holds out, with a hope of relief. The besiegers of Delhi had been strengthened by the arrival of reinforcements, and more were on the way, and it was confidently asserted that the assault would take place about the 20th of August—and as it will not be made without a full knowledge of the rebel resources, and a due calculation of the necessary means to achieve the conquest, we feel confident that it will be successful. The British nation with a truer conception than hitherto of the work before it, appears to have set itself with the unswerving resolution which is so conspicuous a quality of the national character, to accomplish it thoroughly. No confidence appears to be placed in any part of the native force which still professes to adhere to British interests—all have been more or less imbued with the conspiracy—and those which rejected it at first, every now and then show signs of wavering. Truest among them, and seemingly worthy of dependence, are our latest enemies the Sikhs, and as they were the most valiant, and the best disciplined of the native races, so their faithfulness at the present crisis, is the more remarkable. It may perhaps be less owing to their not regretting their lost independence, than that out of the present confusion they see no way of permanently regaining it. Gratitude for the introduction of a more equitable government, may have something to do with it. A profound impression of British power too recently felt by the present generation to be yet eradicated, much more. Or probably the real cause is the religious animosity that alienates the Sikh and the Brahmin. From whatever cause springs their latent attachment they do good service, joined with a strong thievish propensity. The British in India have long had to deal with very refractory material—and this will always show itself when it is desired to impose the genius and spirit of the conquerors upon the obstinately opposing prejudices of the conquered people—and the more strongly when the latter are to the former in the proportion of a thousand to one. If there is any consolation to be derived from present circumstances, it is that the state of things might have been much worse. The intention of the conspiracy is now known to have been the massacre of every European in the country, which was only prevented by its premature explosion at Meerut; and the frustration of this diabolical scheme may thus be ascribed to that over-

ruling Providence, in whose benedict designs for the future of the millions of India, under the protection and government of our beloved country, we may still implicitly trust.

## D. C. S.

THE Sub-committee appointed to consider the general question of assistance to Parishes of long standing which may be impoverished by the unavoidable withdrawal of foreign aid, beg to report, that, while looking to the employment of additional missionaries in new settlements as the first objects of the Society, they entertain the opinion that it is expedient, and greatly to be desired, that the D. C. S. should, as far as possible supply all the deficiencies in the old, especially during the first stages of such a reverse; but that with the present limited income of the Society, such a thing is altogether impracticable.

The Sub-committee would urge it as a new motive for the more strenuous exertions and the larger liberality of Churchmen, that, in the future, we may be in the position to meet such emergencies.

The Sub-committee are aware that it is unnecessary to recommend, that, when it shall please God to put it into the hearts of Churchmen to place larger funds at the disposal of the D. C. S., the work of partial endowment should commence with the most destitute settlements and ill-provided parishes; but, they may be permitted to express the hope that in the City, and in Towns with larger means and a more enlightened population; a generous spirit of independence and a Christian spirit of love to others, will render the action of the Society altogether unnecessary in their behalf.

At present there are some Missions in this Diocese where the incumbents have a smaller stipend than the Assistant Missionaries of the D. C. S., and where the deep poverty of the people preclude the hope of much increase for many years to come; and should it be found that the income of the Society is in excess of its expenditure, there is no doubt with the Sub-committee that they should be the first objects of consideration.

The Sub-committee, therefore, recommend that a correct list be obtained of all the Parishes and Missions where the whole revenue of the Minister is under £150 a year, in order that a scale may be constructed to guide the Society in their distribution of aid to such poor or destitute places.

## UNITED STATES.

The R. M. Steamship *Niagara*, arrived here on Thursday night last from Boston. There has been very little improvement in Monetary affairs. Chicago had been visited with a very destructive conflagration, which destroyed property to the amount of \$600,000,—several firemen were killed. The steamer *Tropic* sunk in the Missouri river on 18th inst.—several lives were lost.

New York, Oct. 19—6 P. M.—Our financial and business affairs continue to improve. Stocks of all kinds took a further advance at the First Board. New York State gaining an average advance of 9 per cent. Specie is almost unsaleable at a premium. The rates of domestic exchange are quite irregular, but the bulk of Eastern is done at about 3 per cent. Our importers have commenced the work of reshipping British goods from the bonded warehouses, there being no market for them.

Boston, Oct. 21.—The pressure in the Money market appears to be releasing a little, and there is a glimmer of light for the future, but as yet uncertain and flickering. The Stock market is firmer and gaining strength gradually.

A farewell missionary service was held at Temperance Hall on Wednesday evening. It was under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, and in honor of the departure of Rev. Mr. Matheson, one of their Ministers, on a mission to the New Hebrides.

The Reverend Superintendent of Education has been engaged in holding meetings throughout the country connected with his duties.

On Wednesday last, Mr. John McCulloch was elected Alderman for Ward No. 1, and Mr. Wm. C. Moir for Ward No. 4.

Fire!—There were two alarms of fire on Friday at about one o'clock P. M. The first proceeded from the old Snelling property, Barrington street, which was instantly put out by the Fire Department. The second appears to have been a false alarm in the North End.—*Chronicle*.

Rev. J. Ambrose having removed from Petite Riviere to St. Margaret's Bay, all communications for him will in future be sent to the latter place.

## OBITUARY.

DIED at Bridgeport, Bear River, of Consumption, ELEANOR CAROLINE, the beloved wife of STEPHEN B. HENNING, aged 35 years, leaving a disconsolate husband and five children, with a large connection of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Mrs. H. was early dedicated to God by the rite of baptism, in the Episcopal Church. As she advanced in years, she was more particularly instructed by her aged grandfather, then living, in the truths of the Christian religion, for which she ever entertained an ardent veneration. As she further advanced to years of discretion, she grew in grace and in the knowledge of our Divine Master, and from that time always felt a pleasure and comfort in associating with the people of God.

Although devotedly attached to the Church of her Fathers, yet she felt a love for all who loved the Saviour, to whatever section of the Church they belonged.

After connecting herself by marriage to her now disconsolate husband, she felt that duties more onerous came upon her; cares and anxieties oftentimes bestowed her path with difficulties, but still her confidence was unshaken in that God who seeth the upright in heart; and humbly relying upon the Divine Atonement made for all the human family, and by faith in His dear Son Jesus Christ; she was enabled to pursue that straight and narrow path which leads to heaven.

She experienced much of the Divine presence. During her illness, towards the final close, when suffering much under disease, she felt God to be with her, and although much prostrated in body, a few minutes before her spirit took its triumphant flight, her sorrowing family gathered around her, to whom she bid a final adieu—and then exclaimed—"Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly!"—*Com.*

A very awful catastrophe happened to a Russian line-of-battle ship between the 21st and 23rd ult., in the Gulf of Finland, during a violent storm in which it foundered, with a crew of upwards of 1,000 souls on board, all of whom perished. About 150 were family men, which render the misfortune still more calamitous.

## LETTERS RECEIVED.

From Jas. Bovan, Esq. with rem. J. E. Harris, Esq. rem. &c. Jos. Whitford, Esq. rem.—directions attended to. Rev. H. J. Clare, with rem.—directions will be attended to. Rev. J. M. Campbell, rem. Professor Siefel-hagen—have not got the Book required, have ordered it—have Penney's 1st Lessons without Key.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Blotches, pimples, dry eruptions, and all irritations of the skin, fade and disappear after a few applications of Holloway's Ointment. In these cases brisk friction is indispensable. Many of the ordinary eruptions are caused by suppressed perspiration, and as this penetrating unguent at once opens the pores and invigorates the absorbents, it dissipates the inflammation by a double process. Ladies whose faces or arms are disfigured by cutaneous diseases, may readily remove the blemish and restore to the skin its natural tint, flexibility, and softness, by the use of this safe and powerful counter-irritant. The Pills never fail in disorders of the stomach and liver.

## Married.

On the 14th inst., in St. John's Church, Lunenburg, by the Revd. Mr. Maturin, JOHN ALLEN WATERMAN, youngest son of Zenas Waterman, Esq. of Brighton, Queen's County, to ISABELLA JOSEPHINE, second daughter of Henry S. Jost, Esq. of Lunenburg.

On Monday last, at the Chapel of Ease, Coxheath, by the Rev. R. J. Uniacke, Rector of the Parish of St. George, EDMUND JAMES DODD, Esq. Superintendent at Scatar, to EVELINE, daughter of the late Mr. Daniel P. Marett, of St. John's Newfoundland.—*C. B. News*, Oct. 17.

At Belmont House, Greenock, Scotland, on the 29th September, by the Rev. Dr. Brown, the Rev. GEORGE W. SPURR, son of the Rev. John Spurr, to MARY, daughter of Charles J. Hill, Esq. of Halifax, N. S.

## Died.

On Monday last, Mr. EDWARD HUGHES, shoemaker, aged 68 years.

On Tuesday evening, 20th inst., LUCY MARY, eldest daughter of the late Mr. Richard Bulger, of Halifax.

At Dartmouth, on the 20th ult., Mr. JOHN WELLS, after a lingering illness, with disease of the heart, in the 65th year of his age, a native of Boness, Linlithgowshire, Scotland, leaving an aged widow and five sons to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and kind father.

At Sackville, on the 17th inst., after a lingering illness, beloved by all who knew him, CHARLES LEMUEL, youngest son of Anthony and Ann Fultz, aged 16 years.

At Pictou, on Monday morning, the 12th inst., Mr. JAS. YORSTON, in the 41st year of his age.

At Guysboro', on Tuesday 13th inst. of Measles, HELEN MARY, daughter and only child of the Rev. W. G. T. Jarvis, aged 7 weeks and 3 days.

At St. John, N.B., on Sunday, 18th inst., of apoplexy, WILLIAM H. S. NEAL, aged 57 years, formerly a merchant of this city.

## Shipping List.

## ARRIVED.

Saturday, Oct. 17.—Brig Golden Age, Atwood, Porto Rico, 13 days; Dasher, Dolby, Porto Rico, 20 days.

Sunday, 18th.—Packet brig Boston, Roche, Boston, 45 hours—40 passengers; brig Halifax, Parner, Turks Island, 15 days; Wabash, Curr, Liverpool, GB, 30 days; schr. Challenge, Walters, Antigua, 14 days.

Monday, 19th.—R. M. Steamer Osprey, Sampson, St. John's, N.F., 4 days, via Sydney, C. B.; 10 passengers; Steamer Eastern State, Kilham, Boston via Yarmouth—51 passengers; brig Velocity, Affleck, St. Jago de Cabo, 18 days; brig Antelope, Tucker, New York; brig Daphne, Wainwright, Bermuda, 10 days; schr. Labella, Hadley, Guysboro'; Eleanor, Ryan, Norfolk; Valer, Pictou.

Tuesday, Oct. 20.—Schr Lucy, Alexander, Alexander, Baltimore, 21 days.

Wednesday, Oct. 21.—R. M. S. Europa, Litch, Liverpool, 10 days; M. A. Hunter, St. John N.B., 45 hours; brig Cordelia, Griffin, Charleston, 41 days; Teaser, McLean, Pictou, schr Electric Light, Dwyer, Baltimore.

Thursday, Oct. 22.—Brigs Lucetta, Foster, Havana, 15 days; Token, Smith, Turks Island, 13 days.