

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report



SUMMARY NEWS.

Evangelist Crossley has been ill at Amherst with grip, but is improving. A church at Harvey settlement, York County, was burned on Tuesday. The fire caught from a defective flue. It is announced that after the formal opening on Thursday next, Parliament will adjourn until Tuesday, Jan. 7.

Mrs. W. B. Sprague, of Hatfield's Point, King's Co., was badly burned a few days ago. Her clothing caught fire. A young man named Edward Bonnell, of St. John, accidentally shot himself in the woods near Spruce Lake, on Sunday last.

Mr. B. B. Barnhill has purchased in the United States a small steam yacht for his own use at Two Rivers, N. S. It is about 80 feet long, and is said to be fast.

Miss Mason, only survivor in this country of the family of sister of the late Allen Mason, late premier of Canada, before confederation, died recently at Dunders, her residence near Hamilton, Ont.; aged 94.

Fairfield and Ryan, the burglars wanted at Rimouski, Que., and other Canadian points, for robbery, have been sent to the New Hampshire state prison on local charges. They were arrested in Boston.

Parliament will meet next Thursday, but the business of the session will not be commenced until the following week. It is announced that after the formal opening on Thursday, both houses will adjourn until Tuesday, Jan. 7.

The Baptist Book Room, Halifax, tenders thanks to all kind friends who have helped the work during the year past; and asks for the same cordial sympathy during 1906. We wish all a very Happy New Year. Geo. A. McDonald.

W. F. King, Canadian book missioner, is to meet General Duffield, his co-commissioner, at Albany on Tuesday, when the final draft of their report on the Alaska boundary survey will be approved and a copy handed to the governments interested, according to the treaty, on New Year's day.

The BYE ELECTIONS.—In the Cardwell election, Dec. 24, Mr. Stubbs, McCarthys, was the successful candidate. In Montreal Centre, a constituency that had been strongly conservative, Mr. McCarthys (liberal) was elected by a majority of about 340 votes over Sir William Hington, the government candidate. The result of the election in Jacques Cartier on Monday is not ascertained at the time of going to press.

Houlton Pioneer.—A man from Mira (Mehi), N. B., arrived here a few days ago for the purpose of locating in this town. His goods were to arrive by train on Saturday. He went to the station to ascertain if they had reached here, and when informed they hadn't, asked the freight agent if he couldn't stop them, as since coming here he has heard that there was going to be a war and he had decided to return to his Miramichi home.

Two years ago Roy Dobson, a young son of R. A. Dobson, of Joliette, stuck a splinter into the bottom of his foot. A few weeks ago, with vigorous poulticing and the help of Dr. C. P. H. Spurr, it came out of the foot near the ankle, three inches at least from where it went in. The boy has suffered more or less ever since. Sometimes the foot swells and is very painful, then for weeks it would seem to be all right again.

At Salisbury, Monday, before George Chapman, Esq., civil court commissioner, the case of Edward Simpson, for third offence against Scott Act, was heard. Mr. Simpson gave evidence of lease of his cellar in Mansard Hotel to one John Delaney, said to be a liquor dealer in St. John, who put in bar tenders in the cellar of the Mansard House, changing them off, placing six or seven different men in charge within six months. In order to produce Mr. Delaney from St. John the court was adjourned till Monday next.

Mr. George Dougherty, a native of this province, complains that he was confined some months in the insane asylum at Ward's Island, New York, without any examination or without having been given a hearing. He is instituting action against the authorities. New York papers of Jan. 3 last, when Dougherty was arrested, say he was flourishing a revolver in the Tecumseh hotel and proclaiming that he had a divine mission "to kill niggers." Justice Meade committed him to Bellevue to be examined as to his sanity, and he was afterwards removed to Ward's Island.

Architect J. C. Dumaresq was the successful competitor for the architecting of the Lefebvre memorial hall to be erected in connection with St. Joseph's college, Memramcook, N. B. His plans having been selected by the executive board of the institution from the several sets of designs submitted by provincial and Boston architects. This will be a magnificent structure, 80 feet by 60 feet, built of freestone. The ground story will be fitted up for museum and laboratories, and over this will be a fine opera hall with seating for about 800, including balcony.—Halifax Herald.

A large bull, which was to have been put on board the Concordia at Sand Point Saturday night, escaped while being led to the ship. The animal ran up Sand Point and took to the water about opposite King's block. It swam to the other shore and then started at a terrific pace for the Bay shore, where he took to the woods. The bull caused a lot of excitement on the streets through which it passed. It finally reached the asylum woods and remained there until captured yesterday. Before being caught the animal tossed a lunatic who failed to get out of his way, but fortunately did him little injury.—Telegraph.

The annual closing of Whiston & Fraser's Commercial College took place last Friday. The past year was a very successful one. From the statistics presented we glean the following:—Number of students enrolled during the year, 1,000; graduates 77, nearly all of whom held positions of trust. There were 17 graduates from the shorthand and typewriting department. Many of the students were not complete either course and in some cases were in highly gratifying and lucrative situations. Why should our young men and women go abroad for business education when we have an institution with such a record as this in our native province? It must be highly gratifying to the worthy proprietors to find the public appreciate a good Business College. The new term commences Monday, January 5.

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Lockjaw from a tiny splinter—run under her thumb nail caused the death, at Detroit, of Florence March, aged 17.

The American Naval Bureau of Ordnance has concluded large contracts for supplying the navy with projectiles.

In view of Lord Dunsen's arrival at New York, twelve miles of the Defender's crew have started from Maine to be present at the in vestigation.

The Iroquois Club, Chicago's principal democratic organization, on Tuesday evening adopted a resolution approving of President Cleveland's attitude on the Venezuelan question.

It is estimated that the loss to the corn crop by floods on the Osage river, Missouri, will reach \$2,000,000. Farmers have been rendered destitute by the flood and the condition of some is deplorable. In the extreme West many lost crops, cattle, household goods and provisions.

Trone Wilson, an aged negro convict, pardoned from the Georgia penitentiary by Governor Atkinson, Monday, is probably the last slave to receive the benefit of President Lincoln's emancipation proclamation. Wilson was in jail as accessory to murder when the negro race was set free by the President. He was afterwards sent to the penitentiary, and now enjoys the first breath of free air he ever knew.

Marriage and death was the experience in quick succession of Walter Scott, of Des Moines, Iowa. He married Clara Dawson at 3 p. m. on Tuesday, and this so enraged her father that he shot the bridegroom. Dawson had tried to prevent the marriage by shutting the girl up in insane asylums, convents, etc., but Scott killed him and married the girl, only to be murdered after all his persistence. Dawson was arrested.

A terrific vibration of the earth frightened the people of Chicago and country for 60 miles around at four o'clock Friday morning. The commotion was caused by the great blast of a magazine containing 2,500 pounds of dynamite on the drainage canal at Lockport, 30 miles south of this city. Reports indicate that the whole northeastern part of the state experienced the shock and attendant fright. No one was hurt.

Whitelaw Reid, owner and editor of the New York Tribune, is spending the winter quietly with his family at Phoenix, Arizona, where he has rented a house and found the climate unexpectedly agreeable. In a letter speaking of the Arizona region, he says: "Eastern folks will have to form new ideas of Arizona. It is not merely a land of tarantulas, Apaches and cactus. I am keeping houses here with great comfort, in a well-built brick residence, with hot and cold water, electric light and telephone, and the climate is really better than that of Cairo." Mr. Reid's health has greatly improved since his visit to the South.

Yellow fever is raging at Santiago de Cuba; 1000 soldiers are sick, and the daily death rate is large.

In a 15 mile walking handicap at Wembley Park, North London, Thursday, Sturges covered 11 miles in 1h. 25m. 32 4-5s. and 11 miles in 1h. 35m. 55 2-5s. It is claimed this is the best record ever made for those distances.

Sir Augustus William Lawson Hemming has been appointed governor of British Guiana, to succeed Sir Charles C. Lees, who has retired from the post. Sir Augustus has since 1870 been principal clerk in the colonial office.

A London, G. B. despatch says: The proposed meeting of the American Society for the purpose of an expression of a hope for an amicable settlement of existing differences between England and the United States, has been abandoned in view of the improved situation.

BIRTHS.

Thompson.—At the parsonage, St. Martin's, N. B., on Friday, Dec. 20th, the wife of Rev. W. J. Thompson, of a daughter.—(Canadian Baptist please copy.)

MARRIAGES.

WOOD-BETTS.—At Amherst, Dec. 25, by Rev. D. A. Steele, Leonard B. Wood to Nellie Betts.

FRANK.—At Springhill, Dec. 17, by Rev. H. B. Smith, M. A., Robert D. Pitt, to Ida M. Terrice, both of Springhill.

CORREY-CLEVELAND.—At Dover, Halifax Co., Dec. 24, by Rev. Maynard W. Brown, Edw. Correy, to Annie Cleveland, both of Dover.

SEWSTER-LEARD.—At the Baptist parsonage, Tryon, P. E. I., by Rev. David Price, Dec. 24, Ambrose Sewster, to Fanny Leard, both of Tryon.

PITTS-SPRING.—At the Baptist parsonage, Springhill, Dec. 17, by Rev. H. B. Smith, M. A., Robert D. Pitt to Ida M. Terrice, both of Springhill.

COCKELL-CROWE.—At the home of the bride's mother, Dec. 24, by Rev. W. J. Rutledge, Harry Cockell, to Mary Eliza Crowe, all of Acadia Mines, N. S.

LEVIN-PRICE.—At the residence of the officiating minister, of J. B. Fillmore, Dec. 21, Charles S. Levin, to Laura Price, both of Hillsboro, A. Co.

ROSE-FOOTE.—At the parsonage, Chebogue, N. S., on Dec. 18th, by Rev. B. H. Thomas, Henry E. Rose, of Chebogue, to Fatis Foote, of Paradise, N. S.

OSBORN-BIRD.—At the Baptist parsonage, Springhill, Dec. 25, by Rev. H. B. Smith, M. A., Edward Osborn, to Minnie S. Bird, both of Mapleton, Cumberland Co.

ALLEN-PARKS.—On the 25th Dec., at the Baptist parsonage, 225 Main St., by the Rev. J. A. Gordon, M. A., Ernest A. Allen, to Annie May Parks, both of St. John.

WEBB-EGLES.—At the Baptist parsonage, Springhill, Dec. 27, by Rev. H. B. Smith, M. A., Alexander W. Webb, to Florence E. Egles, both of Lynn, Colchester Co.

STANWOOD-MURPHY.—At the parsonage, Chebogue, N. S., on Nov. 9th, by Rev. B. H. Thomas, Howard Stanwood, of Overton, to Theresa Murphy, of Yarmouth, N. S.

EISENHART-CORKUM.—At the home of the bride's father, Dec. 22, by the Rev. H. A. Parry, James E. Eisenhart, of Chester, to Florence J. Corkum, of Morris Cove.

BAKER-BOCKMAN.—At Melvern Square, Annapolis Co., N. S., Dec. 24, by Rev. L. J. Tingley, Elery Baker, of Boston, Mass., to Mildred E. Bockman, of Melvern Square.

MORSE-HEALY.—At Aylesford, Dec. 24, by Rev. E. O. Read, Arthur Thomas Morse, of Paradise West, to Mrs. Ruth Healy, daughter of the late Robert Lyons, Esq., of Waterville, N. S.

MCVITTIE-BEST.—At the home of the bride's father, Mark Best, Esq., West moreland, P. E. I., Dec. 25, by Rev. David Price, Tryon, James McVittie, to Gerlie Best, both of Westmoreland.

URQUHART-BARNES.—At the home of the bride's father, Dec. 22, by Rev. W. J. Rutledge, Harvey W. Urquhart, of Gorham, Maine, to Sadie E. Barnes, of Highland Village, Colchester Co., N. S.

DANIELS-BAKER.—At the Baptist parsonage, Lawrenceport, on the 25th inst., by Rev. Harry King, Charles M. Daniels, of Ingleside, Annapolis Co., to Ella L. Baker, of Burlington, Kings Co., N. S.

PHINNEY-LANDER.—At the residence of William Lander, Demolise Creek, Albert Co., Dec. 25, by Rev. S. H. Cornwall, Henry Phinney of Paradise, N. S., to Jennie L. Lander, of the parish of Hillsboro, N. B.

JONES-SPURR.—At Deep Brook, on Dec. 24, by Rev. J. T. Eaton, assisted by Rev. E. N. Archibald, of Lunenburg, Fred H. Jones, of Newville, Mass., to Mary Spurr, daughter of Capt. W. Spurr, of Deep Brook, Ann. Co., N. S.

MERRITT-KINNEY.—In Water Avenue Baptist church, Boston, Mass., Nov. 27, by Rev. Robert McDonald, Erwin B. Merritt, of Boston, to Adella M., youngest daughter of deacon John Kinney, of Weymouth, Digby Co., N. S.

MCWILLIAMS-MCKENNA.—At the residence of Mr. Geo. McKenna, Chebogue, on Dec. 21st, by Rev. B. H. Thomas, Theophilus McWilliams, of Deerfield, N. S., to Mrs. Leona McKenna, of Chebogue.—(Religious Intelligencer please copy.)

DEATHS.

BROWN.—At East Margarettville, Annapolis Co., Dec. 19, John Brown, aged 81 years.

OUTLON.—At Joliette, N. B., Oct. 30, Estella W., daughter of John N. and Jerusha Outlon, preceded her mother to her heavenly home with be Christ.

OUTLON.—At Joliette, N. B., Nov. 4, Jerusha, wife of John N. Outlon and daughter of the late Samuel Hicks, at the age of 42 years, was called to her eternal rest.

PARKER.—At Tufts Cove, Halifax Co., N. S., Nov. 25, after an illness borne with great patience and resignation to the Divine will, aged 70 years, Ann, beloved wife of David Parker.

MANUEL.—At Halifax, Dec. 25, aged 3 years and two months, Lillian G., only daughter of Joseph and Priscilla Manuel. This is the seventh child our dear brother and sister have been called to part with, and only one is left. Christmas at their home was a sad day.

BARRETT.—At Gibson, N. B., Dec. 13, Thomas DeAlvare, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Barrett, after a little over two months sojourn with them. This is the second boy they have lost, so they now have no son living. They have our sincere sympathy in their affliction.

TILLEY.—At Melvern Square, N. S., Dec. 21, of cancer, Mrs. Herbert Tilley, aged 41 years. She leaves a husband, two sons and a large circle of relations to mourn. Sister Tilley was a member of the Upper Wilmot Baptist church, and died trusting her Saviour. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

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PHILLIPS.—At Halifax, Dec. 29, Sophia, wife of William Phillips, passed to her eternal rest, aged 85 years. Our sister was a great sufferer, but her sufferings were borne with christian fortitude. Death possessed no fears for her, her hope was founded on the Solid Rock, she died trusting Jesus. May the Lord comfort the bereaved ones.

JONES.—At Boundary Creek, Dec. 14, Deacon Abel Jones, aged 64 years, leaving a wife and seven children. Nearly forty years ago this brother united with the 1st Salisbury church, nearly a score of years have elapsed since he was made a deacon. A man of a noble christian character has been taken from us. The whole community mourns a friend. We have found him always ready to assist the church and pastor in all undertakings. The influence of his work in the church and Sabbath school will be felt for years.

HARRIS.—At his home, Wolfville, on the 17th Dec., after a wearied sickness borne in complete resignation to the Divine will, Lydia A., aged 61 years, wife of Smith H. Harris, last of her life. Bro. James L. Armstrong and granddaughter of Father Theodore S. Harding, by whom she, when 13 years old, was baptized. Sister H. was for many years a devoted member of the Wilmot church, and in the church, as well as in her home was dearly loved. A sorrowing husband and children in the hours of their grief, have at the same time the consolation that she possessed of those whose loved ones die in the Lord. Her funeral was attended by Revs. Dr. Higgins, and T. Trotter—the former her pastor for a long while—improving the occasion from Job 14: 1, 2.

COLPITT.—At Pleasant Hill, Dec. 16, Robert Colpitt, son of B. P. Colpitt, aged 20 years, passed this life for the life eternal. For some time past our Bro. had been living in Woodstock, but about four weeks ago he came home to see his people and was taken down sick from which he never recovered. Bro. C. was baptized by Rev. A. F. Baker on Xmas day '93 and received into fellowship with the Woodstock Baptist church of which he was a faithful member. He was also an active member of the Y. P. U., and was looking forward to the Christian ministry when he was summoned to come up higher. The funeral services were conducted by A. A. Rutledge, assisted by Revs. J. B. Young and R. Colpitt (Methodist). Text chosen Num. 23, 10, "Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like his."

EGLES.—At Wolfville, Dec. 16th, J. Granderson Egles, passed away to his rest, aged 81 years. Our dear brother died in Gasperus, on June 9, 1814. At 16 years of age he was brought to a knowledge of the Saviour, and united with the Gasperus church, to which he remained a member until his last 42 years of life. He was a true christian, his home was in Wolfville, and his christian fellowship was with the Wolfville brethren. He was held in general esteem for his consistent christian character. His death was preceded by four years of illness, during which he was ministered to most devotedly by his wife and daughters, and during which also he enjoyed in a large measure the comfort of the gospel. His hope of glory was bright and certain. He leaves behind him his widow, four daughters and one son.

SIPPELL.—On the 19th ult., Mary, eldest daughter of Mrs. Patrick Logan of Seaford, Ont., and beloved wife of E. M. Sippell, Esq., entered into the rest of her people of God. As she lived so she died, calm and gentle, peaceful and happy. A model wife and mother she sought both the spiritual and material welfare of her husband and family. When her two sons joined the Brussels street Baptist church, her prayers for them and for the conversion of her two little daughters were frequent and fervent; no doubt they will be answered through coming years in large measure of blessing. The funeral took place on the 21st; the services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Carey, assisted by Rev. Dr. Bruce of the Presbyterian church, who kindly attended in the absence of her own minister, Rev. Mr. "Forbearing" (Presbyterian) who was ill at the time. Tender memories of her life, love and labors will come to the bereaved from time to time, as though angels were hovering around them. May the golden bands now severed and the family circle now broken be at last reunited and completed in the heavenly home.

Our Poets.

The following are among the foremost writers of Canadian verse:—

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After the protracted "soft" cold wave struck this latitude a rude last Friday night and Boreas and Jack Frost have their best endeavors to make for anything in the way of "miserable weather," of which some folks are complaining. They succeeded in turning the mercury down to -10° according to situation, on Monday, and at present writing are handling up the attack and handling forces with telling effect.

It is noted as a curious fact Jews of Bagdad have purchased the site of the ancient Babylon. Nothing in the place or its surroundings is said, to make the possession seem an object of desire on financial considerations, unless it is on account of expected results of excavations undertaken. But one can conceive a rich Jew might feel a special interest in becoming the owner of that time has left of a city so indelibly and sadly connected with the his people—a melancholy relic of long departed glory of the once oppressor.

Drawn the present week our churches, either by themselves or with others, will be engaged in special services. We trust that blessing may rest upon the meeting is always well that the people draw near to God. The breath of care and faithful prayer is never in vain. But at the present time so many disturbing elements work among the nations and with immediate future seems so charged with uncertainty, and it seems possible the prevailing conditions of peace be suddenly overturned and the lot of the world be turned into a hostile camp, it seems especially appropriate that the people of God prostrate themselves before Him in His mercy, to pray that He will to men repentance and the reminder that His wrath may be and His righteous judgments abide.

Drawn the past week received intelligence of the death of our brethren in the ministry province, Rev. J. E. Fillmore, Turle Creek, Albert county, S. Dec. 29, we believe, was the date of death. It is stated that he had into the woods, and not returned was expected, search was made, and was found dead. Bro. Fillmore had of late been engaged in the routine of the ministry. He had a paralytic stroke a year or two ago, his death was probably caused by return of the disease. Bro. F. was of excellent spirit and enjoyed the esteem of all his brethren. Solomon Smith, of Harcourt, county, passed away on the last of the old year. His death was unexpected as he had been in health for some time and his friends thought that the end was near. We to be able in subsequent issues to send suitable obituary notices of brethren who now peacefully rest their labors. We desire to express sincere sympathy with their family and their affliction.

The election for the repeal of the Scott Act in Westmorland County place on Monday of the present year. The liquor sellers and their sympathizers are of course doing their utmost to the law repealed, but the temperance people are making a vigorous and we trust will prove to be a successful fight in favor of the law. The Scotts do not afford a perfect machinery of the suppression of the evil traffic, certainly supplies the most effective means of dealing with it at present in reach, and this is especially true in the villages and smaller towns and country districts generally. The law has not been perfectly enforced in Westmorland county, though a good deal of success has been manifested by the temperance people in bringing it to bear on the traffic, and a very considerable amount of money has been collected in year in fines. It was stated by Rev. Grant at a meeting in Sackville previous to the enactment of the Scott Act in the county there had been a steady increase in the traffic, but since that time there has been a decided decrease. Doubt the best thing Westmorland can do is to retain the law and to make enforcement as effective as possible.

The services in some of the St. J. churches on New Year's day were especially interesting character. At 2 1/2 o'clock a New Year's morning service was held. The meeting was attended and was of an interesting and helpful character.—At Germ