

The Weekly Observer.
HILLSBORO, N. B., Mar. 21, 1889.

Observations.

Local Legislature.
All the items of supply have been passed at Fredericton. Hon. Mr. Blair has introduced his new franchise bill which we purpose referring to next week. No other important legislation yet introduced.

United at Last.

The cities of St. John and Portland have decided, by very large majorities, to unite. We congratulate them upon their wise decision and trust its result will be to the benefit of the Maritime Provinces as regards population.

Parliamentary Proceedings.

The protracted debate on the budget has at last closed. A vote was reached last Tuesday night when the opposition amendment to the motion to go into supply was lost, the government's majority being 43. No business of special importance to Albert County has been transacted since last issue of THE OBSERVER.

Dominion Competition.

We direct the attention of Albert County teachers and pupils to the important announcement made in our columns by the proprietors of the Montreal Witness. Though the time is short, yet we hope every school in the county will compete for the prizes. The last day for the mailing of these essays will be March 30th, 1889. The Marquis of Lorne has consented to act as chief judge in the competition. All communications should be addressed to John Dougal & Son, Montreal.

No More, Please.

The letter in this issue concerning the Dawson Settlement etc. has created some confusion. We have given both sides a hearing, and no good can possibly result by prolonging the discussion. It matters little who the pastor of a church is so long as he is an upright, godly, intelligent man, desirous of serving his Master to the best of his ability. Such a man, aided by the united efforts of his church members, cannot fail to prove a blessing to both old and young.

All Our da's Schools

We are invited to join in a National Competition, which affords every student an opportunity to win a valuable Prize, and at the same time learn something of the History of his Country.

Stories of adventure, tales of suspense through greatest obstacles, of gallant endeavors which have resulted in failure equally honorable abound in this country. Famine and fortunes were not hewn out of the Canadian forests without the exercise of a heroism which must command attention and admiration wherever known. The old men and women who are telling these stories now to their children and grand children are rapidly passing away; and their sons and daughters will soon leave us. No good Canadian story should be allowed to pass into oblivion. There are hundreds of them of sufficient interest to light the fire of genius. The Witness wants to gather them. It is not going to ask the old men and women who were actors in these tales. No one who becomes a hero by simply doing his duty, knows he has done anything out of the way. Besides these people are too modest to write to the newspapers about what they have done, and many of their sons in the prime of life have been too busy. The name of Canadian patriotism naturally turns brighter as a purely Canadian generation arises to take the place of those who called another land home.

We therefore set the task of recounting their heroic deeds and collecting the material for her history and poetry to the young people of the schools. It will do them good to dwell on the courage, the self denial and the devotion manifested by those who turned this Canada of ours from an unbroken forest into the civilized land that it is. They will be taught a lesson of thankfulness that they now enjoy what has been earned with so much pain and labor. Their youthful energies, also, will stimulate the older ones to greater thoughts and efforts of remembrance than they would exert without this incentive. It is not necessary that the events recorded should be of the heroic order. Any good story, whether of trouble or fun, any good description of pioneer life, any account of a battle, any of the grand work of the day which is to take the prize. We seek a careful perusal by every one who receives this paper of the plan here proposed.

There are in Canada and Newfoundland counties as follows—New Brunswick: 15; Prince Edward Island, 3; Nova Scotia, 18; Quebec, 66; Ontario (with districts), 49; Manitoba, 26; British Columbia (electoral divisions), and counted as one, each, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Kootenai, J. and Newfoundland 2-161. There are also the cities of Charlottetown, St. John's (N.S.), Hamilton, Kingston, London, Ottawa, Toronto, Brandon, St. Catharines, Belleville, Quebec, St. Thomas, Montreal, Hull, Sherbrooke (town and city), Quebec, Three Rivers, St. Hyacinthe, Halifax, St. John, Portland, Fredericton, Winnipeg, Victoria, 24, making a grand total of 206.

We offer to the school children of each county or city, as a prize, Macaulay's "History of England," in five volumes, strongly and neatly bound in cloth, for the best true story of adventure or tale descriptive of pioneer life the scene of which is laid in the county or city in which the narrator resides. Thus, if all the counties compete, 206 copies of Macaulay's "History of England" will be given as prizes for the best tales of as many divisions of the country as specified above. But this is not all. The 206 copies which have won what we heretofore call "Witness Copies," may be admitted to a competition for a prize which will be given to the number considered the best, and awarded a "Witness Prize" which will be a complete set of Parkman's works, ten volumes in all, \$15. For this prize, Alberts, Assiniboia, Saskatchewan,

and Kootenai will be grouped with Manitoba.

The eight essays, which have been thus selected, will be then referred to some high authority and that which will be adjudged the best will receive a further prize of a Remington No. 2 Typewriter, with four drawers desk and cover, which will cost \$125. We will call the winner the "Provincial Prize." Thus, the fortunate winner of the "Provincial Prize," will win the Typewriter by which letters and manuscripts generally are printed worth \$125; the winners of the "Provincial Prize," will also win Parkman's works value \$15, and also the "County Prize," Macaulay's History of England in five volumes, value \$5. There will, therefore, be one Dominion prize, eight Provincial prizes, and 206 County prizes.

In addition, to render the interest more general, a copy of the Northern Messenger will be sent for a year to the writer of the best story from each school as decided by the teachers' judgment, and the teacher's judgment will not necessarily be followed by the judge of the county prizes. Further, every competitor will receive a card, showing that he or she had a part in this great Dominion competition.

As it is almost impossible that any scholar would be able to obtain the necessary information without assistance in the question of the amount of assistance which might be given would become a vexatious one. To simplify the matter each competitor will be permitted to get all the assistance possible from any source whatever. The story must be in the handwriting of the competitor, and the fact that the writer is a regular pupil of the school must be certified to by the head teacher thereof.

Each story must be written on copy paper, on one side only, and must not exceed 2,000 words. The sheets must be folded in eight, that is one-quarter the size of the page, and endorsed on the back, as follows:

DOMINION PRIZE COMPETITION.

(Name of Story.)
By
(Nom de Plume.)
(Name and Number of School.)
(County.)
(Province.)
(Signature and address of Teacher.)

Enclosed with the manuscript should be a letter in a sealed envelope containing the name of the writer, his nom de plume, which is attached to the story, the name and address of the school and the teacher's certificate that the essay referred to is written by the scholar who is a member of the school.

The last day for the mailing of these essays will be March 30th, 1889, and the prizes will be awarded as soon after as possible, so as to be given at the school closing.

The essays should be sent in as soon as ready, to facilitate the work of selection. The judges of the county and province prizes will be selected by the superintendants of education in each Province of the Dominion, in accordance with the provisions of the Witness, and will be announced as soon as selected. The judge of the Dominion prize sought for has not yet had time to reply to the application to perform this duty, but will be one in whom every competitor has confidence.

ONE DOMINION PRIZE—A Remington No. 2 Typewriter, with cover and four-drawer desk.

EIGHT PROVINCE PRIZES—One set of Parkman's works.

TWO HUNDRED AND FOUR COUNTY PRIZES—Macaulay's History of England, in five volumes—as follows:

We hope to receive the assistance of teachers and trustees and all interested to make this competition most useful and interesting.

Address all correspondence JOHN DOUGAL & SON, MONTREAL, QUE.

Reply to "Reason."

At a business meeting held at the close of the monthly conference on the 15th inst., the Dawson Church appointed a committee to make a suitable reply to an article, which appeared in THE WEEKLY OBSERVER of the 14th inst., signed "Reason," making misleading statements reflecting upon our pastor and church as well.

Holy Spirit, and early in the year the church was quieted and souls were saved, there being ten added by baptism. A young people's prayer meeting was organized by the pastor, which has been kept up by the young people during the year. Our conference meetings were well attended and the Spirit of the Master was present and our preaching met with fair success. A Spirit of entire harmony has prevailed in all our meetings during the year.

Your correspondent, who signed himself "Reason," claims that a large majority want a change and yet he claims that the former pastor was "hired at a small salary, and that poorly paid, for one quarter of the time, while the present pastor has labored one half of time and has been fairly well paid without any subscription or pledged amount, on the voluntary system. Surely this speaks well for the pastor and his must have some friends as upwards of sixty have contributed to his support and among these a large number of young persons. There has been a growing desire in the Baptist body in these Maritime Provinces that the churches should be improved so that the pastors might be able to live on their fields and give all their time to pastoral work.

Some years ago the quarterly meeting undertook to group the churches and recommended Zion, Hillsboro, 4th, Hillsboro and Caledonia (Churches as one group). The past year this resolution has been carried out and Pastor Fillmore has been preaching to the group. About a month before his year expired we received a letter from the Caledonia Church, stating that they had voted to continue grouped another year, asking us to express an opinion and report which letter was laid before the church at the close of our regular conference and discussed, it was unanimously resolved to continue grouped. In due time, we received a letter from the 4th, Hillsboro Church, stating that they also voted to continue grouped another year, and that the church had voted unanimously to remain grouped another year. They were requested to appoint a committee of three to meet with similar committees from the other churches at Baltimore, on a certain day to choose a pastor for the coming year. It was announced from the pulpits, two weeks before, that business of importance would be transacted at the close of the conference and a large attendance was expected. At the said meeting the letter was read from Baltimore Church and the following brethren were unanimously chosen as delegates to choose a pastor: Dean, Knott, Dawson, Joshua Jones and Adam McFarlane. On March 15th, 1889, at the close of the conference the letter was read from Secretary of Committee stating that they had attended to their duty and had unanimously chosen Rev. J. E. Fillmore as pastor. His further word was that he had signed copies and invited the Governors of sister States to a conference on this matter at our soon.

God grant that something may be done speedily by which the land may be relieved of such sickening and abominable parasites as of one of the most esteemed ministers of our denomination. Respected, SAMUEL SCHWARM, Pastor of Eng. Luth. Ch.

Going West.

MONTREAL, March 14.—Rev. Mr. Beaudy, departed some months since by Archbishop Fauchon's sailing to Quebec, far from the great advantages which Montreal offers. To another who has just left, we send our best wishes. Next Monday 500 settlers will leave Montreal for different parishes in the St. Lawrence valley. The Canadian Pacific Colonization Office will also forward 200 men and women to the same destination to work on the St. Lawrence valley. The tide of emigration to the States is not only checked, but great numbers are leaving and preparing to take up their abode in Manitoba and the Northwest. A great many are leaving for the Northwest. A great many are leaving for the Northwest. A great many are leaving for the Northwest.

Reform Needed.

Mr. Editor: The failures in carrying to this county and elsewhere, where a few preferred credits get the estate while the other creditors get nothing, strongly calls for an amended law for bankrupts. There is no valid reason why one creditor should be protected from one who has been fortunate competitor get nothing. It is to be hoped our lawmakers, at the present session of the assembly will remedy this glaring injustice, and enact a fair and impartial law that will do equal justice to debtor and all creditors. Here is a chance for the present popular government to add another to its many strong claims for the confidence and support of the people. Perhaps Mr. Kimmenon will take this matter in hand, after he succeeds in effecting his proposed County reform.

Address and Presentation.

On Saturday evening, March 16th, the members of the "Young People's Christian Endeavour Society," met at the parsonage and presented their pastor, Rev. W. Camp, with a cash offering of \$16.00 and the following address, which speaks for itself as to the appreciation of that gentleman's faithful ministrations in connection with the society and otherwise.

To the Rev. W. Camp.

Dear Pastor.—We the members of the "Young People's Christian Endeavour Society," have not been oblivious of your faithful services in this church, nor of the many acts of kindness shown us, since it pleased Almighty God to direct your feet to our midst. We are rejoiced that you have been spared in health and strength to minister to our wants, and shed the light of the gospel truth in our midst.

Divorce Abominations in Ohio.

TEFFIN, Ohio, Feb. 25, 1889. EDITORS CHRISTIAN STATESMAN.—Dear Sirs.—Through the kindness of your friend I have been receiving your excellent paper for some time. I am deeply interested in the reforms you so earnestly and so ably advocate. It is certainly your duty to expose the enormities of the divorce laws of most of our States. I do not think Ohio is generally considered one of the worst States in regard to granting divorces for any and every cause, and yet we have had here in Seneca County one of the most remarkable instances of "modern divorce laws" running so fast that it is on record. The following clipped from the daily Tiffin Tribune, of the 23rd inst., will give you an idea of what can be done in the matrimonial line, under our present laws, by a determined and vigorous tonal.

A marriage license was issued to-day by Jacob Meeker, aged fifty-seven, and Mrs. Judom Seitz, aged fifty-four. There may appear nothing strange about this to the casual observer, but behind it is one of the strangest stories ever heard. Mrs. Seitz's maiden name was Gaines, she being a sister to Charles Gaines, the blind murderer, now serving a life sentence in the Penitentiary. She first married Edward Seitz, and then married Samuel Seitz. She was once divorced from Seitz, and then married Jacob Meeker, whose first wife had died under suspicious circumstances. She was afterward divorced from Meeker and remarried Seitz.

After several years she was again divorced from Seitz, but in the course of time married him for the third time. They could not agree, however, and for the third time repaired to the courts and were divorced. In the meantime Meeker had married again, and the story of his wife leaving him, his offering ten dollars reward for her return, and her securing a divorce from him but a week ago, is fresh in the minds of all here. Mr. and Mrs. Seitz had determined to try again to make "marriage a success."

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Mountain, William..... .89
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Princess, Alexandria, J. Bright agent..... 5.00
Palmer, M. B..... 5.80
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