

## POETRY.

## PARAPHRASE ON 23d PSALM.

As some kind shepherd guides his flock,  
And guards his fleecy care,  
So Israel's God my safety is  
To ward off every snare.

I cannot want when he is near,  
To lead me by the hand,  
Through the green pastures of his love,  
The streams of Canaan's land.

My soul's return he hath procured  
When sunk in depths of woe,  
And taught me for his own name's sake,  
In righteous paths to go.

Tho' call'd to travel the dark gloom  
Of Death's cold dreary shade,  
Then shall his rod and staff still prove  
My kind support and aid.

With all the good that nature craves,  
My table shall o'erspread,  
E'en in the sight of raging foes,  
With oil anoint my head.

And tho' my cup hath oft o'er-flown,  
Still all my days shall prove  
That his great goodness knows no bounds,  
So constant is his love.

Within his temple I shall dwell  
His mercy to adore!  
His power to know, and his blest name  
To praise for evermore.

April 3, 1879.

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## LOCAL.

## New Brunswick Auxiliary Bible Society.

In our last number we gave a brief notice of the Annual Meeting of the New-Brunswick Auxiliary Bible Society, which had taken place on the preceding Wednesday evening; in addition to which we now observe, that the Report stated, that the issue of Bibles and Testaments from the Depository was greater than it had been in any preceding year, and that multitudes of the poor in various parts of the Province had been supplied with the word of God; and that notwithstanding the perplexing scarcity of money that prevailed, the contributions had rather increased than diminished. This latter circumstance is peculiarly encouraging to the friends of the Bible cause, inasmuch as it goes to show, that in a great trial of pecuniary difficulty, the zeal of many to assist in promoting the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, abounded to the riches of their liberality.

The following are the Motions which were made and passed at the Meeting:—

Moved by Mr. William Ewing, Teacher in Portland—and seconded by Mr. N. S. Jenmill:

That the Report now read be received and printed under the direction of the Committee.

Moved by W. B. Kinnear, Esq.—and seconded by Mr. Gilbert T. Ray:

That the thanks of this Meeting be due to the Committee of the Parent Society for the liberal grant of 600 copies of the Scriptures made to this Province, through the Rev. John West, by which many of our poor have been put in possession of the Word of God.

Moved by Alexander McLeod, Esq.—and seconded by Mr. James Taylor, Junr. Secretary of the Fredericton Bible Association.

That this Meeting truly rejoice in the intelligence that the cause of Bible circulation is gaining ground in every quarter of the world, and that the contributions to the British and Foreign Bible Society, and its issues of Bibles and Testaments during the past, have so far exceeded those of former years.

Moved by Mr. Campbell Gibb—and seconded by Mr. James Holman:

That the accounts received concerning the wonderful activity of Bible Committees in Britain, on the Continent, and in the States of America, should prove a stimulus to the conductors of Bible Societies in this Province.

Moved by Mr. Angus McKenzie—and seconded Mr. L. H. DeVeber:

That the Thanks of this Meeting be given to the President, Office Bearers, and Collectors of the Ladies Bible Association, and that they be encouraged not to faint nor be weary in well doing.

Moved by Rev. Robert Davis—and seconded by John Robertson, Esq. President of the Grand Lake Branch Bible Society:

That this Meeting desire to recognize the hand of God in the concerns of this Society and feel altogether dependent upon Him for success in the cause which they have undertaken.

Moved by Mr. Alexander W. McLeod—and seconded by Mr. Everett:

That the Office Bearers be requested to continue in Office; and that the following gentlemen be the Committee for the ensuing year:—viz.:

Messrs. G. Harding,	Messrs. Joshua Bunting
J. C. Waterbury,	Henry Hennigar,
Stephen Sinnott,	Campbell Gibb,
L. H. DeVeber,	Zobulon East,
N. S. Jenmill,	Gilbert T. Ray,
Angus McKenzie,	William Ewing,
Samuel Stephen,	Hugh Allen,
John Wishart,	Thomas Lockey.

Moved by W. B. Kinnear, Esq.—and seconded by the Secretary:

That the Annual Meeting be fixed to take place hereforth on the last Wednesday of October in each year.

By the ship *Ann* which arrived yesterday, in 34 days from Liverpool, a London paper of the 28th of September and Liverpool papers of the 1st and 2d October have been received in town. We have not seen any of them, but we learn from a gentleman who came passenger in the *Ann*, that peace was not then definitively concluded: The reports from the East were contradictory from day to day. It was however understood, that through the intervention of the English and French Ambassadors, an Armistice for a certain number of days had been agreed on, and that Gen. Deshutch had delivered the conditions upon which he would make peace, to the Turkish Negotiator. These conditions were dispatched with all possible expedition to the Porte, and he manifested a strong reluctance to comply with them. Thus matters stood when the *Ann* sailed on the second of October.

We are informed, that one object of the Convocation assembled in England, is to make a more equal distribution of the Church Livings, and another is to oblige those who hold Livings to reside in their Parishes. It is added, that the Duke of Wellington, intends to apply a part of the Church Revenues, to the service of the State.

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Six of the Seamen belonging to the Barque *Thoma*, said to be concerned in a mutiny on board that vessel, have been taken and secured in the Gaol at St. Andrews: and two are in the Gaol in this City. Those in our Gaol were examined on Friday last, before His Worship the Mayor, but no decisive proofs of guilt appeared. They were remanded for further examination.

We are informed that on Sunday last, the Ship *Waterloo*, from Liverpool for this port, dragged her anchor, and went on shore at Little River, where she now lies.

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On Tuesday night, 27th ult. MICHAEL KENNEDY, a mariner, belonging to the brig *Daniel O'Connell*, in attempting to go from Loverr's wharf on board that vessel, fell between the vessel and the wharf, and unhappily was drowned. Several attempts have since been made to find the body, but they have hitherto been unsuccessful. Kennedy was a young man about 26, and was from Passage near Cork. His body was this day found.

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HALIFAX SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.—The Committee of that Society, have lately made an appeal to the benevolence and christian liberality of the public, on behalf of the Funds of the Institution. The appeal states, that the greater number of the members of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, who formed the original Diocesan Committee in Halifax, have paid the debt of nature, or have become lost to the Society through their removal to other places. The

annual subscriptions have in consequence considerably declined, and the Committee have latterly been only able to keep up a stock of Books, from the sale of those which were remaining in the Depository. The remittances (arising chiefly out of the sale of Books,) made in the spring and autumn of each year, to procure new supplies, are greatly diminished, by the expenses of correspondence, freight, insurance, packages, &c. and the constant necessity that exists of giving gratuitously, a considerable number of Books to indigent persons, or of selling them at prices below those at which they are imported, materially lessens the amount of sales. Under these circumstances there is a progressive diminution of the funds, and the Society's means of usefulness is proportionably circumscribed. The object of the appeal is to solicit, annual, quarterly, monthly, or weekly, subscriptions, or donations of any amount however small. We confess we are surprised, not that the appeal is made, but that from the causes above mentioned, a necessity should exist of making such an appeal. We are not professedly members of the Established Church, nor of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, nevertheless we are friendly to every institution which has for its object, the present and future welfare of mankind; and we regret that in Nova-Scotia, such apathy should prevail in the minds of the friends of that venerable institution. We are not expressly informed on the subject, but we are unwilling to think that the same is the case in New-Brunswick.

From the tenor of the appeal, there appears to be a culpable want of zeal, in the members of the Established Church in Nova Scotia, and a want of all proper interest in its prosperity, or they could not allow the operations of that venerable Institution, thus to languish for the want of Funds. The rich, the affluent, the influential, generally are professed members of the Established Church; it cannot therefore be the inability of individuals to contribute, which has produced this state of things. But whatever may have been the cause, we trust that the appeal will not have been made in vain, and that the friends of that venerable Institution will not allow themselves to be surpassed in zeal and liberality to promote the interests of religion, by their poorer brethren of different denominations.

## Collect for the Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## MARRIED,

On Wednesday evening last, by the Rev. the Rector of the Parish, Mr. WILLIAM HAMMOND, Merchant, to JANE, youngest daughter of George Harding, Esq. all of this City. Tuesday morning, in St. John Church, by the Rev. B. G. Gray, Rector, HORATIO NELSON HICKS LUGGINS, Esq. to LOUISA CHAMBERLAIN, youngest daughter of the late Saml. Greenwood, Esq. of Halifax, Nova-Scotia.

On Wednesday evening, by the Rev. B. G. Gray Rector, Mr. GEORGE A. NAGEL, Merchant, to Miss MARY CABLE.

## DIED,

In this City, on Friday morning last, after a lingering illness, which she bore with great fortitude and resignation, Mrs. ELIZABETH BAILEY, relict of the late Mr. Oliver Bailey, aged 73 years.

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