

RELIGIOUS.

BAPTIST.

Rev. J. W. Manning of the North Baptist church, has returned from England much benefitted in health.

Quite a large number of Baptist ministers have withdrawn from the Baptist Union in England since Mr. Spurgeon severed his connection with it.

Rev. J. F. Kompton, late of Chester, has become pastor of the Baptist church at Hopewell, N. B.

The Union Baptist Seminary building at St. Martins, N. B., now almost built, is said to be one of the most imposing structures in the Province.

The congregation of Fifth Baptist church, Philadelphia, at a service held last month cleared off the debt of \$15,000 which was on the property.

METHODIST.

The missionary meetings held lately in the Methodist churches of this city were very successful. Grafton St. church contributed for missions \$1,266, Charles St., \$1,200, Brunswick St., \$1,100, and Robie St. church, \$150.

Last year there were in connection with the mission work of the Methodist church of Canada 482 mission stations, (home and foreign), which were in charge of 574 missionaries and teachers. The membership in the mission fields is reported at 48,542.

Rev. W. G. Lane proposes lecturing in different parts of the Province for the purpose of raising funds to clear off the debt on the Methodist parsonage at Hantsport.

In the death of John B. Cornell the Methodist Episcopal church in New York has lost its best known lay member. His annual contributions amounted to nearly \$50,000. It is estimated that in all he gave for charitable objects \$1,000,000.

A general summary of the English Wesleyan Methodist Conference gives the total membership of the community as 537,000, with nearly 47,000 on trial. The ministers, supernumeraries, and probationers number 2,867.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. D. McLean will be inducted into the charge of the Presbyterian congregation at Earlton on the 30th instant.

Rev. Dr. Francis L. Patton, who occupies the chair of theology in Princeton College, succeeds Dr. McCosh as president of that institution.

On Wednesday the Rev. A. A. Watson was ordained in Park St. church by the Presbytery of Halifax.

The home mission and augmentation funds of the western section of the Presbyterian church are in debt about \$27,000. It is recommended that a special effort be made to wipe out the deficiency.

Last week meetings in the interest of foreign missions were held in 219 of the Presbyterian churches in New Jersey.

It is a long time since there were so few vacant pulpits in the London Presbytery. Stratford and Highgate are the only two vacancies in London.

Rev. Wm. Scott has severed his connection with the Presbyterian church at Bedeque, P.E.I., much to the regret of his people.

The new Chalmers' Hall on Duke Street, erected by the congregation at a cost of some \$7000 on the Whitehall property, is about completed, and will be dedicated with appropriate services next Sunday. The building presents a handsome appearance, and the large hall in the interior will seat 300 persons. In addition there are a number of rooms for class purposes, an office for Rev. P. M. Morrison, &c., &c.

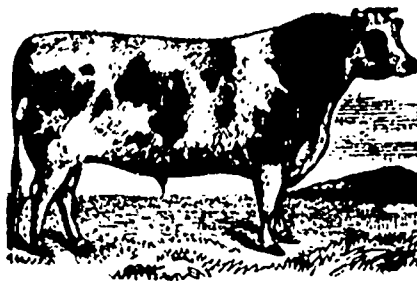
CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The Rev. J. A. Lobleby, D.C.L., lately principal of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and now holding a parish in England, has been nominated by the Bishop of Quebec to the Rectorship of the Cathedral, Quebec city. It is not thought likely that Dr. Lobleby will accept. In that case, Rev. Dr. Roe, Professor of Divinity at Bishop's College, may possibly be named.

The parish of St. Mark, St. John, N.B., has been offered to Rev. Hartley Carmichael, of Hamilton. A large number of the parishioners, should he decline, are in favor of the election of Rev. Dr. Partridge, of this city.

Rev. R. A. Heath has removed to his new parish of Ship Harbor. He is the first to occupy the new parsonage at Jeddore.

Two distinguished men have been removed by death within a short time, the Rev. Edward Thring, Headmaster of Uppingham Grammar School, and one of the typical educationists of England, and Mr. A. J. Beresford Hope, M.P. for Cambridge University. It is remarkable that this University, generally regarded as ultra-progressive, should have been represented in Parliament since 1832 by Conservatives. As a Parliamentary debater, whose wise words carried great weight on his own subjects, as an archaeologist of high repute, as a contributor of no mean order to the comparative settlement of the Ritual question, and as a most liberal giver to all worthy church objects, Mr. Hope will long live in the memory of churchmen, but he will be best remembered by his purchase of the desecrated site and buildings of St. Augustine's monastery in Canterbury, and in its foundation as a college for the training of candidates for the ministry in Colonial and Missionary dioceses. Many clergy in Canada have been trained in St. Augustines, amongst them Revs. Dr. Partridge, H. G. Lancaster, N. Lemoine, of this city, and Rev. H. J. Winterbourn, who has but now removed to Montreal.



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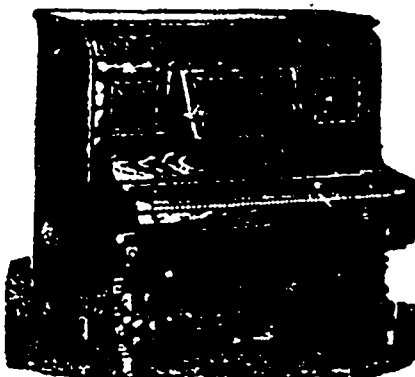
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