

entered the conflict 1000 strong, but only 200 answered the roll-call at the close of the fight. Forbes, though in the thickest of the fray, never received a wound. In 1815, he was discharged with a pension. He came with his family to Nova Scotia in 1830. The first eleven years he spent in Pictou, and the remainder of his life at Goshen. He became a Christian in the fifteenth year of his age, and joined the communion of the church at the Cape. He was ordained an elder in 1837. He delighted in every part of his work, and was a faithful soldier of the great captain of our salvation—liberal in his contributions, and ready to assist in every good work. He leaves eight children, the eldest having served a number of years in the eldership with himself. Two are ministers Rev. A. G. Forbes of the Bruce Presbytery, and Rev. John F. Forbes, of Pictou Presbytery. The youngest is a lawyer and Sabbath-school superintendent in the Presbyterian Church in Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Forbes was honoured and beloved over the whole country side.

MR. JOHN C. BECKET, elder in Erskine Church, Montreal, died on the 5th September, in the 69th year of his age. Mr. Becket was a native of Kilwinning, Scotland. He came to this country in 1834, and had resided nearly ever since in Montreal, where he earned the respect and esteem of his fellow citizens by the active interest which he took in the benevolent institutions of the city, by his strict integrity as a man of business, and his exemplary Christian deportment in all the relations of life.

MR. RICHARD MCKEE. By the death of this respected elder, the first Essa congregation, Ont., has been deprived of a useful and honoured office-bearer; one who was constant in the discharge of duty, and whose wise counsels were always welcome and highly valued. He was a native of Ireland and was ordained to the eldership in 1855.

MR. ROBERT WILSON of Chatham and Grenville died on 20th June last in the 65th year of his age. He was ordained a deacon in 1846, and an elder in 1852.

MR. WILLIAM TORRANCE, an elder of the Presbyterian Church at Mimosa, Ont., died on 16th July, aged 78 years.

MRS. JANE MCGREGOR, wife of Mr. Donald Campbell, and daughter of late Rev. W. McGregor, died at Lot 16, P. E. Island, on 12th February last.

Ecclesiastical News.

FATHER CHINIQUY has had a very remarkable career since he left us, more than a year ago. From the day he landed in Australia until now, a continued ovation has

attended his progress from place to place. If he has not turned the world upside down, he has certainly created an interest in these Southern Colonies that has never been exceeded. He has not been eating the bread of idleness; everywhere, in season and out of season, this venerable and fearless apostle of Protestantism has been preaching and lecturing to immense audiences, assailing the strongholds of superstition, and asserting his right as a British subject to liberty of thought and speech. His life has been frequently in danger; he has been several times stoned, and not a few have acted as if they thought they would do good service by taking his life. But he has been mercifully preserved from harm, and at last accounts was in good health and spirits, none the worse of the extraordinary ordeal through which he has passed. He is probably on his way to New Zealand by this time. At Hobart Town, Tasmania, the announcement that Mr. Chiniquy's friends had engaged the Town-Hall for him to speak in created great excitement. The Catholics were determined to prevent the delivery of his lecture, the Protestants, on the other hand, were as fully determined to carry out their programme. Riot and bloodshed seemed imminent, and were only averted by the firm and prompt action of the public authorities. Two hundred and fifty special constables were sworn in. The volunteers were armed and called out at short notice; the artillery paraded the streets with their guns; the majesty of the law was vindicated; the liberty of the subject was secured, and Father Chiniquy delivered his lecture without let or hindrance.

THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE held its seventh conference in Basle, Switzerland, in the beginning of last month. A large number of delegates from all parts of Europe and America were in attendance. Pastor Ecklin, on behalf of the city, welcomed the guests in the Great Hall of the Vereinshaus. Dr. Schall, of New York, represented the Anglo-Americans, and spoke at length of the vitality of Protestantism in America, calling special attention to the fact that the American churches were firm in their adherence to a strict observance of the Sabbath. He touched also on the Mormon question, and on the voluntary principles at work in America for the support of religious institutions. Dr. Anderson, of New York, spoke on Sabbath-schools, shewing their importance as respects the development of the life of the church. Dr. de Pressense, of Paris, discussed the Christian and anti-Christian influence of the press on national life.

PERE HYACINTHE, announces that he has no wish to found a new religion, nor to introduce Protestantism in disguise into the Roman Catholic Church. What he wants is that the Catholic Church shall reform herself in the line of the following propositions;—1. Rejection of