

WESLEYAN MISSIONS IN BERMUDA.

The Thirtieth Anniversary of the Bermuda Auxiliary Wesleyan Missionary Society, was held at St. George's on the 5th inst., by adjournment at Hamilton, on the 13th. The meetings were opened with the usual solemn exercises;—after which the Gentlemen who had kindly consented to conduct the business, were called to the Chair; R.M. Higgs Esq., presided at St. George's and A.T. Deane Esq., at Hamilton. The addresses delivered from the Chair at each meeting, exhibited in a forcible manner the high concern and value of the great Missionary Work.

The Rev. J. B. Brownell, Superintendent of the Missions in these Islands, read a brief abstract of the Local Report at each Meeting; and sundry Resolutions were put and carried unanimously.

On both occasions many interesting speeches were delivered in advocacy of the cause of Missions and urgent appeals made for greater exertion to raise the necessary means to send out Ministers to those remote parts of the world where ignorance, superstition, and cannibalism were deplorably rife.

We cannot omit to notice here that among the Ministers and other Gentlemen who occupied the platform was that highly venerated Minister the Rev. J. HONE, who had recently returned to the scene of his former labours after an absence of 18 years. The profound respect which this Divine had earned from his connexion with the Wesleyan Church in these Islands, was abundantly testified by the whole Congregation when he made his appearance to address the meeting—which he did in his usual happy style. In the course of his remarks he alluded to the recent grant which the Colonial Legislature had made in aid of the support of the Wesleyan Ministers in these Islands. While heartily expressing (in common with other speakers) thanks for the liberality of the Legislature—he remarked that this grant should not have the effect of causing those who had hitherto contributed to the Mission cause to withhold assistance, because such support was as much needed now as ever; that the grant from the Colony would only prevent a corresponding amount being drawn from the Parent Society towards the maintenance of the Ministers labouring here; and that every farthing that was raised by Contribution and Donations in these Islands was remitted to England solely for the purpose of aiding the funds set apart for extending the Gospel to the Heathen parts of the Globe. He also alluded in the most pleasing terms to that Christian unity which ought to prevail among the Ministers of all Denominations in furtherance of the Gospel of the one Saviour—whose precepts all professed to follow. In other lands he had witnessed and participated in such unity, and Bermuda should not be behindhand in that important respect.—*Bermudian*, June 13.

WESLEYAN INTELLIGENCE—NEWFOUNDLAND.

LAYING A CORNER-STONE OF A NEW WESLEYAN CHURCH.

Yesterday, June 14th, according to previous announcement the foundation, or chief corner stone of the edifice to be erected for the Wesleyans of Harbour Grace as their future place of Divine Worship, was laid. Anticipation had been indulged that the Rev. Mr. WILLIAMS of St. John's would have undertaken this pleasing duty, but pressing engagements prevented, and in consequence that part of the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. SHENSTONE, who discharged the same in the usual form and manner closing the formula by adding the words—*"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace and good will towards men."* *"May God save the Queen."*

After the reading of a copy of the principal documents, deposited at the foundation (a transcript of which I furnish at foot) by the Rev. Mr. NORRIS of Carbonear, the Rev. W. E. SHENSTONE standing on the Foundation Stone delivered an address which although brief, it is proper to observe, was comprehensive in its statements and significant in its allusions, and was also throughout distinguished by true catholicity of sentiment.

The day was remarkably fine, and the attendance at the ceremony was large, comprising most of the *élite* of this community, which must have been exceedingly gratifying to the feelings of the Pastor and his more immediate flock. Let me remark, by the way, that judging from appearances no petty feelings of jealousy exist among the clergy of this town.

There was deposited with the document of which I send you a copy, a roll containing the names of the Wesleyan Missionaries labouring in this country with their respective stations, both which were hermetically sealed in a glass bottle, and beside the same in the box were placed a copy of the *London Watchman*, a copy of the *Wesleyan Notices Newspaper*, a copy of the *Halifax N. S. Wesleyan*; a plate of the "John Wesley," Mission, a plate of the Wesleyan Chapel at Madras, in the East Indies, and also a copy of the last issue of the *Harbour Grace Herald*.

COPY OF THE ROLL.

"The Foundation Stone of this Building, named WESLEY CHURCH, to be used as a place of Public Worship in connexion with the *British Wesleyan Methodist Conference*, was laid on the 14th of June, Anno Domini, 1850, by the Rev. W. E. SHENSTONE, Superintendent of the Harbour Grace station. It being the thirteenth year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign Queen VICTORIA, whom may GOD long preserve.—Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT being Governor of Newfoundland. Trustees of the Church and Cemetery,—John Munn, and Richard Anderson, Esquires, Messrs. W. C. St. John, Henry Webber, Charles Parsons, Mark Parsons, and Captain Stevenson.—Messrs. Munn, Shenstone, St. John Stevenson, and Mark Parsons, Building Committee. Mr. John Withycome, Contractor and Builder. GLORY BE TO GOD ALONE."—*Correspondent of the Harbour Grace Herald*.

REV. MR. BOTTERELL—REV. MR. WILLIAMS. In our last issue we omitted to make special announcement of the arrival on Monday last, by the steamer *Falcon*, of the Rev. Mr. BOTTERELL, who has come to assume the duties of Chairman and General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Mission of this country, in the room of the Rev. and venerable Mr. Williams, who, from his advancing years, and we regret to add, from the infirm state of health, is about to resign his charge into the custody of an active and vigorous successor.

Mr. WILLIAMS's amiable, liberal, and enlightened sentiments have endeared him to all who have had the happiness of his acquaintance, and when he shall have left this country he will be held in affectionate remembrance by numbers of each of the various religious professions of which this city is composed. We hope his health, which has been impaired here, may be restored to him in some more genial climate.—*St. John's Courier*, June 22.

REV. MR. FAULKNER.

The Rev. Mr. Faulkner, together with his family, leaves for England in a few days, taking with him the esteem and well-wishes of the numerous congregations to whom for a period of twenty years he has faithfully and most acceptably dispensed the word of life.—*Harbour Grace Herald*, June 26.

Sabbath Alliance.

A public Meeting, which we should have gladly announced in our last, had a notice of it been sent to our office, to promote the objects of the SABBATH ALLIANCE Society was held on Monday evening last in the New Temperance Hall. We are happy to say that a large and respectable audience was in attendance. The Venerable Chief Justice presided on the occasion. Ministers of various evangelical denominations of the City, with influential lay-members, were present. Several Resolutions were moved, seconded, and passed, which we should have felt a pleasure to publish in this number had they been furnished us. The speeches were sound, practical, convincing, and calculated to arouse attention to the subject of Sabbath reform. The moral state of our City may contrast favourably with that of other cities—and we are far from wishing unjustly to depreciate it—but there is room for improvement, and only a work of supererogation. The latter position will scarcely be advocated by any true moralist, religiousist, or philanthropist. The room for improvement indicates a call for improvement, and this principle admitted, justifies the praiseworthy efforts of the recently formed Association. We cordially bid the members of the Sabbath Alliance "God-speed" in their labour of Christian philanthropy, and sincerely hope that their efforts will gather around them the good wishes and hearty co-operation of the friends of the Sabbath of whatever creed.

Temperance Hall.

The services connected with the opening of the Room, in the New Temperance Hall, designed for the use of the Division of the Sons of Temperance, on the evening of the 4th inst., as reported in the *Sun*, were of an interesting character. The Hon. J. W. Johnston read an eloquent Address, which was listened to with marked attention.

Also an interesting meeting of the Halifax Temperance Society took place at the N. T. Hall on Wednesday evening last. Rev. Messrs. Muir, Henninger, and McGregor addressed the meeting.

On Wednesday news was received by telegraph, of the demise of GENERAL TAYLOR, President of the United States. He died at Washington on Tuesday evening last.

Yesterday was observed by our Church in this City as a day of fasting and prayer, in accordance with the Resolution passed at our last District Meeting. The services were of a useful character. We suppose the day was similarly observed throughout the bounds of the District.

We have just received intelligence that the Rev. Ralph Ross, formerly of this City, died last week at Hamilton, Canada West, of Erysipelas and Bilious Fever.

AN UNTIMELY DEATH.—It is with deep and unfeigned regret, that we announce in our obituary list the demise—after only three or four days illness—of Mr. Albert Chapin Starr, son of Daniel Starr, Esq., of this city. This lamented young gentleman had by his amiable disposition, modest deportment, and cultivated mind, endeared himself to an extensive circle of relatives and friends, who will long remember the many estimable qualities which adorned his early manhood.—*Chronicle*.

Things worth Knowing.

Post-offices were first established in Paris, 1462; in England, 1581.

Prusic acid is neutralized by alkalies and iron.

Oxygen gas is the great agent in respiration and combustion; nitrogen gas is incapable of maintaining combustion; the former forms about a fifth part, the latter about four-fifths, of the atmosphere.

The elasticity of the air is proportional to its density.

The force of the wind is as the square of its velocity.

An ordinary air-pump will rarify the air 125 times.

Every square inch of the human frame supports 15 lbs. of air.

Platina may be drawn into wires 2000 parts of an inch thick.

Huygens first applied the pendulum to clocks in 1656.

One of the best substances for diluting ink is a strong decoction of Coffee; it also improves its colour and lustre.

An artificial preparation of ice may be made by equal mixtures of nitrate of ammonia, sub-carbonate of soda, and water.

Noips thrive best in a manure that is cool and moist.

Summary of News.

BY THE R. M. STEAMER.

The R. M. Steamship *Hibernia*, arrived at this port early on Thursday morning last. The news is not important. We give a few items.

Great Britain.

Lord Brougham in the House of Lords has made a fruitless attempt to show that the closing of the Post-office on Sundays by an address to the Crown is illegal.

On Sabbath, June 23d, some twelve thousand government employes, throughout the United Kingdom enjoyed, for the first time, the privilege of abstaining on that holy day from secular labour, and devoting its sacred hours to purposes of peace and rest. At Liverpool, Bristol, and elsewhere, the postmen of the place repaired in a body to the church to return thanks to God for this relief.

General Jung Bahadur Koonwur Rana, on a special mission from the Sovereign of Nepal, was presented to the Queen by Sir John Lubbock, after the Privy Council held on the 10th ult.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Prussia arrived in London on the 22nd ult., for the purpose of celebrating as usual the sponsors of the infant Prince Arthur who was baptized that evening at Buckingham Palace.

General Gribaldi, the celebrated defender of Rome had arrived in England.

The dispute with the French Cabinet has been renewed, and there is a prospect of an immediate return of its diplomatic representative to London.

A deputation of nearly ninety members of the House of Commons have presented to Lady Palmerston a full-length portrait of Viscount Palmerston, with an address expressive of the high sense they entertain of his Lordship's public and private character.

The anniversary of Waterloo was grandly celebrated at Portsmouth. Lord Gough, a visitor in the town, was presented with an address by the Corporation; and new Colours were presented to the 25th Foot, by Lady Augusta Fitzclarence.

The Koh-i-noor diamond is now on its way to England, says the *Times* in her Majesty's ship the *Medea*, Captain Lockyer, under the special guardianship of Lieut. Col. Mackeson, the Governor-General's agent with the Commander-in-Chief during the late campaign, Lord Gough.

Her Majesty, on the evening of the 27th June, was struck with a small stick on the cheek and bonnet by a ruffian-gentleman, named Robert Pate, formerly a Lieutenant in the Tenth Hussars. No reason for the daring outrage was assigned. He was committed—"charged with assaulting her Majesty on leaving Cambridge House." His *pate* was treated rather roughly by a by-stander who dealt him a severe blow.

Foreign.

FRANCE.—On Thursday night, 20th June, a very important meeting of members was held at the Council of State, which was prolonged until two o'clock the following morning. The question was, of course, the Dotation Bill. Messrs. Thiers, Remyer, Montalembert, and other influential members spoke, and all agreed that whatever grant be made should not be in the shape of a dotation, but of an extraordinary credit, subject to annual revision. As to the sum, they failed in coming to any conclusion on the point, some proposing one amount and some another, until the state of excitement and confusion rendered anything like a settlement of details impossible. There were sharp words between M. Delarochesjuelin and M. Rouquier, on the subject of legitimacy, which led to a quarrel, but it was happily settled.

At the commencement of business in the Legislative Assembly on Friday, M. Flaudin read the report of the committee on the bill for the augmentation of the allowances of the President of the Republic. The report, which is of great length, is drawn up with great ability, and in very moderate terms. It was listened to throughout with great attention, and with an absence of interruption which is very unusual in the French Assembly.

A number of June insurgents, who had been pardoned by the President, have been arrested at Belleville, upon the charge of conspiring against the government.

The Dotation Bill came under discussion, on Monday, in the French Assembly, when the Finance Minister stated that the Government, anxious to meet the views of the majority in a conciliatory spirit, would accept the amendment of M. Dampierre, viz.—"There is opened to the Minister of Finance on the budget of the year 1850, a credit of 2,100,000fr. for the extraordinary expenses of the Presidency during 1849 and 1850." M. Dampierre moved, as an amendment, that the sum proposed by M. Dampierre should be granted for 1850 only, and not for 1849 and 1850. General Changarnier warmly supported this amendment, which was carried by a majority of 46. The adoption of this amendment is still more favourable for government, and produced intense sensation.

The Paris journals of the 25th, dilate with much satisfaction on the termination of the difficulty that has been raised by the Dotation Bill. The *Debate* gives a detailed account of the seizure of the projectors of a secret Socialist Society. The *Moniteur* contains the official notification of the presentation of the Queen of England's letter to the President of the Republic, announcing the birth of a Prince.

PORTUGAL.—There are accounts from Lisbon of the 10th inst., brought by her Majesty's ship *Birkenhead*. The law of the press had been read a third time in the Chamber of Peers without much opposition; but it was expected to be of a most formidable kind when the second reading should come under debate. The national exchequer needed replenishing, and the ministers were busily occupied in devising the ways and means by which that object could be accomplished.

PRUSSIA.—The government continues to execute the severest measures against the press. A mass of newspapers have been ordered to be excluded from the benefits of the Post-office. They will cease to be forwarded by post from the 1st of July. Among these are the *Abendpost*, the *National*, and the *Urwahler*. The *Constitutional* is to be prosecuted for libelling the police. As well as these vigorous proceedings, the police are suppressing the mechanics' unions. It is stated that they are not yet satisfied of the non-existence of the vast political conspiracies which have troubled their digestion and nightly repose, since the attack on the King's life by the prisoner Seifolge.

The first stone of the monument to be erected, at Berlin, to the memory of those brave soldiers who lost their lives in the revolutionary conflicts of 1818 and 1819, was laid, on the 18th inst., by his Majesty, who was most enthusiastically cheered, it being the first time he had appeared in public since the attempt made upon his life. The ceremony was imposing, and crowds assembled to witness it.

TURKEY.—A letter of the 17th of June, from Serhul, states that an insurrection against the Turkish government has broken out in the three Bulgarian districts of Widdin, Gurgewara, and Belgraditza, and that the small fort at the latter place had fallen into the hands of the insurgents.

credit on what was then called Long Burford, Oxford, and several other settlements. Here God gave me one of his approbation by the conversion of sinners as seals to my ministry. God enlarged our borders since then we were then only about 73,000 in the Now, including the North and the South, as indicating two separate branches Church—there are upwards of 100,000, as I have before said, throughout there are nearly 2,000,000 including of 1,000, the pastors of whom I now have of addressing.

at more shall I say? Will you allow me a few words of admonition and advice would secure the continuance of God's blessing which He bestowed upon the Gospel—we must imitate their practice. What was that spirit? deeply imbued with the Spirit of Christ, need with the spirit of revival. Me begotten, fostered, and grew up under the spirit of revival. If there should perpetuate its prosperity we must same spirit of revival, aiming to provide possible means, urging ourselves sing our people forward after entire a of soul and body to God. This doctrine sanctification was that which, above distinguished Wesley among his community, and has been the distinguishing-istic of Methodism from his to our would therefore have the mantles of Asbury, and of the many other fathers d, who have been carried in chariots even, fall on us, we must make their namely, HOLINESS TO THE LORD. To we must imitate their practice—of self-persevering diligence—of entire counsel and body to God—using all those within our reach to diffuse purity of colines of life all around about us."

NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

(Circular.)

DELOVED BRETHREN,—The abundant mercy of God, we are once more in our Annual District Meeting—abundance the opportunity it affords us of sitting with you, on subjects, in which is of our beloved Zion are involved. The cal Year just now closed has been one race and spiritual prosperity; and also of our number has been removed by ur loss is his infinite gain." Having n his labours, and entered into his rest, "with the Lord, which is far better." us the highest gratification to inform e Lord has revived his work on several he word has had free course, and has fied of a truth. God has honoured the his servants in a most encouraging and this is one of the reasons that induce us on this occasion, and solicit your n the following subjects.

uch, and serious deliberation, we are of at the introduction of our financial poli-tribute very much to the extension of and the more efficient cultivation of the h the Lord of the harvest has assigned We covet no man's silver, or gold," we yours, but you. But we cannot refrain g, that a good deal of the monetary em-its, under which some of our Circuits to be attributed, to the very partial man-ich class and ticket money is paid. We o witness a growing improvement in this nd indulge a hope, that when we next pleasure to address you, a legitimate and increase of our circuit receipts, will be a e our mutual congratulation.

persuaded, beloved brethren, that a due regard to this department of our polity, attended with the most beneficial results, ties and Towns, the payment of "Class let money" has been long established; in he principal country circuits this practice recently adopted, and with great effect; l the circuits enter heartily into this it, it will become a general and popular throughout the whole District. These sub- be brought before you by your respected s, and as soon as possible, after their their respective circuits.

e are, beloved brethren, Yours in the Gospel of Christ—For the District Meeting,

ROBERT COOPER

du Street, St. John, N. B.

June 13, 1850.