

it appears that the number of agents now sustained by it is, European Missionaries, exclusive of their families, 165; native pastors, evangelists and assistants 700, making a total of 865 engaged in the work of promoting a knowledge of the Christian faith and the blessings of civilization among the heathen.

Several English railway companies are endeavouring to stop the Sunday trains, and efforts are making to induce the steamboat companies, to cease plying on the Sabbath.

The Missionary ship John Wesley sailed from Southampton on Monday 21st November, having on board eight missionaries with their families.

The New Connection Methodist Chapel, in Toronto, was opened on the 4th inst., under most encouraging circumstances. Mr. Howard of the British Wesleyans, Mr. Roof of the Congregationalists, delivered discourse in the morning and afternoon, and Mr. Crofts, pastor of the church, in the evening.

The Free Church of Scotland have laid the corner-stone of their new college in Edinburgh.

The *Christian Witness*, (London), a monthly journal devoted to the interests of Congregationalism, has in two years gained a circulation of 50,000. The *Christian Penny Magazine*, also edited by Dr. Campbell, has reached £0,000.

The Court of Queen's Bench, Montreal, has decided that an Auctioneer in selling a horse, is presumed to warrant the title to the animal.

A Horticultural Society has been established in Montreal, of which Mr. Justice Day has been elected President.

The Canada Land Company have resumed their system of disposing of their land on lease.

Glasgow is the largest city, legally so called, in the British Empire.

The United States brig of war Somers, was capsized and sunk in a few minutes, in a squall on the 8th of Dec. Twenty three persons perished.

It is estimated that the amount expended in New York city for cigars alone is not less than \$730,000.

M. Leon Gingras, of the Seminary at Quebec, is about publishing, by subscription, an account of his voyage to the Holy Land.

A new Catholic Church was opened at St. Genevieve, on the 5th inst. It is spoken of as having some pretensions to architectural merit.

There was thunder and lightning at Inverness, (Megantic) on Sunday the 27th ult.

**TELEGRAPHIC PRINTING.**—We were shown last evening a specimen of telegraphic printing by the new invention of impressing letters upon the paper instead of the characters formerly used. The impressions are made at the rate of fifty letters per minute, and every letter and word as distinct as letter press printing. This will be a very great improvement in the way of reports, &c., as the paper can be taken from the machine and used without transcription.—*Buffalo Express*.

#### BY THE MAIL.

The mail of the 5th ult., has arrived with news of a great rise in bread stuffs, viz., about 6s a barrel on Flour. Cotton has also greatly advanced. Ireland is in a very alarming state, both of destitution and disturbance. The Highlands of Scotland are equally destitute, but quiet. Lord Elgin, the new Governor General, has arrived in Montreal.

The influx of the poor from Ireland into Liverpool, especially of females with children, is enormous.

Ibrahim Pacha carried into Egypt, amongst other things, the electric telegraph system from England. He has also taken with him a better thing, if the recent reports from that country may be trusted. It is said he caught a horror of slavery in the atmosphere of freedom; and, since his return to Egypt, has enfranchised all the slaves attached to his service.

In consequence of the success which has attended the experiments with the submarine telegraph, at Portsmouth, the directors of the South Eastern Railway are making preparations for the extension of the electric telegraph from Folkestone to Boulogne.

The Kilkenny papers of last week present an awful list of sheep and cattle *liftings* in various parts of that country.

It is the sober belief of many competent judges that the famine this year in Ireland, will prove more destructive to human life than the cholera, and that a million of persons will be swept away by it.

The *Greenock Advertiser* gives a lamentable picture of the

state of the poor at Tobermory. There are hundreds now in the little village who have not a morsel of food except what is given them by those who have still some; many who never begged before are almost famished before they leave home to ask for food; and some have been a day, or two days, and even more, without food.

The French Government have come to an important resolution with respect to Algiers. The principle military establishments of the colony are to be removed to the interior. The Governor and his staff, and the whole of the military administration, will henceforth be stationed at Medeah; the Governor of Oran at Mascarah; and the Governor of Constantine in a town in the interior not yet fixed. This new arrangement, it is supposed, will have a powerful effect in enabling the French to settle the country.

The *Record* states with reference to the destitution in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, that the Government supplies of oatmeal are, in some places, and particularly in Skye, being sold at a much higher price than the meal which was previously on sale. This is said to arise from the Government Commissariat officers having sold the meal to dealers, who add fifty per cent. to the price, keeping back the supplies as long as they can secure this enormous profit.

The Ottoman Government has had several kinds of cotton seeds, and men competent to superintend their culture, recently brought from America.

The *Augsburg Gazette* of the 17th, contains accounts from Constantinople, which represent Persia to be making warlike preparations on a large scale. The Shah had assembled an army of 25,000 men at Tereher, which he had placed under the command of his eldest son. It is surmised that these preparations are making with a view to an attack on the Turkish provinces.

Considerable disturbances have taken place among the working classes in various parts of France, on account of the dearth of provisions. At Lyons, all business has been suspended. The silk-dyers have deserted their workshops, and the other operatives universally followed their example. They demand shorter time and higher wages.

#### Monies Received on Account of

*Advocate.*—per J. Roberts, Agent.—Jas. Hall and John Graham, Richmond Hill, 5s.; Jas. Lund, Thornhill, 2s. 6d.; John McBeth, Bradford, 2s. 6d.; P. Lawrence, Toronto, 2s. 6d.; Lieut. Johnson, M. Fairbairn and D. J. Willson, Georgina, 7s. 6d.; E. Bramah and R. Morris, Sharon, 5s.; C. Crosby, L. Crosby, R. Willson, Mr. Hawk, D. Reeson, D. Cash and C. Hall, Markham, 17s. 6d. per J. Christie & Son, of Toronto—John Peregrine and John McGuire, Sharon, 5s.; J. Sovereign, Oakville, 2s. 6d.; P. Mine, Markham, 2s. 6d.; *Sundries*, Montreal, £4 10s.; R. Oakley, St. George, £3 15s.; T. Bishop, Ancaster, £1 10s.; J. Robertson and A. & J. Cameron, Perth, 5s.; K. McDonald, Gore of Toronto, £1 2s. 6d.; C. Pier, Picton, £2 15s.; J. B. Bellamy, North Augusta, £1 5s.; R. Wylie, Ayr, £2; W. D. Dickinson, Prescott, £2 10s.; O. Wheaton, Bayham, 10s.; W. Webster, J. Webster and Mrs. Van Allan, Zone Mills, 7s. 6d.; H. Black, for *sundries*, St. Thomas, 17s. 6d.; C. Knowlson, Emily, £1; P. S. Timmerman, Mill Creek, £1 5s.; A. G. MacCoy, Nelson, £1 5s.; S. Tucker, Grenville, 2s. 6d.; E. W. Boyce, Smith's Falls, £2 2s. 6d.; John Andrew, Darlington, £1 10s.; L. Campbell, Penetanguishere, 2s. 6d.; P. McPherson and Lucas Sharp, Bath, 5s.; E. Webster, Gananoque, 15s.; Rev. Mr. Harvey, Gananoque, for 1846, 2s. 6d.; Miss Hunt, Quebec, 2s. 6d.; C. Waugh and E. McGilivray, Betown, 5s.; N. Nicolson, Embro, £2 12s. 6d.; T. Daniel, Galt, £1 10s.; Mrs. Murdock, La Prairie, 2s. 6d.; H. Brundage, Murray, £1 5s.; John Campbell jr. and J. Deason, Perth, 5s.; P. McElroy, Richmond, 15s.; W. E. Pointer, Drummondville, £1 5s.; J. M. Tupper, Brantford, £1 10s. *Sundries, Cobourg, Monaghan and Grafton*, per Rev. P. J. Robin Agent, £7; J. Telford, Montague, 12s. 6d.; Corpl. J. Hardig, Chambly, 2s. 6d.; W. Garbut, Bath, £1 5s.; J. Leggatt, Marmora, 10s.; H. McDonell, Picton, 2s. 6d.; G. Douglas, Mariposa, 20s.; D. P. Aylesworth, Newburgh, 20s.; J. Watt, Fergus, 2s. 6d.; C. Brooks, Lennoxville, 5s.; C. Biggar, Murray, £2 10; Rev. H. Shaler, Westmeath, 5s. *pays to end of this volume*; Mr. Russenstrum, Westmeath, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. P. White, Pembroke, 2s. 6d.; Jas. Middleton, Elora, 7s. 6d.; Joseph Carder, Elora, 2s. 6d.

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