Lawrencetown.

H. H. Whitman's new house is rapidly nearing completion under the energetic management of Mr. Wallace Whitman, of Kingston.

Our town has reorganized its W. C. T. U. with a membership of twelve, which is quite an increase on the number of the former one. We believe that the departments at present are "Scientific Temperance in Schools," "Flower Mission," "Purity in Literature and Fine Arts," the enforcement of the "Minors' Protection Act," and general temperance work. There seems to be quite a demand for all these departments, especially the latter, as Dame Rumor reports numerous cases the of ardent arriving at our station. We wish the union success in their good work.

Councillor Fitch and his friend, Young, passed through town on Friday on his return from a southern fishing trip, with a three pound trout, to say nothing of many others about the average.

Our town is lovely in its new costume. The oldest inhabitant never saw the trees as full of bloom, and our elms also deserve comment.

Social services have been conducted in the Methodist church for some three or four weeks past. Mr. Philips, of Digby, has been helping Mr. Toole in the services part of the time. Twelve persons were received into the church on Sunday last.

Rev. Mr. Manning, secretary of the Baptist Foreign Missions Board, wife and daughter, spent a few days last week at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Schaffner.

Mrs. McLeod, of Annapolis, spent Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Whitman.

Messrs. E. & E. Schaffner are having their logs sawn at Veinot's mill and hauled to the station for delivery, as the lumber is all sold before cutting.

N. H. Phinney is intending to build a large warehouse on a site opposite the post office. The cellar contract is already given and digging is begun.

The lecture in the Baptist church last evening was very enjoyable and instructive.

Inglisville.

Mr. Henry Bowles, of Kings, has spent several days among friends in this place recently.

Mrs. John E. Beals with children Vernon and Mildred spent the 23rd, with friends in Clazence.

Miss Mary Banks of Clementsvale, spent a few days last week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Banks.

Mrs. Dunn, has returned from Sheffield Mills, where she has spent a week with her daughter Mrs. S. Pennell who has been very ill.

Mrs. Weston Johnson, of Dorchester, Mass., has visited her daughter Mrs. Edwin Banks. Mrs. Johnson will remain the summer with relatives.

Our teacher Miss Woodward, had her examination on the 27th. Trustees and others were well pleased with the work done by the pupils during the year.

Our veteran hunter Mr. Wm. H. Merry, a fortnight ago captured another bear. This one was only two years old. He entertains some hopes of capturing the mother. This makes fifty that have been caught by him in this county.

Paradise.

The scent of apple blossoms fills the air.

Rev. Schurman, of Bear River, exchanged pulpits with Pastor Steeves on Sunday.

Miss Balcom has gone to Wolfville for the anniversary exercises.

The river is being diligently watched for salmon. Daniels had some on his meat waggon for sale on Monday.

N. Phinney, Esq., had a team around last week with mackerel. Shad have also been plentiful.

Mrs. H. W. Longley entertains her young lady friends this (Tuesday) evening.

A large number of strangers were present at the services on Sunday: Principal and Mrs. Crombie, Miss Parker, Miss Covert and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Whitman, of Lawrencetown; Miss Porter, of Middleton; Miss Boehner, who is teaching at Karsdale; Miss Neily, who is visiting Miss Clara Longley; Mrs. Calnek, of Granville, and Miss Eaton, who is visiting her cousin, Mrs. H. W. Longley, being among the number.

Miss Eliza Marshall is spending the week at Dr. Morse's, Lawrencetown.

Lower Granville.

The community was saddened on Friday morning to hear that Death had visited the home of Mr. Robert Parker the night before and that his daughter Hattie had been taken. Although she had been ill for nearly a year, and it was evident that consumption had marked her for one of its victims, the end came somewhat unexpectedly. Miss Parker was universally esteemed for her many excellencies of character and the family have the general sympathy of all in their hour of severe bereavement. The funeral took place at her late home on Sunday afternoon and was attended by a large concourse of people, who listened to a most masterly discourse by Rev. Mr. Giles on the "Fatherhood and family of God." Rev. Mr. Parker (Baptist) assisted in the services. The remains were afterwards interred in Stony Beach cemetery.

Port George.

Mrs. George Fitch has returned from her visit in Kentville.

Mr. Crosby, of Yarmouth, spent a number of days at Mr. C. A. Elliott's.

A little girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Slocomb, May 18th.

On Sunday, June 5th, Rev. E. E. Locke will speak his farewell words in this section of the Pine Grove Church. Service, 11 a.m.

Miss Lizzie Elliott entertained a number of her friends on Saturday evening. Misses Fannie and Blanche Parks had a company the same evening.

South Berwick.

Mr. Samuel Chute, of South Berwick, bought a fifteen hundred dollar farm about fifteen years ago in this place, and it was valued at fifteen thousand dollars. He has kept chiefly to the line of small fruits, and during the fifteen years has raised from seeds, which he planted, an orchard of forty acres. He has the courage to buy hundreds of dollars worth of fertilizers annually, but the produce of his farm gives him thousands of dollars annually. Farming enterprise in Nova Scotia is not so barren of results after all.

Port Lorne.

Mr. J. D. Brinton has gone to Halifax to join ship with Capt. Ned Hall, as first mate.

Rev. J. W. Brown and wife, of Nictaux, Rev. L. Wallace, of Lawrencetown, Rev. J. G. C. White and son, of Annapolis, were guests of Rev. E. P. Coldwell one day last week.

Capt. Joseph Brinton was at Bear River on Friday last.

Rev. Mr. Wallace supplied the pulpit in place of our pastor last Sabbath. Meetings for Sunday, June 5th, will be at Havelock, 10.30; Arlington, 2 30; Port Lorne, 7.

Margaretville.

The schooner Elma arrived safely and on good time, at a South American port, but for some reason there was a long delay in notifying the owners of her arrival.

Mr. Milford Marshall sold his fine driving Morrill mare to Mr. Edward Mosher, of Victoriavale.

We are glad to note that Mr. Duncan Reid is improving. His eyes were so badly injured by phosphate that he could scarcely sleep for a week or more.

Round Hill.

Miss Payson of Halifax, is visiting friends here.

Rev. James Bancroft of Springhill, is visiting his brother Mr. S. E. Bancroft. He preached in the Baptist church last Sunday to a very appreciative audience.

If blossoms are a sign of a crop, we will have a large crop of apples this year.

Our Division has changed its night of meeting from Saturday to Monday.

Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Staples, of Lynn, have been visiting friends here.

Miss Maggie Guest, of Young's Cove is visiting here.

The Rev. Mr. Wallace, of Lawrencetown, occupied our pulpit last Sunday afternoon, our pastor having exchanged with him for the day. He preached a very fine sermon.

Crops of all kinds are looking finely, grass looks especially good.

Melvern.

Miss Eva Baker has been stricken with blindness in one eye. Dr. Andrews pronounces it a case of hemorrhage, and cannot yet decide whether the blindness will be temporary or permanent.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Sir Charles Tupper left Ottawa last Friday for England.

Slatin Pasha is to be Governor General of the Soudan.

The consummation of an Anglo-Japanese treaty is reported.

Flour retailed at $8.50 per barrel in Boston and New York last week.

M. C. Cameron, M. P., has been appointed lieut.-governor Northwest Territories.

Dominion parliament will likely be prorogued this week after a very long session.

French and British fishery protection fleets are patrolling the Newfoundland coast.

The lode mines of Kootenay, B. C., have thus far paid dividends amounting to $4,032,000.

The Cuban colonial government has decreed that all food imports shall be free of duty.

Potatoes sold at from 70c. to 80c. per bushel in cars on track at Montreal last week.

The United States battleship Oregon has arrived safely at Key West from San Francisco.

All Spanish steamers from 1,000 tons up, are to be impressed for use as auxiliary cruisers.

The Irish Local Government bill passed the committee stage in the British House of Commons last week.

A cut rate over the St. Michael route to Alaska reduces the fare from $300 to $140 from Seattle to Dawson.

Seventeen men have been drowned this year on the drives on the northern St. John river in New Brunswick.

In Sierra Leone, West Africa, a band of missionaries of the United Brethren have been killed by heathen natives.

France has just loaned Spain 400,000,000 francs, of which amount 40,000,000 francs have already been furnished.

The supplementary estimates for the Dominion were brought down last week. The amount asked for is $1,460,355.

In the month of April the United States exported nearly $100,000,000 worth or merchandize and imported but $56,000,000.

Peter Maher and Joe Goddard have been matched for 25 rounds for July 5 for a purse of $8,000, fight to take place in New York.

Kid McCoy and Joe Choynski have been matched for 25 rounds for a purse of $10,000, the fight to take place in New York, June 27.

The residents of Niagara Falls, N. Y., crossed the river and celebrated Queen's Birthday with the Canadians at Niagara, Ont.

Maine's great lumber and shipping interests have been completely paralyzed by the war, and the mills on all the rivers are idle.

Fifty-two persons were drowned by the collision of the British India Steam Navigation Co.'s steamers, Mecca and Lindula, at Calcutta on the 24th ult.

It is estimated that the prize money to be divided among the American sailors in the several naval engagements in Manila bay will amount to $147,200.

Alexander McDonald of Cape Breton, who ten years ago was sentenced to a life term at Dorchester penitentiary has been pardoned by the minister of justice.

President McKinley has issued a proclamation calling for 75,000 more volunteers. This will make the total army strength, regular and volunteer, 280,000.

A consignment of forty Krupp guns, suitable for forts or battleships, have been sent from Essen, in Germany, to Cadiz, and are now on their way through Spain.

The United States has refused to accede to Austria's demand for the payment of an indemnity for the men who were killed by a sheriff and his posse at Hazleton, Pa.

H. M. Bean, of Camden, Me., is building the biggest five masted schooner in the world. Her keel will be 274 feet long and she will have a capacity of 4000 tons.

The sugar crop of the world amounts to about 8,000,000 tons of which the larger part, about 4,500,000 tons, comes from beets, and the balance, 3,500,000 tons, from sugar cane.

A Klondike party of seven men were drowned by the breaking of the ice in Frazer Lake on May 2. Five of the men were from Nashua, N. H., and two from Haverhill, Mass.

Thomas Monohan, who murdered two men in New Hampshire while drunk, has been sentenced to serve twenty-four years at hard labor in the State penitentiary for each crime.

An epidemic of scarlet fever is making great ravages among the Indians in Labrador. Since Christmas at least a quarter of the entire population have been afflicted with the disease.

The *Navy League Journal*, of London, says it is informed that Russia is negotiating with an American firm for the laying down of a complete shipbuilding yard and plant at Port Arthur.

The circular of the Russian consul at Tien-Tsin, announcing that no other foreign powers would be allowed at Tailien Wan without passports from Russian consuls, has been withdrawn.

The delicate Niger question, which threatened to lead to an Anglo-French war, has been settled and an agreement between the two governments will be signed this week at the French Foreign Office.

A terrible outbreak of diphtheria is reported from St. Isidore, Dorchester county, Quebec. Over fifty cases are in the convent alone amongst the nuns and pupils and the institution has been closed.

Senor Pol y Bernabe, late Spanish minister at Washington, and members of his suite, were passengers by the Dominion line Dominion, which sailed from Montreal for Liverpool Saturday 21st ult.

Evidence of the continued good feeling between the border towns of Maine and New Brunswick was given by the way Calais took an interest in the celebration of the Queen's birthday at St. Stephen, Tuesday.

Venezuela is in a state of revolt and late reports say that General Mocho Hermandez, the leader of the revolutionists, has won an important battle and is now marching on Caracas with seven thousand men.

The net earnings of the United States railways last year on an operated mileage of 180,927 miles, were $369,050,856. The total gross earnings were $1,116,613,254, and the operating expenses $747,562,398.

The report of the total abstinence society which was presented to the English Presbyterian Synod showed that 220 of the ministers are pledged abstainers, and many others were abstainers though not pledged.

The Canadian alien labor law was enforced for the first time in Windsor, Ont., last week. A number of United States workmen were discharged by direction of the alien labor agent and replaced by Canadians.

Three thousand people took part in a riot, which lasted two hours, at Bhivapore, forty-three miles north-east of Nagpur, India, last week. Many of the rioters were injured and they were finally dispersed by the police.

Frank Miller, late of Montreal was recently arrested at Tampa as a spy and is likely to be shot. He was in the pay of Senor Polo. He is an Englishman, and was for some years in the Canadian Northwest mounted police.

Personal notices have been sent to all army reserve men in Canada telling them under certain conditions to again connect themselves with the militia. they are asked to connect with the Lincester Regt, (Royal Canadians.)

The match race at Bolton, Eng., on the 21st ult., at two miles, between F. E. Bacon of the London Athletic club, and George B. Tinoler, the Irish runner, was won by the latter who easily defeated his opponent—time 9.19 4 5.

The official returns of Canada's foreign trade for the ten months of the fiscal year ending April 30 showed that the total trade amounted to $244,451,000, as compared with $204.435.000, the previous year; an increase of $40,000,000.

While a number of men and boys were attending a charivari at a wedding near Blackville, N. B., Wm. Curtis brother of the bride discharged a shot gun into the crowd. He killed James Astle, aged 12, and seriously wounded two others.

The general parliament election of Germany occurs next month. Great efforts are being put forth in Germany at the present time to curb the growing power of the Socialists, and among the plans is one to permit universal suffrage.

Solicitor General Fitzpatrick secured the second reading, in the Canadian Commons last week, of a bill making it clear that under the law as it stands, evidence given in court by a witness under compulsion, incriminating himself, shall not be available if subsequently used against him.

The importation of Canadian bacon into Great Britain for the first three months of 1898 was, according to British figures £76,179, against £55,925 last year, and of butter £25,561, compared with only £3481 the same period in 1896. The total importation of Canadian cheese during the three months was valued at £199,961.

The formation of the new Canadian steamship company in connection with the Manchester Ship Canal, which the millionaire shipowner, Christopher Furness, is one of the prime movers, is announced with a capital of $5,000,000. Ports touched will be Montreal, Quebec, Halifax and St. John, but in winter it is possible some United States cotton ports may be covered.

The Teachers' Institute at Annapolis, 1893.

ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL IN ITS HISTORY.

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Teachers' Institute of Inspectoral District No. 4, embracing the counties of Annapolis and Digby, was held in the hall at Annapolis during the 19th and 20th of May.

The meeting was duly called to order at 10 a. m. by the president, L. S. Morse, A. M, after which, the minutes of the previous meeting held at Digby were read and declared approved. The annual membership fees were then collected.

There being so few present at this session it was thought best to defer the appointment of committees till a later hour.

Mr. O. P. Goucher, Principal of Middleton School, was appointed correspondent to *Halifax Herald* and Principal McVicar to the *Review*.

Next the programme was taken up. The first was a paper by H. W. Messenger, the subject of which was "Practical Teaching." The lesson was very thoughtfully prepared and carefully rendered, setting forth in a pleasing manner the grand duties of the teacher. The paper was received with satisfaction by the members of the Institute, shown by the complimentary remarks which followed, especially by Principal McVicar and Principal Schaffner. The "question box" was then opened and a lively discussion followed which was interesting and helpful to all.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order by president at 2 p.m., and began its work by electing the following officers for the ensuing year: Vice president, O. P. Goucher; secty.-treas., F. B. Jacques; executive committee, Principal Shields, of Bear River; A. S. Starratt, of Yarmouth; Miss Annie Crouse, Bridgewater; and Miss Bertha Rice, Bear River.

The remainder of the membership fees were then collected, after which the programme was continued by a lesson on "Botany," prepared and taught by Miss C. Louise Harris. This part of the programme was successfully carried out and proved to be of great interest. Miss Harris showed ability, both in the preparation of her lesson and in her manner of teaching. The approval of her work by the members of the institute was shown by the complimentary remarks which followed.

The next on the programme was a paper on "Corporal Punishment," by Miss Mabel Fash. The writer dealt with the subject in a very straight-forward, common sense way, and all gave strict attention to the paper so forcibly delivered. Then followed a discussion of some of the points made prominent by the writer, and the remarks by Principal Shields, Mr. Crowe, Mr. Brown and others showed that the paper was one of interest and worthy of thought, recognition and debate.

Prof sor MacDonald, of the Normal School, next occupied the time with a lesson on "Mathematical Drawing." The masterly and comprehensive manner in which he handled the subject showed that he was perfectly at home in such work. In connection with his lesson the Professor distributed some drawings among the members of the institute for observation. These drawings were made by the professor's pupils at the Normal School and showed wonderful ability on the part of the pupils, as well as patient and thorough discipline on the part of the professor. After this lesson, which brought to a close the afternoon session, the meeting adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. Friday morning.

In the evening a mass meeting was held in the Academy of Music. This meeting being public the building was crowded. The entertainment consisted of addresses by prominent educational men, among whom were President Morse, Mayor Gillis, Attorney General Longley, Professors MacDonald and Haley and others. Between the speeches the children of Annapolis schools furnished some excellent music which figured prominently in the programme. After the meeting was dismissed Prof. Haley gave some exhibitions of the "X rays."

MORNING SESSION, FRIDAY, MAY 20TH.

Meeting called to order by the president at 9 a. m. Exercises began with a lesson on the "Tonic Sol Fa" system of music, by Miss Adelia M. Parker. She began by giving a short history of the system, followed by explanations and a lesson of a practical character. The lesson was well taught and received with interest and pleasure by the institute.

Next on the programme was a science talk by Principal Starratt, of Yarmouth. The lesson was of a practical character and proved to be both interesting and beneficial to all.

Prof. Bradford next occupied the time with a lesson on Mathematics. He dealt chiefly with Algebra and showed ability to teach the subject he had chosen. Meeting then adjourned to meet at 2 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Principal McVicar was first on the programme with a lesson on literature. He chose as his subject a poem from Milton, called "Lycidas." The lesson was carefully and thoughtfully dealt with and showed the ability of the teacher. His work was highly commended by several speakers. Rev. Mr. deBlois subsequently made several interesting and profitable remarks. This lesson was followed by a paper on science by Prof. Haley, involving some of the properties of air and light. This lesson proved to be one of the most interesting of the session, being interspersed with exhibitions of the wonderful powers and properties of the "Roentgen Rays."

All regretted that the Superintendent of Education and Principal Cameron, of Yarmouth, could not be present to aid in bringing about a still more satisfactory termination of one of the institute's most noted meetings.

The financial statement of the institute was next considered with satisfaction and all bills ordered to be paid.

Resolved,—1st, That a vote of thanks by the institute be tendered the school commissioners of Annapolis for placing the hall at our disposal. 2nd. To the railway officials for reduction in rates. 3rd. To the Academic staff for the interest manifested. 4th. To the children who provided music at the public meeting. 5th. To Mr. Longley and others who entertained us so nobly at the public meeting. 6th. To Profs. Haley, Bradford, MacDonald and others who provided material for the institute. Also proposed to leave the determining of meeting place for next year in the hands of the executive committee.

This brought to a close a very interesting and profitable meeting of the institute, in which all felt amply rewarded for the time spent, and fully assured of beneficial results as an outcome of the meeting.

F. B. JACQUES, *Secty.-Treas.*

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Ontario Letter.

STRATSOY, Middlesex Co., Ont., May 27, 1898.

MR. EDITOR—Spring has come at last, although the trees are slow coming into bloom. A few light frosts have occurred this week, but we do not think they have hurt the fruit, of which the prospects are good for a grand crop. I have been pruning orchards, and so have found everything favorable. By spells we have had it very dry, but last week there came an abundance of rain.

Most people are pleased with the war news, many farmers rejoicing in the rise in prices of farm produce.

We are much pleased at the union sentiments expressed by the various patriotic gatherings on the Queen's Birthday, particularly at Niagara Falls, and hope it will always last. We see, once in a while, an adverse sentiment to this union—noticeably one in the *Spectator* of last week from *The Wedge*, but hope they will see and do better in the future.

We were pleased to see Rev. J. L. M. Young's article in THE MONITOR about Bear River.

The time for Baptist associations, Methodist conferences and other religious gatherings is at hand, and we hope for good reports and showers of blessings.

Respectfully, as ever,

WM. E. CHUTE.

Chinese in the United States.

The United States Government is about to take the most stringent, and what are expected to be the final measures in regard to the smuggling of Chinamen into the United States from Canada and all other countries. It is said that every Celestial in the country will, before July 1, be forced to obtain a certificate of registration. Every facility will be given them for the obtaining of such a certificate. It will describe each man minutely and in such a manner as to prevent any deception, and any Chinaman then found without his certificate of registration will be deported. This action of the government will stop the business of the many firms who for some years have been smuggling Chinamen into the United States. Nothing has been of more trouble and annoyance to the United States Treasury Department than this class of smuggling. The present course has been decided upon after much deliberation.

It is reported the Nova Scotia Steel Company have purchased the Reserve shipping pier at Sydney, C. B., from the Dominion Coal Company.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Nova Scotia's trade with the Spanish West Indies last year amounted to $1,106,884.

Rev. W. E. Gelling, of Bridgewater, is trying the experiment of raising tobacco.

Halifax is to get $75,000 from the Dominion government for a new grain elevator.

Mark Lynch defeated L. Lovitt in a race on Halifax harbor in shells on the 24th ult.

The jubilee gold mind at Renfrew has been sold to the Klondike mining compamy of London, England.

Arrangements are being make for the Provincial C. E. Convention to be held at New Glasgow, July 13-15.

Work on the new buildings for the Condensing Milk and Canning Co., Truro, is being pushed forward rapidly.

Thos. Jacklin, living near Shelburne, is the same age as Queen Victoria, having been born on May 24th, seventy-nine years ago.

Alex. Graham, merchant, died at Westville, on 22nd. from an attack of apoplexy. He was born in Dundee, Scotland, in 1817.

A large number of Nova Scotia fishermen have returned from the United States, owing to many Gloucester fishing vessels being laid up.

Wm. Connell, a native of Cape Breton is a member for the United States House of Representatives from the 11th, Pennsylvania district.

The closing examinations at Acacia Villa School, Hortonville, Kings county, were held last wednesday. The roll numbered during the year numbered eighty six scholars.

James M. Ellis, foreman of the street cleaning department of Boston and a former police sergeant, was shot and killed last Monday by an Italian. He was a native of Lunenburg.

Geo. McAlpine, a prominent shipbuilder of Vancouver, died last week of blood poisoning, the result of a slight accident. Nine years ago Mr. McAlpine removed from Shelburne to Vancouver.

There were 104 cases tried in the police court at Truro during the past year. Seventy of these were directly the result of intoxicating liquor, while 20 were indirectly traceable to it leaving only 14 to other causes.

A survey of the Musquodoboit Valley railroad will be commenced this week. The start will be made at the Musquodoboit end of the line, and will be run towards Dartmouth. The ground covered will be about 40 miles in length.

A case of small pox developed on the German immigrant steamer Pisa, at Halifax last week, and the ship was ordered to the quarantine station at Lawlor's Island. The passengers, numbering nearly 1000, will be kept on the island fourteen days.

Mr. Daniel Smith, formerly of New Glasgow, is now connected with the U. S. army of volunteers. He is cook for Battery K., 1st regular heavy artillery. There are sixty-two men and three officers in it; twenty six of these men are Canadians, fifteen of them being Nova Scotians.

Halifax Fortifications.

Improvements of a most important nature are going on quietly but rapidly at various fortifications in and about Halifax. At the Citadel, where batteries overlook the sea and land for miles, at George's Island and at McNab's Island, whose guns command the main channel of the harbor, a considerable force of men is employed and will be employed for several days to come, effecting the improvements under the direction of foremen from the Royal Engineers. The Citadel is to receive the most important addition to its equipment which it has had for some years. It consists of what is known as a range finder, a structure of stone and cement so situated that officers stationed in it will command a view of every possible avenue of approach to Halifax by land or water and can in a moment train and discharge guns stationed in any part of this fortification. The range finder will reach for miles over the territory to the north and west of the city, and across the harbor and over the hills behind the town of Dartmouth. Its powerful glasses will sweep the Atlantic twenty or thirty miles beyond the entrance to the bay. It will be a square structure some thirty feet wide revolving on a pivot. The erection of the range finder behind the Citadel ramparts, where it will occupy a position somewhat similar to that of a conning tower on a ship of war, will undoubtedly be followed immediately by the placing of more modern guns in the fortrees. At George's Island and McNab's Island the army authorities have ordered the immediate erection of batteries for rapid-firing machine guns, and these are now in process of construction. They will be of sufficient length to enable a number of these modern engines of war to be operated from within their shelter. The military searchlights which have been placed at the different harbor fortifications during the past year are now kept in order for instant use, and their far reaching rays may be thrown across the harbor and over the bay's entrance at any moment of the night. The searchlights have undergone careful inspection recently, and strict orders have been issued to the officers in charge of the forts to see that they are always ready for use. The most powerful light is that at York redoubt, right at the mouth of the harbor, several miles nearer the city. At Point Pleasant, two more lights equally powerful are in course of erection.

Britain in Africa.

Of about 11½ millions of square miles in Africa, Britain has a very large share. France claims the largest area, but the greater part of her three million square miles is made up of the desert of Sarahs, which is worthless. But she has in Algiers a more promising possession, and has been trying to steal the hinterland of British possessions on the Guinea Coast. Germany claims 884,000 square miles, Italy 549,000, Portugal 825,000, the Congo Free State 905,000 and the Orange Free State and the South African Republic, or Transvaal, made up between them about 200,000 square miles.

But Britain has much the best of it, without including Egypt, of which she is in practical possession. Almost every part of Africa comfortably habitable by white men is under the British flag, and everything that pays dividends, even self supporting possession is British. Nearly all the great rivers, lakes and seaports are more or less under British influence and control.

Church Services, Sunday, June 5th.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Rev. F. P. Greatorex, Rector. In St. James' Bridgetown: Service with celebration of Holy Communion at 11; Sunday-school at 2; Evening Prayer and Sermon at 7.30. In St. Mary's, Belleisle: Service at 3; also on Wednesday at 7.30. Seats free.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. F. M. Young, Pastor. Bridgetown: Bible Class and Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching Service at 11 a.m.; Evangelistic service 7.30 p.m. B.Y.P.U. Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. General social service Friday evening at 7.30. Service at Granville Centre on Sunday afternoon. Conference at Bridgetown on Saturday afternoon next at 2.30.

PROVIDENCE METHODIST CHURCH.—Rev. J. Strothard, pastor; A. S. Tuttle, assistant pastor. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; Sunday-school at 2 p.m. General Class every Monday evening at 7.30; Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30; Epworth League every Friday evening at 7.30. All are cordially invited.

Granville: Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., alternately. Prayer meeting every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.

Bentville: Preaching every Sabbath at 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., alternately. Epworth League on Tuesday and prayer meeting on Thursday at 7.30 p. m.

Mountain Mission: Preaching fortnightly, Durling's Lake at 10.30 a.m., Hill at 2.30 p.m.

ROUND HILL.—G. J. Coulter White, pastor. Preaching service on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11 a.m., and on other Sundays at 7 p.m. Prayer-meeting Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday-school after morning service, other Sundays at 2.30 p.m.

LAWRENCETOWN CHRCUIT.

METHODIST CHURCH.—REV. J. H. TOOLE, Pastor. Preaching service at Lawrencetown at 11 a.m.; Brooklyn at 3 p.m.; Port George at 7 p.m. Epworth League at Port George on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock, and at Lawrencetown on Friday evening at the same hour. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

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