

by such trickery to deceive, if it were possible, even the elect.

THE LATE MAJOR ANDRE.

A MONUMENT is to be erected to the memory of Major Andre, on the spot where he was hanged and buried at Tappan, Rockland County. The Dean of Westminster wrote an inscription for the monument during his recent visit, Cyrus W. Field is to bear the expense and Mr. Barton, the owner of the land, has given twenty feet square and a right of way. Major Andre was buried here in 1780, but the body was removed in 1821 and buried in Westminster Abbey. Six persons now living witnessed the disinterment. A hundred years ago this Christmas the genial Andre was enjoying himself in New York. The proposed monument will no doubt lead many to refresh their memories as to the details of the eventful night which brought him to the gallows as a spy, General Washington refusing his earnest prayer that he might be shot like a soldier, and a brave one as he was. The episode of his capture is, say our neighbors, chiefly remarkable as an instance of the loss of presence of mind. He had Benedict Arnold's pass, and yet when Paulding and the others stopped him, and asked him on which side he was, he answered that he was on the king's side—a Tory. Now our United States cousins, not at all comprehending the nature of the honor belonging to the British soldier, pour contempt upon his straight forward honesty, and say that had he, ignorant as he was of the party to which Paulding and his fellow rustics belonged, answered that he was on the Revolutionary side he would have been safe if his captors had proved to be royalists, while Arnold's pass would have secured him from the search which led to the finding the traitor's dispatches in his boots. But his answer aroused suspicion, being the contradictory of the credentials he showed. It is pleasant to find the people of the United States doing justice to his memory, for, of course, from his standpoint the colonists were not belligerents but rebels. It is believed that no figure stands out in pleasanter relief among the royal officers of the Revolutionary war than that of the genial, the brave, the cultivated and handsome Andre, in spite, say our neighbors, of his "dealings with the Judas of American history" for which he paid the penalty of an untimely and ignominious death.

BOOK NOTICES.

THE NEW VOLUME OF THE LIVING AGE.—The number of *Littell's Living Age* for the week ending January 4th, begins its one hundred and fortieth volume.

In this volume George MacDonald's new and increasingly interesting serial story, "Sir Gibbie," will be continued from week to week until completed; a new serial, "The Bride's Pass," by Sarah Tytler, whose stories "What She Came Through" and "Rev. Adam Cameron's Visit to London" attracted so much attention in *The Living Age*, will be begun in January; a serial story, "The Romance of Calcot House," by Katharine S. Macquoid, author of "Patty," etc., is announced to appear early in the new year; choice short stories, for which *The Living Age* has become noted, including translations from the French, etc., will continue a feature of the magazine; and, through the year, the leading foreign authors will be represented in this department of the periodical.

In science, politics, theology and general litera-

ture, articles are mentioned as forthcoming from the foremost thinkers, investigators and writers, including W. H. Mallock, author of "Positivism on an Island," Dean Stanley, Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, Jas. Anthony Froude, Prof. Goldwin Smith, Richard A. Proctor, Prof. Huxley, Dr. W. B. Carpenter, Prof. Max Muller, Matthew Arnold, and others, with sketches by R. D. Blackmore, author of "Lorna Doone," Wm. Black, Mrs. Oliphant, Anthony Trollope, etc.

For fifty-two numbers of sixty-four large pages each (or more than three thousand pages a year) the subscription price (\$8) is low; while for \$10.50, the publishers offer to send any one of the American \$4 monthlies or weeklies with *The Living Age* for a year, both post-paid. Littell & Gay, Boston Publishers.

Mission Sermons for a Year. By Rev. H. I. Wilmot Buxton, M.A. Cr. 8vo, pp. 498. London: W. Skeffington & Son. Toronto: Rowsell & Hutchinson.

Though described as *Mission Sermons*, these recently published discourses are excellently adapted to a wider and more general use. They are in fact just what all sermons should be, short, clear, forcibly illustrated, and to the point. Whilst dealing with phases of common life with sound common sense, they are by no means common-place, and the language is peculiarly smooth and chaste. The preacher evidently sees that he has to face stern, tangible realities, and he treats the subjects accordingly with plain statements of vital truths. As frameworks for more elaborate discourses these sermons will be found very useful and suggestive. We, however, warn intending purchasers of this work that they will find therein no sympathy for Plymouth Brethrenism or its kindred heresies; neither will any find encouragement in their views of *indefectibility*, or as a natural *sequitur* of the dangerous doctrine of false *conversion*, that any can dispense with the necessity of *repentance* and *per saltum* vault from the depths of sin to the ecstatic bliss of *perfect assurance*.

Diocesan Intelligence.

NOVA SCOTIA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Bridgetown & Belle Isle.—The thanks of the Rev. L. M. Wilkins, are due to a number of his parishioners, worshipping in the district church of St. Mary, Belle Isle, for the very generous Christmas offerings which they have lately sent to him, and he would avail himself of this opportunity to assure them that their offerings are not only most acceptable in themselves, but appreciated by him far beyond their intrinsic value on account of the kindly feeling towards him which they indicate—He would also record his thanks to Mr. Phineas Chesley, Mr. F. C. Harris and Mr. Wm. Muir of the Bridgetown congregation, for their offerings at Christmas.

The Christmas tree and fancy sale, undertaken by the ladies of Bridgetown, at the request of Mrs. Wilkins, only three weeks before the time of holding it, realized \$60.00—and a similar undertaking by the ladies of Belle Isle congregation cleared over \$40.00—Much credit is due to those ladies, both at Belle Isle and Bridgetown, who worked so hard in decorating the churches for the Festival of the Nativity, and they are to be congratulated on the very beautiful and appropriate result in both instances.

YARMOUTH.—*Accident to Rev. Mr. Moody.*—Rev. J. T. T. Moody, Rector of Trinity Church, Yarmouth, met with a serious accident on Sunday afternoon last, whilst returning home in a carriage from Arcadie, where he had been conducting Divine service. When about a mile from the town, the horse shied, kicked, and attempted to

run at full speed. Mr. Moody was endeavoring to check him, when the animal bolted to one side of the road, throwing Mr. Moody into a deep frozen ditch, face downward. D. G. J. Farish was speedily in attendance, and Mr. Moody was in a short time able to be conveyed to his residence. He received some severe bruises and cuts about the head and face, but we are happy to state that they were not of a dangerous nature, and that he will probably soon be able to resume his pastoral duties.

MACCAN.—The chapter of the Rural Deanery of Amherst met in this mission January 8th. Some of the clergy arrived on the previous afternoon, and at seven the little church, which is a model for a village church, was fairly filled by an attentive congregation. Evening prayer was said by Rev. D. C. Moore, Albion Mines; the lessons read by the Incumbent, Rev. E. H. Ball; and a very impressive sermon was preached by the Rev. J. A. Kaulbach, Vicar of Truro. The offertory was for Algoma. On Wednesday, the morning prayer was said by Rev. J. A. Kaulbach; the Lessons read and Litany said by Rev. D. C. Moore, while the sermon (on the Epiphany) was preached by Rev. Dr. Uniacke, Rural Dean and Rector of Sydney. Rev. Canon Townshend, Rector and R.D. of Amherst, celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by his brother R. D. The offertories both morning and evening were for the travelling Missionary fund; Evening prayer was said by Canon Townsend; the lessons read by Rev. J. A. Kaulbach and Dr. Uniacke, while the sermon, on the duties of the New Year, was by Rev. D. C. Moore.

The time of the business meeting was fully occupied by much interesting discussion on Baptism, Marriages, Divorce, &c., &c., and the failure of the Endowment Fund to meet the most necessitous cases. Excuses for absence were received from several Rev. brethren. The thanks of those present are due to Messrs. S. E. Freeman, R. T. Coates, and the Incumbent for their hospitality.

PUGWASH.—The service on Christmas morning was particularly pleasing. The singing, especially the anthems and carols, were good. Miss Brinc presided at the organ. The rector's sermon was full of wise and loving counsel. The collections were devoted to the relief of an afflicted family. The church was neatly decorated with wreaths of evergreen and suitable inscriptions.

FREDERICTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ST. JOHN.—The consecration of St. James's Church, of which the Rev. Wm. Armstrong is Rector, took place on the 7th inst.

After the ceremony of consecration had been gone through the morning service was proceeded with,—the first lesson being read by the Rev. L. G. Stevens and the second lesson by the Rev. F. H. Sill; the Epistle by Rev. T. E. Dowling, the Gospel by Rev. Canon DeVeber. Then followed an address by the Lord Bishop. His Lordship spoke at some length explanatory of the services, condemnatory of sensational preachers, and in favor of more practical work. He congratulated the congregation on the handsome edifice erected, and urged upon them the necessity of relieving those who have assumed the debt. The Offertory sentences were read by the Rev. Wm. Armstrong, who also offered prayer for the Church militant. His Lordship then proceeded to administer the Holy Communion, and the service ended.

The Rev. gentlemen present were the Revds. William Armstrong, of St. John's Church; L. G. Stephens, of St. Luke's, Portland; Canon De Veber, of St. Paul's, Portland; F. H. Almon, St. Mary's; Parnter, of St. Jude's; T. E. Dowling, of St. George's; Canon Ketchum, of St. Andrews; Wainwright, of Kingston, Kings Co., and W. E. Scovill, St. John. St. James's Church is a neat and substantial one. It is the first that has been built since the fire.

CHATHAM.—The Annual Christmas Festival in commemoration of the Lord's Nativity was duly observed in St. Paul's and St. Mary's Churches, on Christmas Day. Larger congregations than usual