

These addresses have been spoken of in the most laudatory terms. Mr. Twbank appears in *Evangelical Christendom* for November; the other two were, at last dates, already in course of publication.

It appears that some new accusations have been concocted against Dr. Achilli; in reference to which, the Annual Report uses the following language:—

"With regard to certain new accusations against Dr. Achilli, which have been widely circulated, the Council entertain no doubt that, like those already investigated, and found to be entirely false, they will prove to be groundless; but as he is now an agent of the Italian Evangelical Society, they leave it to that body to give such advice to Dr. Achilli as they may think most suitable and expedient as to a complete vindication of his character."

It will be remembered from some letters we published not very long since, that the Rev. R. H. HERSHELL proposed to invite an assembly of Christians of all nations, in London, simultaneously with the great Industrial Exhibition.—The subject was brought before the Alliance, but, though the Conference approved of the object, they declined taking official action in the matter, leaving it to those who might feel disposed to take it up on their own responsibility.

The Conference renewed their solemn protest and earnest remonstrance against the great and calamitous evil of the desecration of the Lord's day, in some instances by arrangements existing in Government institutions, and in others by large commercial combinations, and especially by the railways.

Several other resolutions were passed which require no especial reference; but we give the last one, as it indicates the beneficial character of the meeting and the strong fraternal affection still existing between its members:—

"That in closing their present sessions the Conference would express devout gratitude to the God of truth and love, for the tokens of his favour which have been vouchsafed to them, for the increased power, as they believe, of the fraternal affection which unites them, and for the extending interest which appears to be felt in the great cause they are allied to promote; and with all earnestness they now commend each other to the care of a kind and ever-watchful Providence, and to the abiding influence of that gracious Spirit who, they trust, has sanctified their intercourse, inspired their devotions, and guided their counsels."

The next Annual Conference of this Organization is to be held in London, at such time as the Council shall judge most desirable, during the period of the Great Exhibition of 1851.

We have thus briefly noticed the proceedings of this Alliance, because we approve of the object which it seeks to promote; and, if christian people of the various evangelical denominations, would learn to respect each other's piety, and zeal in the great cause of Truth and the world's regeneration, though differing on points of doctrine and church government, which do not confessedly jeopardize individual salvation, the most formidable obstacles to christian union would be removed; and the Churches of Christ, whilst distinct in their independency, yet united in their essential oneness, would present a spectacle to which Angels might gaze with admiration, and, in the holiness, love and zeal of their members, would "look forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners." But should that respect be wanting—should minor differences be unjustly made to assume the rank of matters touching fundamental principles—and if, in consequence, misrepresentations and damaging insinuations and charges be circulated abroad in the world, then, as truly as night follows day, christian union, on a firm and honourable basis, will still be kept in the distance, as an object, not of reality, but, of desire, by pious individuals of truly liberal and enlarged minds. May the time be hastened, when "Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim."

Bible Society Agent.

A Correspondent from *Guysboro* informs us, that Mr. L. SMITH, Bible Society Agent, met with an accident on the 7th ult., between Little River and Guysboro. Mr. S. had just called at a Mr. Brennan's to get some provender for his horse, and whilst taking off the bridle, the horse was affrighted, and springing suddenly, threw Mr. S. down, and the wheel of the carriage, crossing over his leg, broke the small bone of his right leg about three or four inches from the ankle. He was taken to Guysboro the same

evening, about fifteen miles, by F. R. Goodman Esq., with whom he is lodging at Mr. Walsh's, and we are happy in being able to state that he is mending rapidly. We sincerely sympathize with our excellent friend in this visitation, and shall be glad to hear of his speedy recovery, and of his resumption of his important and useful labours.

Noble Act of a Nova-Scotian.

Under this caption, we gave in *The Wesleyan* of the 9th inst., an extract from the New York Herald, containing an account of an act of noble heroism, performed by Capt. WILLIAM HENRY COFFIN, of Barrington, who had previously lost his vessel in rescuing the crew of the English brig *Eliza Helen* from a watery grave at the risk of his own life. A correspondent from Barrington wishes us to add the following particulars:—that Captain Coffin after he lost his vessel was two days in his boat and had just landed, and that he considered the danger of boarding the *Eliza Helen* so great that he previously gave his watch and keys to the care of the lad belonging to his own vessel, expecting to be lost in the attempt, although by the Providence of the Almighty he was successful in rescuing all hands from a watery grave. "Surely," says our correspondent, and we unite with him in the expression, "such magnanimity should be noticed, and if medals were ever merited, he merits one." With pleasure we refer our readers to our HYMNICAL Intelligence, where they will perceive that the hero of this act has deemed it not good for him to remain alone, and has therefore taken the hand and heart of Miss Abigail Doane. We wish them both a long and happy life, and a blissful eternity.

The Beginning!

CARDINAL WISEMAN, who is said to be a Spaniard by birth, an Italian by education, and only an Englishman, rather an Irishman, by parentage, has already, says the *Watchman*, entered on the duties of his Arch-episcopate by addressing a "Pastoral Letter" to "the Clergy and Faithful of the Arch-diocese of London and Diocese of Southwark." The "enthronement" of Dr. ULLATHORNE by the style, title, and dignity of "Bishop of Birmingham," took place on Sunday the 27th ult., in the Roman cathedral of that town. It is stated that not less than twelve gentlemen, formerly clergymen of the Established Church, who have embraced the Romish faith and priesthood, were present on the occasion, several of them assisting in the ceremony. The sermon was preached by one of their number, the well known Dr. NEWMAN, now Father Superior of the Oratorians of Birmingham.

Annual Report of the Wesleyan Methodist Society for Nova Scotia.

In favourably noticing the present year's *District Missionary Report*, our excellent contemporary, the *Guardian*, says:—

"We are glad to observe from it that they are prospering, not only in this Province, but generally throughout the world, in their Missionary labours. Though differing from them on various points, we have always regarded them as enjoying a pre-eminence for faithful and devoted service in the cause of the Saviour; and we would join our prayers to theirs that their influence may be still more widely extended. . . . A little more liberality might be evinced by this as well as other denominations, without detriment to their temporal interests. We fear much that the inhabitants of the colonies have not the same disposition to give as the Lord has prospered them, which prevails at home, and to which we are so largely indebted. The time is at hand when we shall be thrown upon our own resources, and we trust that as there is a prospect for the country of prosperity and wealth, there will also be found a liberal and generous spirit to fill and adorn it with those institutions of a religious and benevolent character, which shed so much lustre on the mother country. . . . We trust that the society will go on to prosper, and that it will be enabled through the increased liberality of its supporters, to extend, rather than diminish its operations."

St. Andrew's Church Sabbath School.

A very beautiful and appropriate sermon was preached by the Rev. Francis NICOL, in St. Andrew's Church, on the afternoon of last Lord's day, to the children attending the Sabbath School, from Luke ii. 59.—The whole discourse was exceedingly pointed and practical, well-fitted, not only to attract the attention, and arouse the intellect, but to touch and improve the heart.

The boys and girls in attendance at the school occupied the central pews in the church, and listened with much attention, and we trust also with spiritual profit and edification, to the accurate and faithful portrait of the Saviour's life which was presented to their view, and held up for their instruction and imitation.—*Guardian*, 15th.

St. Matthew's Church District Society.

The report of this benevolent Society is before us, presenting us with a very pleasing account of its labours during the past year. The large sum of £95 was collected during the year, which, with the addition of £13 raised in the Church, formed a pretty fair capital to work upon. Upward of £20 was bestowed in pure charity. For work and materials there was paid £275 5s. 7d., in return for which the Society received by sale of garments, and for work made up, £204 12s. 10d.—*Id.*

Hay Seales.

The Weighing Scales provided by Mr. Doyle at Fairbanks' wharf for the convenience of farmers, as well as for those persons who may wish heavy articles of any kind weighed, will, we presume, be taken advantage of. Their central locality, and their contiguity to the Dartmouth Ferry, by which the greater number of eastern farmers arrive in the city, are recommendations which will insure Mr. D. a liberal patronage.—*Id.*

Provincial Appointments.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, HALIFAX, November 13th 1850.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint:

Thomas Kenny, Esquire, to be one of Commissioners for the management of the Provincial Penitentiary; and Charles R. Crowley, Esquire, to be one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Digby.

November 20th 1850.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council has been pleased to make the following appointments:

To be Registrars of Deeds in and for the Counties and Districts undermentioned, respectively—

County of Halifax.—Thomas N. Jeffery, Esq.

County of Hants.—James O'Brien, Esq.

County of King's County.—Thomas B. Campbell, Esquire

County of Annapolis.—Edward H. Cutler, Esq.

County of Digby.—Guy C. Jones, Esq.

County of Chester.—George Dill, Esq.

County of Cumberland.—(exclusive of the District of Parrsborough.)—Gilbert Pundy, Esq.

District of Parrsborough.—Jas. Ratcliff, Esq.

County of Pictou.—Peter Crover, Esq.

County of Guysborough.—(exclusive of the District of St. Mary.)—Robert Hartshorne, Esq.

District of St. Mary, (Guysboro).—Hugh McDunnell, Esq.

County of Sydney.—A. D. Harrington, Esq.

County of Lunenburg.—The Hon. William Russell.

County of Queen's County.—James R. DeWolfe, Esq.

County of Shelburne.—Cornelius White, Esq.

County of Yarmouth.—Henry G. Parish, Esq.

County of Cape Breton.—Jas. P. Ward, Esq.

County of Inverness.—John L. Tremaine, Esq.

County of Richmond.—George E. Jean, Esq.

The *Royal Gazette* contains a proclamation offering £20 as a reward for the discovery and conviction of the incendiary who, on or about the 9th inst., set fire to a barn owned by Daniel Wier, Esq., in the County of Hants.

Summary of News.

BY THE R. M. STEAMER.

We were unavoidably prevented last week from noticing the arrival of the R. M. Steamer *Cambria* and the *News* brought by her. She arrived on the morning of the 15th. From BRITISH intelligence we select the following items:—

The Cholera had made its appearance at Hull.

The vacant governorship of Prince Edward Island, it is reported, is to be filled up by the appointment of Mr. Daly, formerly Secretary to the Governor.

The *Morning Herald* says—A direct application has been made by one of our leading prelates to the Prime Minister, to know what steps her Majesty's Government intended to take in reference to the new Romish Bishops; and the reply was, that, "as at present advised, her Majesty's Government did not intend to take any steps whatever."

The late Vice-Chancellor, Sir James Wigram, has retired upon an annuity of £3,500 a year.

Rumour points to Baron Rolfe, as the new Vice-Chancellor.

Two of the carrier pigeons, taken by Sir John Ross when he left the port of Ayr, had arrived at Ayr, but neither of them conveyed any thing in the shape of a letter or note of any kind, though one of them had had some document attached, and was found to be considerably mutilated—it having apparently been shot away.—These birds must have travelled nearly 2,000 miles, and as they travel by sight and not by scent the fact is the more extraordinary.

Mr. Gorham has received the kindest attentions from his parishioners.

Peto and Belts, the contractors, have undertaken to reclaim the Norfolk estuary of 32,000 acres, and also to drain the Bedford Level, and the adjacent low lands, comprising nearly half a million of acres, so as to get rid almost entirely of the present expensive system of "drainage by wind and steam."

After giving the names of several members of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge who have recently joined the Church of Rome, the *Church and State Gazette*, says, "We are assured, on good authority, that proselytism to Tractarian principles is still making way among the younger members of the Universities at a rapid rate; and no wonder, when Dr. Mill at Cambridge, and Archdeacon Wilberforce at Oxford, are permitted with impunity to retain their offices of Professors and Select Preachers in the face of their public abjuration of the thirty-sixth Canon of our Church. What are the authorities about?"

Open-air preaching, it is said, will be practised by the English Clergymen in Liverpool next Spring.

A great Temperance Demonstration took place on the 28th ult., in Drury-lane theatre. Mr. Lawrence Heyworth, M. P., for Dorby, presided. Notes of apology from several distinguished men for non-ability to attend were read; among the rest, from Lord Ashley, Earl Harrowby, Lord Kinnaird, and the Duke of Wellington.

Accounts from the west of Ireland speak hopefully of the improved condition of Agricultural affairs in that quarter of the kingdom.

The state of India, according to the last dates, was as satisfactory as could be desired; every thing was in the most complete tranquillity.

CONTINENTAL News is rather ominous of disturbance.

An incurable jealousy exists between FRANCE and PRUSSIA, respecting the Rhenish Provinces. As the great powers of Europe will not suffer the territorial limits laid down by the treaty of VIENNA to be encroached upon by any potentate, whether under the plea of extending constitutional liberty, or of crushing it, unless Prussia withdraws her secret support from the Schleswig Holsteiners, of which there is not much hope, an European convulsion can scarcely be avoided. The position of the King of Prussia is most critical.

In the DECEMBER no further military operations had taken place up to October 20th; but dates of the 24th intimate that a Bavarian and Hungarian corps entered Home Cassel on that day. The *Hannover Gazette*, however, states that notwithstanding the forced marches of the Prussian and Bavarian troops, no collision between the great powers of Germany was considered probable. It adds, that Austria and Prussia had come to an understanding. A letter from Munich of the 23d says that the march of some Bavarian battalions had been countermanded.

Meanwhile, attention has been mainly directed to WARSAW, where the Emperor of Russia, now become the arbiter of the German States, principally from their own insane domestic quarrels, has summoned the Emperor of Austria and the Prince of Prussia. But no trustworthy account of the result of these conferences has transpired.

It is to be hoped that peace-councils will prevail.

Some uneasiness has taken place in PARIS, owing to a dispute between the PRESIDENT and General Changarnier, caused by the summary dismissal by the Minister of War of General Neumayer, second in command of the army in Paris, under General Changarnier, and a particular friend of the latter. Changarnier saw plainly that the removal of his friend was a blow aimed at himself, and at a personal interview with Schramm, the Minister of War, with whom he expostulated upon the subject, a regular scene took place between the two generals. The affair however, became so serious, that a Cabinet Council, was again called, the decree dismissing Neumayer was reconsidered and a fresh decree issued, appointing him to the higher command of the 14th and 15th military divisions, the headquarters of which are at Nantes. The grounds alleged for General Neumayer's removal was, that he changed the guards at the Tuileries—removing the National Guards, and replacing them by the Gendarmes Mobile. The General refuses to accept the higher commission offered him, and great excitement prevails.

The POPE had gone from Rome to Castle Gondolfo, where he was well received.

The Cholera has again broken out at Vienna, in Sweden, and at Alexandria. In Algiers 150 persons were swept away in two days.

An English paper has been started at Shanghai, under the title of the *North China Herald*.