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THE MONTH.

The treaty for the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States is now before the Senate at Washington.

Theodore H. Rand, D. C. L., ex-chancellor of McMaster University, and wife, are spending the vacation months at their summer residence at Five Islands, N. S.

The government's first line contract passed the Dominion house on the 16th inst. by a vote of 155 to 22. The minority consisted of nineteen liberals and patrons and three conservatives.

A German scientist has invented a process for making bread directly from the wheat grain, without grinding. The product is said to be much more wholesome, as well as cheaper, than bread made from fine flour, and threatens to revolutionize the milling industry.

The Halifax *Herald* has within the month added to its printing plant three linotype machines of the latest and most expensive pattern. The *Herald*, which is the second maritime paper to procure linotypes, therefore appears every day printed from a new face of type. The *St. John Sun* was the first to lead in this direction about two years ago.

With its issue of June 16th the *Berwick Register* entered upon its seventh year and passed into new hands. The new publisher is Miss Aimee Huntington, late of the *Hants Journal*. The retiring editor introduces his successor to the public in the following terms:

"Miss Huntington is a daughter of the late Richard Huntington, who for many years published the *Yarmouth Tribune*. Her training, experience and past success in the field of journalism, is a sufficient guarantee that the readers of the *Register* will not have cause to regret the change."

The *Union* extends a cordial hand of welcome to the new editor.

The *Bear River Telephone* has changed both proprietors and publishers. It will hereafter be edited by Mr. E. R. Redden and printed at the *Chronicle* office, Kentville.

The remains of J. H. R. Molson, late president of Molson's bank, who died at his home in Montreal on May 28th, were subsequently cremated in Boston according to directions contained in his will.

Rev. A. C. Kempton, who has lately returned from a trip to Egypt and the Holy Land, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Joseph Kempton, in Wolfville. He preached for Pastor Trotter on the 20th very acceptably.

The now celebrated Rev. Dr. C. H. Parkhurst, of the Madison Square Presbyterian church, New York City, is on a trip, through Nova Scotia to repair a shattered constitution. When last heard from he was in Queens Co.

John D. Rockefeller's offer to pay \$250,000 toward the liquidation of the \$187,000 debt of the American Baptist Boards provided the balance was raised by July 1st, bids fair to be met. Will not some large hearted man among us make a similar proposal with reference to the indebtedness of our Maritime Boards?

A very graceful exchange of well merited courtesies between our sister Canadian Baptist Universities, Acadia and McMaster, was displayed in the recent bestowal of the degree of Doctor of Divinity by McMaster upon Acadia's president-elect, Rev. Thos. Trotter, M.A., and of same degree by Acadia upon McMaster's chancellor, Rev. O. C. S. Wallace, M. A. Chancellor Wallace is an Acadia graduate and a Kings County boy.

"Almighty Voice," the Indian outlaw, who true to his name, has been creating quite a disturbance in the neighborhood of Batoche, N. W. T., has been finally silenced by the police, after having killed several persons. Recent reports, however, indicate that sympathetic Indians are in a state of excitement over his death, and serious trouble is feared.

We clip the following from the Kentville news column of the *Acadian Orchardist*.

"Rev. H. Alford Porter has been given a well earned vacation of four weeks by the Baptist Church. On Friday evening at the close of the Conference meeting he was completely surprised by being presented with an envelope of money containing sixty-five dollars as a slight token of esteem from the church and congregation. Mr. Porter made a very feeling reply to the presentation."

John D. Rockefeller has recently given 2,700 imported books to the library of Vassar college.

Hon. J. W. Longley received the honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Laws from his alma mater, Acadia University, on the 2nd inst.

Milton Connolly, charged with the Fuller murder, was acquitted at Kentville on the 6th inst. The murderer is therefore at large.

Mount Allison University Convocation took place on June 1st, when seventeen received the degree of B. A., one of whom was Harry Prescott Patterson, of Aylesford.

Rev. Dr. E. M. Kierstead, of Acadia University, recently preached in the first Baptist Church, Ottawa. There is reported to be a strong influence in the congregation in favor of calling the Dr. to the pastorate.

For over two years the execution of Theodore Durant, under sentence for the murder of Blanche Lamont in San Francisco, has been delayed by various legal devices; and now comes the news of a further delay till October next pending the hearing of an appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States. This makes one think that Canadians know nothing of the "law's delays."

This has been both a memorable and joyous month to some at least of our Maritime pastors. On the 2nd inst. Rev. J. L. Miner, B. A., was married to Miss Blackadar of Yarmouth; on the 8th inst. Rev. Avery A. Shaw, B. A., of Windsor, took unto himself as wife Miss Clara B. King, of Truro, and on the 15th inst. Rev. W. B. Hinson, M. A., of Moncton brought home Miss Ethel Wadsworth of Westmount, Montreal, as Mrs. Hinson. To all these the *Union* extends congratulations and best wishes for many years of joyous and increased usefulness.

The anniversary exercises in connection with the closing of the Wolfville institutions on June 1st and 2nd were largely attended and were up to the usual standard of excellence. The essays given by members of the graduating classes of college, academy and seminary, gave marked evidence of faithful and painstaking work on the part of both teachers and students. The large attendance of students at the several institutions throughout the year gives substantial evidence of the deservedly high place which Acadia holds in the estimation of the people. The graduates in arts numbered this year thirty, thus making the largest class but one in the history of the University.