

on their behalf, would be in a high position to apply to the Legislature with confidence, for additional aid, for an act of incorporation for the Hospital, and a constitution for its government.

The Chairman expressed a hope and belief that the Hospital, once established, would soon be followed by other institutions of a similar character, where the deaf and the dumb, the blind and the lunatic, and the orphan, might all meet with appropriate sympathy. He gave it as his opinion that such institutions should have nothing in them of the character of pauper establishments—that they should be models of good housekeeping—where comfort and cleanliness, regularity and kindness, and Christian discipline, should be seen to pervade every nook and department in them; and that thus conducted they would form a stratum, as it were, of institutions based on Christianity, which would radiate a benign and humanizing influence on the community, not to be imparted so effectually in any other way.—They would, he thought, have the effect of cementing the various grades of society into a happy and legitimate "family compact." Whereas, without such, the social system was radically defective in respect to a class of institutions as much the objects of specific missionary zeal, as the propagation of "the glorious gospel" (which by Divine appointment is the special work of the Church, which lies at the foundation of the social fabric, and which is the basis of all excellence), of Education, of Temperance, or of any other Institution essential to the well-being of Society, each of which requires, and can not do without, its specific adjuncts. The Church for example, its Cathedrals, its Chapels, and its Meeting Houses; Education, its Schools, its Colleges, and Universities; Temperance, its Halls, and Division Rooms; and Benevolence, its Hospitals, its Asylums and Retreats. To be without these Institutions, he said, was to be behind the age—to be in a degree barbarous, and to be quite inconsistent with ourselves as a humane and Christian people. He alluded, as illustrative of this, to the treatment of the Ship Infanta, and other circumstances, all indicating the necessity for an Hospital.

He concluded by imploring the meeting by all that Christianity enjoins upon us, by the appeals of humanity, by the requirements of science, and by a just regard to our own interests and our own character,—not to hesitate nor delay the undertaking and accomplishing of this most worthy and benevolent enterprise.

The meeting was eloquently and appropriately addressed on the same subject by Judge Marshall, the Honbles. Joseph Howe, Hugh Bell, Dr. Grigor, Rev. Dr. Crawley, and Rev. Mr. Hichborne.

The thanks of the meeting were proposed for the delightful entertainment afforded by the excellent Band of the 97th, and the meeting separated, apparently satisfied with the proceedings of the evening, and resolved upon having a Hospital established forthwith.—*Com. to Sun.*

The resolutions will be given in our next.

#### Death of Mr. Richardson, the African Traveller.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. James Richardson, the enterprising African traveller. This melancholy event took place on the 4th of March last, at a small village called Ungurutua, six days distant from Kouka, the capital of Bornou. Early in January he and the companions of his mission, Drs. Barth and Overweg, arrived at the immense plain of Damergou, when, after remaining a few days, they separated, Dr. Barth proceeding to Kanu, Dr. Overweg to Guber, and Mr. Richardson taking the direct route to Kouka, by Zinde. There it would seem his strength began to give way, and before he had arrived twelve days' distance from Kouka, he became seriously ill, suffering much from the oppressive heat of the sun. Having reached a large town called Kangarra, he halted for three days, and feeling himself rather refreshed he renewed his journey. After two days' more travelling, during which his weakness greatly increased, they arrived at the Waddy Mellaha. Leaving this place on the 3rd of March, they reached in two hours the village of Ungurutua, when Mr. Richardson became so weak that he was unable to proceed. In the evening he took a little food and tried to sleep—but became very restless, and left his tent supported by his servant. He then took some tea and threw himself again on his bed, but did not sleep. His attendants having made some coffee, he asked for a cup, but had no strength to hold it. He repeated several times, "I have no strength," and after having pronounced the name of his wife, sighed deeply and expired without a

struggle about two hours after midnight. Early in the morning, the body wrapped in linen, and covered with a carpet, was borne to a grave which was dug four feet deep, under the shade of a large tree, close to the village, followed by all the principal Sheikhs and people of the district. The Sultan of Bornou has given orders that all respect and honour shall be paid to the grave of the ill-fated British traveller.—*Mala Times.*

#### Destruitive Fire at St. Stephen.

A despatch to the news Room states that the Union Mills at St. Stephen were destroyed by fire on Sunday morning at 3 o'clock, together with the dam, &c., and 500,000 feet of lumber. The total damage is estimated at about \$30,000, on which about \$8,000 was insured. The sufferers are Messrs. F. H. Todd & Co., W. E. McAllister, Joseph Granger, Abner Hill, junr., and Charles Hatch. The fire is thought to be the work of an incendiary.—*New Brunswick.*

Hon. R. D. WILMOT has been returned for St. John N. B. County, to the House of Assembly, by a majority of 325.

The *Observer* of Tuesday last says—We learn that the Hon. Charles Simonds, Speaker of the House of Assembly, and W. J. Ritchie, Esquire, have this day resigned their Seats, in consequence of the return of the Hon. R. D. Wilmot.

The intelligence from the Coast of Cape Breton, respecting the Seine and Net fishery, is very discouraging. Little, if any, pickled fish has been taken this autumn; and the season is now almost too far advanced to look for much success in this branch of the Fishery with any degree of confidence.—*Cape Breton News.* Are "pickled fish" ever taken?

Our latest Jamaica intelligence is that a serious riot between some soldiers and citizens, in which a man and woman were stabbed, and injuries received by others, had occurred. It arose out of improper conduct by a gunner of the artillery towards a citizen.

The Right Rev. William Fraser, D. D., Roman Catholic Bishop of Arichat, died at Antigonish on Saturday 4th inst., in the 72nd year of his age.

The Moravians commenced their first mission in Surinam in 1733. They have now 68 stations, 281 missionaries, including 7 assistants, 66,557 converts and persons under instruction, of whom 20,373 are communicants. Of these, 3,285 are Greenlanders and Esquimaux, 450 Indians, 55,948 Negroes and persons of colour, and 6,874 Hottentots, and other natives of South Africa.

The number of Hymn Books sold at the Wesleyan Book-Room, London, during the past year, was 112,000; the number of Tracts sold, 7,000,000; the total amount of sales for the year about £10,000.

There are 75 Protestant Missions in the several stations in China, connected with 15 different Missionary Associations, or one to about every five millions of souls. Since 1842, the year when the five ports were made accessible to Christian Missionaries, the number of Missionaries has increased from 20 to 75.

It is related that when a Duke of Saxony and a good bishop of Germany were at variance, the duke sent messengers to see what preparations the bishop was making, who, on their return, told him he was making no preparation at all. The duke asked, "What says he, then?" They replied, "He says he will preach the gospel, visit the sick, and be found in his duty; and as for the war, he is resolved to commit the whole of it to God." "O, then," said the Duke, "if he be of that mind, let the devil wage war with him, if he will, for I will not."

All the various errors in doctrine, the false opinions, the superstitious notions, which have debased the Christian character, are corruptions of the genuine doctrines of Christianity—the perversions of truth, or human opinions introduced under the covering of divine truths, like base metals plated over with thinnest laminae of sterling silver.

The Christians of Tahiti have outlived all the efforts of the French Papists to seduce or crush them. The storm has passed over, and the Church is unharmed; numerous additions have been made to it, Queen Pomare continues steadfast as a Protestant and consistent as a Christian; not a single Islander has been seduced from the true faith. We regard this as no ordinary triumph of truth, and as an encouraging exemplification of the power of endurance induced by deeply lodged Christian principle. Thus may all the unsanctified efforts of Romish proselytism perish.

At a recent Protestant Episcopal Convention, held at Pekin, Illinois, the Rev. Dr. Niglas renounced the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church.

The venerable Christian poet, James Montgomery, will be eighty years old on the 5th of November. The people of Sheffield are preparing suitable honours for the occasion.

The *Puritan Recorder* states, that the New School Presbyterian Synod of the Western Reserve, Ohio, have formally condemned the practice of dancing, and enjoined on church sessions to institute discipline whenever it occurs among their members.

The *New Brunswick Churchman*, published at Fredericton, N. B., under the patronage of the Bishop, is discontinued. In its death throes, it makes a thrust at the *Church Witness*, which we should suppose will prove quite harmless.

Several of the Parishioners of St. Saviour's Leeds, who went over to the Church of Rome with Messrs. Minton, Ward, &c., it is said, have returned to the Church of England.

The Hon. and Rev. Win. Towry Law, the Chancellor of the diocese of Bath and Wells, has resigned his living and Chancellorship, and has succeeded to the Church of Rome.

Tractarianism is an inclined plane down which men may glide imperceptibly into all the errors of Rome.

In the Scriptures, that is called a *mystery*, which had been kept secret, which had not been generally known, which is not discoverable by human reason, and which is not revealed in all its relations.

A Temperance Society, on the plan of those in England, is about to be organized in Paris. A number of persons in high positions, principally in the ranks of the clergy, and the public offices, have joined it. Its object is to do away with drunkenness among the working classes. We hope it will soon reach the upper classes.

It is supposed that upwards of two millions and a half of the population of Cochín, China, have perished by Cholera.

True scientific exertion is not the voyage of discovery of a Columbus, but the pilgrimage of a Ulysses.

Place a basin of cold water by the side of your bed. When you first awake in the morning dip your hands in the basin, and wet your brow; and sleep will not again seal you in its treacherous embrace.

Miss Howard, one of the most benevolent of England's daughters, has invested £47,000, in the hands of trustees, for the purpose of building twenty houses at Pinner, near Harrow, for gratuitous residences for widows of officers of the navy and army, and endowing each house with £50 a year.

A correspondent of the *London Times* gives a very encouraging amount of the progress of Protestantism in the West of Ireland. In a district, through which he had travelled during one week, he was informed by credible witnesses, that nearly 5,000 persons had left the Church of Rome, and entered the Protestant fold. The *Dublin Evening Post* states that at a recent confirmation by the Bishop of Cashel, there were converts confirmed in the Parish of Doon, 107; of Tuogh, 66; of Pallasgrean, 102; in all 275 adults.

"Alabama" signifies, in the Indian language, "Here we rest." A story is told of a tribe of Indians who fled from a relentless foe to the trackless forest in the south-west. Heavy and travel-worn they reached a noble river, which flowed through a beautiful country. The chieftain of the band struck his tent-pole in the ground and exclaimed: "Alabama! Alabama!" ("Here we rest! Here we rest!")

The *London Watchman* states that the Romanists were exceedingly desirous of obtaining a re-entrance into Japan, from which they have been excluded for the last two centuries; and France, the strongest and the most efficient horn of the Papacy, it is reported, is about to send a naval force to open a way for them into that kingdom.

The editor of a newspaper at Mayence has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment for quoting from the *Berlin National Gazette* a report of Pater Gavazzi's lectures in London, where expressions "derogatory to the Catholic Church" were found!

It is stated that an order, in pursuance of certain statutes agreed upon at the Synod of Thurles, is about to be issued to the monastic institutions in Ireland, which will have the effect of making great changes in their costume, discipline, and general government; and that it is by no means likely that this order will be received with satisfaction by the bodies to whom it is to apply.

Papery has much declined in Switzerland since the revolution of 1848, and Protestantism has considerably risen in favour and influence.

Strange as it may be, says the Rev. John Jordan, Vicar of Eastone, at this very day a clergyman of the Church of England may be ejected from a living by canons of a council (that of Lotheran, A. D. 1179) held 672 years since, that is more than 350 years before the Reformation.

The notable Bishop of Exeter has refused to accept the signature of the Archbishop of Canterbury, to the testimonials of a gentleman seeking admission in the diocese of Exeter!

The Sultan has given his daughter Fatima to Ali Gulib Bey, third son of the Grand Vizier, Reshid Pasha, and has appointed his son-in-law, Mushsir, a member of the Great Council.

The Russians have discovered four important veins of silver ore in the Caucasus—one in the defile of Sadon, another in that of Ordova, a third in that of Dogorsk, and the fourth near Paltchick. The veins are rich in the yield of silver, and the working of them has been commenced.

Her Majesty has transmitted from Balmoral a donation of £5 to a young woman of the parish of Elora, born without arms or legs, who had, through the minister of the parish, written to the Queen, writing with her pen in her mouth, for assistance.