

one of the assassins, who was desperately wounded, and could not get out of the way, was taken into custody and placed in close confinement. His deposition has been taken, in which, of course, it appeared that he figured as a spectator only. A couple of other wounded men were apprehended, but as nobody has appeared to implicate them, the prosecution may be looked upon as abandoned.

THE Revival of Religion in various sections of Nova Scotia continues to advance. Very cheering accounts are reported. On another page we give the statement of one who took part in the movement in Pictou.

THE last Sabbath of May is recommended, by the Moderators of the two Synods of the Lower Provinces, to be observed as a day of special prayer and thanksgiving, with a view to the consummation of Union. See page 114.

WE notice, in late papers, the obituary of Rev. James Mair, formerly a missionary in connection with our Church in Nova Scotia, whence he removed to Martintown, Ontario. There he was inducted as minister of St. Andrew's Church, but he subsequently went to the United States, and his death occurred at Lake Shetek, Minnesota. Mr. Mair was a native of Aberdeen, and brother of Rev. Wm. Mair, of Earlston, Berwickshire, Scotland.

SEVERAL persons are engaged in the laudable effort to establish an Asylum for Inebriates in Nova Scotia. A gentleman of experience, from the United States, has visited Halifax with a special view of increasing the interest in the project.

THE Theological Hall of the Sister Presbyterian Church was closed on the evening of April 10, by an address by Dr. Burns, of Fort Massey Church, on "Certain Phases of Modern Infidelity," which was characterized by marks of ability.

THE "Presbyterian Year-Book for 1875," giving lists of charges and ministers, colleges and schemes, and all other useful information respecting the four Churches now about to be united, can be had of W. G. Pender, Secretary *Monthly Record*.

DR. BUCHANAN, another of the great Free Church leaders, is dead. Having gone to Rome to spend a few months, he died there, suddenly, at the age of 73 years. An able and distinguished divine, the whole Church will have cause to lament his loss.

The Constitution of the United States still requires amendment, and for many years past right-thinking men have advocated the introduction of a section acknowledging God as the Supreme Ruler of nations as well as of individuals, but as yet without success. The advocates of this Amendment contemplate holding a grand convention at Philadelphia next year, in order that they may make known to the world that they "are not unmindful of the honour due to the name of the Lord, and of our duty to exalt it on the land so blessed by Him."

In Central Turkey there are now 26 organised churches, with some 2500 members, and audiences amounting in the aggregate to 5000 or 6000 steady attendants, and in the Sunday-schools there is an equally large attendance. Besides, there are some 40 out stations, where small congregations are struggling up into organization and self-support. The people are aroused on the subject of education. Advanced schools are called for, and some of the young men go abroad to England or America to pursue their studies. The missionary is now become a superintendent and educator. He has to deal with churches and communities, rather than with individuals and little audiences as at the first. He labors through the native pastors and helpers whom he educates and counsels, and through the churches and church unions, which require his advice. This wonderful change has taken place in less than a quarter of a century, and calls for unmingled gratitude.

The progress of the Gospel movement in Italy is very considerable. Most of the churches report the addition of seven to ten members, and as many catechumens under instruction, and the upspringing of neighboring village stations. Schools and excellently-edited evangelical journals are everywhere established. Unions of Christian youth,