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He greatly errs who entering upon the office of a public journalist expects to find his path way one of roses, or the discharge of his duty a pleasure.

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Particulars of the Loss of the Steamship "Arctic."

From the Newfoundland Letter.

The French merchant steamer, Vesta, from St. Peter's to Granville, arrived here on Saturday morning last with loss of her crew.

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Sabbath School Festival.

Mr. Editor.—As many of the readers of the Provincial Wesleyan are actively engaged in the promotion of the Sabbath School enterprise, it may not be uninteresting to them to have a very pleasant and interesting account of the Sabbath School Festival in this town, which took place on Tuesday the 26th ult.

It has been customary to give the children of this school an annual treat, and this season might not pass without the wonted Festival. Hence with a laudable desire to increase the happiness of the little folks, the time above named, was chosen for this purpose. The day was beautifully fine; and the warm, genial air reminded one of the early summer, rather than the beginning of autumn.

Although the hour named for the assembling of the children was two o'clock, P. M., yet a much earlier period the neighbourhood of the Chapel and adjoining Vestry presented quite an animated appearance. The Teachers and friends of the children were seen, all anxiously moving to and fro, arranging the preliminaries of a most important part of the affair—the Tea-table.

At the hour of two P. M. the children were assembled in the Chapel for devotional exercises. It was pleasant to see, quite a large gathering of the parents and friends, who were interested in their interest in the enjoyment of the day.

The Rev. Mr. Morton commenced the services with singing and prayer, and then read a portion of our Lord's sermon on the Mount, and questioned the children on the subjects embraced in the first verses. Their answers were correct, and they had not been inattentive, and that they were not unused to thinking on scriptural subjects.

The Rev. Mr. Moore, having chosen for a motto, "I am the good shepherd," then gave a very interesting address, which was listened to with evident pleasure; and was followed by the Rev. Mr. Avery, who made a few general remarks on the privileges and duties of children in Christian lands. These services were concluded by the Rev. Mr. Morton's pronouncing the benediction; and the children immediately proceeded in regular order to the Vestry, to partake of the rich provision of dainties prepared for the occasion by their kind teachers and friends.

After the children had sufficiently regaled themselves, they were dismissed; and a pleasant party of teachers and friends took their places at the tables to enjoy together a social cup of tea.

This ended a Festival which will be long remembered by many little ones, and which we trust will exert a happy influence on the future movements of the school. Mayhap impressions were then made which in future days will come out in bold relief, and take the form of vigorous and devoted efforts for the advancement of vital godliness. This may be the case, and that the Liverpool Wesleyan Sabbath School children may grow up to be pillars in the Church of God, and self-sacrificing, successful agents in the work of the world's conversion, is the fervent prayer of—

Yours, &c., A. VISITOR.

Liverpool, N. S., Oct. 7th, 1854.

From Late English Papers.

THE LANDING IN THE CAJAL.—The invading armament arrived, says the *Courier* at daybreak on the 14th inst., at a place called the Old Fort, about twenty miles south of Eupatoria, and at once commenced disembarkation. Before nightfall, nearly all the infantry, or upwards of 50,000 men, and part of the artillery, had been landed, and although, during the two following days, the operation was somewhat impeded by the state of the weather, it nevertheless rapidly proceeded. This cheering report has been followed up by the telegraphic despatch from Lord Raglan and Marshal St. Arnaud which has spread elsewhere, and which is dated on the 17th inst. We are now informed that the landing was as successfully completed as it had been auspiciously commenced, and that, in the space of three days, the whole of the allied army had been disembarked, together with the baggage, all the munitions of war, and the artillery. The first and most difficult step in the landing operation had therefore been effected, with the utmost promptitude, and without the slightest loss; and it is further stated that, on the day on which the despatch was written, the army, in the highest spirits, had commenced its march upon Sebastopol—being already within thirty miles of that place. We have thus the satisfaction of knowing that, while the allied commanders had adopted every precaution against failure which skill and foresight could suggest, all those circumstances which were beyond their control concurred in favouring the enterprise. There was a total absence of opposition. Not a single Russian soldier appears to have been near the place of disembarkation. Lord Denham presided over the Court of Queen's Bench until 1850, when he retired, and was succeeded by Lord Campbell. His lordship gave much satisfaction as a judge. For some time after his elevation to the bench, he thought they observed in some of his decisions immaturity of judgment.—He rapidly improved, and was soon acknowledged to be equal to the duties of his high office.—The fearlessness and independence which he manifested when practicing at the bar, he strikingly displayed while sitting on the bench.

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THE DOWAGER QUEEN OF SPAIN.—It is understood that Beaumont Lodge, formerly the residence of Lord Ashbrook, has been taken for the Dowager Queen Christina of Spain, as the future residence of herself and youthful family, by her second husband, the Duke de Rianzares. A few days ago several truck loads of furniture and other valuables arrived by the Great Western Railway at Datchet, and were immediately forwarded to Beaumont Lodge, which is now being placed in thorough repair. Beaumont Lodge is delightfully situated near Cooper's Hill, about three miles from Windsor Castle, and was recently sold to the Dowager Queen Christina of Spain, as the future residence of herself and youthful family, by her second husband, the Duke de Rianzares.

THE EMPRESS OF FRANCE arrived at Boulogne on Monday evening at five o'clock. She was accompanied by her ladies of honour and a suite of domestics. The road from the railway terminus to the royal chateau at Capécure was lined on both sides by the Imperial Guard, and all the brightness of a great military display was brought into action in order to honour the august visit. The Poissards, or fishwives of Boulogne were dressed out on the occasion in their best, and having formed themselves into procession, walked to the railway station to receive the Empress. The Empress having graciously acknowledged the favours intended for her, was handed into an open carriage by her husband. The Emperor having then mounted his horse in order to accompany the Empress slowly to the chateau. There are to be great doings this week in the neighbourhood of Boulogne. The Empress is considerably improved in health, and it is rumoured that the birth of an heir to the throne of France, within a few months, is by no means an improbable event.

DEATH OF LORD DENHAM.—This venerable nobleman died at his seat, Stoke Albany, Northampton, on Friday last, of apoplexy. He was in his 76th year. The noble lord was the ornament of the legal profession. Lord Denham presided over the Court of Queen's Bench until 1850, when he retired, and was succeeded by Lord Campbell. His lordship gave much satisfaction as a judge. For some time after his elevation to the bench, he thought they observed in some of his decisions immaturity of