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SUNDAY FUNERALS.

"The body of a young man," writes friend, " remains unburied in this place, day, the friends were gratified by seeing large attendance, and considered themselves well rewarded for their pains.

We are approaching a very delicate sub ject, so that our readers will readily acquit us of any intention to thrust a disagreeable theme upon their notice. Only a most solemp sense of duty could force us to write a sentence which might seem an intrusion upon those hallowed feelings which accompany the last offices to the dead. But for several years it has seemed to us that. however excusable Sunday funerals may have been in the earlier existence of our race in these Colonies, in our time they are pain of seeing that others are preferred and frequently out of place, and their consequent anxieties and toils nothing short of cast off: that years of usefulness and an Sabbath desecration. Exceptions there always were and will be; but we allude to while we, through delay and indifference instances in which Funerals are deliberately put off, or brought on a day earlier, merely to have the advantage of a Sabbath's obser-

Two advantages are particulary sought in connection with funerals in country-places :-- a large attendance, and a good sermon. One of these is not sufficient. The virtues of the dead must be fully proclaimed ; and an opportunity of the most favourable to a peculiar facility of utterance on these occasions; these of course, are largely patronized,-sometimes called in, in preference to the resident pastor, whose modesty or discreetness might induce too much reserve. In Towns, there are few such sermons heard; and only in regard to individuals whose relations to the cause of God may have singled them out as fitting examples to mankind. With ministers who travel much, and preach frequently, the case is far or twelve years ago, to refuse a funeral sermon for even a child would have been set down as a studied insult to the Parents. Not untrequently this has added at least one third to the minister's yearly work and

As to the sermon. Most of our overworked ministers would be glad to preach the funeral sermon, if it be absolutely required, at some regular Sunday service But we contend that the sermon might well be dispensed with altogether in many instances. If it be said that this would be a seeming indifference to the sorrow of surviving friends, we reply that in cities it is not so regarded. A service in the dwelling of the deceased before leaving, is sufficient in one case, and might well be in the other. The sympathy of minister and attendant mourners would be as deep and sincere, in the absence of a second public round of singing, prayer, reading and exhortation. The frequency of these exercises and the length of time spent in their performance. very often counteract any good impression they would be calculated to produce.

On the other hand-what is gained by holding out a special inducement for a large attendance at funerals? Coming in the ordinary way, a large procession certainly inwho gather at funerals on the Sabbath. their curiosity. What value is to be attached to the friendship which cannot leave the plough a field, the ledger closed, the hammer idle, when a neighbor's body must be consigned to its kindred dust?

Then, there is always a serious amount of work and commetion necessarily conthe grave; attendants hurry home to perform neglected duties. And all this under the plea of necessity, when in nine cases out of ten it might be avoided!

We seriously counsel our people to consider the subject. Let no prejudices prehave written candidly and without any the multitudinous duties of life? ing convictions.

CROWDED OUT .- A most inflexible agent the unquestioning, untiring, subservient and obey "what God the Lord will speak," creature of mankind :--placing itself absolutely at the disposal of honorable and dishonorable alike: to-day multiplying good words-to-morrow disseminating curses and falsehood; a king yet a slave, in its ser-

what is written. We have felt the pang ourselves, and sympathized in the disappointments of others, as some fine thought,

equest, however urgent, no plea, however

eloquent, can change the unalterable purpose. God would use us-to make of others 'living epistles known and read of all men." Thousands are coming to Him, yielding to be placed in proper, providential position, that they may give forth their Lord's impression. But this will not always continue. May you and I be spared the bitter we rejected: others employed and we have been " crowded out !"

PHILIP PHILIPS TO SING! and we to hear that thought to lovers of music. We cannot understand their enthusiasm. Honestly it must be confessed, some string has been omitted in our constitution which exists and quivers and Usefulness is the measure of success. vibrates in others. We have tried this by Those who serve are greatest. rals of children; for in the majority of Cirendurance, gave us a better conception of what they hear on whose ears fall for the first time seraphic music, than anything before or since. We have never doubted since then that the lost string will one day be supplied and grand music will be to us what it is to others

> There is no need to counsel readers upon the importance of hearing Philips. Only once or twice in a life time do we these Provinces attain to a first class advantage in such enjoyments. There are many who deeply regret now that they did not travel many miles to hear Punshon. Well they may! What Punshon is in oratory Philips is in song: and that is saying quite as much as any conservative writer ought to

Be sure to hear Philip Philips !

AULD SCOTLAND .- Lovers of the old dicates respect for the dead and sympathy last week's Messenger. We have lived over made it clear, not only that he so under- and resources. They have dismissed all the for the living. This much cannot be in- again early days, and yielded to the rush of stood it, but also that he understood what men who belong to the Union, and insist, as or, Three Years' Travels and Adventures for the living. This much cannot be inlarger than more discussion, wa
ferred from the extraordinary multitudes early thoughts, while reading Mr. A's. desby "to withstand you to the face." cription of the Frith of Clyde, the tortuous, People go at such times from different mo- beautiful River, with its Castles and Iatives. The sincere to weep and learn; the lands; of the grimy, weeping Greenock, and him the fullest amount of sincerity and congay to show their horses; the pleasure seek- the city of the Bromielaw, with its groaners to enjoy air and sunshine, and gratify ing machinery, its attractive arcade and its stately architecture.

Correspondence.

CHRISTIAN USEFULNESS.

It is a great thing when we learn the pur pose of God in our own creation, and a nected with funerals. Needles are plied in greater when we learn how best to accomthe house; horses and men are properly plish that purpose. In this bustling work ranged in the street; shovels are handled at shop of a world, so filled with the din of many wheels, the clash and jar of so much machinery, the roar of conflicting interests, and the confused hum of so many voices. the sense of many becomes confused, the judgement warped, and the understanding led astray. Is it not possible that many persons fail to enter upon the Christian life vent them from doing what is right. We disobey God, as from pre-engagement by not so much from wilful determination to pressure save that of our sincere and grow- of the Spirit are single and tender; those of the flesh clang through the whole being like the iron tongues of massive bells. The Spirit is as the dove, timid, shrinkingstartled by a shadow; the flesh continuous CROWDED OUT.—A most inflexible agent ly pours its necessitious voice into the ears is the printing-form. The servant of all, of the soul. To hush these outcries, to hear

is the whole of Christian life. Why is it that youth so rarely engages in Christian service? Why is it that the great want of the Christian Church in all ages, notably in this age, is young men? They and falsehood: a king yet a slave, in its service to the world—it has, notwithstanding, limits which must be m limits which must be respected. In pages supplied abundantly, nay, thronged with like our own this is particularly the case would be a simple footpath. The pursuits and callings of secular life are of Grounds will be a simple footpath. It is issued in the case would be professors of respected in the engage such in the case would be a simple footpath. The Vicar has been worsted in the engage such in the case what a care wha

no power,—the king himself would have no authority, once these words are uttered. Poetry from the siren, epigrams from the wit, sage reflections from the philosopher, profound deductions from the scientist, any and all must stand over, while the wheels go round and the press groans and the nimble fingers clasp, fold, address and despatch what is written. We have felt the pang

pointments of others, as some fine thought, or important item was "crowded out."
But there it is! Types will not bend—will not yield—will not, in short, break a fixed and settled law of matter.

And, now, beloved reader, believe us, types are typical. We say it not as a play upon words,—an editor's alliteration. The law which governs the printing-form, also phant martyrdom—the enthusiasm of love are substantial or the calminess of love of the friends have persevered in keeping the body for a Sunday funeral." This was written on Saturday evening. On the following sustained at the superactions and space of God's a strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother on Saturday evening. On the following state of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong, steady space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion of a brother of the strong space of the conversion o justice. Just new there is delay; there is the unseen but actual process of receiving and setting up. By and bye it will be seen that the process is complete,—the limit has been reached,—the inexorable law will not yield. The allotted time once filled up, no request, however urgent, no plea, however urgent, no plea, however urgent, no plea, however are upwineled with doubte seen that it is over and gone—the time of the and one month after the answer came, was obliged to bid him a long adieu. An affection and one month after the answer came, was obliged to bid him a long adieu. An affection are brother also mourns the loss of an only brother. And yet another weeps, in anguish sore, whose tender affections, and prospects in life, were confidingly entertained with those of the departed. Those tears of affection however are upwineled with doubte respect. into the same life.

nto the same life.

Too many of those already in the church ling his eternal welfare. ntent with that. True, we are sometimes heave too and take our reckoning and calculate anew our bearing. But the ship must make progress, and not seek to remain forever under the same soundings. But alas! every thing goes on but the Christ-follower.

"Day after day, day after day, With neither breath nor motion; As idle as a painted ship

What an impetus would the cause of Christ throughout the world receive if the question, how little can I do for Christ?" were displaced by this, " how much can I do for him?" Philip Philips! What ecstasy must be in and the answer to be given under inspiration your own, for ye are bought with a price

whose hearts blood has baptised the hardpractical and rather expensive modes of com- fought battle field to free their country from kind must be offered for the world to hear parsion. That Queen of song who recently a tyrant's power; men of skill who by patient the recital. Some preachers have attained gained so much attention by her early and research have made discoveries that have lessad death,—Parepa Rosa—while performing sened the burdens and allayed the sorrows of in Boston, attracted us among hundreds of toiling life; authors who have enlightened the lyn Academy of Music which has left an in Boston, attracted us among bundreds of others. The admission fee to music Hall thropists who have visited the foul cell and gotten. The sermon was by Morley Punwas not trifling; but we crowded in at four o'clock with the singing multitude. Forty musical instruments and as many accompanying voices were most systematically engaged in the men and women whose names are bly soors higher in scored elevance than the foul cell and dragged inbuman treatment out to the withershop, and the singing was principally by the component of the purity of their ministry.

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comfort in the last moments of incurrence in the last moments of incurrence in the men and women whose names are bly soars higher in sacred eloquence than longest remembered and whose memories are constituting orator. Yet even more than the construction of pulpit oratory and the construction of pulpit oratory and the construction of pulpit oratory and the construction of the men and women whose names are bly soars higher in sacred eloquence than are most encouraging. The financial department has suffered considerably from the construction of pulpit oratory and the construction of pulpit oratory and the construction of pulpit oratory and the construction of the con could see only fantastic garments and a the human heart. But grander far the fame beautiful and at times burning and impasvariety of facial expression,—could only hear and more glorious the character of those who sioned utterances which enchanted and movmuch, and preach frequently, the case is far different. To them it is a very serious addition to their labours when death makes frequent inroads upon the Circuit. For and women in the seventh heaven of musical the work-bench, whether at the helm of state became forever a treasured and consecratevery individual buried there must be a enjoyment. We were, for the first time, wit. or at the handles of the plow, win souls from ed memory. By all means hear Philip ness of a full-blown Opera. After twenty the thrall of Satan to the liberty found only Pailies sing. rals of children; for in the majority of Circuits with which we were acquainted ten soul with soul, and finding Madame Rosa preachers in every rank of life. Mothers was not to appear till evening, we with whose patient lives will preach Christ to their drew. Another fat fee and a second en- little ones, employers who will preach him to trance with the crowd gained for us all we coveted. That voice we can reproduce in memory at any moment,—that graceful woman, endowed with such extraordinary genius and Christ." Surely if we were all better in life more souls would be attracted to the cross. Burlington N.S.

THE WINDSOR CONTROVERSY.

MR. EDITOR.—Sir,—I desire again t grand music will be to us what it is to others

—a subtle charm, a sweet refreshing of the soul, a particle of Heaven.

—trespass on your space so far as to say in reference to Rev. Mr. DesBrisay's letter in your last issue, that my statement that Rev. at the point where it lacked the slightest him in a discussion on Universalism, was declined by Mr. DesBrisay, was made with a full knowledge of the correspondence em-bodied in the letter above referred to; and I can only express my astonishment at his concealed in the verbiage of the answer to Mr. Weston's proposal; but if that answer was not intended to convey the impression that the proposition was declined, the Rev. by your numerous readers. Mr. Weston, forced by the advice and power of the Nation I know, understood that his proposition was al Agricultural Labourer's Union. In conse land will find a lively and entertaining letter declined, and the publication of the next quence of this the masters have combined from the pen of Rev. W. F. Armstrong, in letter in the correspondence would have resist the demand with all their united strength last of this class issued by this extensive

I should not care to adopt the inunendo the men strongly resist this demand, which style so freely indulged in by Mr. Desthey account to be both unreasonable and huscientiousness, (though his letter to you is a trial in that regard) —It is a pity he and a conflict which to all present appearances could not find it in his heart to suppose will be fierce and protracted. The locked out than in teaching him a little humility and a the present high rents which they are compellsmall portion of that charity which "think- ed to pay, they cannot pay increased wages to

Yours truly. An Armor Bearer. Halifax April 30th, 1872.

(This will, of course, terminate the discussion, so far as our columns are concerned. "An Armour Bearer" has replied to our Editorial remarks, and now replies to Mr. DesBrisay. We have all been heard, The calls and the verdict, (if any can be given upon lotted for the use of Nonconformists and the attractiveness and charm. The work will and so far as possible provide for a matter which, to a considerable extent is remainder was to be duly consecrated. one of individual opinion) must be left to the public.—EDITOR.)

EARLY CROWNED.

limits which must be respected. In pages like our own this is particularly the case Once the solid, compact little pieces of metal called type have been joined to fill a certain space, there is no concession. It matters that the content of enterprise wider and more glorious, and reply is—"crowded out." The Editor has shows both a sad lack of workmen and an God, we heard his voice in prayer, and in the limits which must be respected. In pages supplied abundantly, nay, throaged with seldom surpassed even by professors of religion. His well balanced intellegt, fairly seldom surpassed even by professors of religion. His well balanced intellegt, fairly developed by educational appliances and choice reading, was seen to advantage, especially in the Bible Class, which he greatly loved. But when, after he gave his heart to fortnight. Decorations and gifts, reviews place this among the best works of the class

no power,—the king himself would have no unskilfulness in the little work that is per- class meeting cheerfully telling what God had and banquettings have been the order of the yet given to the public. The life of Mary

rest satisfied with conversion. Week after How cheering to us the thought that the week they "examine the evidences and are ardor of his first love was not cooled by any How cheering to us the thought that the shining influences of earth until it matured in like ships that have sailed many days under glory. Only for a short time did he behold by a dark sky and in stormy weather, we must faith the Lord Jesus, until he was permitted to see him face to face. The battle ground of temptation had searcely been pressed by his feet, when he was placed beyond the reach of the New Jersey. The Conference requested tempter. The work in the vineyard was just ommenced, when the Father said, "Child next session. After seventy-three years in

> It will not be long if we faithfully use parted and provided grace, until we shall meet

Cornwall P. E. I. April 6, 1874

PHILIP PHILIPS.

THE SERVICE OF SONG!

H. Stewart in his enthusistic way, looking circle at a birth-day dinner, some of the as if quite ready for translation "to make company "running far out into the fourth these meetings of the Alliance a perfect success. If we had only Philip Philips to sing, one of the finest dinners ever given to me nothing more could be desired." Mr. Phil- as a birth-day festival; drank nothing but ips is the greatest of living vocalists in the water, enjoyed life, and closed the day by department of sacred song. department of sacred song.

There was the service held in the Brook-

OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

The last of the Tichborne trials" Notes "——Winter and Spring"

DEAR MR. EDITOR,-The last stage of the lichborne case appears to have been reached in the trial of two of the witnesses, the notorious Jean Luie, and Captain Brown. The men, has been proved to be a mere invention, clumsy falsehood. The vessel—the rescue -the parties connected therewith, and the Mr. Weston's proposition to engage with amount of confirmation. They have received a fitting award of punishment for their misdeeds. Luie is sentenced to seven years of penal servitude and Brown five years. A bitter strife is at present raging through

out a considerable part of the Counties averment, that I had made a mistake. I Cambridge and Suffolk, between the Farmers know rot what may be the hidden meaning and their labourers. Theirs has been for gentleman adopted what will be considered for an increae of one shilling a week, and i by most people peculiar language in which to accept what he terms the "uncalled for the without much difficulty when it was accept. ters without much difficulty when it was ascer challenge." The question must be decided tained that the claim was being aided and en forced by the advice and power of the Nation-'more than mere discussion," was meant the only terms of re-engagement that they renounce all connection with the National Union.

dismissal of the men in very great numbers, others to be actuated by motives possessing men are in the receipt of nine shillings a week in some small degree like qualities, or, at from the funds of the Union, and are being least, to refrain from so constantly expres- further helped to remove to the Findland and sing his belief to the contrary. If the late Northern Counties, and numbers are preparing puted question as to the existence of a dwarf discussion should result in nothing more to emigrate. The Farmers allege that with eth no evil," all the parties would, doubt- their working men. The answer to this which less, think themselves repaid for any trouble they may have taken in regard to it.

Yours truly.

Is now being freely given, is that rents must be lowered and Landlords be compelled to bear their share of the increasing burdens of the times. The labourers will gain the day in the battle which they are waging. Public sympathy is with them, and it is felt that they

ings, in decency and comfort.

Much attention has been

The Vicar in his anxiety to keep the cons crated from the unconsecrated ground caused a stone wall to be erected between the portions, and completely separated them. The consequences were an outburst of popular indignation.

Though a great sufferer, as most are who and has scarcely settled down again to its prise opened with a dawning of success, without a certain amount of enthusiasm. The die by congestion of the brain, he manifested world knows this, cultivates it, and looks no impatience. Delirium lasted only a few what Mr. Disraeli's Government proposes to home the Monday. In answer to his do in the reduction of financial burdens.

OLD MINISTERS

Rev. Henry Boehm, to whom we called attention in a previous letter, is the oldest Methodist minister in this country, now in his ninety-ninth year. He entered the itinerant ministry in I801, and is now member of the Newark Conference, and was present at its late session at Patterson him to preach a centenary sermon at its the ministry, he is still able to preach occasionally. He was the travelling compa-nion of Bishop Asbury from 1808 to 1813, again our departed friend and brother James and accompanied the venerable Bishop several times around the continent, and heard

him preach fifteen hundred sermons. Lovick Pierce, D.D., of the M. E. Church, South, father of one of the Bishops of that Church, is in his ninetieth year, and entered the itinerant ministry in 1805. He still enjoys good health and preaches with "Only one thing is needed." said George vigor. He recently met thirty of his family generation. "We feasted," he says, "on daughter."

> These venerable men were among leading ministers of the M. E. Church, and were eminent for the purity of their charac-

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES, which meet in the Spring, have most the general business depression, but the benevolent collections will not fall off as much

advance, so that the total amount of these The year has been remarkable for buildout our extended work such edifices have been erected, many of which are among the best in the country. In the Southern States, cheap houses of worship are called for, and are being constructed rapidly, most of which are aided by the Church Extension Society.

THE REVIVAL INFLUENCE

has been generally experienced during the year. Wonderfully has the Spirit been poured upon the Churches. Perhaps in no whole of the tale related by these perjured year of our history has there been a more general religious influence experienced. As a consequence, large numbers have been added to the churches, and the revival interest still continues, showing signs of unusual permanence and power.

DR. THOMAS CARLTON. has gone to his reward. He died suddenly at his home at Elizabeth, New Jersey where he had lived for many years. He was connected with the Western New York Conference. He entered the travelling ministry in 1829, spent thirteen years in the pastorate, seven as Presiding Elder, and twenty as the Chief Agent of the Book Conpern at New York, in all of which he positions he maintained an unblemished repu ation, and discharged all of his official duties with great credit to himselt and usefulness to the Church.

THE PUBLISHERS AND AUTHORS are unusually active in supplying the public with reading matter. Messrs Harrers are constantly adding to their already extensive list of travel and adventure. Among the in the unexplored regions of the Centre of Africa," by Mr. George Schweinfurth. This celebrated traveller from the years 1868 to 1871, explored Central Africa. Not following the footsteps of Sir Samuel Baker. he took a westerly direction which brough him into the Niam-Niam country, and the hitherto unknown kingdom of Nonbutta, where he spent several months. Geographically, he contributes valuable information to the solution of the Nile problem, and ethnologically, he has settled the long disrace in this section of Africa. The work will be received and read with great interest. Another work of this class by the attract attention to the land of the White of our youth in this colony. Elephant.

Messrs. James R. Osgood & Co., have issued the " Life of Thomas Jefferson," by deeply stirred with sorrow as was this place John Russell came in to the defence of cure to it many readers. Their charming recently, occasioned by a sudden death of a the insulted Dissenters, and an appeal work—"The Life and Works of Anna Levery promising young man. One month previous to his departure from earth he sought vious to his departure from earth he sought of the titia Barbauld," by Grace A. Ellis—will so auspiciously begun?

St. John's N. F., April 29th 1874. and found in connection with our late revival and all parties are exhorted to forget feast to multitudes of admiring readers.

domestic and scientific accomplishments were of the highest order, which introducted her into the first circles of the age. The wessel foundered on the night of the 24th wessel foundered on the night of the 24th cast. Ches story of her wonderful life will be made a of August. She was owned by Capt. Chas blessing to thousands. They have also is- Muggah, two of whose sons-boys o essay upon the limits of Painting and Poetry, with remarks illustrating various points family, has been a sad blow; deeply the in the history of ancient art, by Gotthold in the history of aucient art, by Gotthold Ephraim Lessing. It shows with a most The Native was commanded by Capt. W to poetry, and defines the limits and de-

reads it will be thankful for the privilege. gressing rapidly with their American prayer is that this event may be sanctified The Messrs. Appleton & Co., are pro-Cyclopdia, and at their present rate of Cyclopdia, and at their present rate of progress, the sixteen volumes will soon be by the accounts given in the Provincial issued. Its great value is more distinctly Wesleyan during the winter, of the proseen with each succeeding volume. Each article is prepared with great care. It has Circuits. Sinners have been converted two editors in chief, four associate editors, and souls saved. To God be all the praise. of the most able writers of the age. It is a vast library will embrace almost every sub with a gracious season of revival, several vast library, will embrace almost every subject, is most profusely illustrated, and is offered at the exceedingly low price of less dications of a more extensive work still. than one cent per page. Information on every subject is brought down to the latest who has been laboring only about six possible date. The work would be an invaluable treasure to every family. Messrs Butler & Co. Fleetwood,, Boston, are the New England publishers. CECIL.

NEWFOUNDLAND LETTER.

DEAR MR. EDITOR .- As already announced by yourself the St. John's Quarly. The name of the new organization appear thoughtful and serious, and our earwould have been more acceptable if it had nest prayer is, "O Lord revive Thy work." British North America. The financial reled to some anxious inquiries affecting the continuance and extension of Home Mis- vance of any previous year. sions in this Colony; nevertheless our officials were unwilling to obstruct a good

sake of the mere name, and for a like cause of this church is chiefly due to the liberalin the absence of data which they could ity of our good sister, Mrs. D. McKenzie o have wished to have had before them re- Sydney. specting the final adjustment of financial matters with the London Missionary Committee, they agreed to have faith in the brotherly-kindness and justice of all con- in debt. To liquidate this the choir of our cerned when the very peculiar circumstances of this missionary colony should mental music, which proved such a grand come under special consideration at the ensuing session of the Conference of E. B. A The issue I regard as honorable to the good sense of this large and intelligent Board.

The hearts of our people have been greatly refreshed by the tidings of revival that have reached us through your interesting columns. We too have shared in the pre- are not having any extra number of sercious visitation At Long Pond, a station vices, but our Sunday and week evening special services were held for three weeks, services for God should have special object chiefly by brethren Nurse and Lister; as and aim; every one must be numbered in the result about thirty persons decided to the great awakening. On Monday week turn to God through Christ, and many one soul found peace with God, arose, and more were influenced for good. In the said: I feel God has forgiven all my sina. city, showers of blessing have descended. Within four weeks over a hundred professed to be penitent, very many of whom have testified they have found pardon and has been quickened and stimulated to seek after Christian holiness, and the convertaof last year that had been generally steadfast have become still more fully established. Cheering news have reached me from

Bay over thirty are meeting in class who is waking up and the prospect encouraging. have been converted to God and that others We intend to continue meetings this week. are desiring to see Jesus. This brother Hope God will do greater things for us. To has written in most encouraging terms res- Him be all glory! Considerable sickness pecting his entire work .- On French Shore in the community now. north), Bro. McGregor informs me he has now five class meetings. Every month God has given him souls to his ministry throughout the extensive circuit on which he has travelled between two and three hundred miles since December on the "comatick." At nearly every harbour which he has visited his labours have been blessed in winning church have given their names for that been converted. Without further details which I cannot now give, your readers will which I cannot now give, your related to the new nits nim for the work, on the learn that our Home Missions during the dily increasing and the meetings will be will not wonder therefore that earnest applications will be made in due course to the Conference for the enlargement of the numpublishing house is " The Heart of Africa, ber of Missionaries. The seal fishery, I regret to say, is being prosecuted this year has been signally present recently. Many with slim fares. It is feared that the mul. souls have been saved. Young men of tiplication of steamvessels is partially the promise are among the number. The wicause of failure. Legislation seems still dow of Rev. W. Ellis died in great peace, ecessary to prevent those engaged in this aged 77 years. Quarterly meeting voted business from violating certain physical unanimously for union, both propositions. laws in reference to the seal which it is be- A new parsonage is to be built. Times are

ucrative source of income. The Educational Bill has passed the Legislature to establish Elementary Denomina tional education. Grants to the denominations are to be based on a new census, to be taken in summer, and the measure is to take effect June 1875. Bigotry and prejudice have led to the adoption of this act, which will resame publishers is entitled, "The Land of quire three setts of schools with all the applithe White Elephant," by Frank Vincent, ances necessary for training teachers, &c. Jr. It contains a personal narrative of while common sense has been forcing many to travel and adventure in Farther India, embracing the countries of Burma, Siam, Cambodia, and Cochin-China, in the years system. Wesleyans for the sake of peace 1871-2, and is most richly illustrated. The have been consentient to the principle of this cannot possibly live with their present earn- author has opened before us sights and obnoxious Bill, although on patriotic grounds scenes in Southeastern Asia, which attract abhorring it. They have determined however the attention of the civilized world. He that these grants must be in some way supple-Richmond, near London, and the doings of its knows how to state what he wants to com- mented by private benevolence, that their Vicar. The Cemetery required enlargement, nunicate, and does it with such clearness schools may compare well in efficiency with seal fishery. The weather from the outset those of the Roman Catholic or Episcopalians, had been propitious—westerly winds prevail-

P. S .- Special thanks are due and are predicting a productive fishery. issued the "Life of Thomas Jefferson," by hereby presented to the first liberal subscriber ever, these hopes were destined to be blighted.

James Parton,—a work of thrilling inter- of \$50.00 for the erection of a Wesleyan The vessels which followed brought doleful est and great value. Its relation to the Church at St. Pierre. Brethren of the Prova considerable part of the obnoxious wall history of the American Republic, invests inces, who will help, by sending a subscription bers, but strange to say, at a date when, in Seldom have we seen a community so was thrown down, meetings were held, Lord it with a singular importance, and will set to the Editor of the Provincial Wesleyan. deeply stirred with sorrow as was this place John Russell came in to the defence of cure to it many readers. Their charming to build the first Protestant Church on this and in prime condition, this year a vast num-

Annapolis - We have been enjoying eason of more than ordinary interest during the Winter and Spring. At Annapolis Royal a weekly prayer meeting has been commenced which has been well attended. Besides we rejoice in quite an accession to our numbers in the Class Meetings. The last

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sued a work quite different from the above promise—were on board, and shared the but of great value, entitled "Laocoen," an fate of his vessel. This bereavement and loss of property to Captain Muggah and convincing logic the relation that art bears Peters, a man much esteemed, who leaves scribes the offices of each. The work must a young widow, aged parents, and many relatives and friends to mourn their los be read to be appreciated, and whoever May those bereaved ones have grace to sustain them in their days of sorrow. Our to their spiritual good.

months in this new field of Christian toil. The Rev. Mr. Simpson, who entered upon his labors at Cow Bay and the Reserve Mines at the beginning of the year, and who has already become a favourite amongst us, is not without some tokens of encour agement in his work.

Your correspondent and his esteemed colleague Mr. Baines, are not destitute o terly Board voted yea for union and Lay. hope concerning the work of God on their Delegation. It is perhaps worth noting, Circuit. The congregations both in Sydthis was done by a full meeting, unanimous- ney and North Sydney are good, and often been the Wesleyan Methodist Church of British North America. The financial re- Meetings have been held at Sydney, North lations of the Newfoundland Conference to Sydney, and Gabarus Circuits with marked the General Conference also very naturally success. The speeches were good, and at all the meetings the receipts were in ad-

At the Forks, a place some six mile from the town, we have commenced and scheme, looking towards the consolidation expect to finish during the summer, a neat of Methodism in these Provinces for the and comfortable little chapel. The erection

Parsonage during the year, the Trustees found themselves one hundred dollars or a church gave a concert of Vocal and Instrurepeat it. The handsome sum of \$260.00 was realized. Yours, &c.

Sydney, C. B., April 16th, 1874,

MILLTOWN, N. B .- Dear Brother, -We Last night two came up for prayer : and o

tained mercy.

I trust friends who read detailed on "Milltown," at the close, relieved each " from doing duty for both.

Milltown, April 28, 1874.

AMHERST.—The good work continues Two meetings each day-well attended. A some of our Home Missions lately. Bro. goodly number accepting offered mercy and James reports prosperity at Flat Islands.

Bro. Jabez Hill informs me that at Bonne Christ, the forgiveness of sins. The Church

Later.-We are grateful to God for descend upon the Amherst congregation. At every meeting penitents present purpose. Bro. Tweedie is in rather a poor state of health, which very largely in-fits him for the work, but the interest is steacontinued.

Amherst, April 30th, 1874.

HARBOR GRACE, N. F .- The Holy Spirit has been signally present recently. Many lieved if unchecked must lead to the ex very hard. Many are leaving for othe termination of this sometimes wonderfully parts. Fifty members have been lost of this circuit by removals/

> CANNING.-Our good work still coninues. I baptized four last Sabbath and received three others. Yours, &c.,

Miscellaneous.

NAWFOUNDLAND AFFAIRS. (From the Correspondent, of Toronto Globe

St. John's Newtoundland, April 10. IE SEAL FISHERY - FAILURE - UNUSUAL PHE NOMENA AMONG THE SEALS-PANIC AS TO THE FUTURE OF OUR FISHERY.

At the date of my last letter (March 31st) the wants ed and the ice was open and easily penetrated. The first two or three arrivals from the ice brought cheering news,, and every one was tidings. They met with seals in large numall former years they were found well grown 'cats,' as they are called—that is seals too young for capture-are being brought in, each not worth more than half a dollar, the value o a well-grown seal being three dollars. The seal brings forth its young, about the middle of February, and hitherto they have been found well grown after the middle of March. This season the rule does not hold good. A number have been found plump and properly developed, but a large proportion in the Visitation was a season of much refreshing. "cat" condition. This anomalous condition.
G. W. T.