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Aur Camp Meeting season, which has hen one of extraordinary interest is past. The weather was remarkable for out-ofdoor religious services, scarcely a drop of rain falling during the campmeeting weeks. The spiritual results of these meetings have been great and glorious. The Church has been greatly quickened to a higher Christian life, and many have been awakened and converted to God. Among the converted were many who the Churches, but were led to the meeting out of curiosity, or by the special invitation of friends. Many of this class

Several of our larger Camp meetings they are accomplishing great good in the spiritual life and work. While they adly aiding and increasing the spiritual. THE BUSINESS WORLD.

financial interests, but we see signs of its being lifted somewhat. Some kinds of business are reviving, and this leads our business men to expect that the general business of the country will at no distant day resume its wonted activity. Any signs encouraging.

THE HARVESTS have been abundant. The wheat crop was never better in quality and quantity. The corn crop promises a great yield. Fruit, of all kinds was never more abundant. While multitudes are out of employment, the want of food.

THE CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION is attracting great attention, and as the time for its close is drawing near, the number visiting it is increasing. The Exhibition and attendance have been satisfactory to all concerned, and we doubt not will so continue. Such an exhibition the world has never before seen. That it will bring the nations into closer union, there can be no doubt—an object the most de-

THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN upon us, is one calculated to create an intense political excitement. The two great political parties, the Republican and Demogives intensity to the struggle, as both will leave no efforts unused to win, and a give the winning party the victory. The contest will soon be ended, as the Nov.

election is soon at hand. LITERARY.

There has been a little quiet in the literary world, but more activity is now seen as fall and winter approach. The great publishing house of Messrs. Harper & Bros. moves steadily on as usual, furnishing the public with a vast amount of reading Some of their recent books are of the greatest excellence, and are taking high rank in their several departments. The "History of the intellectual developments of Europe," by John William Draper, M. D., L. L. D., is a work that will not fail to be read with great interest and profit. The author is Professor of Chemistry in the University of New York, and is well known as the author of several valuable works, among which is "Human Physiology,' &c., &c. The present able work treats of the history and philosophy of the intellectual progress of Europe. It occupies a field rich in historic facts, and the author finds abundant illustrations in these facts to establish his positions. He holds that an individual man is an emblem of communities, nations, and universal humanity, that they exhibit epochs of life like his, and like him are under the control of physical conditions, and therefore of law. The work throughout is of marked ability, clear, comprehensive, forcible, taking wide range, and presenting a vast amount of valuable information, showing a rare degree of culture, and the most extensive research. If we were to offer any criticism, it would be that the author attaches too much importance to the material, and not enough to the moral forces We commend the work to the careful study of all who would get information on the subject on which it treats.

The "Life and Letters of Lord Macau. lay," by G. Otto Trevelyan, M. P., issued by the same house, is one of the most attractive and valuable biographical works published for a long time. It is rich in its materials, and its stirring incidents and instructive anecdotes, illustrating the character of its subject, give to the work great interest and value. No one can read the work but will feel that Le has been richly repaid for the effort. Their periodicals lead all others in the country. The Magazine has a circulation of about one and artistic features alone, over \$5,000 per . It is translated into English by John Yes- made on the former rate of wages.

month. The Weekly has as large a circulation, and the Bazar circulates about one hundred thousand. These periodicals are always fresh, meeting the demands of the times, filled with the information and reading the people desire, and are read more extensively than any others in their departments.

Rev. J. Dorman Steele has written a History of one hundred years of American Independence, and issued by Messrs. A. S. Barnes & Co., a work of great interest, especially to all American readers, at this time. The author is well known by his brief Histories of the United States and never attended Sabbath Services at any of France which have had an immense sale. His exceedingly popular style insures a reading for all his productions, The present volume contains all that is essential are reached by the Gospel at these Meet- in the history of the country for the hundred years, and presented in a form and style which gives it special interest. The have become places of summer resort. same house have issued the "Lives of the This has changed the original character of | Signers of the Declaration of American Inthese meetings somewhat, still, we believe, dependence." a book full of biographical and historical interest, and also " Over the Sea and far away "minister to the physical, they are great- a narrative of wanderings around the world. The author T. W. Hinchliff, M. A., F. R. G. S., is President of the Al-There is still a heavy pressure on our | pine Club and an author of considerable note, and whatever he writes is pretty sure to be read. The present work has but few equals for attractiveness and instruction in the literature of travel and adventure. The International Review, a bi-monthly work, is perhaps the best and most able of of such a result, are most cheering and its class, of any work now issued. Its contributors are among the most popular and able writers in all countries, and the subjects introduced are the most vital and im portant for the consideration of the public Its notices of books published in all countries, and its resume of scientific progress constitute one of its great excellences, and there is no need of any one suffering for one that cannot fail to be highly appreciated. The International is issued by this enterprising house.

Messrs, James R. Osgood & Co., are constantly furnishing (the public with the most choice, entertaining and instructive reading, and some of their recent issues are worthy of special note. Their " Vest Pocket Series." which includes such works as "Snow Bound," "Miles Standish," "Enoch Arden," and "Barry Corn. wall," is a rich literary treasure. The "Little Classics," are equally popular. Hawthorne's volumes seem to have a new freshness, and the recent volumes issued are especially enjoyed. Whittier's, Tennyson's and Longfellow's works, in their crat, are nearly equally balanced, and this new dress, are received with great satisfaction. And no one will tire in reading the "Life and Letters and Journals of George slight change or unexpected event, may Ticknor." They have in press the Autobiography of Harriet Martineau, and an edition of Lowell's Poems. They issue the oldest Quarterly in the country, "The North American Review"-a work of great excellence and value, and has no superior among the quarterlies of its class.

> "Spiritualism and Nervous Derangement," is the title of a work just issued by G. P. Putnam's Sons, written by Wm. A. Hammond, M. D. The work is able. clear, forcible, and comprehensive. giving the reader a vast amount of information on an important subject. It exposes the deceits and delusions of spiritualism, showing that its exhibitions are more plausibly explained by physical laws well understood, than by anything imagined from the spirit world. And while the author professes great respect "for the fundamental beliefs of Christianity," still we regret he has not shown more respect for some expressions in common use. such as the "outpouring of the Spirit of God." He is also in fault, we think, in his definition of mind, but notwithstanding these defects, the work may be read with great profit, showing up completely one of the great delusions of the day.

> A new theological work has made its appearance from the press of Messrs. E. P. Dutton & Co., entitled " Rudiments of Theology." The author is the Rev. John Pilkington Norris, B. D., an English Churchman, Canon of Bristol and Examiner to to the Bishop of Manchester. He has written a valuable work, presenting clearly the great central doctrines of the Gospel. well arranged and evangelical. The style is direct, simple, nervous, and the work will not only be valuable to clergymen and theological students, but may be read with interest and profit by all the members of the Church. The publishers have done well in giving it to the Christian public. They have issued "Our Lord's Three Raisings from the Dead," by the Rev. Hugh Macmillan, a work of superior excellence. "The Bible Educator," a work that would bless every family, and a most valuable assistant to every Sunday school

teacher and member of Bible classes. Messrs. Lee & Shepard have in press a book that will excite some interest, entitled "Some Observations upon the Civiliization of Western Barbarians, particularly of the English, made during a residence of some years in those parts," by Ah-Chinhundred and thirty thousand copies, and Lee, Mandarin of the first class, Member the publishers expend on it for its literary of the Enlightened and Exalted Callaw.

ter Smythe, Esq., of Shanghae. It treats of the religion, history, government, education, literature, trade, art, amusements, employments, domestic and social customs, and other facts of English life, from the standpoint of a cultivated Chinaman. Of course, all he says will be not be very flattering to the Western Barbarians," but it will be of interest to know how the Chinaman looks upon English life.

Comte de Paris, second volume of " History of the Civil War 'in America," from the press of Msssrs. J. H. Coates & Co., has come to hand, and is not only equal to the first, in interest, but if possible exceeds it. The author seems to have comprehended the great struggle of the civil war, and writes with great ease, clearness, force, candor and impartiality, presenting the facts, and grouping together the events and incidents of the war with wonderful tact and correctness. Nothing of importance seems to have escaped his attention. but has given a full and complete history of that struggle, and has done it with such fidelity and correctness of detail, as to leave no ground for disatisfaction with either of the contending parties. The style of the work is most charming. CECIL.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The contract for Eastern extension has not yet een signed between the Government and the contractors. The reasons for the delay are not in our

Already the Commissioners of the Poor's Asylum. Halifax, are receiving applications by the half score for admission to the Poor House. Of nine applications made recently, the Commissioner for the month was compelled to grant five, as the cases were ones of extreme hardship. This foretells what

the winter's experience will be. The Masons of this city offer a reward of \$100 for the recovery of Mr. Fay's body, one of the victims of the late yachting disester. Mr. Filonged to St. John's Lodge, No. 2, R. N. S.

A party of five gentlemen from Halifax caught 500 haddock off Marr's Rock on Thursday evening. The steam yacht, in which the party went and re-

Mr. Harris VonBlarcom, of Annapolis, has been appointed Postmaster of Annapolis, vice Gavaza,

The output of coal at Spring Hill continues to increase. One day last week 700 tons were raised. Two trains per day now run over I. C. R. carrying The company contemplates opening the west

10,925 tons of blue and white Plaster have been shipped from the port of Windsor in the month of

was very destructive on the orchards around Windsor, hundreds of bushels of apples were blown down In some of the big orchards the ground was fairly covered with windfalls.

The writ for the election in Lunenburg County to fill the vacancy in the Local Assembly, has been ssued. The 20th instant will be comination day and the 27th election day.

Mr. Daniel Graham, paymaster at the Interna tional Mine, Bridgeport, was badly injured at that place on Thursday, 31st ult., by being jamined between two coal waggons on the railway. He had collar bone and one of his ribs broken and his body badly bruised.

Launched recently by Mr. R. W. Spicer, Spenr's Island, barque " 'Calcutta," 1280 tons, one of the finest vessels turned off the stocks at the head of the bay. She takes oil from New York to the Continent at 5s.

The wind storm of Saturday, 2nd inst., was felt with some violence in parts of the country, and during the blow the spire of a new Baptist meeting use, in course of erection at Paradise, blew down, and was somewhat smashed to pieces. The mishap will entail some loss on the congregation. Mr. Donald McInnes, son of Ronald McInnes of

the Ohio, while descending into one of the mining pits at Goldenville, on Tuesday the 5th inst., lost his hold, fell an immense depth, breaking his legs and arms in several places.

A man named James Newberry, belonging to River Philip, Cumberland, was before His Honor the Stipendiary Magistrate of Halifax, on a charge of altering \$2 notes to \$10's and uttering the same. He had uttered to the extent of some \$50, but was detected in one attempt, and has been committed for trial at the Supreme Court.

A requisition to His Worship the Mayor of Halifax, asking him to offer for re-election, is in course of signature. A majority of the Alderman have signed it, and it is expected that all will do so.

There are 500 men wanted on the Western Counties Railway, Nova Scotia, between Digby and Annapolis, to whom liberal wages will be given and steady employment for one year, and prompt payments made every month. Also, 100 horses and

Captain Campbell, of Her Majesty's ship Bellerophon, has been appointed to the command of the Royal yacht Victoria and Albert.

NEW BRUNSWICK & P. E. ISLAND.

A child was killed on the Shediac Railway

The Congregational Union of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia opened in St. John Sept. 7th. Before the express of the E. & N. A. Railway had started from St. John for Bangor, Sept. 7th, John Lloyd seized the Pullman car for non-payment of a coal account, but allowed it to proceed on the assistant superintendent giving surety that it would not be taken out of the Province.

Neil Haley, a man employed by Messrs. Duffv & Co., contractors for the breakwater, while sculling a scow from the mainland to the breakwater, on Tuesday evening, accompanied by John Jennings, fell overboard. A man in a scow ahead heard the splash, and Jennings, who had turned round to watch the course of the scow, saw his late compan ion in the water. He reached, but only succeeded in touching the top of Haley's head, The man sank, and the body was recovered two hours later. Hon. Mr. Anglin met with a rather serious accident at hippegan during his recent visit to that section of Gloucester. The seat of the waggon in

which he was riding gave way and he was thrown out. For a few moments he was unconscious, respiration being impeded by the force of the shock. No bones were broken but his left side was partially paralyzed by the contraction of the muscles. He was unable to proceed on his journey to Bathurst intil Thursday last. A telegram to the Sackville "Post," from the

Hon. Minister of Marine, announces that the contract for the Maritime Penitentiary has been awarded to Alexander McKenzie of Hillsboro', for about \$117,000.

James Launders, a boy of 16 years old, was drowned at Jewett's mill. Milledgeville, on the 7th inst. His body was found next morning. A boy six years old, named Wm. Baird, belong ing to Portland, was missed last Thursday. Next morning his body was found drowned at St. Helena

On Saturday night each of the employs in Gregory's mill, Carleton, was informed that in future a reduction of 20 cents per day would be

Cobb Campbell, brother of John N. Campbell, of Dalhousie, has gone to Prince Edward Island in search of evidence to establish his brother's claim to the title and estates of the Earldom of Breadalbane, in Scotland. This is the second claimant for New

On Friday evening a man named Reed, of Brussels street, St. John while sitting in his chair was taken suddenly iil and died in a few minutes.

By falling from a staging in Mahoney's shipyard, Marsh Bridge, on Saturday morning, a young man named John Kyle, who lives at Long wharf, Porrland, had one of his shoulder blades broken. He was taken to the hospital.

P. E. ISLAND INTELLIGENCE. From the " Patriot."

The Land Commission has been sitting during the week. The Yeo, Fanning and Thomson estates have been disposed of, and the estate of J. R. Bourke is now before the Court. The awards have not yet been made.

James McIntyre was committed at Kensington for the robbery committed in Mr. Nicholson's store. Thirty-five dollars in notes were found sewed up in the lining of his pants. He was on his way to New Brunswick when he was apprehended.

Judge Wilmot delivered a lecture on Nineveh, or rather on Prophesy and its Fulfilment, in the Wesleyan Church on Thursday evening, to a large and attentive audience. The lecturer's manner was pleasant and unpretentious, and what he said was oth interesting and instructive. The judge's closing remarks on the truth and the value of the Bible struck us as being peculiarly happy and well-timed. We learn that a crowd of roughs followed the

Rev. Mr. Chiniquy to the residence of Mr. Scott on Wednesday night, and that on his way to the steam boat with his family, he and those that were with him were obliged to take retuge in the Revere House attil the police were sent for to clear the street. Violence, we hear, was offered to Mr. A. B. McKenkie, who islas worthy and as inoffensive a man as

The Provincial Exhibition for 1876, will be held in Charlottetown in September. The cattle show will take place on the 28th, and the general exhibit of agriculture and local industry on the 29th. Under ne new arrangement competition will be open to

the whole province. On Tuesday last, a son of Mr. Donald McLeod. Montague bridge, about six years old, was playing on Gaul's wharf, when he fell over and was drowned A boy about the same age, who was with him, did not give the alarm until half an hour after. It is supposed that he got hurt when falling, as the body was disfigured when picked up about an hour afterwards.

A young man named Daniel Fitzpatrick, aged 22 years, belonging to Ten Mile House, St. Peter's Road, was accidently killed on Monday last. It appears that he was returning in a sulky from Mount Stewart, bringing a young beast alongside of the horse he was driving, when the animals took fright and ran away, entangling Mr. Fitzpatrick in the wheels of the vehicle, and fearfully untilating his

UPPER PROVINCES

The Japanese Centennial Commissioner inspected the public schools and parliamentary buildings, Ottawa, making minute inquiries and expressing great admiration of everything.

G. Benson Hill, perhaps the largest owner of tim ber lands in the world, is dead. He owned the Montmorenci falls, and was a man of much ability. The St. Hyacinthe fire excitement is not yet over It is now attributed to the fiendish work of an incendiary, and there are threats of lynching him if he is caught. One thousand loaves of bread have been sent from Montreal. Thirty two hundred souls are homeless.

Peter Gow, late member of the Ontario Govern ment, has accepted the shrievalty of Wellington. The screw steamer "Northern Light," built by Mr. L. Sewell, of Quebec, for communication with P. H. Island, was launched Sept. 6th, at Quebec. The engines and boilers will be fitted and made ready for use in eight weeks.

A telegraphic message received by the Department of the Interior, from Governor Morris, dated Carleton, North West Territory, August 23th, states that a treaty has been concluded with all Plain and Wood Cree Indians. A gentleman just returned to Ottawa from One

ec brings most encouraging reports of the timber trade at that port. Timber is moving off rapidly at good paces. There is no doubt that all timber taken to Quebec this year will be sold before the

It is rumoured that Hon. Mr. Letellier is to b made Collector of Customs at Quebec, and that Mr. Langelier is to be called to the Senate in his place. A man was found dead in the Police Court cells of Montreal, Sept. 8th. Foul play is suspected.

Mr. Orme, the agent of the Methodist Church o Canada, is making a tour through the Ste. Marie section of the Algoina District, with a view to in creasing the appointments already worked by that branch of the Christian Church. Bush fires are raging in the townships of Athol

and Marysburg, doing great damage to farms, and destroying large quantities of valuble timber. has not fallen here for five weeks. The land is fearfully parched, necessitating the driving of stock in some sections long distances for water.

The Committee appointed to search for the grave of Tecumseh have been successful. The remains of the great Shawnee Chief were found near Thames

Wm. Carruthers, station-master of the Great Western Railway, Chatham, has absconded. It is rumoured he has embezzled through false shipping bills to a large amount. Several persons have been victimized in town. The embezzlements are said to exceed \$10,000.

A large quantity of fruit of a very fine quality onsisting of pears, plumbs, grapes, and peaches, has been recently shipped from Hamilton by the fruit growers of this vicinity for exhibition at the world's fair in Philadelphia. This is the second instal-

A number of Germans who some time ago left Breslau, Ont., for the Western States, are on their way home again, thoroughly disgusted with the land of the West.

Col. Rhodes, of Quebec, has been appointed one of the judges of the agricultural department of the

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals have circulated notices in all the London markets, announcing their intention of prosecuting all persons detected plucking the feathers off live

Admiral Sir Alexander Milne is to be raised to the peerage. He is now seventy, has been in the navy 59 years, and for 18 years at intervals since 1837 has been a lord of the admirality. Sir Alexander commanded the British fleet in North American waters during the American civil war. The Cabinet Council of Madrid decided to notify

Provincial authorities that while the constitution forbids manifestations offensive to the Catholic religion a proper respect for inviolability of Protestant churches and cemeteries must be enforced. In Northfield, Minnesotta, 7th inst, a gang of

mounted desperadoes surrounded the bank, killed the cashier because he refused to open the vault, and wounded another officer; the institution people meantime rallied, and killed a couple of the creants. the others escaped.

There was a serious political riot among the negroes of Charleston, S. C., on 30th ult. Republicans at Massachusetts have nominated

Gov. Rice for re-election, by acclamation The American ship "Senora," from San Francisco, and a Spanish steamer, were both sunk by collision at Holyhead, Sept. 5. Loss one million dol-

John Bright, in a letter to a public meeting, held to protest against Turkish barbarities, says: "It is understood throughout the world that England is the main, if not the only supporter of the Turkish war in Europe. Had she acted with Russia and other powers, it is almost certain that the Servian

war would not have occurred." A London despatch to Reuter's Company from Madrid says Wm. M. Tweed and his cousin Wm. Hunt were arrested in the port of Vigo aboard the Spanish merchantman Carmen. Tweed was travelling under the name of Socor. Both prisoners were lodged in the fortress at Vigo.

The "Times" says Turkey has paid the interest due August 1st, on the loan of 1855. This loan is guaranteed by England and France.

The latest reports concerning the South Australian harvest prospects are of a gloomy character. Public sentiment in England is being strongly aroused against Turkish atrocities, and it is believed the Government will be compelled to protest more urgently with Turkey.

Earl Russell again writes a letter calling for an autumn session of Parliament. The "Times" insists on mediation, It says :- "The decision lies with us; if Lord Derby would be now in short what Englishmen want, it is to cease from a vain repetition of the language of tradition, and come to an agreement with the Czar on terms of peace, which the two powers can press with irresistible authority on the Sultan and his ministers.

The most revolting atrocities are charged against the Turks in connection with the recent victories. Hideous stories are told of rape and murder, of wounded Russians tied to trees and roasted, and girls outraged and flayed alive. The reads are filled with thousands of fugitives. There is now no force between the turks and Belgrade. Eorty-eight villages in the vicinity of Alexintaz were burned.

The examinations for the P. E. I. Government scholarships in connection with the Prince of Wales College were recently held in Charlottetown. The names of the successful competitors are as follows :-For Queen's County, Archibald McLeod Humphrey P. W. Mellish. For King's County-John McKinnon, John McLeod. For Prince County-John M. McGougan, Robert J. Craig, Each holder of a scholarship received twenty pounds per annum for two years, and free tuition in the Col-

Mr. Donald Ross, of P. E. Island, formerly a student at Prince of Wales College, has this year gained the Gilchrist scholarship.

SERVICE was held at the Rink Sunday afternoon, and considering that it was difficult for those living at a distance to find their way to the building owing to the clouds of dust, the congregation was large, The Rev. D. W. Johnson of Charles-street Church led the meeting, and after the singing of a hymn, offered prayer. The Rev. Thomas Milner of Salem Church delivered an address, selecting the following passages of Scripture as his text : Proverbs, 18th chapter, 24th verse-"There is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother"; Job. 22nd chapter, 21st verse -"Acquaint now thyself with Him." His theme was Jesus, the friend of sinners. whom he described as a rich friend-rich in pardon, happiness, power, and wisdom He concluded by showing the result of becoming acquainted with such a friend. The address was earnest and eloquent, as all the efforts of this genleman are. Another from was sung, and the Rev. E. R. Brun yate, of Kaye Street Church, spoke from the 12th chapter of Matt., 38th and three following verses. He remarked on the greatness and wisdom of Solomon, and the result that followed the preaching of Jonah and then showed how immensely superior Jesus is to both. At the close he made a very powerful appeal to his hearers to decide for Christ and acknowledge Him to be their king. The congregation evidently felt that the speaker was in earnest. There was perfect silence and attention. This of course in our churches would not be considered as anything remarkable, but those who attend these services must be painfully aware that many young men and maidens too go there for fun and amusement; if we are right, they certainly got more than they expected yesterday. The meeting closed by singing, the Rev. W. H. Heartz offering prayer and pro-

nouncing the benediction.—Reporter. FREDERICTON DISTRICT .- At the Methodist Quarterly Meeting held in Sheffield last week, Rev. Robert Duncan, President of the conference, Rev. H. McKeown, of this city, and Rev. C. H. Paisley of Woodstock, were appointed a deputation to visit the various circuits in this district, for the purpose of bringing before the people the necessity that at present exists for extra effort being made for more liberal support to ministers engaged in their Master's work.

At a public Missionary Meeting held on Wednesday evening, the Rev. Mr. Mc-Keown advocated the appointment of a mission having special reference to the spiritual wants of a large number of our countrymen who find a home in the forest among brows of pine logs a greater part of the year. On the following morning the Rev. Mr. Colpitts of Boiestown was as igned this important work, and will at once prepare his "kit" and take to the woods on the head waters of the Miramichi.-Fred. Rep.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The annual S. S. Convention was held last week at Summerside. The following are the officers elect for the ensuing year. President-John R. Calhoun, Esq., Summerside; 1st Vice-President-J. W. Barss, Esq., Wolfville, N. S.; 2nd do.-Thomas Brehant, Esq.; 3rd do .- R. Hagarty, Esq., Sussex, N. B.

Secretaries-W. D. Baskin, Esq., St. John; W. W. Stumble, Esq., Charlotte-town, and Daniel Stewart, Esq., Summer-

Treasurer-R. McC. Stavert, Esq., Summerside. Business—E. D. King, Halifax; Hon. W. G. Strong, William Marshall, New

Glasgow, N. S., and F. L. Clements, Esq., Yarmouth. Credentials-Hon, James Muirhead, A. B. McKenzie, Chariottetown, and Isaac

McCurdy, Esq., New Glasgow.

Devotional—Rev. N. McKay, J. Grierson, Esq., Halifax, and Hon. Judge Young. The session was well attended, interesting and profitable. A paper on Normal Class teaching, by Rev. J. Lathern, was read and requested for publication.

