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In this issue is given a communication from Venice relative to the progress of light and liberty in Italy. It is a matter for gratitude that Italy so long enlaved is awaking shaking off in some measure the despotism of Rome. It is on the other hand humiliating to think that while Italy so long enslaved is asserting her rights and throwing off her yoke, that any part of Canada such as the Province of Quebec should bow with such servility at the feet of Rome. May the light that is pervading Italy, come in power unto our own Dominion. Read the article on the new Penal Code of Italy given in another page.

The following from *The British Australasian* will be of interest to our readers as bearing upon our mission work in the New Hebrides:

The New South Wales Government have decided to recommend Parliament to subsidise a monthly steam service between Sydney and the New Hebrides. An offer was made some time ago by Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co. to conduct a monthly service at an annual subsidy of £1,200 per

annum. The service, it was pointed out, would be a first-class one; and would be carried on punctually. The speed of the steamers would be from ten to twelve knots. The Government believe that, Sydney being the chief market for island produce, and the chief port of export for the island commerce, a direct service will lead to a large development of this trade, and much of the French trade from New Caledonia will be diverted to this colony. The new service will also be a great benefit to the missionaries on these islands, and will probably enable them to dispense with the schooner "Day Spring." The subsidy the Government propose to grant is £100 per month.

The *Punjab News* has the following interesting incident:—

"Recently the Rev. Moulvie Imaduddin, was asked by a rich and influential Mohammedan to come and see him on important business. When he reached the place, he was very cordially received, and hospitably treated. After some time the business was broached. His host took him into an inner room. There he found about forty Mohammedan gentlemen, including some Moulvies and well-to-do influential persons. They carefully shut the door, and having taken every possible precaution against interruption and eavesdropping, they said to him, "Now you are alone with us and God. We charge you by the living God, to whom you will one day give account, answer our questions truthfully. The Lord judge you if you deceive us." The Moulvie said, "God is my witness. Ask, and I will answer truly." Then they said, "We see you are a man of learning and worth. Why did you become a Christian?" "For the salvation of my soul," the Moulvie replied. "Could you not find salvation in Islam, O brother?" "No." "Tell us why not." "Dr. Imad-ud-din then preached Christ Jesus to them. They listened attentively