

and suffered for the redemption of mankind. In later ages He has again manifested His indignation, and in the Ting-yow year (A.D. 1837) the great God sent a celestial messenger, who was commanded by the Lord of Heaven, whom he ascended on high, to put to death the fiendish hards. Again He has sent the Celestial King to take the lead of the empire and save the people: from the Mow-shin to the Sin-lue year, (A.D. 1848-51) the Great God has compassionated the calamities of the people, who have been entangled in the meshes of the devil's net: on the third moon of the latter year the exalted Lord and great Emperor appeared; and in the ninth moon, Jesus, the Saviour of the world, manifested Himself, exerting innumerable acts of power, and slaughtering a great number of impish fiends in several pitched battles; for how can impish fiends expect to resist the Majesty of heaven? And how, we would ask, can the great God fail to be displeased with men for worshipping corrupt spirits, and performing corrupt actions, by which means they grievously offend against the commands of heaven? Why do not you, inhabitants of the world, awake? Having been born in the present day, when you are permitted to witness the glory of God, how fortunate may you esteem yourselves! Happening upon such a time as this, when you experience the great tranquillity of the days of heaven, it is time for you to awake and arouse. Those who comply with the will of heaven will be preserved, and those who disobey the celestial dictates will be destroyed. At the present time this Tartar fiend, Hsen-fung, who was originally a manchow slave, is the perpetual enemy of our Chinese race: moreover he has induced men to assume the form of fiends, to worship the corrupt, while they disobey the true Spirit, and thereby rebel against the great God, on which account heaven will not endure, and men are determined to destroy him. Alas! you assemblage of valiant men, you do not seem to know that every tree has its roots and every stream its fountain. While you appear willing to invert the order of things, coveting the smallest advantage, you turn round and serve your foes, and having been entangled in the machinations of the evil one, you ungratefully rebel against your true Lord. You do not seem to remember that you are the virtuous scholars of the middle kingdom, and honest subjects of the celestial dynasty: and thus you easily bend your steps in the road to ruin, without compassionating your own selves.

Moreover, you valiant men are many of you adherents of the Triad Society, and have entered into a bloody compact that you will exert your united strength and talents to exterminate the Tartar dynasty. Who over heard of men joining in a covenant, and then turning their backs upon their foes? Now, throughout the different provinces, there must be a variety of determined men, numbers of famous scholars, and, of valiant heroes not a few: we desire, therefore, that you may severally elevate the lofty standard, and announce that you are determined not to live under the same heaven with the Tartars, while you earn for yourselves some merit in the service of our new king. This is what we his generals, most fervently desire. Our army, wishing to carry out the virtuous feelings with which the great God loves to foster human life, and receives men into His compassionate embrace, has set forward on its march of benevolence, embracing all in its charitable folds. At the same time we lead forward our generals and troops, carrying to the utmost our fidelity in recompensing our country, in which we cannot refrain from displaying the same spirit to the end. These our views are now communicated to you all. You ought to know that since heaven has sent forth the true Sovereign to rule over the people, it is yours to aid the monarch in establishing His dominions. Although the devilish fiends should amount to millions and their artful schemes to thousands, yet how could they withstand heaven? To kill without warning would not be agreeable to our feelings, and to sit still without saving the people is not what a benevolent person would do. A special proclamation."

Here are the great Scripture truths—distorted, indeed, in some respects, and mingled with unworthy inferences—but as they stand they give proof that the Triad or Secret Christian Association of China has not been labouring in vain, and that the Bible has been more generally read, and understood not less perfectly, in China than in some countries calling themselves Christian. We have a strong aversion to what seems to us the impety of interpreting prophecy in advance; for, believing prophecy to be designed as the magazine of miracles, each prediction giving proof of its divine inspiration upon the fulfilment, we cannot but think that a man acts rashly who presumes to interpret it beforehand, and rashness in such awful matter is impiety. With all our reverence upon the point, however, we cannot but feel that the present moral upheaving of the earth indicates some mighty change in the destinies of our race. May we not humbly hope a happy change, when we know that from this little corner of the world have issued in half a century above forty-five millions of copies of the Bible? We leave the subject to the reflection of our readers. *London Standard.*

RUSSIA.

THE GREEK CHURCH.—Russia is steadily and resolutely carrying out its plans, which, it appears, are to absorb the various Greek sects, and to form one great Oriental Church, with the Emperor of all the Russias as its Dalai Lama. We learn by a letter of the 3rd inst., from Warsaw, how well religious propaganda is understood in Russia. The pomp exhibited by the Greek Church on Easter Sunday, the first, was extreme. The Archbishop Arsenius was attended by his clergy

and the deputy governor, Prince Gortchukoff, with all the high military men and employees of the city. The ceremony plainly showed that the National Church (the Catholic) had succumbed to that of Russia.

UNITED STATES.

A terrible election riot has occurred at Graytown, Nicaragua. Several persons were killed.

Jamaica dates are to the 30th May. No progress had been made towards the settlement of difficulties.

NEW YORK, June 10.—The British frigate *Leander* arrived at this port this morning, in 30 days from Portsmouth. She brings as passengers the Earl of Ellesmere and the other British Commissioners to the Crystal Palace exhibition.

PHILADELPHIA, June 10.—Spring the murderer was hung to-day at 11½ o'clock; he died asserting his innocence. To the last question put to him he answered "I believe my son is innocent; he had no more to do with it than I had"—these words were greeted with a general groan from the spectators. He died easy. He also declared his innocence of the Rink murder. Rev. Messrs. Street and Kensil spent nearly the whole night in the prisoner's cell. His conduct was marked with disgusting levity; a part of the time, however, towards morning, he engaged in religious exercises.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—Mr. Crampton, it is understood, received despatches by the last steamer relative to the fishery and reciprocity questions, urging the matter upon the attention of our government.

ELECTRICITY OF THE BODY.—The *New York Tribune* says that any body may light gas with the tip of his finger. "Let a person in his shoes or slippers walk briskly over a woollen carpet, scuffling his feet thereon; or stand upon a chair with its legs in four tumblers to insulate it, and as there rubbed up and down on the body a few times with a muff by another person, and he will light his gas by simply touching his finger to the tube. It is only necessary to take the precaution not to touch any thing, or be touched by any body during the trial of the experiment. A second person must turn on the gas while the other fires it. The writer has lighted it in this way, and seen it done by children not half a dozen years old."

COLONIAL.

RIOT AT MONTREAL.—*Montreal, June 10.*—As advertised, Signor Gavazzi met a numerous audience in Zion Church at half-past 6 o'clock, P. M.—many of our most respectable citizens with their families being present. About half-past 7 o'clock we went to the door of the church, where we found Capt. Ermatinger with a strong posse of police, some 20 or 30 in number.

At this time, and for about half an hour afterwards, groups of wild, ragged, ruffian-looking men were assembled around the door of the church and at different points between the church and McGill street. We mixed freely among these people, and conversed with more than one of those who are considered leaders of the Irish Catholic party. We were assured by them that they had only come to the ground to use their influence to prevent a disturbance.

About quarter to 8 o'clock a band of ruffians—we learn, for although in sight we were at too great a distance to see more than that a general melee had taken place—attacked and overpowered the police, Capt. Ermatinger receiving a severe wound on the head, and proceeded to force their way into the church, from which a body of 15 or 20 repulsed them,—several shots from guns and pistols being fired from both sides. The assaulting party were effectually routed, and two or three of their number were left dead or wounded on the ground, and shortly after were removed in cabs by their accomplices.

Soon after this occurrence a company of the 26th Cameronians marched from Craig street, and were drawn up between the Engine house and that street. All seemed perfectly quiet, and remained so until about 8 15 o'clock.

When the lecture was concluded the audience began to leave the church. The troops were then marched across Craig street and took their position in two lines across Radegonde street, one nearly opposite Zion Church, and the other some hundred paces near Craig street. A good deal of hooting and noise prevailed at this time, on the McGill street some difficulty with the lowest line of troops occurred, and two or three shots were fired. In other respects all seemed peaceable.

We were at this time at the corner of St. James and McGill street, and had a clear and distinct view of the troops, and of the people in their immediate vicinity. There we saw no cause for such a measure—for there was absolutely no rioting, and the people were hurrying from the church—but to our astonishment the troops fired two distinct running volleys among the citizens. It was time to attend to one's own safety. We beat a rapid retreat from this apparent scene of wanton, and uncalled for slaughter.

The above account is contained in the *Montreal Herald* of this morning.

Editorial Miscellanea.

How "good and pleasant" would it be to have such Clerical meetings here, as are referred to in the subjoined notice. In other parts of this Diocese where the Clergy were 80 miles apart, such reunions have been held years ago, with evident benefit and comfort to ministers and people.

We hope the day is not far distant, when we shall have our yearly meetings of Clergy and Laity, like our Brethren in the U. States, under a regular organized Constitution. Not until then do we expect to see proper life and action infused into the slumbering mass of disjointed members, now called "the Church of Nova Scotia":—

DUBLIN CLERICAL MEETING.—During the season of the anniversary meetings of the various Religious Societies of Ireland, held in Dublin in April and May, the Clergy are in the habit of assembling together for mutual edification. The beneficial effect of these discussions may be supposed from the well known character of the Irish Episcopal clergy.

The *Christian Examiner* for May says.

The following are the subjects to be discussed at the morning meetings of the clergy during the present month:—

FIRST MORNING.

The Minister of Christ.—1st. In his study; 2nd. In his family. 3rd. In his pulpit.

SECOND MORNING.

The Minister of Christ.—1st. In his parochial arrangement; 2nd. In his pastoral intercourse; 3rd. In his public life.

THIRD MORNING.

The Missionary Work in Ireland (in reference to)—1st. Its obligations; 2nd. Its difficulties; 3rd. Its encouragements; 4th. The best means of promoting its success.

THE CHURCH AT THE N. W. ARM.—We had the gratification last Sunday afternoon of attending Divine Service, in the Chapel of Ease, at the North West Arm, when the Rev. R. J. UNIACKE, the Rector of the Parish, preached an instructive and impressive Sermon, on the occasion of his assuming the charge of the Congregation belonging to that Church. There was a large attendance, and those assembled appeared to give an attentive ear to the words of Spiritual admonition addressed to them by the Preacher. The Church is pleasantly situated at the base of a hill on the River side there, and almost at the intersection of the Roads meeting at Rudderham's Bridge. The building is of suitable size, and entirely finished, and is highly creditable to the members of the Church in this part of the Parish.—*C. B. News*

TORONTO.—As a striking indication of the astonishing advancement of this place, a late paper states that 350 acres of land near the city, have just been sold for £30,000!

We have to acknowledge the receipt of a newspaper from Woodstock, N. B., called the "*Reformer*," well got up, and creditable to the proprietor and the place.

GLEASON'S PICTORIAL.—We some months since published a notice of this work, containing, amongst other things, a promise that every Editor should receive for such insertion, a copy of said Pictorial for one year. We have not as yet received one at the office of the *Church Times*.

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RECEIPTS.

June 4. Manchester and Milford	£6 6 7
" 10. Beaver Harbor, Eastern Shore	16 0 0
EDWIN GILPIN, junr.	
Sec'y. D. C. S.	

ITEMS.

The Cunard steamship *Arabia*, ran her last trip to Liverpool in nine days twenty-two and a half hours, beating the Collins steamship Arctic twelve hours.

Up to the 2d inst., the number of emigrants arrived in the current season at Quebec was 10,549.

The Hon. John Ross, who was said to have arrived out by the *Africa* is still in England, having consented at the express request of the Duke of Newcastle to make arrangements for carrying the Colonial Railway from Trois Pistoles to Miramichi.—*Sun*.

The alarm of fire on Monday last proceeded from a house situated near Freshwater. Two buildings are injured. The property was partially insured.

A melancholy death lately took place at the McLean Asylum for the Insane at Boston. A Mrs. Jameson strangled an old woman, a Mrs. Strong of Vermont, both inmates of the Asylum.