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REV. EMMY J. HAYNES, D. D., who was formerly an Episcopalian Methodist, but about twelve years ago became a Baptist, has returned to his first love and re-entered the Methodist communion. It is stated that Dr. Haynes has been offered the pastorate of the People's church, on Columbus Avenue, the most popular Methodist church in Boston.

James I. Fellows, M. L. C., has donated fifty dollars to the St. John Public Library fund. The Union Baptist Educational Society also gratefully acknowledge a gift of fifty dollars from Mr. Fellows.

We publish this week interesting communications from our brethren Sanford and Shaw in India. In a private note Bro. Shaw adds:

When I began the article enclosed, I intended to tell of my trip the next day to Binsing, our station nine miles west of Visianagram, which was just as interesting though less exciting than the day at Hamairtham, but I like to read short letters from others, and acting on that principle did not carry out my purpose. We are very happy indeed in our work out here, longing for the time when we can tell the story with our own lips of the love of God through Christ. We appreciate the MASSAGE AND VISTON very much, and feel that its many excellencies are increasing. We ought to have a lady at this station to take care of the girls' school and the Bible women. I know of no place in Canada where a servant of Christ could do more joyful work than this position is capable of giving.

Bro. Shaw has the right idea in regard to the length of articles. No one is heard in heaven or earth for his much speaking. If a correspondent wishes to have his article published promptly, and have it read when it appears, he should make it short.

REV. W. F. ARMSTRONG, of Maulmain, while engaged in missionary work among the Telugu emigrants to that region, has also been engaged as pastor of the Baptist church among the English speaking residents of the town. From the Maulmain Advertiser, of Jan. 29, it is learned that being on the eve of departure for England and America, Mr. Armstrong was presented by the members of his congregation and other friends with "a silver casket and bowl and an ivory paper knife with a carved ivory handle, all of Burman workmanship, on a neat electro-plated silver—as a token of love and respect in which he is held in this town." Addresses were made by members of the congregation and others, containing kindly and appreciative mention of Mr. Armstrong and his work, and expressing the hope that with established health he might be permitted soon to return and resume his important labors in Maulmain. To which Mr. Armstrong made suitable reply. We are without definite information in the matter, but presume that, during the summer, we are to have the pleasure of a visit from Mr. Armstrong, and also Mrs. A., who is now in England.

A CORRESPONDENT who writes in this issue does not place a very high value on controversial preaching. In this he differs from the colored brother who, reading the text, "Without controversy, great is the mystery of godliness," added fervently, "But bless de Lord, controversy clars it all up." We presume it is not to be denied that there is a place for controversy. The strongholds of error are to be attacked and pulled down, and it is in the plan of Providence that men mighty to attack and destroy should be raised up. Some men are controversial by nature. They sniff the battle from afar. They get full command of their powers only when they are heading an onset upon some enemy, real or supposed, or defending from attack some citadel of faith. It is well there are such men in the church; it is also well that all are not of this stamp. The work of tearing down is sometimes necessary. The work of building up is still more, and more generally, important. No doubt there is a good deal of time and energy consumed in unfruitful squabbling. And this remark applies, perhaps, quite as strongly to the pew as to the pulpit. How many church members can spend a great deal of time and breath in arguing for or against some denominational position, who have no energies to expend in positive work for Christ and for the church. It should not be forgotten that much depends upon the method and spirit in which error is attacked. Some men speak the truth in love and the spirit of gentleness, and by winning the respect and love of men are enabled to destroy the more effectually the falsities of their belief. Other men speak in a spirit of denunciation and defiance which is sure to arouse the prejudices and opposition of the hearer, and defeat any aim the speaker may have to convince and convert. There is room in the

Kingdom of Christ for all sorts of talents and all kinds of ministers, but let all seek to be guided and inspired by that Divine Spirit which is the source, not only of power, but of gentleness and wisdom.

From events in the missionary world reported by Rev. Frank O. Dobbins in the Examiner, we take the following:

The densest ignorance prevails in Mexico. It is a very fair illustration of the condition into which Roman Catholicism will bring any country where it may prevail. Not one-fifth of the whole population is able to read. Not one-tenth can write. Rev. Hubert W. Brown says that there are but 230 periodicals of all kinds published in all Mexico. The daily subscription list of all the dailies is but 23,000, and that in a population numbering ten millions. The several Protestant missions have established six evangelical papers. One has a circulation of 3,700, and another of 3,000. Eleven years ago Mexico had 372 miles of railway, and now it has over 5,000 miles completed and 1,700 miles laid out. This shows that Mexico is awakening and other changes will follow. Now is the time for us to do our most earnest missionary work.

### PASSING EVENTS.

IN THE HALIFAX MORNING CHRONICLE, OF THE 17TH INST., we notice a letter jointly signed by Rev. H. B. Smith (Baptist), and Rev. D. W. Johnson (Methodist), of Springhill, written, as it would appear, in a Christian spirit, and with the laudable purpose of allaying any suspicions which may have been aroused in the public mind as to a wise and just appropriation of the funds so generously contributed for the relief of the Springhill sufferers. The letter narrates what was the course of action in regard to the management of the relief fund, proposed and adopted at a meeting of the citizens of Springhill held shortly after the disaster.

The principal question was on the question, shall we have one fund or two? After thoroughly considering the matter it was decided, with only two dissenting voices, that as there was already existing a relief fund, having trustees appointed, one by the government, one by the company, one by the bosses and the rest elected annually by the men, and as it had complete bookkeeping arrangements it would be better to work upon the foundation of the old relief fund, than to organize a second and separate fund, especially as every one of the victims was a member of the old fund or society. It was seen, however, that the old constitution would not suit the present emergency and it was agreed by all present that the trustees should frame such temporary by-laws as would provide for the equitable distribution of the money, that they should agree to confer with the mayor, town council and resident clergymen, as an advisory committee, and that they should submit to this committee the temporary by-laws for approval so fully to satisfy the public that the money so generously contributed should be well and equitably expended.

The letter proceeds to show that it was further understood that the funds contributed should remain in bank at Springhill until the temporary by-laws were adopted, when the whole amount should be handed over to the custody of the trustees of the relief fund. The trustees, however, before the by-laws were submitted, and without consultation with the advisory committee, removed a part of the fund with a view to greater safety and to securing a better rate of interest. This action of the trustees naturally excited some feeling on the part of the advisory committee and others, and appears to have been the source of whatever difficulty there has been, as their action "created suspicion that they wanted to get hold of the money without binding themselves to any agreement meeting the approval of the advisory committee." The trustees of the fund have explained that in pursuing the course they did, they were not aware that they were acting in violation of any agreement which had been adopted at the public meeting, and that "had they been fully acquainted with the agreement they would have delayed action with reference to the money." The writers intimate that the explanation of the trustees is considered satisfactory and say:

"We hope it is now made clear to the public that whilst it may be granted that mistakes have been made, and considering the trying and exciting scenes through which we have been called to pass, some mistakes might be excused, yet it is clear that the trustees have acted in good faith, and may be trusted by the public with the money in hand or yet withheld until the settlement of this matter."

As to the plan on which the relief fund will be administered we are told: "It is understood that the secretary-treasurer of the relief fund will carry on his books, so far as the money of the old fund is concerned, as if the explosion had not happened, and that he will open an account between the money received from the public and the expenditure of it according to the new by-laws which we are assured will be made on Saturday evening of this week, submitted to the

United States senate, and a Republican senate at that, has taken a position in the matter which thwarts the intention of those who control the affairs of the Congo State to make war upon the 12,000 slave catchers and traders which infest the surrounding countries, and to deliver Africa from this cruel curse.

"We do not write as the apologists of the trustees. We have differed with them on some points, and we have been thought by some of them to be overbold, but we believe that they, many of them former comrades of the dead, will do justly and kindly with the money committed to their care. Praying that all bitterness and wrath and anger, and clamor and evil speaking may be put away from us with all malice, and that the generous public may be reassured, we remain for peace."

THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSIONARY UNION show a deficit for the year ending March 31 of over \$61,000. On the face of it, this is not an encouraging statement, but a comparison with the previous year shows that the situation is more hopeful than at first glance it appears to be. The total expenditure for the year has been over \$535,000, or nearly \$87,000 more than last year. The donations from churches and individuals show an increase over the previous year of nearly \$32,000. The receipts from the Women's societies also have been increased by about \$35,500. This evidence of vitality and increase in the living springs of the Union's income is highly hopeful and encouraging. The falling off is chiefly in the receipts from legacies, which vary much in amount from year to year. In this connection the Watchman remarks:

We see nothing in the condition of the Missionary Union to cause faintness of heart. The magnificent response of the churches to the needs of the society, and the marvellous success of the work, especially on the Telugu field, bid the managers of the society go forward. Already propositions have been made looking toward the clearing off of the debt before the annual meeting. We hope it will be done. Let every one help.

THE NAME OF DR. PHILLIPS BROOKS of Trinity church, Boston, could scarcely escape being associated with the vacant episcopate of Massachusetts. The impression has been quite general, we believe, and in this we are told his intimate friends have shared—that Dr. Brooks would not accept the position, if his election to the office could be secured. But the Boston Herald has declared that it is authorized by some of Dr. Brooks' friends, who have ascertained what his feelings are, to say that Dr. Brooks, while not seeking the position, will not decline the responsibilities of the episcopate if he is fairly and heartily invited to assume them. While to the more evangelical portion of the Episcopal body Dr. Brooks would, no doubt, be the most acceptable of candidates, there is probably an influential contingent which would not be disposed to accept him. If it is any honor to Phillips Brooks to be bishop of Massachusetts in the Episcopal church, the Protestant denominations generally will rejoice to see a man of so large, so catholic and so evangelical a spirit occupying that position. Many will feel, however, that his position and work as a preacher are so great and so important that it could scarcely be a step to greater eminence or usefulness for him to become a bishop. But whatever the position which he may occupy, Phillips Brooks is not a man to be held in restraint by conventionalities. If he becomes a bishop, he will be a bishop sui generis. He will not cease to be a preacher, and the touch of so large and so Christian a personality upon all the churches and ministers of his diocese could not fail to be salutary in an eminent degree.

MR. HENRY M. STANLEY has written a LETTER to the New York Tribune in which he makes a strong appeal to the people of the United States, and especially to the Republican party, on behalf of the treaty, framed last year at Brussels, through which it was hoped the Congo State would be placed in a position to contend with and destroy the iniquitous Arab slave trade. In order to obtain the sinecure of the Congo State, it was felt to be necessary to levy duties upon imports coming to the Congo State. This, it was arranged at the Brussels conference, should be done only when all the seven-tenths powers therein represented had given assent to the treaty—the limit of time for ratification being fixed at July 2, 1891. All the countries concerned have ratified the treaty with the exception of the United States, whose senate withheld assent on the ostensible grounds that it was the long settled policy of the country not to interfere in political matters beyond the sea. Whether this was the true reason, or whether the failure to ratify was connected with other and baser reasons involved in the possible crippling of the rum traffic between New England cities and the Congo State, need not be discussed at present. At all events the fact is clear that the

state being four. The appointment of the lieutenant-governors will be in the hands of the several states. The executive will consist of a governor-general who will be appointed by the crown, and a council of seven ministers, heads of departments, who are also members of parliament. The assent of the governor-general is required for all measures, and he will also have power to reserve any bill within two years of its receipt. The Supreme Court will consist of a chief justice and not less than four associate justices, constituting the final court of appeal for the commonwealth, though the right is reserved, on behalf of the Crown, to grant leave of appeal to the Privy Council in cases where public interests are involved. The matters to be entrusted to the federal parliament will be largely the same in character as those of which our Dominion legislature has control. There will be free trade between the confederated colonies, while the matter of an external tariff and that of the assumption of the various colonial debts are left to be disposed of by the parliament of the commonwealth.

THE MASSACRE OF BRITISH OFFICERS IN ASSAM, last month, and the events which have followed, have excited much interest in England. The trouble originated in a feud between the Rajah of Manipur and a leading tribal chief. The Rajah was deposed and appealed to the viceroy, who sent Mr. Quinton, accompanied with a force of Ghoorka light infantry, to settle the trouble. Mr. Quinton summoned the tribal chiefs to a durbar at Manipur, but, instead of obeying, the natives treacherously attacked the commissioner's camp at midnight. They were repulsed, but returned to the attack and laid siege to the camp, until after 48 hours' fighting, the ammunition of the Ghoorkas was exhausted, and they were compelled to flee for their lives. Commissioner Quinton and at least four of his colleagues are said to have been massacred by the leader of the Manipuris, who alleges, no doubt falsely, in defence that "the British troops attacked the palace, massacred his soldiers and killed the women and children, throwing them into the burning houses, and desecrated the temple." A decisive victory was won later over the Manipuris by Lieutenant Grant, who, being in charge of a mud fort with a garrison of 80 Sepoys, was attacked by a force of the enemy, estimated to number 3,000, and not only held the fort against the Manipuris but ultimately routed them, killing their leader and many of their chief officers. The gallantry of Lieutenant Grant has won him fame. Reinforcements have been sent forward, and Manipur, which has had its native government under the oversight of the English, will probably become a British province.

An Interesting Day in India. Ramanusti my munshi has been negotiating a marriage for his daughter with a family in Vizagapatam. Some hitch occurring in the proceedings, he requested leave of absence to go to Vizag, and make the course of true love, or business, or what you like, run smoothly. This gave me three clear days this week, and as I had been working hard in my study for over two months I decided to take the opportunity and see something of my big field, I was going to say; strangely enough since coming to India I find that statement must be made only prospectively. Accordingly, on Monday night, I got the two preachers and two Bible women off by native bandy towards Ransathram, the famous pilgrim shrine, about seven miles toward the coast from Visianagram. At five o'clock Tuesday morning I followed by jirikeshaw. At seven o'clock I reached the beautiful mango grove half a mile this side of the temple, where our people were encamped, and had prepared a steaming hot breakfast for me. In a short time, Chilliate and Benjamin and I sallied out to see and hear, prepared to preach if occasion offered. We had reached the place on the last day of a great festival, and fully 15,000 people were on the grounds. The temple is a big affair, a good-sized village of Brahmins is supported from its revenues, offerings to its god, Rameswamy. It is situated at the foot of a huge, rocky hill, a thousand feet high and two miles long, on top of which is a still more sacred shrine—a sort of holy of holies to the affair. Just in front is the sacred tank, and reaching on farther, a beautiful valley, dotted with green patches of cultivated fields, clumps of palm, and an occasional tank, while still farther across, hummocky sand hills and rock hills shoot up hundreds of feet, the advanced spurs of the Eastern Ghats. A more interesting scene, to

one who could stand the odour, than that about the tank and entrances to the temple you will not see in India. There were begging priests in fantastic head-dresses and body gear, the mendicant friars of Brahminism, standing about beating tom-toms, sacred bells gaily attired and hung with tinkling bells, beggars, who were beggars indeed, exposing to the gaze of passers-by malformations of limb and joint, and disease effects, hideous to behold, all bidding for a share of the offerings of the faithful. Vendors of fruit, and vegetables, and grain, as well as of many fancy wares, lined the two paths leading from either side of the tank to the temple-gate, each one crying his stock in trade with eager persistence. Just inside the outer wall sat a dozen gamblers with varieties and sizes of representations of Rameswamy, each one hoping to win most favor from the god, and most money from the worshippers. The ceremony of worship began by a bath in the tank, a priest giving the first douche by pouring a pint of water from a sacred vessel on the head of the bathers, bidding for the privilege with a doer of his kind, and receiving a small copper coin for his office. After his bath, which seemed the least objectionable because, perhaps the least unnecessary part of the performance, the candidate for favor with Rameswamy, bought a gourd, or a pumpkin, or a radish, or a handful of grain, and pressed on up to the gate. Here he made very low obeisance, then stepping inside, each one of the image-sellers demanded attention, if nothing more than a prostration before each little stock of goods in turn. The worshippers then stepped to the foot of a raised platform in the centre of the court and threw thereon his offering, and a group of priests carefully looked after each article, placing it in the pile to which it belonged. I estimated that there could not have been less than two tons of fruit and vegetables on the platform, and as a hundred or more people placed their offerings during the few seconds I was allowed to be a spectator, the quantity that would be collected in three days would be very large.

After depositing this offering the candidate entered the inner shrine and quickly returned with the mark of the god in red and white ocre on his forehead. He then went his way, to dry his clothes and congratulate himself on his long stride nearer the goal of all his hopes,—the prostration of his dumb, deaf, sightless, motionless, heartless god.

I asked a policeman if I would be allowed to go inside the court, and he answered in the negative; but, shortly after, putting Benjamin ahead and telling Chilliate to follow closely in the rear, we squeezed in through the gate. As I passed the group of image-vendors, I picked up a small brass representation of Rameswamy, and dropping six annas in its place kept right on, catching first a gleam of surprise in the eyes of the vendor, and then of satisfaction as he quickly hid the money. We had barely reached the centre of the court when we were surrounded by a dozen priests, who had sprung from as many directions, each one gesticulating violently, warning us out and evidently trying to get up as big a commotion as possible. They succeeded in making a commotion. We backed up against the wall and tried to argue the case; we might as well have tried to talk to an earthquake, and, as nothing could be gained by staying, we gradually backed out of the gate. Just outside, however, we took our stand, and the men began to preach, while I occupied the attention of one particularly vindictive old Brahmin by displaying my recently acquired god, and asking all the questions about it my limited knowledge of the language would permit. We spent an hour among the noisy groups, preaching and talking and arguing, and giving away handbills to all who would first promise to read them, and the men sold a few scripture portions and other pamphlets advocating the gospel of Christ. During the three hours of the heat of the day, the Bible women and the preachers visited group after group of the people taking their meals, and preached to them and read, and sang gospel songs, and everywhere they received respectful attention; in many instances the people listened with intense earnestness, and in all cases when they were asked, they admitted that they understood what had been said. I reached home at dark, and the helpers followed sometime during the night, and thus closed a busy and exciting day.

M. B. SHAW.  
Visianagram, March 12.  
\* INSTEAD OF THE ORDINARY W. R. M. U. column, we publish this week, on our second page, an interesting article on Medical Missions, by Mr. Arthur C. Kempton.  
— We trust that all will heed the request by Bro. Goucher, on behalf of our afflicted brother, A. W. Bars, and his family.



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**Sabbath School.**  
**BIBLE LESSONS.**  
**SECOND QUARTER.**  
 (Condensed from Peloubet's Notes.)  
**Lesson V. May 3. Amos 4: 1-13.**  
**ISRAEL OFTEN REPROVED.**  
 GOLDEN TEXT.  
 "He that, being often reproved hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy."—Prov. 29: 1.  
 EXPLANATORY.  
 THE STATE OF THE COUNTRY. This may be learned from 2 Kings 14: 21; 15: 7; 2 Chron. 26; and the prophecies of Hosea and Amos. (1) *Its prosperity.* The period of Amos' ministry was one of great external prosperity for the kingdom of Israel. Under Jeroboam II, it stood at the zenith of its power. Its borders were extended on the north to Hamath, north of Damascus and Lebanon, to the Dead Sea on the south (2 Kings 14: 25-28), while Judah under Uzziah had subdued the Edomites and Philistines. Thus the extent of the two kingdoms almost equalled the united kingdom in the golden age of David and Solomon.

(2) *Its wickedness.* (as learned from Hosea and Amos). The wealth of the few accumulated, and the mass of the population had grown poorer. Intercourse with the heathen communities round; the loose morality of armies; the unscrupulous self-indulgence of the rich, prompting equally unworthy means to indulge it; and the widening gap between the upper and lower classes, were ruining the country. Above all, the old religiousness of Israel was well nigh gone.

(3) *The danger ahead.* For these sins Amos foretold the ruin of the nation. Israel shall surely be led away captive out of their own land (7: 11, 17). I will command the sword, and it shall slay them, and I will set Mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good (9: 4). I will cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus (5: 27).

(4) *The only way of salvation* was in repentance. Thus saith the Lord unto the house of Israel, Seek ye Me, and ye shall live (5: 4, 6). Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish justice. It may be that the Lord God of hosts will be gracious (5: 15).

Vers. 4. "Come to Bethel." One chief centre of the idolatrous calf worship. Make pilgrimages here from all parts of the nation. "And transgress ye by shipping the golden calf, contrary to God's express command. That these verses are sarcasm is seen by the contrary command in 5: 4-5. "At Gilgal." Another centre of their idolatrous worship. (See Hos. 4: 1.) "Multiply harvests." Increase your sins as rapidly as possible by increasing the number of places where your idolatries are carried on. Do your utmost. "Bring your sacrifices every morning, and also your tithes (the required tenth) after three years." Literally, three of days, which means, according to Pusey, three of a circle of days; i. e., three years. But most take it to be three days, as Revised Version.

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prophecy of Moses (Deut. 28: 22) among the other scourges of disobedience. "When your gardens," The garden of the East united the orchard, herb, and flower garden. Being mostly watered artificially, it was beyond the reach of ordinary drought. But even this was not safe, for it was devoured by the "palmer-worm," a kind of locust.

Ver. 10. "The pestilence (a plague) after the manner of Egypt." Egypt is the birthplace of the plague or black death, and the circumstances augmenting its horror are here terribly portrayed. Compare Deut. 28: 60. Pestilence was rare in Palestine. "Your young men (who should be your defence) have I slain with the sword," because they were so weak that they could not stand against the enemy. The worst scourge was through man. "And have taken away your horses." By the incursions of enemies. This had taken place, among others, in the reign of Jehoshaphat, the son of Jehu, and grandfather of Jeroboam II, who reigned at the time of this prophecy. "And I have made the stink of your camps." The stench of the unburied dead soldiers, which, instead of being a defence, was a fresh source of pestilence. "Unto your nostrils." Showing that this happened in their own land. The warning came home to them. "Yet have ye not returned." Even this did not lead them to repentance.

Ver. 11. "I have sown as a fire sower." The prophet uses the very word employed (in Gen. 19: 24, 25), to describe the destruction of the cities of the plain, and a derived form. Its exact meaning is *turning upside down*. "And ye (to escape from Him) as a fire brand is plucked out of the burning." Once it had been green, fresh, fragrant, with leaf or flower; now, scorched, charred, blackened, all but consumed. In itself, it was fit for nothing but to be cast back into the fire whence it had been rescued. Man would do deal with it. A re-creation alone could restore it. Slight emblem of a soul whose freshness sin had withered, then God's severe judgment had half consumed; in itself, meet only for the everlasting fire, from which yet God withdrew it.

Ver. 12. "Therefore thus will I do unto thee." What He will do is not expressed. He is silent as toward He will do, in order that, whilst Israel is left in uncertainty as to the particular kind of punishment which is all the more terrible because all kinds of things are imagined, it may repent of its sins and so avert the things which God threatens here. "Prepare to meet thy God" at the judgment seat, where we must give an account of the deeds done in the body. Not prepare for thy doom, but to avert it. Prepare by repentance, by returning to God, by making friends with Him. For meet Him you must, and if you are not prepared the irrevocable doom will be yours.

Ver. 13. "For, lo, He that turneth the mountains." This description is given that Israel might see the majesty and power of the God they must most, and thus realize both how useless it was to try to escape from Him, and how powerful He would be to Him. "And declareth unto man what is His thought." To man, a sinner, far more impressive than all majesty of creative power, is the thought that God knows his inmost soul. "I establish upon the high places." The highest of earth are beneath His feet. "The God of hosts." He is all God's creatures, the angels of heaven, the forces of earth, every power of every kind, all organized into an army to do the will of God.

**Jerry's Chocolate Cake.**

"When I am a man," said Jerry Whitmore, searching his plate earnestly for crumbs of his vanished cake, "when I am a man, I am going to have a whole chocolate cake to myself—a whole big round chocolate cake, mother. I am indeed, and nobody shall have a bit of it. I would like to see how it feels to eat a whole cake by myself."

"You need not wait till you are a man," said his mother, "I will make you one to-morrow."

"Will you, really, mother? All to myself?"

"Yes—on one condition; that you will not give anybody a bit of it while it lasts."

"Ho! I can easily promise you that; for I don't want anybody to help me eat it, I can tell you."

Mrs. Whitmore sighed a little, and wondered if Jerry was as selfish a little boy as he thought he was; but she made him the cake, as he had promised, and firm, Jerry cut a big slice for himself, and sat down on the kitchen step to eat it. His little brother, Rob, came and stood in front of him, with his hands behind his back. "Wis! I had some piece," said Rob, looking at Jerry.

"Mother," called Jerry, "can't I give Rob a piece?"

"Certainly not," answered his mother. "Go away, then, Rob, and don't watch me eat it," begged Jerry. But no; there stood the little man, eyeing the cake until it was gone, while two big tears rolled down his cheeks.

"That piece didn't taste good one bit," said Jerry to himself. "I won't eat any more when Rob is around."

The next time Jerry took a piece—he slipped out of the door to hide himself in the woodshed. Bounce, the little black-and-tan terrier, thinking he was going out to play, slipped after him; but, just before the couple got out of sight, the mother called, "Jerry, remember not to give Bounce any cake."

"There that's two pieces of cake spoiled for me," growled Jerry, "eating a whole cake ain't half as much fun as it's cracked up to be."

When the tea-bell rang, Jerry was as ready for bread and butter and milk as if he had not tasted anything for twelve hours; and there, on the kitchen step, was a half of what the Whitmore children called a "snow ball." It was a white cake, white inside with white crumbs and citron, and round and white outside with particularly sugary icing. Nobody made just those cakes except Aunt Martha Mason.

"That cake was sent to Rob," Jerry said his mother; "and of his own accord he asked me to save you a piece," when, lo! to everybody's surprise, big boyish Jerry burst out crying.

"I hate chocolate cake, mother," he said. "I never want to see another piece as long as I live."

So Mother Whitmore knew that Jerry had learned his lesson. She did not believe he would ever again think anything sweeter that he kept to himself.

"Suppose we bring out your cake and eat it for supper," she said to her little boy.

Jerry's face cleared up all in a minute. "O, mother," he said, "that would be so nice!"

And I think that, if Rob and Bounce had been allowed to eat all that Jerry wanted them to have, they would both have dreamed of their great-grandfathers that night.—Sunday-school Visitor.

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THE YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE CHURCHES.

Our remarks in the issue of April 8th, in connection with an allusion to Mr. Moody's quoted opinion, as to the importance of the Young People's Christian Endeavor movement, have called forth, it will be seen, some adverse criticism from a correspondent, whose style and whose opinions, apart from the familiar initials, would, no doubt, enable our readers to offer a shrewd guess as to his identity.

In reference to "C. G.'s" strictures, we may say that the MESSINGER AND VISITOR under the present editorship—whatever may have been the case previously—has not advocated the organization of young people's societies, which should be independent of the churches—and certainly, it would seem to be distinctly independent societies which our correspondent has in mind, and against which his criticisms are directed.

If we have not, so far as we are aware, advised the adoption by our churches of the Y. P. S. C. E. or any kindred organization, though we are free to say we have not been able to discern in these societies that interference with the prerogatives of the church and that menace to its integrity which our brother "C. G." so gravely apprehends.

If we have not advised positively and definitely in regard to this matter, it has not been, we believe, because we wished to escape responsibility for our opinions, but partly because we have much confidence in the intelligence and wisdom of our readers and the membership of our churches to come to right decisions when the facts are placed fairly before them.

But if these considerations are sound it seems hard to limit them to the doctor. They will apply, it will be said, with much force, perhaps with greater force, to other professions. Surely the professor of the law school might properly urge the necessity of the amenities of home life as an offset to the hardening tendency of sharp, legal practice.

The address of Dr. Briggs, delivered on the occasion of his induction into the chair of Biblical theology in Union Theological Seminary, has become somewhat famous and has called forth unfriendly criticism from many of his brethren who believe Dr. Briggs to be guilty of holding and teaching erroneous doctrine in reference to the inspiration and interpretation of the Scriptures.

value of the young people's societies. The churches support and organize them, the pastors lead, co-operate with them, and are helped by them, while the denominational papers endorse them and seek to promote their efficiency.

In view of all the facts of the problem, so far as they have presented themselves to us, we have to confess our inability to share in the apprehensions expressed by a few of our brethren, that the Young People's movement will tend to disintegrate the churches, or to rob them of their proper prerogatives and dignity.

WHY DOCTORS SHOULD MARRY.

At the recent convocation of McGill University, Montreal, the doctor who spoke on behalf of the faculty, advised the young doctors just graduating, to marry. He is reported as enlarging upon the joys of wedded love and of the experience of married life as qualifying them to fully enter into and sympathize with the sufferings and bereavements of humanity.

No doubt this is good advice. It implies that a physician must be a man in order to be a good physician. His professional skill must, in a measure, enable him to minister to a diseased mind as well as to an enfeebled body; the body depends for health in part upon the health of the mind; a sound mind and a sound body go together. This is the theory. The strength of the man must, therefore, be present with the strength of professional training.

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It is but fair to take into consideration the fact that the Young People's movement in one form or another, has become very intimately connected with the life of the evangelical churches of America. So far as we are able to gather from the religious press of this continent, there are but few who are disposed to question either the legitimacy or the

Christian Beneficence.

In the last issue of the MESSINGER AND VISITOR there appeared a very pleasing article over the name of Bro. R. H. Bishop, on the subject of Systematic Beneficence. In view of the very general interest and consideration which this subject has been claiming of late, I presume that many throughout our denomination have, like myself, read the article with more than usual interest.

It seems to me that the question before us may, with advantage, be considered in seeking answers to two enquiries: (1) Is tithing Scriptural? (2) Is it wise?

Although the writer of the article to which reference has been made does not directly affirm that tithing has the sanction and support of New Testament authority, yet the construction which he, in common with other advocates of the system, seems to place upon Paul's injunction to "let each one of you lay by him in store as he may prosper," would fairly warrant such an inference.

But I go still further than this, and assert that not only is this doctrine of tithing not enjoined in the New Testament, but that it is antagonistic to the whole genius of New Testament teaching. This may appear bold and rash, but I affirm it, and believe no lengthy argument necessary to induce the thoughtful to concede the point.

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the poor," would again become the pharisaic boast, and the ever ready answer to all benevolent appeals. This is the spirit which Christ so often rebukes, and each time takes occasion to show that His follower is responsible to his Lord for the use made of every talent, material, mental or spiritual, "according as he hath prospered."

But I have already occupied enough space. My desire is not to stir up discussions, but rather to leave light thrown upon a very important subject. If I have said anything that may prove helpful to this end, I am more than satisfied.

JOHN B. MORGAN.

The Churches and the Young People's Societies.

Your editorial in the issue of Y. P. S. Christian Endeavor has suggested some queries which it might not be unprofitable to consider.

The young people are not organized as they ought to be in the churches; therefore, it seems to be argued, let us organize them together in a society of their own, which is not under the control and direction of the church. If this is the best remedy, may we not—must we not—carry the reasoning a little further?

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Controversial Preaching.

I am not a preacher nor the son of a preacher, so it may seem a little presumptuous for me to undertake to criticize the utterances of the pulpit. But I have never been much of a talker on religious subjects, not enough so, I am often told, to enjoy what I might of spiritual blessing, and this, although it may, and doubtless has, its evil, also has its good, inasmuch as it gives me an opportunity of being a good listener.

I heard a prominent minister of one of our churches not long ago that he never preached sermons in defence of religion, it was not his business to defend religion, it was religion's business to defend him. I think he was right, and I incline to the opinion that it is no more our business to sit down upon any belief, professedly Christian, held by our neighbor.

There was profound wisdom in the remark of Gamaliel, who in the time of the apostles said, "Let us not oppose ourselves to this thing, for if it be of man it will come to naught, and if it be of God we cannot overthrow it."

We read that Paul had fought a good fight and finished his course, not that he had taken the courses of any other man's building, and the best light that I can obtain shows me that it is the plain duty of the present day. I would say to every person who conscientiously and before God believes himself to be right, be sure you have living stones, then build. The King's business requires haste.

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as a scholar, a Christian and a gentleman, Bro. Bars was worthy of truest respect. His death was one of triumph, peacefully leaving on the arm of Him who had helped him live so well; and though a "strong man" has been taken from us, and hearts left heavy and sad, yet the faith he had can help us say: "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

With the exception of this dark cloud, the year so near its close has been a pleasant one, and, as we see what we have gained, one of profit as well. We look forward to the coming vacation with a good deal of interest, and pray that where God may lead us, He will also use us in the salvation of souls.

W. B. WALLACE. Trevor Hall, April 11.

Purchase of Property.

It seems very proper to inform you, at once, of the success attending the efforts of your missionaries in securing land for mission buildings at Kimey and Palkonda. Lots have been purchased and the papers, duly executed, have come into our possession this day.

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Bimlipatam, India, Feb. 28.

Notes by the Way.

"Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord," fairly characterizes the pastors and churches of this county. Quietly and persistently religious work is carried on, with a continuous ingathering of a few at a time. This is quite in contrast with the early history of the Baptists of N. S., which records great revivals and great declensions.

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A SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION FOR DIGBY CO. was organized on the 14th. Meetings for this purpose were held in Digby town. The morning and afternoon sessions were held in the Methodist vestry, and the evening session was convened in the Baptist hall. The churches of the county sent in a fair representation. Mr. Grierson of Halifax, who is laboring under the direction of the Provincial Sunday-school convention, was present, and by a few weeks' previous labor in this municipality has done much to increase the interest of the churches in this good work. He reports 32 schools in the municipality—21 Baptist, eight Methodist, two Disciples and one Presbyterian. J. H. S.

We learn that Rev. W. H. Warren has resigned his charge at Pictou to accept the call of the Sackville, N. B., church, and that his labors will begin May 1.

Home Missions. RECEIPTS FROM MARCH 23 TO APRIL 11. T. L. P., Bridgetown, N.S. \$ 4 00 Convention Fund—

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NEW GERMANY MISSIONS. A. Newcomb, Upper St. John's, \$10 00 Lottie R. Raymond, Weymouth, \$ 1 00 New Germany church, 3 00

Church Organization. A church was organized at Beaver Harbor on Thursday, April 9. The following delegates were present: Pennfield—Bro. Kierstead, lic.; Deacons Munroe and Junterson; St. George—C. E. Dewart and Deacon Dewar.

Correction. In article on "Systematic Benevolence" (MESSENGER AND VISITOR, April 8th, page 4, last column) please read: "A portion of this income... is seen to be a peculiarly sacred thing."

Rev. A. W. Bars, of Port Medway, is prostrated by a stroke of paralysis. He can speak, but he is perfectly helpless. Mrs. Bars is very desirous for the churches and his brethren in the ministry to remember them in their sore affliction at a throne of grace.

The Rev. Albert Phillips. This brother was born 36 years ago, in North-east Margaree, Cape Breton. In early life he professed religion, and united with the Methodist church in this place.

Between two and three years ago, Bro. Phillips began doubting the scripturalness of his early baptism. He carefully examined the subject, became convinced that immersion was the proper mode, and was baptized by a Baptist minister in the States, whose name I am unable to learn.

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Will the lady graduates of Grand Pre Seminary kindly send their names, with year of graduation and present P. O. address, to Rev. J. W. Manning, Halifax, in order that a complete list of the graduates of that institution may be published in the catalogue of Acadia Seminary.

Religious Intelligence. NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES. HOPWELL, N. B.—Pastor McGregor writes under date of April 11: We have received two more into the Hopewell church, one by letter and one by baptism.

ST. GEORGE.—The St. George church Mission Band, consisting of twenty boys and girls, held a public meeting Sunday night, April 5th. The meeting house was filled, and the program lasted one hour and a half. It was a great credit to all concerned, and they got a good collection for foreign missions.

ROCKLAND.—We have been holding special meetings in Rockland for nearly three weeks. The church has been somewhat refreshed, backsliders have returned, three have professed hope in Christ, and others have prayed for prayer.

ELGIN, ALBERT CO.—We are glad to be able to report that the Lord is reviving His work at Elgin Corner. Last Sabbath was a good day for us in Elgin. Ten willing converts obeyed the Lord, and were buried in the liquid grave. Six had previously been baptized, making sixteen in the last three weeks.

PRINCE WILLIAM.—We have secured the labor of Bro. Howard W. Woodcock, of the Portland (St. John) Baptist church, who has already devoted quite a length of time to the ministry of the Word. We hear good reports of him, and he has been favorably received on this field.

WOODSTOCK.—By a communication of some length from Rev. L. A. Palmer to Woodstock, which he received as we go to press we are not able to insert in this issue, we are glad to learn that the series of meetings held under the direction of Evangelist Whittier have been attended with very encouraging results, and a large number of S. S. scholars and others are rejoicing in Christ.

HARVEY.—God in great mercy has visited us in this place and done wonderful things for us, whereof we are glad. For three weeks we have been holding special services at Harvey, and the power of God has been present with us to heal. On the 12th of April nineteen were buried in the likeness of Christ's burial, and raised, we trust, to newness of life in glorious union with Him.

been received for baptism, but on account of sickness it was thought best to defer the act till another time. The signs of the times are for a more glorious season. It may quite truly be said of this place that every house has become a house of prayer, and that sin and the escape from it is the prevailing topic of conversation with the people.

BEAVER HARBOR.—Having received and accepted a call from the Pennfield Baptist church, I left my home Monday, 6th inst., arriving at Pennfield Tuesday, where I was agreeably surprised to hear that Rev. J. W. S. Young was holding special services at Beaver Harbor (a pretty little village, which for some time has been a mission station in connection with the Pennfield church).

PORT HAWKESBURY.—Church news as given in MESSENGER AND VISITOR of late has been read by us with interest, and perhaps a word from us will also be of interest to others. The work of repairing and painting our church edifice, commenced a few months ago, has been carried forward to completion at a cost, including the price of a Walker furnace with which our church is now heated, of \$350.

WILLOW, N. S.—Rev. W. C. Vincent of Canning, writes, April 11: "The brethren at Willow are rejoicing in the salvation of my brother, Sunday, 5th of April. Others are received by the church."

BRIDGEVIEW.—Extra services are continued. The attendance is large and conversions frequent. Dr. Saunders baptized seven on Sunday evening, making in all 46. Others have been accepted for baptism. It is expected that the ordinance will be administered on the coming Sabbath. On Monday evening last seven prayer-meetings were held in different sections of the church.

FREESTON, N. S.—Since my last item, which appeared in your columns March 23th, the Lord has enabled us to reap a few more sheaves for the Master's use. At Freeston, one has been added by baptism, and at Tiverton, three have been added, by baptism and one from the Christian church. And now our special services have terminated with these two churches greatly invigorated and thirty-three valuable additions.

QUEBEC.—Two more were baptized last Sabbath—an influential merchant aged seventy two years. Others have decided for Christ and will be baptized shortly. The interest in the work by evangelist Meikle are increasing in interest and much good is being done.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—The Friends of Oakland, Mahone and Martin's Brook will please accept the thanks of the Lunenburg Town Baptist church for their donations of (\$1300) thirteen dollars toward the debt on our meeting house. Sister S. A. Parker, of Paradise, who is visiting friends here, was instrumental in collecting the above sum from these friends in the vicinity of Lunenburg. We feel sure that if the friends of this Province know our needs they would not be slow in sending us enough to pay the balance of our debt, amounting to (\$2000) two thousand dollars. We mean to meet our needs repairing, and we are anxious to wipe out the existing debt before shouldering heavier responsibilities. Cos.

THE KING'S HIGHWAY is the title of a four page monthly, issued from the printing office of G. E. Day, and edited by Rev. A. H. Sherwood and Mrs. A. H. Sherwood. The Highway presents an attractive appearance. It is a wonderful hand, the organ of the Reformed Baptist body.

Gratefully Acknowledged. Rev. L. M. Weeks and family, of Dorchester, desire to acknowledge the kindness of their people. A few weeks ago, during the absence of the pastor, a surprise party visited the parsonage, leaving a purse and some useful articles. Later, about ten cords of wood, free of charge, were placed in the yard. These and numberless little acts of kindness, on the part of the female members of the congregation, call not only for words of gratitude, but greater self-sacrificing consecration on the part of the pastor to their highest interests.

Since last fall I have held a monthly service at Northport Hall, which has been well attended, and a deep interest manifested. On the 23rd March the friends of the various denominations—Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist met at Mrs. Anderson's, and after partaking of an excellent tea, provided by the ladies, and spending a very pleasant evening in social chat, singing and music, Bro. Brownell, on behalf of the company, presented me with \$31.50 in cash; for which I wish to express my heartfelt thanks, and pray that all may be blessed with God's richest gift—eternal life.

A year ago the American Institute of Sacred Literature announced a curriculum of examinations, one of which was successfully carried through in 1890. In accordance with the policy then adopted, this institution offers to any person or group of persons an examination upon any Biblical topic, and awards certificates for all meritorious work.

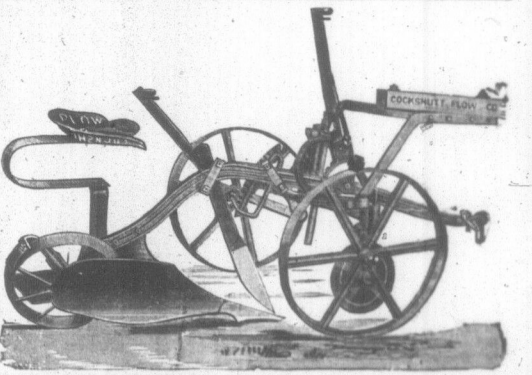
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"THE GOSPEL'S TRIUMPH."

shadow, passing between her and the window, made her look up with a start,
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Permanent Pasture—Practical Points Collated from Experience.

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At a late meeting of the Illinois Dairy men's Association one speaker said he prefers sowing all kinds of grass-seeds, excepting clover, early in the fall...

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Stony Orchard.

An instance of successful planting to apples of an exceedingly rough and brush-covered Missouri ridge is reported in Colman's Rural World, of St. Louis. As incentive to efforts to rescue from nature's waste other unattractive and profitless fields, the account may be useful to some of our readers:

"Remember, we had to sprout and keep the sprouts down, so every spring we hauled more straw than we could use around the trees, still getting farther away from the tree; so by this time we are half way with our work of covering the ground. The trees grow faster, look thrifter, bear better and have nicer apples than any young orchard in the district. I am also growing orchard on smooth land, with the same care and attention as the stony

one, but the stony one seems to be taking the lead so far, and I think from my experience with the two kinds of land in orcharding that the stony land is just the kind for Ben Davis apple trees. This I must do know, that where I had a waste four acres, I have a nice, thrifty, young orchard."

TEMPERANCE.

From Montreal it is reported that there is much activity in temperance circles, and the prohibitionists expect a stronger vote on the question this season than ever before. The legislative committee of the Dominion Alliance meet in Ottawa on the 15th of May, after which Mr. Jameson, M. P., of Lanark, will introduce a square prohibition resolution, seconded either by Mr. Scrier of Huntingdon, or Dr. Christie of Argenteuil.

"Opposition to the saloon," says the Christian Advocate, "is not confined to a few unreasonable fanatics. Millions of citizens hold the opinion that this institution is inimical to the welfare of society, threatens the existence of the country, and has no right to exist. This is not merely an opinion; it is a profound conviction. Among those who hold this view are multitudes of the wisest and best men in the country—ministers, lawyers, physicians, judges, teachers, business men, mechanics and laborers."

"I claim the right to smoke under the guarantee of the Declaration of Independence and the constitutions of the United States and of the state of Nebraska, which secure to every man the right to enjoy life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," said a Nebraska legislator, the other day, when the speaker of the house ordered him to stop smoking while the house was in session. His brother legislators entertained different views, however, and obtained the right to have him put out, which was done by the sergeant at arms.

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News Summary.

DOMINION.—May 15th is to be observed by the schools of this city as arbor day. — Montreal will hold an exhibition from the 17th to the 25th of September next. — Mr. T. W. Peters has been elected mayor of St. John by a majority of 1,356 over Mr. Lockhart. — The bill to abolish the Legislative Council of New Brunswick, as provided for its continuance until 1894.

—Private despatches from Chili say that the insurgents, in order to supply their fleet with coal, have seized the colliers Roger and Killmore. The former is a German vessel, and the latter flies the British flag. This transaction, it is said, took place at Quevcan, and the British gunboat Warspite is now hunting the insurgents. The Comercio de Antofagasta reports that the hills near Pisagua are covered with dead bodies. It fails to say whether the dead are insurgents or adherents of Blanco.

Marriages.—LEAH-LARLOW.—At the Baptist church, Sable River, April 8, by Rev. A. C. Borden, B. A., Elfred Leah, of Port Mouton, to Doris Larlow, of Sable River. FARMY-STREXY.—At Baptist church, Harmony, Kings Co., N. S., April 8, by the Rev. E. H. Howe, William A. Fancey, to Zilpha S. Spinyer, both of Harmony, Kings Co. —HARRIS-FREEMAN.—At the Baptist church, Sable River, April 8, by the Rev. A. C. Borden, B. A., John Barton Harding, of Rockland, to Mary H. Freeman, of Sable River. — JOHNSON-JENKINS.—At the Baptist church, Oak Bay, Char. Co., April 7th, by the Rev. F. S. Todd, Harris Johnson, of Bayside, Char. Co., to Mrs. Annie Jenkins, late of California.

Deaths.—FIELDING.—At Dartmouth, N. S., April 6th, John I. Fielding, aged 76 years. — VINCENT.—At Connov, April 12, infant son of Rev. W. C. and Mrs. Vincent. — PARK.—At Yarmouth, April 8, after a brief illness, Sarah E. aged fourteen years and two months, daughter of Dr. Henry A. and Ella M. Parr. — BERRY.—At Clementestown, 3rd inst., of consumption, Freddie, beloved son of Agnes and Handley Berry, in the 13th year of his age. His end was peace. — HANDELBY.—At Black Bay, March 30th, Mrs. Thomas Handelby, aged 67 years. Our deceased sister was baptized by Elder Walker, and died in the triumph of faith. — WHITMAN.—At New Albany, Annapolis, N. S., March 25, after four years of consumption, little Grace, aged 6 years, daughter of N. P. and Irene Whitman. A sermon preached by the writer from Solomon's Song 6: 2. Truly Grace was a lily taken from the garden on earth to beautify the garden of heaven.

ALLEN.—At his residence, Keswick, York Co., April 5th, of abscess of the stomach, Mr. Chas. H. Allen, aged 50 years, leaving a widow, four sons and one daughter, a brother and two sisters to mourn their loss, which is his gain for his trust was in God. Our brother was a member of the 2nd Keswick Baptist church. — ALLBY.—At Salt Springs, Kings Co., March 27, of inflammation of the lungs, Frederick H. Allby, aged 25 years. Brother Allby was a member of the Baptist church, and truly loved and desired the prosperity of God's people. He leaves a young widow and many friends who deeply loved him. Their loss is his eternal gain. — LAIRD.—At his home in St. George, after a lingering illness, March 12, James Laird, aged 28 years. The deceased was baptized into the St. George Baptist church by the Rev. Mr. King. Our brother died in full assurance of eternal life and of a glorious resurrection. A large concourse of neighbors and friends filled the Baptist meeting house, where an address was given by the pastor.

LAWRENCE.—At Dorchester, April 4, after an illness of more than a year, Annie A., beloved wife of W. E. Lawrence, in her 32nd year. Our sister was generally beloved, being an exemplary Christian in the varied relations which she sustained to those with whom she associated. She left her own three little girls and two step-daughters without a fear for their future. She died with unwavering faith in the Father through the Son. May our last end be like hers. — FAIR.—At New Albany, Annapolis, N. S., March 31, Elizabeth, relict of the late Edward Fair, aged 80 years. Her sickness was short, her faith was strong with precious trust. She fell asleep and is gone to rest with her Lord. Baptized when 20 years old by the late Bro. Bill, and continuing a consistent member of the New Albany church for 40 years. She died a good old lady. She leaves two sons and two daughters and many friends to mourn their loss. May God bless the mourning ones. — BROWN.—At 2nd St. Martins, N. B., Thursday morning, the 8th inst., after a short illness, Ethel, youngest daughter of W. H. and Sister Brown. Ethel was a good Christian girl and will be very much missed by her many friends, and the church of which she was an active member. She leaves a sorrowing father and mother, two sisters and one brother to mourn their loss. And as we looked upon her face so calm in death, we could feel that with her it was a blessed sleep from which never ever wake to weep. May this dispensation of God's providence speak in trumpet tones to old and young, "Be ye also ready." The occasion of the funeral was improved by O. W. White, of Nova Scotia, in an appropriate address to the mourners and friends. The Lord comforted the sorrowing ones. — BROOKS.—At Freeport, N. S., March 29, Experience, beloved wife of Jeremiah Brooks, aged 79 years. The deceased was a faithful, pious, and devoted member of the Freeport Baptist church. She experienced change of heart in her thirteenth year while living at Weymouth, but owing to some obstacles in her way she was not baptized until her removal to this place, where, in her 39th year, she was buried beneath the baptismal wave by Rev. Mr. Murray, who was then preaching here. She leaves a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn their loss, chief among whom is her aged husband, who feels his bereavement very deeply. This couple lived very happily together for sixty years, and now the ties of earthly affection are broken, and our dear old brother is waiting the summons to go and dwell eternally with his loved one in the land where there is no separation nor death. — McNALLY.—At Queensbury, on the 83rd year of his age. Bro. McNally professed religion about thirty five years ago, under the labors of Rev. J. H. Tupper, and was baptized by him into the fellowship of the Methodist church. Soon after he, with a number of others, was dismissed from that church to form a church in Upper Kingsclear. Bro. McNally was chosen one of the deacons of the new church, which office he held until he was discharged from his health prevented his attendance in the church. Our Bro. was a devoted Christian in his family, in the church, and in all the walks of life. We may truly say "a good man has fallen." He leaves a widow and six sons to mourn their loss. His remains were conveyed to their resting place, in the family burying ground on his own farm, on Friday, April 3rd. The services were conducted by Rev. P. O. Ross, assisted by Revs. J. H. Tupper and Train. — HENDERSON.—At Richmond, Carleton Co., N. B., Joel Henderson, in the 50th year of his age. Our dear brother professed religion over 31 years ago, and on December 3, 1860, he became one of the pillars of the Baptist church at South Richmond, which organization, since that time he lived a straightforward, godly life. He was always at his post of duty. He was held in honor and high esteem by all who knew him. He will be greatly missed out of our little church. His funeral was very large; near a hundred teams were present. There were seven ministers present, besides a Catholic priest—five Baptists, one Presbyterian and one Methodist. The order of service was as follows: Opening hymn, by the pastor, J. A. Porter; reading of scripture, by B. H. Thomas, John 14; prayer, by Thomas Todd; sermon, by Joseph Bleakney, who was acquainted with the deceased from a boy, text Isaiah 54: 10; closing prayer by Rev. Joseph Barker, Presbyterian. May God raise up another to fill the place of our brother in the little church. Our brother leaves an aged father, five brothers, four sisters, a wife and four children to mourn their loss, but their loss is his eternal gain. — BAILEY.—At Weldford, Kent Co., March 31, George B. Bailey, aged 32 years. Bro. Bailey was an active Christian and an energetic Sabbath-school and temperance worker. He was converted to God about four years ago, and was baptized by the Rev. A. C. Bell, and joined the Weldford branch of the Methodist church. A large number gathered on April 3rd to pay their last debt and tribute to one they loved so well. The Revs. Mr. McLeod (Presbyterian), S. Smith (Baptist), A. C. Bell (Pentecostal), and F. A. Wightman (Methodist), all took part in the services. Rev. Mr. Wightman spoke feelingly, though briefly, of the deceased. Rev. Mr. Bell in speaking of him—his more than friend, his loving and sympathizing brother—and of their intimate friendship, his grief so overcame him that he completely broke down and took his seat. Rev. Mr. McLeod relieved him by starting a hymn, although almost every voice in the congregation was choked with tears, after which Mr. Bell was sufficiently composed to proceed. The remains were laid in the new Methodist burying ground. Deceased leaves a widow and three small children, who have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

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The closing exercises for the the Presbyterian College, Halifax, held last Wednesday. The class numbers six, and there are in the other classes. Since the establishment of the college in 1848 it turned out 208 ministers. The improvement in the college building, contributed to the health of the students, and the time is looked forward when the teaching staff of the college will be increased by the appointment of a fourth professor. A national conference convention is to be held at Spring Lake, New York, July 15-18. Edw. Eliot advocates the extension of the election system to the grammar schools and even lower grades. President has not been able to bring trust of Harvard to his way of thinking in respect to shortening the course to three years. With one exception the trustees pronounced in favor retaining the four years' system.

Western Counties Railway. WINTER ARRANGEMENT. ON AND AFTER MONDAY, 24th NOV., 1890, Trains will run daily (Sunday excepted) as follows: LEAVE Yarmouth at 7:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Arrive at Digby, 10:0 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. LEAVE Digby at 6:0 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. Arrive at Yarmouth, 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Trains are run on Eastern Standard Time. Connections—At Digby daily with steamer Evangeline, to and from Annapolis, Halifax and stations on the W. and N. Railway; and Nova Scotia Central Railway with steamer MONSIEUR LEROY, to and from St. John, every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. At Yarmouth, with steamer Yarmouth, for Boston every Wednesday and Saturday evening; and from Boston every Wednesday and Friday morning. Wharfage daily (Sunday excepted) to and from Barrington, Shelburne and Liverpool.

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Manchester Robertson & Allison. The annual publication of the Year Book is a sort of denominational "year book." It is, too, an occasion for a pardonable denominational glorification. To be sure there is not much cause for gratulation that there are now 3,164 Baptists in the United States, unlike these three millions count in other ways than in mere numbers. But they are evidently doing more than simply existing, as there were reported last year 140,058 baptisms; a net increase membership of 94,180; an addition 1,192 churches; an increase of 1,828 ordained ministers, while the aggregate contributions are greater by \$1,016,320 than during 1889. There are now shown to be by the reported figures, 1,382