

OUR HOME CIRCLE.

THANKSGIVING.

O, men! grown sick with toil and care,
 Leave for a while the crowded mart;
 O, women! sinking with despair,
 Weary of limb and faint of heart,
 Forget your cares to-day, and come
 As children back to childhood's home!

Follow again the winding rills:
 Go to the places where you went,
 When, climbing up the summer hills,
 In their green lap you sat, content;
 And softly leaned your head to rest,
 On nature's calm and peaceful breast.

Walk through the sere and fading wood,
 So lightly trodden by your feet,
 When all you knew of life was good,
 And all you dreamed of life was sweet:
 And let fond memory lead you back,
 O'er youthful love's enchanted track.

Taste the ripe fruit of orchard boughs,
 Drink from the mossy well once more;
 Breathe fragrance from the crowded mows,
 With fresh, sweet clover running o'er;
 And count the treasures at your feet,
 Of silver rye and golden wheat.

Go, sit beside the hearth again,
 Whose circle once was glad and gay;
 And if from out the precious chain
 Some shining links have dropped away,
 Then guard with tenderer heart and hand
 The remnant of our household band.

Draw near the board with plenty spread,
 And if in the accustomed place,
 You see the father's revered head,
 Or mother's patient, loving face;
 What'er your life may have of ill,
 Thank God that these are left you still.

And though where home hath been, you stand
 To-day in alien loneliness;
 Though you may clasp no brother's hand,
 And claim no sister's tender kiss;
 Though with no friend or lover nigh,
 The past is all your company—

Thank God for friends your life has known,
 For every dear, departed day;
 The blessed past is safe alone—
 God gives, but does not take away;
 He only safely keeps above
 For us the treasures that we love.
 —Phoebe Cary.

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BY MRS. C. E. WILDER.

My idea of Thanksgiving Day
 always locates it in a great New
 England farm-house, whose roof
 stretched on that day until it took
 in not only the grandfather and
 grandmother, but all the sons and
 daughters, the grandchildren and
 the great-grand children. The
 farmer son away out in the wilds
 of Michigan, with his wife and
 troops of merry children. The
 lawyer son from Philadelphia,
 whose wife wore rustling silk, and
 a daughter who brought a French
 doll with red hair. The country
 doctor with wife who was born
 under the roof, and whose children
 made the house ring with glee
 that sent the Philadelphia cousin
 in fear to her mother. The wid-
 owed daughter and her girls, the
 younger sons home from college.
 Ah! the family gatherings of the
 old Thanksgiving-time, how pleas-
 ant they were! These memorial
 seasons were the mile-stones of
 the years. The past was talked
 over; the present was good enough
 without discussing, and the future
 dreamed about. On these
 holidays the whole earth wore a
 smile. Why, the very storm was
 welcomed, for in the fall of the
 snow-flakes was heard the jingling
 of the bells.

Those great old white farm-
 houses of New England! The
 green blinds that were never open-
 ed on the parlor-chamber side of
 the house except at Thanksgiving,
 at a funeral or a wedding. Who
 ever thought of going in at the
 front door except on these state
 occasions? The lover may have
 leaned over that immaculate front
 gate, finding it hard to say, "Good
 night," but "Tressy" never went
 in at the front door after "Jim-
 my" left. She stood there and
 dreamed her dreams, but the
 smiles gave place to a very "un-
 concerned look" as she softly un-
 latched the gate and went round
 to the side door, to enter the fam-
 ily sitting-room.

The lilac and the white rose
 grew in the front yard. What
 "blue-blood" that lilac has. We
 must gather it up again as we do
 the old china and the spinning-
 wheel. The southern-wood grew
 there, down at each side of the
 gate; the southern-wood that the
 girls always believed to be such a
 talisman when the future lover
 was met. The chrysanthemum
 had stood there all summer, but
 the tubs now held the plants, in
 the living-rooms, all covered with
 a wealth of blossoms, white and
 red and yellow.

On Thanksgiving even the
 children were allowed to enter the
 front door to play on the broad,
 winding stairs, and enter the par-
 lor. "My eyes make pictures,
 while they're shut." That parlor!
 The heavy, molded cornice
 at the top of the room; the panel-
 ed wainscoting; the wooden shut-
 ters and the window-seats just
 large enough for three. The car-
 pet of red and green and black.
 Those "mourning pictures" where
 a tombstone was nearly covered
 with a fountain of impossible

green willows, and a man or wo-
 man stood by, overcome with
 grief as they read:

"Sacred to the Memory
 of
 Harriet Eliza,
 Daughter of"

The sampler hung over the man-
 tle. That was the work of the
 grandmother, done as the sampler
 informed us when she was "aged
 eight." The grandfather's por-
 trait, hung over the sofa, with all
 the vanity of ruffled shirt and bang-
 ed hair. The grandmother's hung
 opposite, with wide hand-wrought
 Vandyke, and immense puffs of
 hair held up by invisible strips of
 lead. Pictures painted in those
 "good old days when girls were
 not so taken up with the pleasures
 of this life, and before the young
 men played the fop in the eyes of
 the sensible maidens." The fur-
 niture was of mahogany and cov-
 ered with the penitential hair-
 cloth. The round table, with as-
 tral lamp for the center ornament,
 held the gift books of the children
 and Mrs. Sigourney's poems. The
 family Bible was on a three-legged
 stand in the corner.

As we go into the sitting-room
 across the hall, where the long ta-
 ble is spread, what greater con-
 trast could there be than that be-
 tween the home comfort—the
 abundance from field and store-
 house—and the cold outside and
 the brown barrenness of the fields
 sloping away from the farm-
 house? No wonder that those
 who looked for seven months out
 of every twelve on such a stern
 face as Nature put on, grew to
 look like her, as the husband
 grows to look like the wife he has
 wedded, and the wife to speak
 like the husband.

But that Thanksgiving! The
 brown turkey, steaming from its
 great purple platter with an in-
 cense that must have reached the
 heavens. The pair of chickens
 each side, separated in death. The
 cabbage and the lean pork. No
 New England dinner would be
 complete without that; and with
 these, many a one has been com-
 pleted. The chicken pie was bak-
 ed in the brick oven, in a new milk
 pan which came on the table with
 all the beauty of a silver dish.

The potatoes, whole, and smash-
 ed and fried. Turnips, squash,
 onions. Oh, those days when
 everybody ate onions and there
 was no one to turn, shuddering
 away! Apple sauce and cran-
 berry sauce. Brown bread, such
 as only the grandmothers knew
 how to make! White bread that
 was light and feathery, and melt-
 ed and vanished, we know not how.
 Plum pudding, plain pudding,
 mince pie, pumpkin pie and apple
 pie. Who ever failed to eat from
 each?

This was always a sacred feast.
 A kind of sacrament. A time
 when God's benediction seemed to
 rest upon the family. The child-
 hood loves were linked again. The
 fires on the hearth stones
 were rekindled, and each unwill-
 ingly resolved that it should
 never again flicker and grow dim.

The evening by the great fire
 in the fire place. The old brass
 andirons with their great, bald,
 shining heads. The shovel and
 tongs with handles like burnish-
 ed gold. The oak logs; the roast-
 ing chestnuts; the walnuts and
 butternuts; the popcorn and the
 cider fresh from the mill. Yet
 with all this, Thanksgiving would
 not have been Thanksgiving with-
 out the stories. The ghost stories
 about the house at the cross-
 roads, where steps were heard
 on the stairs and the cradle rock-
 ing in the attic. The house where
 Dr. Bramble used to live, where a
 cold hand was placed on the an-
 kle if one went down cellar in
 the night. Why, it has taken
 twenty years to eradicate such
 nonsense heard by the children,
 and yet who wants to forget the
 delirious thrill of fear those stor-
 ies stirred? And what a comfort
 it was to the children to learn
 that the parents and aunts and
 uncles played ghost on dark nights
 and did all the disgraceful things
 they forbid their children doing.

How sweet the sleep in the
 canopy bed! Those curtains of
 patch, with pink birds and green
 roses. Or the white curtains of
 dimity, trimmed with heavy fringe
 and spread to match. A valance
 all round the bed, into which the
 children climbed from a chair.
 The profiles on the wall, cut out
 of paper, laid over black silk and
 framed in gilt.

In the rough path of life, pic-
 tures fade from memory. How
 little time we get to draw the easy
 chair before the fire, fold the
 hands and drift back into child-
 hood's hours. But with many of
 us this is the only time we can go

back to the old hearthstone. In
 this way alone can we see the
 laughing faces, the tender eyes
 looking into ours, or feel the soft
 clasp of the warm, loving hand.
 Alas! that in this dream we
 have, too often, to listen for
 the step of the foot that never will
 fall again. The far-off song of
 those who are safely over, mingles
 with the old songs that quavered
 on the air at the old home gather-
 ings. To this inner vision the
 past and the present strangely
 mingle, and when we look back to
 the delightful past, the regretful
 present will mar the beauty of the
 picture. When we know we
 ought to have our hearts filled
 alone with praise and gratitude,
 we are saddened at the thought
 that our poor, weak natures must
 at the same time reach out a sup-
 pliant's hand crying for blessings
 we cannot have. How often, in-
 stead of letting the blessings and
 mercies rise before us, we crowd
 them back and see only the wants
 that are denied. We turn from
 the real good to the seeming evil
 and exclaim, "What have I to be
 thankful for?" Instead of look-
 ing at the loving face of our Lord,
 who never denies his own one
 really good thing, and who con-
 stantly stretches out an arm to
 help and save, we see only the
 waves around and cry out, "Lord,
 we perish." Why are we so loth
 to put on beauty for ashes? With
 whom would we exchange places
 that our lives might be more
 beautiful? Oh, the memories of
 past mercies. The Lord has
 always been better to us than our
 fears. We cannot help, on this
 day, the joy of hope that enters
 the soul. Thanksgiving! what
 music in the name. Thank—
 thank you, to think; to remember.
 Give—geben, to bestow, to confer.
 Remember the mercies bestowed
 on us. "Enter His gates with
 thanksgiving and into his courts
 with praise; be thankful unto him
 and bless his name."

And then the more liberal mean-
 ing—remember—to bestow. "If
 there be among you a poor man in
 any of the gates of the land which
 the Lord thy God giveth thee,
 thou shalt not harden thy heart
 nor shut thy hand from thy poor
 brother."
 "Giving—thanks." "Remem-
 ber—to bestow." Wonderful
 word. The joy of gratitude and
 the more blessed experience of the
 joy of giving. Every one has
 some special task assigned for each
 day. What is the next duty to-
 day?

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 every new cable laid. The work-
 ing age of the modern cable is
 about thirteen years.

The work in the operating room
 at Heart's Content has brought
 out a number of curious facts
 about cables and cable-operating.
 For instance, New York city sends
 and receives about two-thirds of
 all the cable business of the United
 States. Philadelphia comes next,
 then Chicago; while some of the
 smaller Southern cities, with their
 messages relating to cotton sales,
 outrank more northern cities, like
 Boston, Baltimore, St. Louis, or
 Cincinnati. It amazes the tele-
 graphers here to tell them of the
 importance of places like New
 Haven, Albany, Troy, or Buffalo,
 from which the cable business is
 so small that in the Heart's Con-
 tent station they are supposed
 to be little towns.—*N. Y. Post.*

THE CREAKING DOOR.

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 door. It creaks intolerably. Af-
 ter that go immediately and seek
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They were protected from the fury of
 the fanatical Arabs. Several times
 their destruction seemed certain,
 but at last there appeared a pro-
 tection in the squad of twenty-two
 men from the German cannon-
 boat. Finally, when the hospital
 was seized as a prepost against
 the attack of Arabi, it was abso-
 lutely necessary for them all to
 leave, when they did so, taking
 with them all their sick, and many
 women and children. During
 these days of trial the sisters dis-
 played the greatest composure,
 resolution and discipline. They
 seemed indeed to be under divine
 protection, and to be aware of it.
 The moment they were again un-
 der military protection they pre-
 pared to resume their mission
 work. Their hospitals, throughout
 the Orient are like the shadow of
 a great rock in a dry and thirsty
 land. May they continue to trust
 and glory in the great Defense!

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Thanks be to God! to whom earth owes
 Sunshine and breeze,
 The health-clad hill, the vale's repose,
 Streamlet and sea,
 The snowdrop and the summer rose,
 The many-voiced trees.

Thanks for the sickness and the grief
 That none may flee;
 For loved ones standing now around
 The crystal sea;
 And for the weariness of heart
 That only rests in thee.

Thanks for thine own thrice blessed Work,
 And Sabbath rest;
 Thanks for the hope of glory stored
 In mansion bright;
 And for the Spirit's comfort poured
 Into the troubling breast.

Thanks, more than thanks, to him ascend
 Who died to win
 Our life, and every trophy round
 From death and sin;
 Till, when the thanks of earth shall end,
 The thanks of heaven begin.
 —F. R. Havergal.

DID NOT GO WHERE THEY WERE.

"I've been in India for
 many a year, and I never saw a
 native Christian the whole time."
 So spake a colonel on board a
 steamer going to Bombay. Some
 days afterward the same colonel
 was telling of his hunting experi-
 ences, and said that thirty tigers
 had fallen to his rifle. "Did I
 understand you to say thirty, colo-
 nel?" asked a missionary at the
 table. "Yes, sir, thirty," replied
 the officer. "Because," pursued
 the missionary, explanatorily,
 "I thought you meant three."
 "No, sir, thirty," this time with
 emphasis. "Well, now, that's
 strange," said the missionary,
 "I've been in India twenty-five
 years and I never saw a wild live
 tiger all the while." "Very like-
 ly not, sir," said the colonel;
 "but that's because you didn't
 know where to look for them."
 "Perhaps it was so," admitted
 the missionary, after a moment or
 two of apparent reflection; "but
 may not that be reason you never
 saw a native convert, as you
 affirmed the other evening at this
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eat flowers—and was often hungry,
 and another said she couldn't
 sleep on them and had an awful
 hard bed, and another said she
 couldn't wear them and hadn't
 clothes enough to keep her warm,
 the flowers grew into sacks of
 flour and bags of potatoes and
 chickens and comfortable and
 blankets and a woolen wrapper,
 and ever so many other things.
 Of course the mothers helped.
 Mothers are almost always will-
 ing to help sweet thoughts that
 their children have.

The next question was how to
 get the gifts to her. Every boy
 and girl wanted to go and take
 his and her offering; but frail lit-
 tle Gertie was too weak for that;
 so they finally thought out the
 queerest plan. All the soft pres-
 ents they resolved upon throw-
 ing in that basement window, one
 after another, as quietly as it
 could be done. All the rest of the
 things? O, that is the nice part
 of the story! It was Celia Win-
 ters who said:

"After all, girls, what good
 will all the nice things do her if
 she has to live in that dark, old
 basement?"
 "Yes, and if her father doesn't
 get some work to do," chimed in
 Charley Webster. He always ag-
 grieved with Celia.

After that the two talked a good
 deal, and no one could find out
 what they were going to throw
 down at Gertie, until at last they
 owned that, besides flowers from
 their own greenhouses, they were
 not going to give her anything
 but two pieces of paper!
 But the papers! Celia's read
 that a cunning little house on Sim-
 mons-street, with three rooms and
 a kitchen, had been rented for a
 year, and the Winters' carriage
 would be all ready to take her to
 her new home on Thanksgiving
 morning. (I forgot to say that it
 had been planned to give the show-
 er the day before Thanksgiving, so
 that Gertie could have the whole of
 that day in which to be thankful.)
 Charley's paper was for Gertie to
 give to her father; it contained
 an invitation from his father to
 be foreman of a machine shop at
 good wages, which were to com-
 mence on Thanksgiving morning;
 and pasted in a corner of the pa-
 per, folded down and bearing Ger-
 tie's name, was a gold dollar of
 Charley's own.
 What fun they had, those boys
 and girls! It was so nice to go
 softly to that basement window,
 one by one, and drop down a bun-
 dle right before Gertie's amazed
 eyes. At first they sent flowers,
 white ones, and they nearly spoilt
 the silence by a shout when
 they heard Gertie say, "Why,
 mother, it snows, right in here!"
 and then in the next breath, "O,
 mother, it snows flowers!" "Let
 it snow now!" said Bob Hol-
 den, and he dropped down a great
 blanket at Gertie's feet. It took
 a long time, and was the funniest
 frolic the young people ever had.
 There is no use in my trying to
 tell you what Gertie and her moth-
 er said or did that afternoon. They
 were too astonished to do much
 besides look at one another and
 laugh; and as the great, soft,
 comfortable bundles kept dropp-
 ing down, they looked at each other
 and cried for joy.
 But what could they do or say
 when Celia's and Charley's pa-
 pers dropped down on them, and
 were read and understood? Dear
 little Gertie! let me tell you what
 she said. She clasped her two
 thin hands together, and looked
 up, not at the basement window,
 but above it, and murmured, "I
 think we must all have died and
 gone to heaven!"
 There ought to be a picture of
 that cunning little house into
 which they moved next day to
 show you; everything that a neat
 little family of three could need,
 the seventy mothers—helped much
 by the seventy fathers—had put
 into it. O, I think you would
 like a picture of the handsome
 carriage and horses and coachman
 who came for Gertie on Thank-
 giving morning and took her to
 the little new house; or maybe a
 picture of the day that followed
 her, piled high with the things
 that were showered through the
 window the night before; or may-
 be a picture of Gertie in an easy
 chair in front of the stove in
 their bit of a dining-room, with a
 carpet on the floor, she with her
 feet on soft cushions, and soft
 cushions at her back, and a soft,
 bright shawl around her, eating a
 bit of Thanksgiving turkey. Ah,
 I know you would like a picture
 of all the scholars of No. 42, who
 set this balla-rolling; but there
 were over seventy of them, and
 how could I show you their pho-
 tographs? You must just imag-
 ine it all.—*The Pansy.*

JESUS

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THE WESLEYAN FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1882.

THANKSGIVING.

The determination of the Psalmist to "bless the Lord at all times" was wise, and the performance of this duty he found to be beneficial; for he declares, "it is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

The mention of other blessings in addition to our abundant harvest will but intensify our feelings of gratitude and therefore should not be overlooked.

In this harvest thanksgiving we are strikingly reminded of the faithfulness of the Divine Being to His covenant-engagements. The promise made to Noah soon after the deluge, "while the earth remaineth seed time and harvest."

OUR FRENCH-CANADIAN WORK.

Patriotic instincts as well as religious sentiment should secure a thoughtful reading of the facts presented by Rev. L. N. Beaudry, of Montreal.

of Popery, to learn how baneful is that influence. Even Charles Dickens, who was not usually in haste to recognize the results of evangelical teaching, has called attention to the unfavorable contrast which the traveller is sure to draw as he passes from the Protestant cantons of Switzerland into those under Roman Catholic control.

Of the French-speaking population of Canada, numbering about 1,800,000, or nearly one-third of the entire population of the Dominion, 1,170,000 are to be found in the province of Quebec.

Mr. Beaudry's headquarters at Montreal seem humble beside the towering structures of Romanism. His small, neat church and plain parsonage, and his Institute building, poorly furnished and sadly crowded, are however a protest against dominant influences, and a proof that Methodism is following—not leading—other sections of Protestantism in a most necessary effort.

How will this statement read some day? It is given in the Christian Visitor respecting Carleton, in Yarmouth Co.: "Mr. Beairto's little church building nestles among the hills. He is the Presbyterian minister, held by all the people in high esteem.

The terrible scene at the Poor's Asylum on Monday night has seldom been equalled in these Provinces

Many have uttered an often repeated protest against the singularly unwise arrangement which placed the sick and the infirm on the fifth floor of a building needlessly run skyward, and which located beneath a crowd of human beings the whole machinery needed for the cooking and washing in such an institution.

The Nashville Advocate, in giving the proceedings of a recent Southern Conference, has this:

"The special order—the Missionary work—was taken up. Dr. Young led off in a speech on the methods used by the preachers in raising the collection for Missions. He mentioned no less than six different methods that had come to his notice, the last being a 'go-as-you-please' sort of method, or no-method, adopted by many.

Our ministerial readers should give careful attention to an advertisement of the "Life of Dr. Duff", on our eighth page. This generous offer of a gentleman deeply interested in missions places the two large volumes of this work within the reach of all ministers of the Methodist Church of Canada free of cost.

Rev. Dr. Rice, the President of the General Conference, is visiting various circuits in our Maritime Conferences and is meeting everywhere with a hearty welcome. From a private source we learn that his earnest, practical addresses at Yarmouth gave very great satisfaction.

Take Uncle Tom's advice to Aunt Chloe, and "think on your mercies." Then the poorest of us will realize that we have much to be thankful for, and can say with the psalmist, "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits."

The programme for the Week of Prayer, January 7th—14th, 1883, has been issued by the Evangelical Alliance. The topics suggested include as usual a wide range of subjects: Thanksgiving, Confession, Prayer for the Church Universal, for Families, for the Nations, and for Missions.

FRENCH CANADIAN EVANGELIZATION.

There are in Canada one million-and-a-half of French Canadians, with another-half-million or more in the United States, mostly in New England, Northern New York and Illinois.

About fifty years ago a Methodist Missionary from the Channel Islands, John De Putron, came to this country to undertake evangelistic labours. Unable to get a foot-hold among the people he was compelled to return to his own land.

The following statistics, compiled from official sources and representing combined French Protestantism in Canada, will be read by our friends with devout thanksgiving to God:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Count. Includes Orphaned, Mission, Colporteurs, Bible Women, Total laborers, etc.

This does not include the thousands of Tracts, Bibles and Testaments distributed through private sources. It has been ascertained that both in Canada and in the United States, at least 35,000 French Canadians have already accepted the Bible as the rule and guide of their faith and practice.

I will now speak on behalf of the Missions which I officially represent, namely, those of the Methodist Church of Canada.

Help is urgently required for the following departments of our work: CHURCHES. Only one of our missions, that of Montreal, enjoys a church edifice.

A debt of \$6,000 still encumbers our church property at Montreal. In Ottawa, the capital city of this Dominion, a good church might now be purchased at a very low figure, if we had the money.

Close by the church must stand the school-house. They are twin sisters. No mission can do permanent work without them both.

At Montreal our primary school is supported, though slenderly, by the Missionary Society. But our Institute or intermediate school for preparing young men for mission work must be sustained, mainly by private contributions.

Sunday-schools, or individuals contributing this amount, are entitled to select a young man as their own protégé, and to correspond with him.

LITERATURE.

For want of means our Sunday-schools are destitute of libraries and hymns adapted to their wants. French books of the right sort are expensive and difficult to find.

Parties disposed to assist us, will please indicate the special department to which they desire their benefactions to be appropriated.

"Come over into Macedonia (Canada) and help us." Address, LOUIS N. BEAUDRY, Montreal, Canada.

TRANSATLANTIC NOTES.

The Church Congress has met in Derby, given attention to many questions, and parted without illustrating its unity and agreement very satisfactorily.

Much attention was given to the Salvation Army. The clergy of the establishment are in a quandary concerning this movement. It has been so far an unprecedented success.

The Baptist and Congregational Unions have held their annual autumnal meetings—the former in Liverpool and the latter in Bristol. A deputation of Episcopal clergymen greeted the Congregational Union with a fraternal address.

adherents of the Methodist Church in Ireland. A weekly paper could be amply supported, if the people could see their duty in the premises.

A scholarship is to be established in the Methodist College, Belfast, in memory of the late Professor Appelbe. A small memorial volume has been published by Dr. Crook.

Dr. Gideon Draper, of New York, spent a few weeks last summer in the Lower Provinces. We gave some of his notes on Halifax; the following have reference to other points:

Sackville is the seat of Methodist educational institutions for the Maritime Provinces. They consist of an Academy for young men, a Seminary for young women, a College and a Theological Department.

Five hours by rail, and St. John, the chief city of New Brunswick and the commercial metropolis of the Bay of Fundy is reached. It is picturesquely situated at the mouth of the river St. John, that extends 450 miles in the interior and is navigable for 270 miles.

For several years the Young Men's Christian Associations throughout the world have regularly observed the second Sunday in November, with the week following, as a time for prayer for young men and for the success of Christian effort in their behalf.

According to the Paris Evangeliste Count Campello, after several changes, has found his way back "into the lap of the Church of Rome."

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A PROBLEM.

The New Zealand correspondent of the Christian World gives some facts in reference to the divisions of Methodism in that distant colony. Are there similar cases in Canada? No doubt there are many.

The strength of Presbyterianism here is due to its unity. Scotchmen coming out to the colony throw their little distinctions overboard, when they leave their native shores. "Established" or "U.P.," or Free Kirk, they are here simply Presbyterians. Why we Methodists have not the same to do the same thing I cannot comprehend. Wesleyan, Primitive, Free Methodists, and Bible Christians, are all represented in some New Zealand towns. Generally where one denomination builds, one or more of the others speedily follow. Three of these bodies are subsidised from England; the Wesleyan Methodist only is at once a self-supporting and a mission church. Yet I could point to towns in New Zealand, with a population of from one to four thousand, with two resident Methodist preachers of different names. I say different names, for it is impossible in the nature of things for them to differ in much beside. Why a settlement of, say, three thousand English colonists, with already the principal Christian churches represented, should need in addition to one Wesleyan minister, whose character and ability no one questions, another Methodist minister to come and settle beside him as a missionary is difficult to understand.

In order to show the need for reform in this direction, I will set down in sufficient detail an instance which is at hand. In the city of Dunedin there are, within half a mile, four Methodist congregations. Only one of these—the Wesleyan—is self-supporting. The other three are all weak and struggling. The congregations in all the three do not number more than 300. Any one is within 15 minutes' walk of the other, and two are within 5 minutes' walk. The localities are asphalt, so that there is no difficulty as to roads. These three competing Methodist congregations, which would make one congregation small enough if gathered under one roof, are all subsidised from England. One of them reports itself in the denominational magazine as having 40 hearers, 50 Sunday scholars, 17 members, and an annual grant of £200. The ministers are all able and estimable men, and are doing their best. Their powers are well worthy of a wider field. They are not to blame. The fault is in the intensely denominational spirit in which colonial "missions" are sometimes worked. Will Christian public opinion in England justify the continued expenditure of the £500 per year which is now drawn from mission funds to keep these three little congregations apart?

One word more on this topic. The sub-division of the Church in small and scattered communities does not lead to the country being better evangelised. If it did one might be more easily reconciled to its other disadvantages. But it often works in a directly opposite way. I have seen instances—for example, where with one town and several little country churches the minister occasionally gave the country the benefit of his services, and left a local preacher in the town pulpit. All worked well under this arrangement. Presently another Methodist Church starts in the same town. Then rivalry, good natured perhaps, but very real, is set up. The first minister cannot go to the country now, for if he did, those of his people who dislike lay preaching will go over the way, and vice versa. The local preacher rusts, the little outside congregations are neglected, less genuine evangelisation is done, because there are two similar churches where there is hardly room for one. There are aspects of the subject more serious than this, but space is exhausted, I am sure.

CONVENTION ON HOLINESS.

The Committee has decided to hold the above Convention at Newport, on Thursday the 16th inst., and continuing over Friday.

Papers will be furnished by a number of ministers on the following subjects:—Holiness, its nature and scripturalness.—Entire sanctification, a distinct blessing from that of the new birth.—Holiness, how attained and how retained.—Holiness, when attained and the evidence of its attainment.—Objection to the doctrine of Holiness answered.—Errors to be guarded against and exposed.—The relations of Holiness to Christian usefulness.—The attainment of Holiness necessary and obligatory.

The Convention will open at 9.30 on the day named. We most cordially invite ministerial brethren, both of our own and other Christian communions, and all who are interested in the work of the Lord to be present with us. In the mean time we earnestly ask all God's people to beseech the Throne on High for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

R. WASSON. Kentville, N. S., Nov. 6th, 1881.

THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

The Grand Division of this Order met in this city last week. The Executive was, by resolution, authorized to examine the books generally accepted as temperance text books, and to urge the Council of Public Instruction to place the same on the list of text books for the use of public

schools. The report of the committee on the Watchman was read and adopted. It warmly endorsed the paper as at present managed and recommended that it be continued with the same subsidy as last year. It was resolved to invite the National Division of North America, composed of representatives from the Grand Divisions of Canada and the United States, to hold the annual session of 1884 in Halifax. The next meeting of that body has been fixed for Ocean Grove, N. J., the second Wednesday in July 1883.

The quarterly sessions of the Grand Division will be held at Windsor in January, at Granville Ferry in April, at Cow Bay, C. B., in August, and at Halifax in November. The exact dates will be left to the Executive to arrange. The election of officers resulted in the choice of the following named:—G. W. P.—J. E. Burrill, Yarmouth; G. W. A.—Rev. Thomas Rogers, Middleton; G. S.—Rev. R. A. Temple, Halifax; G. T.—H. A. Taylor, Halifax; G. C.—John McGowan, Halifax; G. S.—A. G. McLean, Cape Breton. Wednesday evening was devoted to enjoying a social given in Y. M. C. A. Hall by the city members to the visiting brethren from the country. About two hundred ladies and gentlemen sat down to the well spread tables.

CHARLOTTETOWN.

The Examiner of the 3rd inst., publishes an address to Henry Blatch, Esq., Clerk of the County Court.

Dear Sir—We, the members of the Bar of Prince Edward Island, have learned with satisfaction the result of the prosecution recently instituted against you before the Stipendiary Magistrate. We cannot but express our sympathy with you in the trying circumstances in which you have been placed, and wish to add that our confidence in your honesty and integrity remains unshaken.

Chas. Young, Judge etc.; J. Longworth, q. c.; T. Stewart, S. Blanchard, A. B. Walburton, R. T. Weeks, Edw. Bayfield, F. L. Hazard, A. A. McLean, Arthur Peters, D. C. Martin, W. A. O. Morson, James M. Sutherland, Neil McLeod.

Gentlemen—I beg to tender you my warmest acknowledgments for your kind expressions of sympathy contained in the address presented to me, and I trust that you will never have reason to lose that confidence in my honesty and integrity which you have assured me you at present entertain.

Yours respectfully, HENRY BLATCH.

DESTRUCTION OF THE POORS' ASYLUM.

At midnight on Tuesday fire broke out in the basement of the immense Poors' Asylum building. The smoke spread through the building into the dormitories, causing the utmost terror among the three or four hundred inmates. An alarm was sounded and the engines were quickly on the spot. Some persons who lived in the neighborhood found smoke issuing from the windows all over the building, but no flames to be seen. Old women and children were seen at the window shrieking, and as they began breaking the glass it was feared they would throw themselves out. When the door leading from the west wing was opened out came a procession of women nursing little infants, old grey-headed women and feeble old men. Then it became known that in the upper wards of that wing were all the most helpless. Some of the early arrivals hastened up stairs, and willing hands were soon getting them down the long winding stairs. In the meantime the flames in the basement which the officers were trying to subdue spread to the base of a long air shaft or elevator, and in a few seconds the heaviest part of the conflagration was in the top of the main building. The story just under the eaves was used as the hospital, and in it were about seventy patients, most of them perfectly helpless. Hundreds were standing outside who would willingly have entered the building in spite of the danger if they could have found their way. Several did go in but could do nothing and had to return. The leaders were too short, and it was seen that even they would be swept away in a few minutes. The fire burst out through the roof, and the scene was never to be forgotten. Far above the roar of flames and crack of the bursting slates were heard the cries of the wretched patients in the hospital who were burning to death. Most of them were helpless, and perhaps were stifled by the smoke before the flames reached them, but others were seen to cling to the sashes till their strength was exhausted or hands burned off and they fell back into the seething flame. The Commissioners have gone carefully over the books and find that thirty-one of those in the hospital perished. The poor old people who were saved were huddled together in the adjacent building, and were there packed around with straw and blankets to keep them comfortable till morning. Arrangements are being made by place them in the Provincial Penitentiary building.

Ninety years ago there was not a single missionary in India, now there are over 1200 missionaries; ninety years ago there were no native converts, now there are 250,000. Is not that a result which should thrill our hearts with the liveliest gratitude?

MISSIONS.

The Rev. Dr. Young, Superintendent of Missions in Manitoba and the North West, reached Charlottetown last week and spent Sunday there. He will address our congregations in the subject of missions as follows:

Windsor, 13th inst. Avondale, 12th. Newport, 14th. Canning, 15th. Bridgewater, 16th. Lauretstown, 17th. Halifax, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22d, & 23. Yarmouth, 26th.

Arrangements to visit Horton, Annapolis and Digby will be announced next week. Every effort should be made to publish these services widely.

W. C. BROWN, President of N. S. Conf.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Abner Hart has resigned the superintendency of the Industrial Manager. He has been a successful manager of that useful institution. His place is to be taken by Mr. R. Norman.

Two ministers of the Montreal Conference have died recently—the Rev. Allen Patterson at Riviere du Loup on the 25th ult., and the Rev. Daniel Conolly at Capraumont on the 30th ult. The former had been ill with fever; the latter died of heart-disease.

Rev. R. Brecken's lecture on "Paris in 1881" received the closest attention from the good audience which assembled on Monday evening in the basement of Brunswick Street Church. Mr. M. H. Richey, jr., President of the Young Men's Wesleyan Institute, under the auspices of which the lecture was delivered, presided, and gracefully thanked the lecturer.

LITERARY, &c.

Lee and Walker, Philadelphia, publish a new cantata, the *Pilgrim's Progress*, by J. C. Beckel. The story of 'Christian,' from the city of destruction to the heavenly home, is well told, and the musician has added a new beauty to it.

T. Woolmer, London, has added to his already large list of juvenile books for Sunday-schools or gifts, two others that we heartily recommend. One, *Fiji and the Friendly Isles*, sketches of their Scenery and People, by S. E. Scholes, is a well told account of one of Methodism's most successful mission-fields; of the other, *Talks with the Bairns about Bairns*, it is enough to say that the pen pictures of the several classes of boys and girls were drawn by the skilful hand of Ruth Elliott.

In the November number of the *Homiletic Monthly* are:—"Love to an Unseen Christ," by B. M. Palmer, D.D., of New Orleans; "Personal Virtue and Religion—To Young Men," by C. H. Hall, D.D., of Brooklyn; "Love and I, a Mystery," with a fac-simile of the Pulpit Notes, used during the delivery of the Sermon, by Rev. C. H. Spurgeon; and other sermons. Among a number of interesting papers in "The Advantages of Extemporaneous Preaching," No. 1, by James M. Buckley, D.D. Funk and Wagnall, New York, are the publishers. Price \$2.50 per year.

The *Gospel of God* is the title of a work by the Rev. J. P. Lilley, a Presbyterian divine, intended, as expressed in the title, to be "an introduction to the message of Christianity," and chiefly for the benefit of youthful workers. The various themes are treated evangelically, with suggestiveness and freshness of thought, and in language appropriate and pleasing. The author is a moderate Calvinist, and yet the evangelical Arminian will not find any sentiment to which exception need be taken, only as regards the privilege of the Christian believer as to the fullness of the salvation to be enjoyed in the present life; and in the usual attempt to reconcile the doctrines of a limited atonement and of unconditional election with the doctrine of free grace. Upon this point the author closes with the remark, "In the conflict of systems there are apparent oppositions now; but in the final results as seen from the crystal battlements of the city whither the redeemed are moving, both representations will be felt to be eternally true." The work is to be had at the Methodist Book Room.

METHODIST NOTES.

A donation visit was paid to the Rev. E. LePage, at Wicklow, N. B., on the 27th ult. Mr. George Squires presided and all spent a pleasant evening.

Lectures have been given by Rev. J. C. Berrie at Harvey Corner and Point Wolf, Albert Co. Forty dollars were collected at the first place and almost fifty at the second.

Six months ago proceedings were threatened for the sale of the West End Methodist Church, Montreal, by the foreclosure of a mortgage for \$6,000. The mortgage is discharged and the amount paid.

Rev. B. Hills, A. B., writes that the Centennial meeting at Acadia Mines on the 1st inst., was a decided success. Revs. J. W. Shepherson, J. N. Logan and others gave effective addresses.

The Montreal Auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society subscribes \$100 per annum to the French Institute, gives \$50 per annum for the French parsonage furniture, maintains a very efficient Bible woman, and helps in reducing the debt on the French Methodist Church.

From the report thus far received from circuits visited by Rev. Mr. Winter, the Montreal Conference Evangelist, it appears that the experiment is resulting favorably. Many conversions are reported, and the financial contributions from the circuits visited, if imitated elsewhere, are such as to save the movement from any financial difficulty.

The ladies of the Methodist Church at Baie Verte gave a first-class supper one evening last week to raise funds for the furnishing of the new church soon to be completed. The attendance was large, the patronage liberal, and the results respectable, over \$200 having been realized after paying expenses.—At a similar entertainment at Parraboro \$90 were gathered.

We learn that of 38 pupils who went into the M. A. examination from Wesley College, Dublin, no less than 33 were successful. The successes include—1 senior exhibition of £40, one of £25, two of last year retained £20 each, 2 medals, and a large number of prizes. The *Irish Times* this year places Wesley College high up in the van of the Protestant schools in Ireland.—*Meth. Recorder*.

The pastor at Kaye Street Church speaks pleasantly of his work. An effort is being made to remove the debt on the building. Collecting cards were put in the hands of Sunday-school pupils with a request to bring in \$30; they brought in about \$80. A church social is to be held on Thursday evening to consider how this part of the Halifax North circuit may be enabled to take an independent position.

The St. John News says: "Until the next session of Conference no regular supply need be expected for the Methodist Church at Sussex. An arrangement has been completed providing for consecutive services being held in the church by Rev. Mr. Tweedie, supernumerary at Hampton, Rev. Mr. Phinney, of Sackville, President of the Conference, and the Rev. D. D. Currie, Chairman of the District."

ABROAD.

The Primitive Methodist mission in South Africa, under the able superintendence of the Rev. John Watson, is in a very prosperous condition.

Upwards of a 100 persons have joined the church at Tredegar, Wales, during the last few weeks, and the work is still going on.

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., has opened finely, and in the Theological department more are in attendance than in any corresponding date in any previous session.

Reports of special religious services from various localities show that there is at present a decided movement in the Methodist Churches of England.

The great work of raising a Loan Fund of \$500,000 to be administered by the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, is completed. At Norwalk, O., the last dollar needed was raised, and the whole matter put in legal shape.

Several writers in the *Irish Ecumenicalist* urge the importance of an effort on behalf of those ministers who suffer by the decision of the last Conference to reduce the allowances formerly given for the maintenance of ministers' children.

The sum of £260 has recently been expended in improving the buildings of the Methodist Orphanage, Harrington Street, Dublin. There is now accommodation for fifteen girls. This institution has no connection with the Methodist Orphan Asylum, which has under its care a large number of children.

At Havre, France, a vile dancing saloon has been turned into a Methodist Chapel, and instead of a blaspheming, ribald mob, and police protection within the room, as the ministers had eighteen months ago, there are now quiet, blessed Methodist services, a good class meeting, and a school of more than 100 children of atheist and Catholic parents.

GENERAL RELIGIOUS NOTES.

At Bombay all the members of the Salvation Army, having persisted, contrary to the orders of the police, in marching in procession through the native town, have been arrested and imprisoned.

The Colporteur Commission of the Societe Evangelique de Geneva are about to publish an edition of Segond's New Testament, which will be sold at twopenny. 100,000 copies are to be printed.

A building of remarkable appearance has been added to Rouen. It belongs to a wealthy Englishman, and was built chiefly for preaching, but it is also lent to various religious societies which give instruction to maritime people.

The Ridley Theological Hall, erected by the Evangelical section of the Church of England at Cambridge, was opened there on the 18th ult. It has cost £21,000.

At Prague, Austria, the Rev. A. W. Clark, American missionary, has been forbidden to hold public meetings, and that by virtue of a decision of the Imperial Court of Vienna, dated April, 1880. At Laibach, again, a Bible colporteur has been served with process for holding, one Sunday afternoon, a meeting of five persons, and reading to them the thirtieth chapter of Romans! The heinous culprit excited the rage of the priests to such a pitch that he was obliged to fly with his family to Trieste.

GLEANINGS, &c.

DOMESTION.

Lady Langevin, wife of Sir Hector Langevin, died Oct. 30th, at Quebec.

The St. Croix cotton mill made its first shipment on Oct. 10th, consisting of 65 bales of heavy shooting.

Emerson, N. W. T., has several inches of snow on the ground and is enjoying fine sleighing.

Winnipeg has the electric light and street cars. It wants a Free Public Library and will soon get one.

Good progress is being made with the Cape Railway. Work has commenced at Midgic.

The saw mills and factory of E. B. Eddy, Hull, Ont., were destroyed by fire on Nov. 2nd. Loss \$300,000.

The sugar beet crop throughout the Province of Quebec is very good this year and the growers have done well.

It is said that J. C. Campbell, M. P., has sold his coal mine at Kelly's Cove to a company of English capitalists.

It is supposed that two young men named Crowell, who lived on Port Mouton Island, were drowned Nov. 3rd, as their boat was found sunk not far from the shore.

Messrs. Hutton and Koteluma are obtaining estimates of the cost of the wood, iron, masonry, etc., which would be required for the Ship Railway, also the cost of clearing, excavating, etc.

The Allan Steamship Company has taken action against the *Montreal Witness* for \$50,000 damages, for libel in not retracting statements made against the treatment of passengers on the steamship *Sardinian*.

The Spring Hill Mining Company have taken out 174,246 tons of coal for ten months of this year, up to Oct. 21st, as against 135,160 tons for the same period of last year, being an increase of 29,086 tons.

Judge Steadman, of Fredericton, N. B., in the County Court has sentenced Newton Lee and George M. Lee convicted of wounding Policeman Vandine while attempting their arrest on the 31st of July, to twenty years service in the Dorchester Penitentiary.

Mr. Goodwin Smith has established a new institution in Toronto known as the Children's Day Home. The object of the home is to care for the children of women who are obliged to go out by the day. A nominal charge of two cents per day will be made.

The people of Thunder Bay are agitated over the question whether or not the Syndicate will locate the terminal of their system at Thunder Bay. The fact that \$150,000 has been offered within the past week for a certain property by the Syndicate, is regarded as very significant.

The Minister of Marine and Fisheries and his staff are gathering Canadian exhibits of fish to be sent to the International Fisheries Exhibition to be held in London in May next. This important exhibition will be held under the patronage of the Queen, with the Prince of Wales for President.

Mr. Green, C. E., has, under direction of the Dominion Government, run a line from Joggins Mines to Maccan Station. It crosses River Herbert a little below the bridge, and is a good line for the proposed railway. Other routes will be surveyed, to cross the river below.

Mr. Alex. Gibson entertained some 200 of his employees and other residents of Marysville at a dinner, in the public hall, on Halloween, and on the following evening Mr. Gibson entertained the children of the village, some 250 in number, providing a banquet that would do credit to the best hotels. Music was furnished under the direction of Prof. Sterne.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Hon. J. J. Rogerson, Receiver General, has resigned in consequence of disagreement with his colleagues on the Railway question.

Election returns received make it certain that Whiteway's government has been sustained by a large majority.—*Morning Herald*.

The work on the Carboniferous Drain is rapidly progressing. On the Carboniferous end over 415 men are employed, while on the Harbor Grace end no fewer than 700 laborers are now busy grading the road.

GENERAL.

A violent earthquake has occurred in the vicinity of Aintah, northern Syria. Several villages were destroyed.

There are now 1,520 employees in the American Pension-office, and the force is announced to be complete.

The cotton crop in Texas is so large and pickers so scarce that a great deal of the staple will be left ungathered.

It is safe to say that 3,000,000 bushels of potatoes will be manufactured into starch this season in the 25 factories of Aroostook.

Twelve thousand public school children took part in the musical exercises of the Penn bi-centennial ceremonies in Philadelphia last week.

At a Council of Ministers, on Nov. 2nd, King Alfonso presiding, it was decided not to hand over the Cuban refugees to the British authorities.

Excesses against the Jews have recommenced at Pressburg, Hungary. Drunken rioters plundered their shops and killed a woman. Ten rioters have been arrested.

Kossuth, the Hungarian patriot, recently celebrated his eighty-first birthday and the thirty-first anniversary of his condemnation to death as a traitor.

A fire at Portland, Me., on the 6th inst., burned out a number of firms on Commercial Street, and along the wharves. The total loss will probably reach \$400,000.

The Park Theatre, in which Mrs. Langtry was to have performed, was burnt to the ground on Oct. 30th. The loss is estimated at a quarter of a million of dollars.

According to a Constantinople telegram, the Khedive has sent a congratulatory telegram to the Sultan, and begged for his continued favour and protection.

Immigrants arriving in the United States at the rate of a million a year, and methods are being adopted to accelerate the increase of this number.

A telegram from Mecca reports a severe outbreak of cholera there. Baker Pasha in consequence has ordered 600 men equipped to guard the seaports.

The fruit crop in Scotland has been a complete failure. It is the worst season for the last fifty years. One orchard, which is rented for \$1,000, yielded one barrel of apples.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes has resigned his Harvard Professorship in order, it is said, to devote his time more exclusively to literary pursuits. He has occupied the chair for the period of 35 years.

Lord Dufferin goes to Cairo. The Sultan is afraid of the consequences and begs for delay. But the shrewd diplomatist is more than a match for the dilatory Turk, and at the appointed time will start on his mission.

The belief is current that the Russians are pressing a march to Erzeroum and Van. Turkish troops are concentrated at Van and four more battalions have been ordered thither. The town of Bitlis, 60 miles west of Van, has been destroyed by fire.

It is proposed in England that another Suez canal be constructed, wider, deeper and by a more favorable route. British engineers say it can be done and British shipowners seem disposed to make up their minds that it shall be done.

Mr. Muir, a Scotch minister, who, while passing through Paris, prayed at the funeral of his friend Mr. Dodds Bay, went South, and, at the docks of Bordeaux, had the inexpressible grief of seeing a locomotive crush to death his wife as she was crossing the way.

Peruvian advices state that Montenegro continues to raid on friend and foe. The Chilians continue to capture and shoot them in dozens. Calderon refuses to concede the Chilian demands, which have been wonderfully moderate.

Wolsley reached Dover and London on Saturday and was enthusiastically welcomed in both places. In London, an immense multitude awaited his arrival at the station and ovated him in the British fashion. He has proceeded to Balmoral to pay his respects to the Queen.

The Pope has written to Queen Victoria, cordially thanking her for the interest shown in the welfare of the Catholics throughout her dominions, and for the religious freedom enjoyed under the British Government. The letter was accompanied with presents.

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Replying to an Italian deputation, which waited upon him, Mr. Victor Hugo declared the alliance of Italy and France to be imperishable. In no long time France, Italy, Spain, and perhaps Greece, with England, are to occupy Africa conjointly in the name of civilization, and thus the Latin nations are to begin the United States of Europe.

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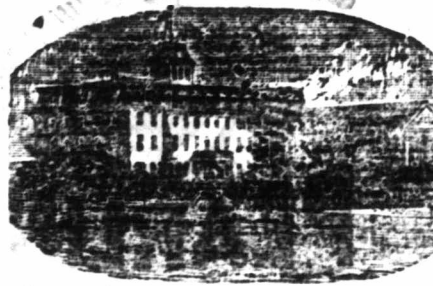
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