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SICK.—Bro. Hinson, the Moderator of the Eastern Association, was taken suddenly ill, on Sabbath evening, and had to leave for home on Monday's train, seriously indisposed. Special prayer was offered on his behalf. We are glad to learn that he has recovered, and expects to go to P. E. Island for a rest.

UNION.—As we noticed, some time since, there is a movement in progress to unite the Baptists and Free Will Baptists of the United States. Our Maine contemporary, *Zion's Advocate*, has taken the lead in the matter. In the last issue is a communication from a prominent F. W. Baptist minister in the West. It was first sent to the *Morning Star*, the F. W. Baptist paper of New England, and was refused. In this communication, this F. W. Baptist brother argues that if F. W. Baptists were at present in Baptist churches with their present beliefs, they would not think it necessary to form a new denomination. From this he concludes, that there can be no insuperable obstacle to union with the Baptists, and their separate existence should cease. Dr. Burrows, of *Zion's Advocate*, thinks the *Morning Star* the chief obstacle to union. We are sure this will not be true of the *Intelligencer*, in the movement for union in our provinces.

DEMINOMIATIONAL LITERATURE.—The following is the Report of the Central N. S. Association on Denominational Literature:

"Realizing as we do, in part at least, the mighty influence of a denominational newspaper, we would congratulate the Maritime Baptist Publishing Company on the success attending their efforts to supply the denomination with a first-class religious weekly, and while expressing our gratification in seeing the increasing circulation of the *Messenger and Visitor*, and the growing favor with which it is regarded, we venture the hope that it may receive a still wider and more practical endorsement until, if possible, it has a place in every Baptist home throughout these provinces."

If all our pastors and leading members will but assist us, the *Messenger and Visitor* can be placed in the most of our Baptist families. Help us all you can, brethren and sisters.

GAIN OR LOSS.—A fortnight ago, a communication appeared under the caption of "Gain or Loss." The subject referred to is a most important one. Our churches, and through them the work of the denomination, will be left in a crippled state, ending in decline, unless we have ministers to man our fields. In the past, when our students for the ministry went to Newton for theological instruction, a large part of them were lost to us. It was hoped that the affiliation of Maritime Baptists with McMaster Hall would save us partially, at least, from this loss. It is to be said, however, that our connection with McMaster Hall has been more nominal than real, up to the present. The graduates of Acadia who have sought a theological course, have, with one exception, gone to institutions in the U. S., the most of them to Newton. Of these, about the old proportion remain away. It is true that of those who have gone to McMaster, quite a number have not returned. There were special reasons, in one or two cases. At least five have come back to us. Others will be more likely to come in the future, than though they went to the U. S. They live in Ontario under similar conditions to those that exist among us, and they will not have tastes developed which would be a barrier to their return. There are not very many churches in the Upper Provinces, and the competition with our churches for men cannot be very sharp or last very long.

What we need to make the present connection with McMaster Hall effective, is to have a fund to pay the fares of the students to and fro. Could there be each year a fair proportion of the students of McMaster sent out among our churches during vacations, they would form attachments to fields, and have their minds turned to work among us, and would be held to our churches. The cost entailed upon us, in securing this arrangement, would not be a stately of what would be necessary if we attempted theological instruction among ourselves, even upon a very small scale. This matter deserves serious consideration, as does the question how to get our churches to give their pastors a better salary.

WHO WILL DO LUKWISA?—A brother who is deeply interested in the denomination wrote, some time since, describing what a help it would be to all our interests could the *Messenger and Visitor* be placed in all the Baptist families of the Maritime Provinces. To this end he suggested that present subscribers each try to get one other to take the paper between this and Jan. '88. This is an excellent suggestion, and the little trouble it would entail on each would be one of the best investments of effort. This brother has already sent in several names. It is a fact that the denomination must depend for means for its great entry into upon those who become interested in its work through the informa-

tion and stimulus received chiefly through our paper. This, of itself, should lead all who desire the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom through us, to help the circulation of the *Messenger and Visitor*. Who will help?

INCONSISTENT A JEWEL.—Canon Farrar recently presided at the annual meeting of a nonconformist college, and Dr. Perowne, Dean of Peterborough, the learned author of a most scholarly commentary on the Psalms, spoke at a platform missionary meeting of a Baptist association. As pointed out by Dr. Parker, in reference to the first of these cases, all this is inconsistent with the Episcopal idea about the true church and a valid ordination and ministry. But consistency with the belief that the Episcopal is the only church and their clergy the only legitimate ministry, is not a jewel, and such acts of fraternization may help to break down some arrogant assumptions.

DISCIPLE BELIEFS.—The following, which we clip from the *Religious Herald*, shows what Disciples avow as their belief, when they speak freely: "Baptism is synonymous with the new birth," says a writer in the *Christian Leader*, a Disciple paper of Cincinnati (see issue of June 14). An editorial in the same paper speaks of "baptism as one of the conditions of salvation," and urges that preachers should baptize those who ask for it as soon as possible, since to delay is to "endanger their eternal salvation." In early times, infant baptism was introduced, from a similar fear, based upon a similar reason. Baptism was thought necessary to salvation, and so the infant must be baptized, to insure his safety.

EXPLANATION.—We have received a note from a reliable gentleman that the most of the excursionists on the special Sunday train to the Eastern N. B. Association, came for the purpose of attending the religious services, and but few went picnicking. We are glad to hear this; but we are still sorry that the train was run; for, in these times, when the world is seeking to capture the Sabbath for its business and amusements, we cannot be too careful not to give any countenance to the secularization of this holy day.

"Mongrel Holiness."

Such was the term applied a few days ago by a scholarly and earnest Congregationalist minister to that "holiness" which is so loudly professed and so earnestly promoted by certain persons at the present time. The term seemed to me just and apt. This view was confirmed later by a conversation with one of the "perfect men." Last winter he received the "second blessing." "Inbred sin" was taken completely away. From that day he had been perfectly sinless. His heart was absolutely pure.

These pretensions were so amazing that I piled him with questions, until the following facts were learned. (1) Although "inbred sin" had been taken away completely, it was liable to return. (2) He had felt some condemnation once or twice since becoming perfect, but he had not sinned. (3) It was his heart which was perfect, not his head. His head was liable to err in judgment. (4) He was a member of one church, but attended another. He had not attended his own church, nor taken communion there, for a great while. He was therefore violating his covenant every week, and yet he had no sense of condemnation! Truly, he was right when he declared that his head was not perfect. He might have professed also that his conscience was not perfect.

If this man was a fair type of his class—and he was well read in the tracts, books and periodicals which teach this "mongrel holiness,"—what monstrous folly these teachings are. To what hypocrisy they are liable to lead. Observe the absurdity: A man of fallible judgment on all other matters, professing infallibility of judgment in matters relating to his heart! "The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is desperately wicked, who can know it?" The Lord declares that He can know it. And these "perfect men" stand up and boldly declare, "and we also."

James Brainerd Taylor is celebrated for the great piety to which he attained. He received a "second blessing," in response to earnest pleadings and sacrifices, and a third, and fourth. If ever a man was holy it was he. Now read this extract from his diary: "This morning did that for which I felt condemned. It was when off my guard, I read my prayer to the Lord, and trust He heard me. Learned anew the lesson, 'watch and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.' No one was injured by my sin. Lord, cleanse thou me from secret faults." Four days later we find him writing as follows: "Night before last I got away from God, by sinning against him. Alas! how aggravated my sin, after such overpowering visits of love! Surely I ought never to have offended

Him. Since then, but more particularly today, till noon, I felt wounded to the quick. Being enabled at noon, while reading a tract, to arraign myself more closely at the bar of conscience, I plead guilty—fall at the feet of Sovereign mercy, and God was abundantly gracious to a rebellious child. He restored my soul. He delivered me out of all my distresses." These extracts show how this holy and blessed man, who had been baptized again and again in the Holy Ghost, and was conscious of a most unusual and exalted degree of spiritual attainment, was accustomed to deal with himself. He was so near the glorious Light that every stain seemed black and terrible. In answer to his prayers God had given him wisdom liberally, so that, his conscience being enlightened, he was able to feel condemnation, and gave no pretty, harmless name to sin.

How this contrasts with the pretentious professions of some in our day. And much to their disadvantage. They need to charge their souls solemnly, as did he, "watch and pray, lest ye enter into temptation." Instead of inventing arguments to prove that their sins are not sins, they would do better, like him, to "arrange themselves more closely at the bar of conscience." Then they also might secure "overpowering visits of love," which would enrich them infinitely more than the tinsel joys of a pretentious self-righteousness.

O. C. S. WALLACE.
Lawrence, Mass.

Exhortation for Earnest Prayer:

We are often dazzled with the beauty of the sparkling brook that trickles down the mountain side, forgetful of the fountain in which it has its origin. So it is of times with the church of the living God. The eyes of Christians become dazzled by the splendor of the reports, which inform us of the large additions to the churches, of the many consecrated young men, who are coming forward to the noble work of bringing the world to Christ, and of the sudden opening of large portions of heathendom for mission work. They are forgetful of the source of this wonderful work. What is the result? The church is paralyzed in her efforts, her treasures are almost empty, and some of her members are becoming disheartened. Is there no remedy for this injustice? Ah! let us listen to the wise instruction of the Apostle. "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

Surely the Omnipotent one, who sent the brook coursing down the mountain's slope, is able to send his constraining love into the hearts of those whose sates are filled with gold, causing them to burst the locks, and exclaim, Here Lord is a thousand, "Thy will be done." What is it, these dollars to many men of our denomination? What is it for the Lord to move their hearts. Let us take hold of the powerful lever (prayer), which opens the windows of heaven, and wreeds until our Father supplieth all the needs of Zion. Herein lies the success of all the schemes of the church for the extension of Christ's kingdom. We may use as many agencies as we like, but unless we plead with God incessantly, we labor in vain. May God impress his people to pray as Jacob of old, is the prayer of
C. F. W.

Boston Items.

This "Hub" is a lively place. Everybody seems on the bounce, even our Provincial "slow-coaches" get energized and quickly learn the fashion. As in London, one sees life in great variety in this famed city. But the millionaire and artisan mingle together with much less distinction than in the old world, probably because the former was once the latter and has travelled the tollsome road from poverty to wealth, whilst in the old world the majority of the rich were born rich.

Lynn and other factory localities are largely made up of Province men and women, most of whom are industrious, and good christian workers. Whilst some take to the "deceptive cup" and fall to a sad level, not a few are leading christian and temperance workers, and refer to their dear old native home and friends in tender terms.

Rev. Dr. Lorimer is officiating for a few Sundays in Tremont Temple and attracts full houses even these hot days. His sermon on the "Birthright," on Sunday evening, as published in the *Boston Herald* of Monday, was a masterly production. The vast audience was held spell-bound, almost equal to a Spurgeon audience. He dares to say what he thinks and evidently thinks what he says. He dealt out hard blows to the Boston clothiers for importing from epidemic districts for a shade more profit and starving Boston laborers. "Shame! Shame!" bellowed loud applause.
Our visitors.
The business men deal but little with our Government or people on this subject, but

say our Nova Scotia men who fish out of American ports are the greatest grumblers. Sir Leonard Tilley, in his National Division speech, in Tremont Temple, said he "would be willing to let the National Division to settle the dispute." Neither party can afford to seriously quarrel over the matter, and will not, to say great extent. Our respecting interests are so identical and our people so intermingled that one almost seems at home here. We are in such close proximity, geographically and financially, that we cannot be far separated. It does one good to take a peep out of our shell.

Our religious folks, whose hearts are right, find plenty of "recess work," and enjoy it.
W. J. G.

Dakota Correspondence.

It is now just four years and two weeks since your correspondent, for reasons that appeared more satisfactory at the time to himself, than to many of his loved and loving friends, left with painful regrets the scene of ten years of the most arduous and yet the most joyous labors of his ministry thus far.

A quiet but busy life has been his during those four years, and not without some cheering fruit of prayerful labor. During those years, the cause of the Master has made rapid progress in North Dakota. Two years previous to the date mentioned, the first Baptist churches were organized in North Dakota. That year, that is in 1883, the first Baptist Association was formed; and a year later the North Dakota Baptist Convention was formed; and the following year the second Baptist Association was formed.—The Red River Valley Baptist Association.

We have now a well organized Missionary Convention; an efficient Minister's Union, meeting annually at the same place as the meeting of the Convention, and a day previous; a nucleus of a University, with the prospect of a liberal endowment, just now doing good work under the cognomen of "The Tower City Academy," two associations and about fifty churches; also two S. S. Conventions, one in connection with each of the associations, and at least forty or fifty Sunday schools. These, under God, have been established and matured to a very great extent through the careful management, indomitable energy, and shrewd directorship of our excellent General Missionary, Rev. G. W. Huntley.

Last week, the Red River Valley Association held its third annual meeting at St. Thomas, with the church of which Dr. J. Crawford is pastor; the old friend and co-laborer of the editor of the *Messenger and Visitor*. The weather was all that could be desired, the travelling was good, the attendance was fair for this new country, and there was a time of great enjoyment and profit spent. The S. S. Convention held its meetings the day previous, when the following topics were discussed: "Methods of Teaching," (for infant, intermediate and adult classes, respectively); "The Inspiration of the Bible"; "The Spirit of Missions in the Sabbath School"; "The Relation of the Teacher to the Pupil"; "The Service of Song in the Sabbath School"; "Best Methods of Securing Attendance at the Sabbath School"; and "The Question Box."

On Tuesday morning, July 6, after an hour spent in united prayer for Heaven's blessing, the associational sermon was preached by Pastor G. H. Davies, of Hamilton, from Col. 4:5. It was a discourse of great clearness, faithfulness, and force. We hope to have it put in some permanent form, whereby it can be circulated beyond the bounds of our own association. We may send you a copy of it for the columns of your excellent and wide-spread paper, for I feel assured you will deem it well worthy of a place among the valued sermons you publish.

The reports from the churches of our Association were generally cheering, but two or three told of great and gladdening blessings bestowed upon them, and many sheaves having been garnered during the year. One new church has been added to the Association, and several laborers have entered the field since our last annual meeting. There is still loud crying, from various parts of the field, for more laborers to be sent into the whitening harvest.

Our summer weather here has been all that the most exacting could wish for. Showers sufficiently heavy, but not too inundating, have followed each other during the season at short intervals, and warm days, with these, have promoted a luxuriant growth of grain of all sorts. The crops generally are simply magnificent; and whilst devastating storms have visited some parts of the Territory and done much damage, in some cases, to life and property, we have been to a great extent exempted from them. The grain is, much of it, well advanced. Some of it is just beginning to turn, as the old eastern farmer would say, when it begins to assume its golden hues. Our new railroad, which I mentioned in my last, is beginning to be hot, and soon

its iron steed will be scorching through our streets. Freight and fares will then be cheaper, and we may more reasonably look for our eastern friends to come and pay us a vacation visit, when they are afflicted with those oppressive "dog days" and nights, which we gratefully escape here. Say you come, brother, and spend a week or two in breathing this pure, buoyant, health-promoting atmosphere, that we have here so plentifully and so very free. We promise you a cozy corner in our Western cabin, and a "right glad welcome" should you come, "for the days of auld lang syne."
A. McD.

A Family Gathering.

On the 17th inst., one of the most remarkable gatherings occurred, which probably ever took place in the Dominion of Canada, at the home of Henry A. Bears, Murray River, P. E. Island. The mother, Mrs. Dorcas Bears, the eldest daughter of the late Abraham Whitman, of Canaan, N. S., now aged 87 years, still enjoying all her faculties and in good health, was favored with the gathering of all her family of thirteen children, who met for the first time to greet her as an unbroken family, except the father, who died some 14 years ago, aged 77 years. The first place where all met was in the "Temperance Hall" to engage in the worship of God together. When the 90th Psalm was read, and God's praises sang, the Rev. Mr. Punney preached from Gen. 7:1, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark."

After service, the whole family repaired to the homestead and took tea together; seated with the mother at the head of the table, the first born on her right hand and the rest in order in which they were born, bringing the youngest on the mother's left. The evening was spent in social conversation and singing.

On Monday morning, an artist was secured and a picture of the family group was taken. The names and ages of the family are as follows:

The mother, Dorcas Bears, aged 87 years, 6 months; James W. Bears, 67 years, 8 months; Sarah A. Cook, 66 years, 3 months; Dorcas L. Grant, 64 years, 9 months; Abraham W. Bears, 63 years, 6 months; Mercy C. Horton, 61 years, 8 months; Isaac A. Bears, 59 years, 9 months; David A. Bears, 57 years, 3 months; Rebecca E. Cook, 55 years, 6 months; Hannah E. Cuddy, 54 years; John F. Bears, 51 years, 8 months; Henrietta J. Brebant, 48 years, 10 months; Henry A. Bears, 45 years, 6 months; George W. Bears, 43 years, 6 months, making a total of 826 years, 10 months.

The grandchildren now number 65 living and 28 dead; the great-grandchildren are 73 living and 4 dead. There were present also at the gathering, a brother and sister of our father's, whose united ages are 148 years.

After the completing of the pictures, the piece called "Thy Will be Done," was sung, and prayer offered, and the gathering broke up, perhaps, never all to meet again in this world.

July 18. ONE OF THE GROUP.
[Provincial and United States papers please copy.]

Acadia College.

DONATIONS TO THE MUSEUM OF ACADIA COLLEGE SINCE LAST ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Dec. 9th.—Commission with large seal attached, dated 1827, appointing Commissioners of Dyke Lands for Horton. Capt. Geo. Johnson, Wolfville.

Dec. 15th.—Fern from the Sydney Coal Measures. A. White, Wolfville.

Dec. 20th.—Specimen of printing for the blind; copy of Ulester County Gazette of Jan. 4th, 1800, with obituary notice of Washington. Rev. G. E. Turf, Belfast, Me.

Dec. 30th.—Collection of articles from India. 1 mat, hand made, Kimidy; 2 Tongas or Axes from the Jeypore Agency; 1 Sword from Jeypore; 1 Bamboo Floor-mat; Wood of Palmyra Palm; Native Machine for extracting seed from cotton; Samples of Rook used for the Mission Buildings at Bimlipatam; Basket made at Aden from bark of roots; Chata or Telugue Hand-tray; Set of Modera Beads; Stick used by the Seenyassi or "Holy Man" of India; Eight Samples of Grain raised in the vicinity of Bimlipatam, viz: Ulasandaru, Guntalu, Pessalu, Teorilla, Chilla, Joualu (white and green), and Minnavulu. Rev. Rufus Sanford, India.

Jan. 10, '87.—Lignite—Magnette (pol: r) from West Gore, Hants Co. W. B. Wallace, Acadia College.

Jan. 20th.—Fungus growth, enclosing twig. Emery Bishop, Kentville.

Jan. 20th.—The Standard Winchester Measures of Kings Co., presented by the Municipality, consisting of four weights of 1, 2, 4, and 7 pounds each, six measures from 1 pint to a half bushel, and a pair of balances made in London, 1785, of alloyed copper.

Feb. 8th.—Natural History Specimens, consisting of the nest of a Chimney Swallow with 3 eggs, Snipe with 4 eggs, Yellow bird with 3 eggs, Bobolink with 6 eggs, Cow-bird with 3 eggs and Wood Swallow with 5 eggs. Aus en Kempton, Canard. March.—Specimen of Spruce Falp from New York State. Rev. Dr. Sawyer.

April.—Copper Coin from Hayti—Six Centimes, 1846. Louis Moreau, Horton Academy.

April 26.—Mummified Mouse found in an old partition. C. Y. Johnson, Wolfville. May 9th.—Foot and Lower Limb of Ostrich from the Cape of Good Hope; Mammoth Star-fish from Barbadoes. Capt. Gormley, Wolfville.

June 4th.—Rattlesnake Skin. I. H. Tiser, Horton Academy.

June 8th.—Cannon Ball (11 lbs.) relic of the French war; ploughed up at Jeddore, Halifax Co., May, 1855. L. A. Cooney, (Lic.) West Jeddore.

The donors will please accept the thanks of the College for these contributions.
A. E. COLDWELL,
Curator of Museum
Acadia College, July, 1887.

DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

From June 1st, 1886, to June 1st, 1887.

Letters to N. S. Western Association for '82, '83 and '85. Rev. G. E. Day, D. D. Sessional Papers for 1886, Vol. XIX in Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, in all 13 vols. Statistics of Canada, 1886. Journals of the Senate, Geological Survey of Canada, 1885, Vol. 1. Census of the North West. Journals of the House of Commons. From the Dominion Government.

Regent's Report of the University of New York, 5 vols., 1880, 82, 83, 84 and 85. University of New York.

Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada for 1885. Royal Society.

Canadian Economics. Montreal Commission.

Journals of the House of Assembly N. S., 1885, '86. N. S. Government.

N. S. Blue Books for 1886—87. E. Andrews, M. P. P.

Complete Husbandry, London, 1759. Earnest Freeman, Acadia College.

Belcher's Almanacks, 1884, '85, '86. Ebenz. Coldwell.

Annals of Scientific Discovery, 1860, '61, '64. Ripley's Sacred Rhetoric, Diary of Amos Lawrence. Emerson's English Traits. Forster's Monuments of Assyria. Malcom's Theological Index. Barrett on the Languages. Adam's Historical Chart. S. Selden, Halifax.
A. E. COLDWELL,
Librarian.

June 9, 1887.

The LITTLE BOOT BLACK.—A hundred years ago there lived a little boy in Oxford, England, whose business it was to clean the boots of the students of the famous University there. He was poor, but bright and smart.

The lad, whose name was George, grew rapidly in favour with the students. His prompt and hearty way of doing things, his industrious habits and faithful deeds, won their admiration. They saw in him the promise of a noble man, and they proposed to teach him a little every day. Eager to learn, George accepted their proposition; and he soon surprised his teachers by his rapid progress. "A boy who can blacken boots well can study well," said one of the students. "Keen as a brier," said another, "and pluck enough to make a hero."

"But we cannot stop to tell of his patience and perseverance. He went on, step by step, just as the song goes—

"One step and then another," until he became a man—a learned and eloquent man, who preached the Gospel to adjoining thousands. The little boot-black became the renowned pulpit orator, George Whitefield.—*Christian Neighbor.*

—Nothing in the world gives such a scope to discontent as idleness, no matter whether forced or voluntary. A man had better be darning stockings than doing nothing.—*T. Carlyle.*

—The devil is wily enough to know that churches, ministers, educational institutions, missionary societies, and kindred institutions, are not likely to do his cause any harm while there are so many whose christianity does not lead them to perform substantial work for Christ. The salvation of sinners and the glory of the Saviour depends, under God, on the earnest, self-sacrificing efforts of those who feel that these objects are first in importance. Thank God! there are many who to-day are saying,
"All that I am, and all I have,
Shall be forever thine;
What'er my duty bids me give,
My cheerful hands resign."
And may they be encouraged and greatly prospered in their work in the prayer of
Ulric Daut.

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THE CONVENTION AGAIN.

Last week we referred to several matters which need attention in connection with the approaching Convention. Several others need to be mentioned. It is the habit of many of our churches to put off sending in their contributions to the Convention Fund until the last moment.

It will be seen by the report of the Central N. S. Association on the Grouping of the Churches, as published in the last Messenger and Visitor, that this Association has adopted the plan of local organizations to push on the work of the denomination.

Perhaps there will be need to consider another question. The brethren in N. B. have the Seminary upon their hands. The Baptists of the Maritime Provinces have the Jubilee Thank Offering of \$50,000 for Acadia College to raise.

There will be need, as there ever is, of the presence and power of the Master of Assemblies, at our Convention gathering.

N. S. EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

The following was omitted from last week's report: 36 of the 45 churches of the Association reported. The letters show 321 baptisms, a total gain of 233, a total loss of 166, making a net loss of 233.

Care will need to be taken not to deal with absent church members in too summary a manner. Every effort should be made to find out their present residence, get them to take letters to the Baptist churches in the vicinity, or, if there be no Baptist church there, to report regularly to the home church and contribute to her funds.

On Monday afternoon a very dry communication was read in place of the usual stated circular letter. We hope to give it to our readers. The remainder of the afternoon was the reading of systematic benevolence

occupied the chief attention of the Association. We are glad that this matter, so vital to the welfare of our denomination, is brought into the regular business of this Association, and that a report is brought in from year to year.

Your committee beg to report: That we believe the Holy Scriptures teach systematic benevolence as clearly as they teach benevolence at all: "Upon the first, etc." 1 Cor. 16: 1-3.

(a). There is system as to who must give. "Every one of you"—not the rich give all and the poor none; nor, as is usually the case, the poor give most and the rich very little; but as the Holy Spirit says, in 2 Cor. 8: 13, "By an equality, now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want that their abundance may be a supply for your want: that there may be equality; for I mean not that other men be eased and you burdened."

(b). Here is a system as to time: "First, day of, etc." It was not to be spasmodic at Association or special meetings; but there was a regularity in their giving.

(c). System as to how: "Lay by ye in store." They were not to wait for a special agent to come and work up their feelings. It was not to be feeling but principle. "Every man according as he purposed in his heart, etc." 2 Cor. 9: 7.

(d). As to motive: "as God has prospered." They were not to give as others gave or as the church expected; give according to God's gifts in them. "ye know the grace of our, etc." 2 Cor. 9: 8.

(e). System as to how much: "as God, etc." This "as" implies a proportion: In what proportion? The people of God of old, the Jews, were required to give him a tenth of their increase. Well, we ask, shall a Christian be meaner than a Jew? Paul seems to intimate that we are to practice the same, 1 Cor. 9: 13, "Do ye not know, etc."

But, notwithstanding, this plain Scripture teaching, we find a majority of our churches, with little or no system.

We believe that churches which do this part of God's work well are blessed above others. "Bring ye all the tithes, etc." is a text with a big promise, and it ought not to be spiritualized.

Not wishing to be censorious, we believe that the fault is in both pastor and people, and that both pastor and people should arise and crush this evil in the sight of the Lord. Therefore we recommend:

That the pastors begin, with all the sanctified vim they can command, to teach the people just what God does say on this point. Many Christians do not know how much is said about money in connection with the gospel. Many good people feel toward a pastor who says much about money as the highland Scotch felt toward Dr. Chalmers, when he proved by the multiplication table how many men it would take to run a church: "He was a smart man; but, very, very worldly." This comes from gross ignorance of God's word.

As a consequence, many pastors are very delicate on this point. But how can we rid our souls, if we are silent on this part of the gospel? We should preach it and back up our preaching by our example.

The churches must co-operate with their pastors. (a) By abolishing all other methods of this work; such as, appeals, fairs, etc., all of which it would be easy to show are detrimental to the cause of true benevolence. (b) By a strict course of action with reference to this text: "As ye abound in, etc." 1 Cor. 8: 7. Nobody should be received into the fellowship of our churches until examined on this point, and any one in fellowship who can and will not give to the support of God's cause, should be promptly dealt with as a disorderly brother, not walking according to the Apostle's doctrine.

Your committee do not feel it would be wise for it to lay down a plan for the individual churches; but would heartily commend the Convention Scheme, for denominational benevolence.

Dr. Day gave an address in the interests of the Convention Fund, in which he pressed the need of keeping up the contribution to this fund as the first duty.

Bro. L. M. Weeks insisted upon the need of ministers setting an example in devoting at least one-tenth of their income to the Lord. Ministers are not in a position to press this duty upon their people until they do their own.

Bro. Cohoon admitted it required considerable courage in a minister to appeal to his people for money, but it should be done. He showed how he had dealt with his people and the success which resulted. The matter of giving was at the foundation of all our work. The reason why our young men go and stay away, is because our churches do not encourage them to return.

Bro. R. Tingley spoke of his experience since he adopted the principle of giving at least one tenth. He believed that the tenths would do more for us, when the one tenth was devoted to God, than the whole would otherwise. The Lord had prospered him financially, and he believed it was God's blessing on this principle.

Bro. M. Gross gave his experience also. He was embarrassed in circumstances, when he began devoting one-tenth to the Lord. From that day till now he had never wanted for money, and had been relieved of much care.

Bro. J. T. Horsman, as a layman, desired to reverse the usual order and preach to the ministers. These were most at fault for the small giving of their people. Ministers often tell the people about giving, but do not teach them—give them information.

Dr. Sawyer thought we spend much time at our Associations to get up steam and as soon as we go home it evaporates. We want systems to afford a channel in which our warm feelings may find practical expression. If there is to be system there must be a few to take up the burden of working the system. We cannot give to the Lord. All we have is his, and we are only his stewards, to administer his property. The thought of the great unused power of the denomination is overwhelming. We must have leadership, both of ministers and laymen, if this power is to be used.

This discussion was one of the most profitable of the Association, and will, we believe, make a lasting impression on many hearts.

The evening platform meeting in the interests of education was fairly well attended.

Dr. Sawyer was the first speaker. He represented an old institution. The growth of the denomination since the founding of Acadia college had been great. The church is the most exalted organization on earth. Its object is to uphold God's cause and uphold his truth. Each church has it in its power to uplift the community where it is, and permeate them with its principles. How is the church to be prepared for this mission? It must be by the cultivation of the gifts her Head has placed within her. Our weakness and shame is that so many church members think they have nothing to do after their own salvation but to pursue their worldly and selfish aims. There is need of the development of the gifts of the church to provide for the faith, ministers and workers. This requires institutions of learning. If there be need of education, we cannot leave the world to provide it. What higher privileges than to be able to send our children where they can be taught under strong Christian influences. The brethren would be surprised at the warmth of the religious life of the students at Acadia. For your own sake, for the sake of the church and of our Lord, think these things through to their right conclusions.

Dr. Hopper was probably interested in the matter of education. Our educational work, especially of Acadia college, reflects more honor on the Baptists of these lower provinces than anything else. He was profoundly convinced of the need of our raising the \$50,000 jubilee offering. He was also deeply interested in the Seminary of N. B. He gave a sketch of the history of the Seminary. Jos. Grandall was the first president of the N. B. Education Society. We were the first in N. B. to open a school free from ecclesiastical ties. The past history of the Seminary taught us to have faith in God and go forward. The main building, at St. Martins, which is now ready for the roof, was described. It will be the best academic building in the Dominion. He believed the \$24,000 of stock subscribed was good. We need this Seminary to complete our common school system. When the child goes from the common school to be a Christian academy to which to go. We need it for the sake of Acadia college. We gather them into the Seminary and pass them on to Acadia. We need the Seminary for the sake of our denomination. If we do not have an institution of our own our children will go to those of others and will be alienated from us in sympathy.

Bro. Cohoon described our three institutions at Wolfville. These three institutions belong to the denomination in the Maritime Provinces. They are controlled by our Convention directly and altogether. The \$50,000 asked for a jubilee fund, is to be an extra. Fifty years ago there was but one educational institution in the provinces, and this was closed against all who could not subscribe to the thirty-nine articles. We had no educated men. But God provided us with them by converting a number of this class in Halifax. He showed the hand of God in the founding of Acadia, in the struggle for a charter, in the erection of the building, in giving us Dr. Cramp in place of Prof. Chipman, when he sank beneath the Basin of Minas, in the help at other times of great trial, in the saving power which has continued to visit the college year after year through all her history. We should make up this thank-offering also because of what Acadia has done for the denomination, in the consecration of the best talent of our people that have been received there,—ministers, missionaries and prominent laymen. To raise this thank-offering is more than a matter of mere sentiment. We need it. The college is run more cheaply than any institution on the continent; but still the income of the college does not meet the present expenditure, while there is absolute demand for enlarged advantages, which will make it necessary to have a larger income.

These addresses were heard with great attention, and seemed to make a deep impression.

On Tuesday some attention was given to the grouping of the churches in the Association. A resolution was adopted, committing the Association to the principle of grouping. This is a matter of great importance. If our churches are all to have pastoral care, we must have them grouped.

The report on Sabbath schools with some routine business occupied the rest of the session. This report was an excellent

one. Brethren Swaffield, Weeks, Corey, Drs. Sawyer, Day, and Bro. Cohoon participated in the discussion. The attendance, however, was small, it being impossible to keep delegates to the close of the Association. The old plan of requiring children to commit Scripture to memory was recommended. The children should be taught to give, and when they grow up, they will be liberal. All should be Sabbath school scholars and workers.

The Association adjourned to meet with the Moncton church the third Saturday in July of '88.

GROUPING THE CHURCHES.

The following is the preamble and resolution passed at the Eastern N. B. Association on the important matter of the grouping of the churches. We ask for it the special attention of our pastors and churches. Very much depends upon how the suggestions of this resolution are carried out. If churches refuse to unite with others to form a field of labor for a single pastor, or if pastors break up groups by accepting calls to single churches in them, the grouping which is so evidently for the general good of the churches, will be effectually hindered. We are sure serious consideration will prevent any obstacle of this kind being thrown in the way of this movement to advance the work. This is the resolution:

"Whereas, It is necessary for the continued existence and growth of our weak churches that they should be regularly supplied with pastoral watch-care and instruction, and

"Whereas, Such pastoral oversight cannot be provided without these churches being grouped in convenient pastorate, and

"Therefore Resolved, That this Association urge upon its churches, and ministers to co-operate with one another and with the Home Mission Board in effecting and maintaining a convenient system of grouping."

A BARRIER TO CHRISTIAN UNION.

In the Presbyterian Review for July, Prof. C. A. Briggs discusses the "Barriers to Christian Union." Among these is the demand for uniformity of worship. Under this head he refers to the Baptist position and says:

"The greatest difficulty remains in the celebration of the sacraments. Many of the Baptist churches hold that immersion is the only mode of baptism. This implies that all who have not been baptized by immersion are not members of the visible Church, and that therefore there is no other visible churches than these Baptist churches. The doctrine of close communion is a necessary consequence of this doctrine, for on one can rightly partake of the Lord's Supper who has not been baptized. We apprehend that our Baptist brethren do not realize how intolerant this position really is. It is more intolerant than the doctrine that refuses to recognize the validity of the ordination of the ministry of non-Episcopal churches, for this doctrine only denies the ministry of these churches, while it recognizes their baptism as valid, and that they and their people are members of the visible Church of Christ. But the Baptist doctrine with one blow destroys the ministry and the church-right of all the people of other Christian churches by refusing to recognize the validity of their baptism. . . . We would suggest that if Baptists could affirm from their point of view that the baptism celebrated in other Christian churches is valid as to its essence, owing to the application of water in the name of the blessed Trinity, though irregular in form, the barriers would be removed. Other churches recognize baptism by immersion as valid, and the ceremony might, by common consent, be left to the conscientious preference of congregations, or even individuals."

On this, we remark: 1. We are glad to see that Prof. Briggs admits that close communion is the necessary logical outcome of holding immersion only to be baptism. The adoption of open communion, while holding that immersion only is valid baptism, would, in his view, but make Baptists inconsistent, while it would not lessen the obstacles to Christian union.

2. He also declares that church membership and visible churches and all ministerial and church-rights depend upon valid baptism. How strange it is that Pedobaptist scholars, believing that baptism conditions so much, should be willing to substitute for the baptism of the New Testament what they admit the word baptism never meant, and what they admit the apostolic church never practiced.

3. Those who abide by just what Christ commanded in baptism are not responsible for dissemination, but those who have substituted something in its stead. We are sure our Lord does not want those who follow his exact instructions to take liberties with his commands in order to accommodate those who are compelled to admit they have departed from his directions. Will our Pedobaptist brethren never entertain the idea that it will be easier for them to adopt immersion, which they admit to be scriptural baptism, than for us to his against our consciences, and admit as baptism what, according to the scholarship of the world (and the plain teaching of the New Testament, is not what the word baptism signifies)?

4. We are not alarmed at the accusation of intolerance. The truth is the most intolerant thing under heaven. The reason is that it is like its author, who never tolerates error. While we admit the

right of every man to form his own opinions, and to have the utmost liberty to hold and propagate them, providing they do not infringe upon the rights of others, we hold that those who are convinced certain views are erroneous, can be nothing else but intolerant of them. The tolerance demanded asks us to accept these views as of equal practical worth with our own, which we do not believe. We cannot be tolerant of them and not be false to ourselves, to conscience and to God.

5. Our Lord was regarded as very intolerant while on earth, and so were the apostles. He did not tolerate the commandments of men, or the traditions of the elders, but poured out upon them his indignation. Paul was not tolerant of the Judaizing teaching. We are in good company when we are intolerant of error.

6. We need to keep in mind two things that Prof. Briggs seems to have overlooked. First, to have the truth as to baptism is worth something. Second, to have and hold the truth as to baptism is required of us by God, and binds our consciences. He assumes that uniformity in the sacraments constitutes a barrier to Christian union. Is this so? Did our Lord command anything more than a single act in this rite which ever signifies the same thing? If not, then does not God desire uniformity in the sacraments? If so, then those who depart from what was originally the uniform practice are responsible for the barrier to unity, and should take it away at once by returning to the one baptism.

7. But even though we gave up immersion as the only baptism, there would still remain the most formidable barrier to the union of Baptists and Pedobaptists. We could never suffer the constitution of a New Testament church to be broken down, and all, both bad and good, to be received into the fold through infant baptism. The church of Christ for those who have life from Christ is our most precious principle, which we will not yield, while we have breath to protest against its violation.

THE WEEK.

The Crimes Bill has passed through the House of Commons, and has become law. Balfour has made a trip to Ireland and has had a conference with many of the Irish notables from various parts of the country with a view to the best way to put the law in force. The Land Bill is under discussion in the Commons, after having been passed through the Lords. The Conservatives are at the mercy of the Unionists, and have been compelled to modify the Bill to meet their views. This has been felt to be a humiliation by many of that party. It is either to submit to the dictation of the Unionists or resign. The bye-elections still show an extraordinary turning of the public sentiment towards Gladstone's policy. The poorer voters are not pleased at the proposal to reimburse the Irish landlords out of their earnings. The Conservative papers are urging upon the Unionist's leaders the duty of accepting seats in the cabinet, which means the virtual amalgamation of the two parties. It seems pretty evident that there will be no Unionist party after the next election. The question is whether the Unionists will consent to share the fortunes of the Conservatives or be dissolved, part going to the Conservatives, with Hartington at their head, part returning to their old party. If any hold out for separate existence, it is probable that they will be left high and dry. Perhaps Chamberlain's prospects are as dark as those of any, as he would not be able to take a place with Conservatives, while he will not again be trusted by the Liberals.

At last the Afghan boundary question is said to be settled. There has been a compromise. Judging from the past, Russia will accept the concession made to her, and will then find means to reopen the question of her concessions to Great Britain.

The French chambers have passed the mobilization bill by a large majority. The German government have entered a complaint of the way Germans are ill-treated in France. The feeling between the countries does not grow better, but worse. The Germans are very active in military matters about Metz.

The election of Ferdinand to the throne of Bulgaria still hangs fire. Russia will not give her assent. There are evidences that Russian emissaries are at work stirring up a party.

The heat has been terrible in parts of the United States, during the past week. Hundreds have been smitten down with sun stroke. In some states the drouth has destroyed the crops over large areas. But the drouth has been succeeded by a general deluge of rain. In Great Britain there is the same complaint.

The report of crops in New Brunswick shows that they are all above the average. In Nova Scotia, in sections where the land is light, especially along the Atlantic sea-board, the hay crop is light. The fruit crop promises well, as does the yield of potatoes. On the whole, the outlook is good.

There is a rumor that Stanley has been slain, but it is discredited by the authorities in England.

QUESTIONS.

I wish to ask "Layman" does the term, "born of water," appear in medical literature, either ancient or modern, to denote the natural birth. Or would Nicodemus be more likely to suppose Christ to be speaking of the natural birth in John 3: 5,

when he says, "born of water," than the readers of the New Testament are to take that meaning from it to-day?

Answer.—This question was mislaid, but we insert it now. The whole exegesis of "Novus" and "Layman" turns upon the answer. Our own opinion is that "born of water" never had this significance, and that this is fatal to this exegesis.

Is it not consistent with Baptist doctrine and practice for a Baptist church to appoint a delegation of its members to visit adjacent districts (where part of its members live) to receive candidates for baptism and church membership, when the parties in said district wish church so to do? Would it not also be right to hold a conference in districts away from church building when it is felt that it is more convenient for parties wishing to join church, and as convenient for church.

Answer.—Under these circumstances, yes, in each case. Where there is any question pending, however, upon which there is sectional feeling, it would be better to have church meetings at the centre, where there could be the fullest representation.

Three Weeks at St. Martins.

Finding much work of a pastoral character to be done here, in consequence of the age of the venerable Dr. Bill, the former pastor, and the large gathering, in connection with the Bro. Chubbuck's services here last summer, I spent the first two weeks in the homes of the people by day, ending each day with a meeting in some section of the field. The results have been most satisfactory in the increase of the Lord's day congregations at the centre, and the general quickening of the religious life of the people.

The efforts of this week thus far (Thursday, p. m.) have been concentrated on Fairview, a beautiful farming settlement of twenty-five families, about five miles from the centre. The results have been glorious. God has wonderfully honored his own word. I held three meetings with the people the first day, (the first being a funeral service). On the second evening more than twenty rose for prayer, and each evening adds to the number. I think there is not one home in which there is not one or more anxious or rejoicing souls. The people are a mixture of Methodist, Episcopalians and Baptists, but all come to the meetings, men, women and children, and all seem to be blessed. There are but three Baptist members in the settlement, but I trust they will soon have company.

I have preached three times at Salmon River, a lumbering village about six miles from here, where, in two large mills, they cut between ten millions and fourteen millions of lumber per annum, employing, of course, a large number of men. God is moving upon the people there also. I go there to-night, and I hope to have good news to report. I earnestly solicit the prayers of the reader that the dancing houses of these communities may all become houses of prayer. D. G. MACDONALD.

St. Martins, July 21.

P. S.—Friday morning. Had a season of refreshing at Salmon River last night. All seem to be impressed, and eight or ten asked for prayer. More anon. D. G. M.

W. B. M. U.

Table with columns for names and amounts. Includes Cavendish, per M McNeil \$15.00, Hopewell Hill, per M C Hamilton 4.00, etc.

Received for Acadia College.

Table with columns for names and amounts. Includes Estate late H M Parker, per Rev S B Kempton \$25.00, Sale of the "Armstrong Dyke" 100.00, etc.

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CONVENTION FUND.

Table with columns for names and amounts. Includes Per Rev G E Day, D.D., \$100, 200, 250, 100, 750.00.

SPECIAL TO CURRENT EXPENSES.

Table with columns for names and amounts. Includes E C Johnston, per Rev S B Kempton 20.00, Jas and C E Coombs, per Rev S B Kempton 4.50, etc.

INTERESTERS FUND.

Table with columns for names and amounts. Includes (Omission) Joseph Marks, per Dr Day 3.00, (Omission) John March, per Rev E N Ferry 25.00, etc.

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NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

PINE GROVE.—We read with pleasure Dr. Day's description, in his "Notes by the Way," of the dedication of the new meeting house at Port George. But we will ask the Dr. to please pardon us while we make one correction, and add a little to what he said in reference to the dedication. Rev. R. D. Porter preached in the evening, instead of Rev. W. A. J. Blackney. After the evening sermon, addresses were delivered by Revs. W. A. J. Blackney, Prof. Kierstead, N. Vidio, J. L. M. Young, Frank Potter, Capt. Slocumb, and the pastor. It was a good day for the people at Port George. With a clear, cool day, large congregations, excellent sermons, good music, and very liberal collections, how could it be otherwise? Since the opening of the new house the brethren have established a weekly prayer meeting, and organized a Sunday school. The brethren in this section of the church certainly deserve credit for erecting such a beautiful house of worship. But they owe much to their many kind friends, who have contributed so freely to aid them in accomplishing their purposes. We take the liberty to name at least two of those. We refer to Mr. George Middlemass and Mr. J. M. Cropley, both formerly of Mount Hanly, Annapolis county, N. S. The former now resides in San Francisco, and the latter in Marble Head, Mass. When prospects were discouraging, Mr. Middlemass with \$100, and Mr. Cropley with \$200 cheered the drooping hearts of the building committee; and not only cheered them with those handsome donations, but with earnest desires for their prosperity in their undertaking. Mr. Cropley has since remembered \$250 the brethren at Mount Hanly, who have caught the building spirit, and have therefore resolved to repair their somewhat dilapidated house of worship. We have been informed that he has also given the Baptist church at Digby \$100, to aid in liquidating the debt on their house, and that he has given largely to benevolent objects in the land where he now resides. The example which those gentlemen have thus set, in their liberal gifts to the churches in their native land, is a noble one, and worthy to be followed by other providential who reside in foreign countries, and who have shared the blessings of Providence. J. W. T.

MONROE.—The Monroton church are engaged in the enlargement of their house of worship. They propose to widen out the audience room so as to put an aisle and an additional row of seats on each side. The end of the house is likewise to be torn out, and room made for the choir, baptistry, dressing room, &c. The whole audience room is to be re-seated with circular pews, and the basement excavated to make rooms for furnaces to heat the building throughout. The changes will add 400 to the seating capacity. The cost will be between \$6,000 and \$7,000.

VALLEY CHURCH, HILLSBORO, A. C.—We have nothing very special to report at present. There is not so much religious interest as we would like to see; yet our prayer and conference meetings are generally interesting. The changes will add 400 seats after the conference in April and May. We are hoping for still greater blessings. Our Sabbath school is very interesting, and we hope for very good results. S. W. KRISTEAD.

SAD HILLSBORO.—This church has suffered severely during the few past years by the removal of its members to the U. S. Yet those who remain are nobly struggling on, and trying to "hold the fort." There are some faithful ones who have the cause at heart, and are laboring earnestly for the advancement, and we are all being rejoiced for the same great object. The Sabbath school, under the leadership of Dea. J. W. Woodworth, is doing a good work, and we hope much of the good seed will fall into honest hearts, and in a short time show its fruits in the salvation of many of the school. S. W. KRISTEAD.

LUDLOW, N. C., N. B., July 15.—The work of grace, commenced here in Nov., 1886, has continued up to date; three were baptized and received into the fellowship of the Ludlow Baptist church on Sabbath, July 10th; making in all twenty-four since last November.

BLISSFIELD AND NEW SALEM.—These churches are enjoying a season of peace and prosperity. How happy are the people that are in such a state; yet, happy are the people whose God is the Lord.

CAMBRIDGE FIELD, N. B.—Bro. D. Price has begun his labors on this field. A recognition service was held on the first Sabbath in July, participated in by our brethren J. T. Egan, S. McC. Black, and D. G. Parker. Bro. Price is making a strenuous effort to get the churches organized for work. The weekly offering system has been introduced with excellent prospects of good results. There is to be baptism at Graham next Monday day.

ROCKLAND, July 18.—The good work still goes on. Two were baptized at Rockland yesterday, at the close of our morning meeting, and five at Cold Stream, a section of the Rockland field. Bro. Tingley leaves us this week, to go to Butterfield Ridge, Kings county. He carries with him the good will of the people with whom he has associated during the past few weeks. Bro. Young still continues with us. We are hoping and praying for greater blessings. A. H. HAYWARD.

ELGIN.—Sunday, July 10th, it was our privilege to baptize into the fellowship of First Elgin Baptist church. Friday evening, July 22nd, the presence of the Master was richly enjoyed. A very interesting young man came forward, related his Christian experience, and expressed a desire to follow Christ's command in Christian baptism, and have a home in the Christian church. He was fully received into the church on July 23rd. J. W. CARPENTER.

PORTLAND.—Three persons were received into the fellowship of the Port and Baptist church yesterday, two by baptism and one by letter. We expect to baptize again next Sunday. W. S. J.

GARBER, N. S.—On Sunday, 24th inst., the following brethren were ordained Deacons of the Garberian church, viz.: Robert Bowditch, James R. Eden, John Graham, Robert K. Jones, Watson Minter. The sermon was by Prof. Kierstead. Rev. M. P. Freeman, pastor of the church, offered prayer and delivered an address appropriate to the occasion. The pastor is much interested in the community, and the affairs of the church are in a hopeful state.

ELGIN, A. C., July 19.—The Women's Missionary Meeting in connection with the N. B. Association was held in the

Methodist church, for which we tender thanks in behalf of our W. M. Union to Rev. T. N. Parker, Methodist, also to Rev. Mr. Carpenter, pastor of Elgin Baptist church, who so courteously made all necessary arrangements for us. A portion of Scripture was read and prayers were offered. The Misses Goodard, members of Elgin Aid Society, lent in singing, and Mrs. Robinson, their president, spoke kind words of welcome to visitors; then added a good report of their work of this, their first year. Mrs. E. Tingley, of Sackville, Mrs. Camp, of Hillsboro, Mrs. Parker, of Salisbury, Mrs. King, and Mrs. Rufus Tingley, of Albert, Mrs. Emmerson, of Dorchester, gave interesting reports of home work. In looking over this large gathering of women, one could not but be impressed by the earnest and attentive faces; and while we missed some expected helpers, other non-voices were gladly welcomed. Mrs. T. Colpitts emphasized her helpful address by becoming a member of the local society. Many intelligent young women were present, and it may be just the one whom Mrs. Churchill wants at Elgin. If so, may we have spoken the right words to give the call. Our missionaries will be glad to know of the hearty expressions of sympathy with them personally, as well as interest in their work in Telugu. The earnest prayers offered for them and special pleadings for the Holy Spirit's power in their work, brought them all very near to our hearts. May this meeting result in greater effort in the coming year. A. R. EMMERSON, Secy.

PERSONALS. Bro. Stephen March has been in St. John, spending a few days with relatives and friends. He has returned to his large field of labor.

Our readers will learn with deep regret that Bro. John March is seriously ill. Overwork is the cause. All will share our hope that he may soon be restored to health and the work he loves almost too well.

Bro. C. S. Stearns, of McMaster Hall, has settled with the church at Great Village. We wish him great success. The Windsor church has given their pastor, Bro. H. Foshey, a vacation of two months. He intends to go to Ohio, to visit his brother. We hope he may enjoy his well deserved rest very much.

Dr. Corey, of Richmond, is on a visit to his friends at Havlock. He intends to remain over until after the Convention. Many of his friends will have the opportunity to see him then. Bro. Howe's people have been making the tenth anniversary of his marriage a very pleasant occasion to him and Mrs. Howe. They had a social tea in the Pines near the parsonage. There was an affectionate address to the pastor and his wife, and a suitable reply. Speeches were made by Revs. J. Vidio, J. S. Read and J. Taylor (Methodist), and by several others, and gifts were made amounting to \$100 worth. Happy brother!

Our readers will be deeply grieved to read of the death of Mrs. J. S. Brown, of Digby, as given us by her father. May the sorrowing parents and the bereaved young husband have the comfort and help from the tenderest friend.

NOTICES. The Annual meeting of the Stock-holders of the Maritime Baptist Publishing Co. will be held in Charlottetown, P. E. I., on Friday, August 19th, at 8 p. m.

W. J. S. F. S.—A Director's meeting will be held a half hour previous to the general meeting.

All parties desiring to attend the Convention at Charlottetown must send forward their names before the 10th of August. State whether via Pictou or Summerside. Any persons neglecting to comply with the above request will be left to claim upon the committee of arrangements, and will not likely find entertainment within ten miles of the city. Address EDWARD WEITMAN, Box 587.

The next meeting of the Auxiliary Home Mission Board, of Hants Co., will be held with the Brocks church, on Tuesday, Aug 2nd, at 10.30 a. m.

J. W. BROWN, Secy. Falmouth, 22nd July. The W. M. A. S. are requested to send all their monies to the Treasurer as soon as possible as the Missionary Accounts close the 31st of July and no money received after that date can appear in this year's account. S. J. MANNING, Treas. of W. B. M. U.

Marriages.

TATE-HENDERSON.—On the 12th inst., at Penobscot, by the Rev. E. C. Corey, Mr. William Tate, to Miss Annie E. Henderson, both of Cardwell, K. C.

BETTS-STEWART.—At the residence of Mr. Nelson Betts, May 26th, 1887, the Rev. Wm. M. Edwards, Mr. Jared Betts, Miss Blissfield, Northumberland Co., N. B., and Miss Sarah Stewart, of Nashuaque, York Co., N. B.

AMOS-LOYNS.—At the Baptist parsonage, by the Rev. Wm. M. Edwards, Mr. Howard Amos, and Miss Maggie C. Lyons, all of Ludlow, N. C.

MCKEL-DUTTON.—At her own home, Kewick, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. T. A. Blackadder, A. B., Mrs. Bethia Dutton, and Henry D. McKel, of the parish of Bright, York Co.

FARROW-SCHURMAN.—At the residence of the bride's father, Abram Schurman Esq., on the 13th inst., by Rev. I. J. Skinner, Mr. Artemus Farrow, and Miss Jane W. Schurman, all of Bedeque, P. E. Island.

HOPPER-WILSON.—On the 16th July, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. J. E. Fillmore, Mr. Amos Hopper, and Miss Annie Wilson, both of Coverdale, Albert Co.

RENEAU-Lewis.—At Truro, July 19th, by Rev. John E. Goucher, Mr. Thomas J. Reane, of Windsor, to Miss Maggie E. daughter of John Lewis Esq., Truro.

ROACH-HARLOW.—At the home of the bride's father, on the 19th inst., by the Rev. Joseph Murray, M. A., Mr. Arthur P. Roach of Worcester, and Mrs. Laura only daughter of Mr. Albert Harlow, of North Brookfield, Queens.

NEWCOMB-GAVES.—At the Baptist parsonage, Kingsport Village, Kings County, N. S., July 21st, by the Rev. E. H. Brown, Edward M. Newcomb, Esq., to Mrs. Rosanna Gaves, both of Kings County, Nova Scotia.

ERIKSON-ELMIDGE.—On Thursday, April 21, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. J. F. Kempton, Mr. Elton S. Emerson, to Miss Vanda Elmidge, both of Chester Basin, Lunenburg Co., N. S.

HAINES-GORDON.—On the 13th inst., a Scotch Settlement was held at the residence of A. B. Mattie Haines, and Franklin Gordon, of Springfield, York Co.

BLAKNEY-LEWIS.—At the Baptist parsonage Salisbury, July 14th, by Rev. J. M. Parker, Mr. John Blakney, and Miss Elsie Lewis, all of parish of Salisbury, N. B.

KIERSTEAD-APPELBY.—At the residence of Isaac Watson, on the 14th inst., by Rev. Thos. Todd, Mr. Thos. V. Kierstead, of Sheffield, Sunbury Co., and Miss Emma M. Appleby, of Bloomfield, Kings County.

POTTER-PARISH.—At Halifax, July 16th, 1887, by the Rev. J. W. Manning, A. B., Rev. Frank Potter, pastor of the Lower Granville Baptist church, and Ellen Mary Sanford Parish, late of Essex, England.

MARY-ANDERSON.—On the 20th inst., by the Rev. W. H. Porter, M. A., at the residence of the bride's father, Rev. J. Wesley Mann, of Iona, to Miss Eulalie C. B., daughter of Mr. Isaac Anderson, of Birgit, Ontario.

Deaths.

PARKS.—At Port George, on the 2nd inst., sister Sarah A. Parks, with a firm trust in Jesus, departed this life in the 49th year of her age. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn their loss.

DONLBY.—At Port George, on the 9th inst., the life of Saml. Donlby passed away, in the 40th year of her age, to be with Jesus. She leaves two little children to mourn their loss.

ACKHURST.—In Halifax, on the 2nd inst., William Ackhurst, in the 76th year of his age. Bro. Ackhurst was a native of Kent, England. He was originally a Quaker, but with his regiment he came to Halifax while still quite a young man. Shortly after his arrival here interested friends secured his discharge from the army and he entered upon commercial life. During his business career he met with reverses and losses, but one who was intimately acquainted with him for more than fifty years, thus testifies: "I never knew him to perform a dishonorable action." The public esteem in which he was held is evidenced by the fact that for nine years he sat as a member in the civic council, and that he was made at different times chairman of the board of works, of the board of firewardens, and of the board of school commissioners. He took a deep interest in everything pertaining to the young, educational matters particularly. He is also regarded as one of the founders of the public gardens, in which our citizens now take such delight. In 1833 Mr. Ackhurst was baptized and received into the fellowship of the Granville street church, and under the pastoral care of Rev. Dr. Rowley. For the greater part of half a century Bro. Ackhurst has been prominent in the church as a conductor of the choir, and he filled his place with marked efficiency and enthusiasm even to the last. At the monthly meeting following his death the church unanimously placed on record a resolution expressing appreciation of the many sterling qualities of our brother, and commending Sister Ackhurst and family to the loving care of our everliving and un-fading Friend. Our deceased brother was a man in whose religious growth and maturity we have had the privilege of seeing. He possessed a strong and cheerful confidence in Christ his Saviour, and peacefully passed to his reward.

DAVIS.—At Port Hawkesbury, June 29th, Isabel M., wife of Capt. William Davis, in the 29th year of her age. Our sister Davis was a faithful follower of Christ, and a very consistent member of Hawkesbury Baptist Church.

JEFFERSON.—At Lake Pleasant, Springfield, on 27th June, Ida Jefferson, aged 16 years. She had no fears of death. Her trust in Christ was firm. She sleeps in Jesus. May God comfort the parents, brothers and sisters.

SMITH.—At Fryburg, Me., U. S., on 22nd May, Mrs. Lucy Smith, aged 46 years. She departed as a daughter of Mr. James Stoddard, of Springfield, N. S. Her trust was in Christ's righteousness. May God comfort the mourners.

MORSE.—A. Williamston, Annapolis Co., N. S., on April 21st, 1887, Deacon Asa T. Morse, aged 68 years, passed away very suddenly of a fatal illness of the lungs. Deacon Morse was baptized in March, 1836, by the Rev. N. Vidio, and united with Wilnot Baptist church. For many years he was a faithful member of this church. His fidelity to his Master's cause is best illustrated by the following words of a brother deacon to the writer: "From the day that Bro. Morse joined the church he was always found at his post." Bro. Morse was for several years a deacon of the Wilnot church, of which he was a member from 1836 until 1878, when he severed his connection with that church, and united with the Lawrence town and Valley West church, where he was at once elected deacon, which office he continued to hold in that church until his death. Bro. Morse was an ardent lover of his Master and his Master's cause. The cause of his death was very dear to him, and he was always ready so far as he had the ability to forward this branch of Christian work, both with his money and his prayers. In his own educational institutions always found a willing supporter. At his house the servant of God was always welcomed. In his prayers his pastor was always remembered. Bro. Morse's chief aim in life was to glorify God and to further the Redeemer's kingdom, hence his death is a great loss to the church of which he was a member, and his worth as a Christian will long be remembered and cherished. He died as he lived—trusting in Jesus. He leaves a widow and five sons and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn the loss of a faithful Christian husband, father and friend. The funeral services were held on Sabbath, April 24th, when Rev. E. D. Porter preached a very appropriate sermon to a very large audience from the words, "Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth; yet for the faithful fall from among the children of men."

WINCHESTER.—At Smith's Cove, N. S., March 10th, Edgar, son of James B. Winchester, in the 23rd year of his age. While lamenting that he had not served his Master more faithfully, yet he died trusting his parents for their goodness, and trusting fully in the blood of his Redeemer.

WINCHESTER.—At Smith's Cove, May 24th, after a year's sickness, Captain Alfred, son of Captain Charles Winchester, aged 37 years. For a long time Captain of the Bear River and St. John packet, he gained the implicit confidence and esteem of all for whom he did business. Faithful also in the dearest relations of life he has entered the harbor of eternal rest, with wife, parents, brother, sisters and church

members, who deeply mourn his departure, are still sailing for the same blessed haven.

TRIBBLE.—At Lansdowne, Digby co., N. S., June 26th, William Tribble.

GAVEL.—At Smith's Cove, June 26th, preceded by a short sickness, Mrs. Cynthia A. Gavel, beloved wife of John F. Gavel, 58 years. She has gone to be with her Saviour, whom she loved so much. One of the most active and devoted members of the 2nd Hillsburgh church. She will be sadly missed in the large circle of her relatives, in her own pleasant home, and in the church of Jesus Christ.

MCLOOD.—At Calthness, Charlotte Co., July 14th, Wm. Wesley McLeod, aged 11 years, youngest son of Mr. Wallace McLeod.

STEPHENSON.—At Woodstock, 12th inst., Mamie S., aged 6 years, 6 days, only child of Samuel R. and Mary A. Stephenson. "Safe in the arms of Jesus."

AYER.—At Hopewell Cape, July 12th, of Paralysis, James M. Ayer, aged 65 years, leaving a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. May God, by his grace and love, sustain the sorrowing family.

CORWELL.—June 27th, at Mapleton, Elgin, A. C., Ed. Phtheria, Henry F. Colwell, in the 4th year of his age.

GRAVER.—July 10th, at Elgin, A. C., of general debility, Mansfield Graves, aged 69 years.

KILLAM.—July 10th, at Elgin, A. C., of cancer, George Killam, aged 76 years.

WEAVER.—Mrs. Jane Weaver, African, widow of the late Joseph W. Weaver, passed to her eternal reward on June 30th, aged 78 years. Many years ago this good Christian woman professed faith in Jesus, and united with the Baptist church. From that time onward she has sought to honor God. She greatly loved the church, and for her welfare she prayed and labored, and as a God prospered her. The Bible and MESSENGER AND VISITOR were her daily companions. And when the time came she gladly gave up all her interests here, and peacefully entered into rest.

CROSS.—Mrs. Uain Cross, who had been one of the first Baptists in Lunenburg county, passed away on the morning of June 8th, aged 81 years. Our sister had strong confidence in him who had been her God in youth that he would not leave her in old age.

WEAVER.—At Blackville, Nor. Co., on the 10th inst., Frederick Weaver, aged 85 years. He was baptized in the year 1800, and in the Army as bandman, and with his regiment he came to Halifax while still quite a young man. Shortly after his arrival here interested friends secured his discharge from the army and he entered upon commercial life. During his business career he met with reverses and losses, but one who was intimately acquainted with him for more than fifty years, thus testifies: "I never knew him to perform a dishonorable action." The public esteem in which he was held is evidenced by the fact that for nine years he sat as a member in the civic council, and that he was made at different times chairman of the board of works, of the board of firewardens, and of the board of school commissioners. He took a deep interest in everything pertaining to the young, educational matters particularly. He is also regarded as one of the founders of the public gardens, in which our citizens now take such delight. In 1833 Mr. Ackhurst was baptized and received into the fellowship of the Granville street church, and under the pastoral care of Rev. Dr. Rowley. For the greater part of half a century Bro. Ackhurst has been prominent in the church as a conductor of the choir, and he filled his place with marked efficiency and enthusiasm even to the last. At the monthly meeting following his death the church unanimously placed on record a resolution expressing appreciation of the many sterling qualities of our brother, and commending Sister Ackhurst and family to the loving care of our everliving and un-fading Friend. Our deceased brother was a man in whose religious growth and maturity we have had the privilege of seeing. He possessed a strong and cheerful confidence in Christ his Saviour, and peacefully passed to his reward.

OWEN.—Suddenly, June 12th, at the residence of Mr. Burton, Eastern Upper Steviacke, Georgiana Letitia Owen, aged 46, only surviving daughter of the late Rev. W. O. Owen, formerly of Sydney Cape Breton.

MCLAR.—July 1st, at Eastern Upper Steviacke, Mary Isabel, only daughter of the late Andrew McLab, of Halifax, and step-daughter of W. G. Ouley, in 27th year of her age. (Cape Breton paper, please copy)

BOWEN.—On the 23rd inst., at St. John, N. B. after a lingering illness of consumption, Maria, widow of the late Robert L. Bowen, and daughter of the late Richard Justice, aged 50 years, leaving four daughters to mourn their loss.

BROWN.—Our many friends will be sorry to hear of our very great sorrow in the death of our dear daughter, Selie A., the beloved young wife of Rev. J. S. Brown, pastor of the Baptist church of this place. After a long and weary sickness she passed on quietly and peacefully to the "better land" at 9.30 o'clock on Sabbath morning, July 24th, aged 30 years. In early life she accepted Christ as her Saviour, and she lived as her life work. In the family, church, Sabbath school, and in all secular and social pursuits and duties, she was a faithful and efficient worker. She entered upon her married life a little over eight months before her death with great prospects of usefulness in the church, nor do we think her life is limited or lapsed because of this (to us) sad event. Such a daughter and wife and Christian worker is one of Jehovah's best gifts; and shall we not bless his name with thankfulness for it? Many of our little ones are being blessed by her limited vision of a Christian's life; but we remember "eye hath not seen nor ear heard," the grandest and best things of "life eternal," among these the tollings and the fruitage. This, revealed to us by the Spirit, and right along the line of common sense, is of unlimited value to us in these dark passages of our pilgrimage.

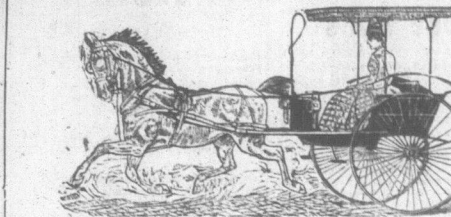
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WEBSTER.—A very sad accident, which resulted in death, occurred at Cambridge, Kings Co., N. S., on Sunday, July 2nd. Charles Webster, son of Brother and Sister John Webster, was working in the new saw mill, he and his brother-in-law, Mr. Knowlton, had built this spring, when in an unguarded moment, his left arm was caught between one of the belts and the shaft and took him with it. His death was terribly sudden and his last moments greatly bruised, and he was so internally injured that death took him out of his sufferings in two hours after the accident. The event was a crushing blow to his dear parents Sister Webster does not have very good health, and the loss of her son was afflicting her very much. Sunday was a sad day throughout the neighborhood. Monday afternoon he was buried. Hundreds of people came together from miles around to pay him his last respects. He was very thoughtful of his mother. Bro. E. G. Read, Berwick, had the honor to conduct the service, which was very solemn. "What I do, thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter." Fathers and mothers who have boys, pray for Brother and Sister Webster. D. P.

PRESTON.—At Upper Blackville, on June 23rd, Mrs. James Preston, aged 22 years, died of consumption, leaving a husband and two young children to mourn their loss. She had not made a public profession of religion, but gave evidence of the new birth before she died.

OLD ELSPETH.—Old Elspeth was asked on her death bed, had she no fear at all in crossing Jordan. "No," she made answer, "what should I be feared for when I see Him who is the Life and the Resurrection on the other side? His word drives away the mist of sin." "I'm just like a barn that's been awa in the fiddle jickie's weers and while chasin' hui-er-r-e-e! aw' aw' who the sun's awa, I'm gae to my name." "But, mas, there's the stepie-stone o' His promise!" "I'm awa to my fether's house, and I'm awa to my fether."

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News Summary.

DOMINION.

The following clipping, from the Baptist Courier, of Greenville, S. C. will be read with interest by a goodly number.

The chair of chemistry and physics in Furman University, made vacant by the resignation of Prof. B. M. Parks, was filled last week by the Board of Trustees in the election of Mr. W. F. Watson, a native of New Brunswick, who graduates this month at Colby University, Waterville, Me.

Liquor fines totalling \$6,570 have been imposed in the Montreal Police Court since Jan. 1 up to date.

A Catholic priest Rev. Father Dumas, died at Campbellton last week, from hemorrhage of the stomach, induced by efforts at arriving in from the effects of the upsetting of his canoe while fishing.

A stranger called on the postmaster, at Mahone Bay, N. S., at an early hour last Tuesday, and asked for a post-office order, and when postmaster Burgoyne opened the safe, to give him some change, the stranger knocked him down, placed his knee on his breast, snatched what money he could find some \$300 and made off.

Rev. L. H. Jordan has given \$1,000 to Dalhousie College, Halifax.

Annie Wilson, from Kent Co., had a 5.30 lb tumor removed from her at the Public Hospital, St. John, last week.

At Montreal, July 22, whilst two men were engaged in assisting to pull down the walls of the St. Lawrence sugar refinery, a large iron filer, up which they had climbed, gave away, and precipitated them into the ruins, a distance of 70 feet.

On the 19th inst., about a dozen English boys sailed for St. John from Liverpool; on the 2nd of August 20 girls, and on the 16th August 12 boys will also sail for St. John.

A special number of the St. John Saturday Gazette, double its usual size, will be issued on Friday, 29th. It will be a most interesting number, and should be read by every body.

One hundred and fifty thousand dollars was paid to the fishermen, of the lower provinces, this year as fishing bounties.

Charles W. Clements, shipping master of Yarmouth, died on Monday evening last at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, whilst he had gone to receive medical treatment. He had been in ill health for some time. Mr. C. was one of the oldest shipmasters of Yarmouth, having for many years commanded vessels chiefly in the West India trade.

An excursion train was run over the Elgin Branch on Sunday, bringing a few to the Association and a large number who went to Gordon Falls on a fishing and picnicking occasion. This is an open violation of the Sabbath that should be discontinued.

What is claimed to be the biggest salmon ever caught in the St. John is now on exhibition at Mr. Wilmut Gauin's store. It was netted the night before last by Wm. McKee, about six miles above town. It is a monster and turns the scales at 38 lbs.

It now transpires that the railroad accident at St. Thomas, Ont., recorded last week, was caused by two train employes being too drunk to attend to their duties. Many of the injured as well as the relations of those killed in the collision will bring suits against the Grand Trunk railroad company.

A bear attacked Mr. John B. Crowe, of DeBer, the other day, and was in a fair way getting the best of the fight when assistance arrived.

Since the opening of the prosecution in September last, Scott Act fines to the amount of \$350 have been paid, and five persons have been imprisoned. Ten places where liquor was sold have also been closed up, and several saloon keepers found it necessary to get out of town with more than ordinary despatch. It would seem that the Scott Act is being enforced to some extent at least.

Disastrous forest fires have been ravaging Cape Breton. A tract of at least one hundred square miles of country, between Sydney and Cow Bay, has been completely devastated. It is said to be the worst fire known in the island.

Annual competition of the N. S. Rifle Association at Bedford Range Aug. 2nd.

Channery Sears, of Midgie, West county, fell off a wagon load of lumber, on Saturday and was killed, the wheels passing over him.

The executive committee of the Kings Co., N. S., S. S. association has decided to hold the next annual convention in Wolfville in September.

the government. In October the spawn will be taken from the reservoirs and placed in the river, and the salmon set at liberty without any injury. In this way the parent fish will be preserved and the eggs placed in the river.

Some St. John capitalists have organized a company to be called the Canadian Atlantic Steamship Company, and New York capitalists are to be enlisted, to make the enterprise a success.

The proposed contract with the Dominion Government, making St. John and Halifax the terminal points in winter, and it is stated that this tender is the only one covering both of these ports.

The catch of mackerel at Bouris, P. E. Island, is extraordinary. They were never known to be so plentiful of these before. One man with a small seine took 100 lbs. the first dip, and some hand fishermen are reported to have caught 5,000 at a trip, making 1,000 for each man, on the hook and line. The fish are all inside the limit, and American vessels are anxiously waiting outside, but dare not approach, as the cutters are on hand for protection.

Extensive forest fires have been raging at Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, destroying valuable timber lands and the head-quarters building of the Placencia railway. Carelessness is the cause and Parliament will investigate.

There have been severe snow storms in the Swiss Alps. Six tourists, including three sons of the director of Zurich College, have been lost on the Jungfrau. Several were sent to obtain supplies, but their efforts were unsuccessful. The missing tourists were all Swiss. They were all trying to make the ascent of the Jungfrau without guides.

A report from West Africa, states that Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, has been shot dead by natives with whom his expedition had been fighting, in order to obtain supplies. The report lacks confirmation, and is discredited in London.

A dispatch from Cairo, July 21, says a report has been received that a tribe, friendly to Egypt, attacked the Mahdists under Osman Digma, near Kassala, and that 1,200 men were killed.

Twenty-five deaths from cholera, occurred in Catania during the past twenty-four hours, says a dispatch from Rome, on the 21st. The people remain struck dumb. Robbers are pillaging the houses, whose owners have fled to escape the scourge.

M. Delessepa presided at meeting of the shareholders of the Panama Canal, at Paris on Thursday. Dom Pedro, Emperor of Brazil, was present. The annual report showed a decrease in the former canal since the canal would be finished in 1889, but expressed hope that connection between the Atlantic and Pacific would then exist across the Isthmus of Panama, and that the works would be completed soon afterwards.

Dr. Tourjee, Director of the New England Conservatory of Music, who has been absent from his post for the first time in about twenty years, on account of protracted illness, is still at Block Island, where he is residing regarding his strength. He expects to be so fully restored by September, to resume his duties at the opening of the Fall Term. To relieve himself and Mrs. Tourjee from many details in the care of the Institution, he has called in his assistant, Rev. Charles Cotton Kimball, D. D., of Benning, Vt., and Mrs. Kimball—the former as Superintendent of the Home, and the latter as Preceptress. Dr. Kimball is a graduate of Beloit College, and has had twenty years of successful experience as pastor and educator. Mrs. Kimball brings to the work a wide acquaintance with the needs of young people, and a happy faculty in dealing with them. Their coming promises to be a great help in continuing the admirable administration of the Conservatory Home.

The cotton crop which is now maturing in the south, promises to be the largest ever raised in the United States. It is now estimated that it may reach 7,500,000 bales, or half a million bales in excess of any previous year.

The city of Syracuse, New Mexico, is governed by a city council of women.

Out of twenty-five analyses of milk made in Brooklyn, N. Y., the other day, only one proved to be pure.

One of the most disastrous storms ever known in West Virginia swept over the counties of Wirt and Wood last Wednesday night, doing a large amount of damage to property and injuring a number of people. Many buildings were demolished at Elizabeth and the crops and orchards in the vicinity were to a large extent ruined.

By the burning of the storage warehouse in New York the other day, at least seventy-five pianos were destroyed, together with 500 trunks of valuables, fine paintings, jewelry and silversware.

The Illinois Club of Chicago has the largest table ever made from a single plank. It is fifteen feet long and six wide, and was cut from a California red-wood tree.

The bill taxing wine rooms \$10,000 passed the Georgia house Wednesday. It is thought that the senate will also pass it. This is prohibition under the guise of tax.

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Sir John B. Thurston, governor of the Fiji Islands, arrived in Chicago on Wednesday, on his way to England. He says there are about 120 islands comprising his charge, and at present the population of the islands is about 120,000 natives and 3,000 Europeans. The principal products of the islands are coconuts and tea, and lately English planters have succeeded in raising a good quality of coffee and cotton. Owing to the humanizing teachings of his predecessor, Sir Arthur Hill Gordon, cannibalism has become obsolete and today there are not few manufacturing enterprises to be found on any of these islands. Some years ago it was found to be exceedingly difficult to induce the lazy and careless Polynesian natives to work on the plantations, and the government finally concluded to send to the islands in uterine coolies from India, and at present there were about 8,000 of these laborers, whose services are let by the government agents on specific contracts.

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Table listing names and amounts for Western Shore: Mrs. John Bradshaw, Chester, \$1.00; Amos Hulbey, Hubbard's Cove, 1.00; Mrs. Chandler, Fox Point, 1.00; Mr. Bugelow, Farnboro, 3.00.

Union Baptist Seminary.

Table listing contributions received in response to special "Appeal": Rev. J. Jewett, \$2.00; L. H. Jenkins, Lic. N. S., 1.00; W. A. Gallant, 1.00; W. S. Porter, N. S., 1.00; 2nd St. Baptist, Rev. Charles B. ... 4.00; Rev. J. H. Tupper, 4.00; Minnie Hicks, Hartford, Conn., U. S. 1.00; A. R. Emmerson, 1.00; Stephen Knowlton, N. S., 1.00; "Friend," Moncton, 1.00; Amos M. Gauspoc, 1.00; Thomas Davie, 1.00; Dimock Doughty, 1.00.

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FROM THE SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Table listing previously acknowledged amounts: Foodst. S. S., 20.55; Lower Kingsclear, 2.10; Second St. Martin's, 5.00; Portland S. S. (instalment), 20.

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Denominational Meetings for 1887.

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