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One of the largest congregations ever as the evening service, when the Rev. D. D. Currie preached an admirable sermon, from the 10th, 11th and 12th verses of the 77th Psalm. His descripof the first formation of the Methodist Church in this city seventy years ago, was a recital of its history heretofore unknown to many of his hearers. He named the ministers who preached the dedicatory sermons in the old church in 1840, which building was destroyed by the great fire of 1850. The present edifice was dedicated in December 1852, the sermons in connection therewith were preached by Rev. Richard Knight. and the Rev. Charles Churchill, the Pastor. Mr. Currie then related many of the hardships encountered by the Trustees in their attempts to build the More att present church, many of the congregation having lost their all in the fire United States that destroyed the old church. He gave an amusing account of the difficuldate no Methodist preacher could marry a couple in this Province; the first legal marriage by a minister of this denomination being in the year 1885, when the fiev Eucon Wood united in the hely bonds of marrimony our respected townsman S. D. McPherson, Egq., and his present anniable partner. The preacher adduced statistics showing the amount of valuable property held by this church, and from his figures the ties Methodist preachers met with in this church, and from his figures the ing too many text books on one subject to arange the time and place for the Con-Meshodist Church in the United States O nada at present bolds a very ble position, being the leading mination in the former country, nd the largest protestant denomination in the Dominion. He very feelingly

At the conclusion of his sermon, the Rev. Mr. Currie stated that there is at present a debt of \$2,000 on the church nd that it should not be allowed to the another day. He proposed to raise the amount from the congregation in a few minutes, and requested the

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His Honor Judge Wilmot, who has

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The following persons subscribed

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pastor, Rev. Mr. Brewer, to go down Home lessons are as necessary to teachthe aisles and receive amounts from ers, as to children. those who might not wish to publicly A committee consisting of Mes announce what they would give, and it Calkin, A. H. McKay, P. O'Hearn Mellish, Tufts, to consider the merits of was only a short time before he had

Financial matters engaged some atten-

Condon and McKay moved that Dr. Allison be President of the ensuing Convention. Passed.

Mr. Condon and Paterson moved that Messrs. Calkin and McDonald be Viceallow the debt to remain so long. Presidents. Passed Mr. McKay, of Dartmouth, was re

Messrs. Lamert & Sons then gave \$200; elected Secretary and Treasurer, C. H. B. Fisher, \$200; C. Fred. Fisher, The following 13 Councillors were elect subscribed \$100 each : M. Colter, F.

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Mrs. A. N. Archibald, formerly Miss This is certainly creditable to the Mellish, Preceptress of Sackville Ladies' Academy, having been called upon, came forward and read in the most pleasing manner a poem prepared for the ocrasion, The literary merit of the production is high, and the rhyme and thythm seemed to be perfect. In the opening stanzas by the use of a well-wrough figure of a THE TEACHER'S CONVENTION.

Held in Halifax last week, was a great plant growing in "A lonely spot, Far away from the gard ner's tended plot," success. The effect of the discussions must have been to greatly stimulate the idea of the transforming power culture was admirably illustrated. A We append notices of several addresses, high tribute is then paid to the teacher's showing that our Methodist home and work, in leading from the darkness of academic teaching showed to good ignorance to the light of knowledge Mr. J.

TILLE DISTRICT CONVEN

placed on the prescribed list, and also to vention submitted the following prothe Royal and Maritime Series of School gramme of topics:-

1. Personal Consecration.

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 How to make our Social Services interesting.

5. Dangers and duties of

6. Our financial condition gradually lengthened as age advances.

The respective members of the District to whom these several topics were previously assigned, did themselves infinite credit both by papers read and in their debate on the various questions, all of which showed most conclusively that no little time and attention had been devoted to a preparation for this popularly. growing branch-institution of our church.

Worthy of note among the several papers read, was one forwarded by Rev Bro. Stewart, on Pulpit preparation, which was replete with valuable suggestion and elicited an animated debate.

lic and at the evening especially many availed themselves of the privilege being present to hear, "mark, learn and digest." At the evening session every brother, ministerial and lay acquitted himself admirably and did ample justice to his theme. On the question of finance the Rev. Robert Wilson, to whom this topic was given, spoke fluently and effectively, and many were evidently persuaded to present more liberal "offerings" than hitherto, especially when they learned the fact of so large deficiencies sustained by the brethren on the several dependent circuits, and the duty of striv-ing to make all our domestic missions self sustaining, With a view to bring about this most desirable end by stimulating the members of our church and congregations "to bring all their tithes into the store-house," that this drawback by our shurches' prosperity may be remedied, the

tion, etc., was approved of: Sackville. Local arrangement. The Dist. Chairman Local arrangement. Point de Bute. Baie de Verte. do. do. The brethren Wilson Moneton. and Dutcher.] Coverdale. Bro. Currie.

following plan of arrangement, deputa-

Shediac. Bro. Currie. Dorchester Local arrangement Hopewell. Hillsboro The Brethren Currie and Wilson.

Local arrangement Havelock. Salisbury.

The time for holding the several meetngs on the above circuits to be arranged by the respective superintendents during the latter part of the present ecclesiastical year, and the offerings given by collections and subscriptions to be passed to a fund called the "Circuit aid Society" and to be equitably appropriated at the Annual Dist. Meeting. This arrangement is inaugurated on the assurance that no fund of the church shall sustain any diminution compared with the previous

Professor Alexander Agassiz is start. ing for Havana with an asssistant, there to go on board the Coast Survey nant to the ruling of the late finan-nanittee of the Sackville District, a surveying cruise, that will occupy this winter, in the work of obtaining er Charles D. Sigsbee.

> HISPORY OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA, NEWFOUNDLAND AND BERMUDA.

BY THE REV. T. WATSON SMITH. Vol. L. Pp. 491. Peter \$1.50, Melhodis

To read the story of the heroic achievements, trials and triumphs of the pioneer founders of Methodism in this land is an inspiration to duty, to faith, and to zeal in the cause of God. And in no portion of the Dominion was the planting of Methodism a grander work or beset with greater difficulties than in the old Maritime Province. This History fitly embodies and preserves for our profit and de-Both in the Old World and the New it Methodist Magazine.

All the Sessions were open to the pub- was rocked in a rude cradle and met with stern buffetings. But it developed thereby a grand moral strength and force character which have made it one of the most aggressive forms of Church organ izations in the world.

In the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, the rigours of the climate, the sparseness of the population and the political and military complications resulting from the war of American Independence made the labours of the early missionaries all the more arduous. Much light is thrown upon the civil history of Canada by this volume. The fidelity to their sovereign of the loyalist exiles from the revolted colonies, among whom were ancestors of our own, is one of the grandest records in the annals of our country. These were the brave true-hearted men. who, forsaking often ease and comfort, houses and lands, developed this great northern nation as the fairest possession of the British Crown."

"Thousands of men, women and children," says our author, " after sorrowful farewells, had gone on board ship, and with the flag of Britain to the fore, had sailed away to seek new homes in the wildernesses of Nova Scotia. Late in the autumn they were joined by several thousands more of loyalists and disbanded troops, whose privations during the long and severe winter which followed, are still kept in memory at the fireside of many of their descendants."

Many of the names which appea among those early annals were those whose fame had filled two continents. The memories of Garrettson, Cromwell, Coke and others link Maritime Methodiem intimately with that of the United States and of the motherland. But the central figure in the history of Nova Scobodism is that of William Black He was a grand character-a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and of in-

tense and undying zeal. "To him," says our author, " belongs the high honour of having developed, in no small degree, in On the morning of the 21st inst., a fair the heart of Coke that missionary spirit congregation assembled at the Salisbury which never ceased to impel him, until his body found a resting place, nearly thirty the richer baptism to descend upon Zion S Huston, M.A., moved, and Hon. Senator

The seconded that a vote of thanks be tendered Mrs. Archibald for her most exquente poem coupled with a request that it be given up for publication.

Another paper says of this poem — had passed and pleased with the manner by which the Assembly was became conby which the Assembly was begun, con-bruned and ended. authority, and, above all, the wonderful religious success of his labours, give to these records a fascinating interest.

> In the Bermuda Islands, although they were favoured with the ministrations of Whitfield, the persecution of Methodism was exceedingly virulent. For years might be read on the cedar floor of his cell the following inscription cut by a prisoner for conscience sake :-

JOHN STEPHENSON, METHODIST MISSIONARY, WAS IMPRISONED IN THIS JAIL. SIX MONTHS. AND FINED FIFTY POUNDS, FOR PREACHING THE GOSPEL OF

JESUS CHRIST TO AFRICAN BLACKS AND CAPTIVE NEGROES. ST. GEORGE'S, BERRUDA.

JUNE, 1801. But notwithstanding this persecu the Word of God grewand prevailed, till Methodism to day is one of the most powerful elements in the religious life of those sunny islands.

Mr. Smith has done his work as a historian well. He has been indefatigable in gathering exact information. He has digested it into an easy flowing navratives His graces of style still further enhance the intense interest of the subject. The publisher has presented the book in an elegant dress,-clear, bold type, and handsome binding. We had marked several passages for quotation and comment, but limits of space at present prevent. We recommend our readers to procure it for themselves. It will do good both to their heads and their hearts. We shall await with interest the concluding volume of this History, and trust that the success of light the records of those brave days of this first volume will warrant the speedy old. Methodism is the child of Providence. production of the second.—Canadian

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Lessons." They injure the health when given in excess. Short school sessions, referred to the pillars of the church in about four hours a day, give the best rethis city who had passed to their reward, among whom in named the following worthies: Jos. Gayner, Thos. sults. Home studies should not be expected from young pupils, and should be Pickard, Robt, Chestnut, Jas. Hogg, Henry Fisher, Andrew Richey, John

Readers.

Mr. D. H. Burbidge, M. A., of the Mor-

ris Street School, read a paper on " Home

understood, without any supplementary aid at home. Consequently, when assign-ing a lesson the teacher should add a clear Simpson, Jas. Hale, A. T. Coburn, lexander McCausland, and C. S. outline of the subject, and the best method of studying it, so that the child may not be discouraged. Home lessons, when properly conducted, are most useful in teach ing children the use of Text books, and habits of self-reliance and self-study. The committing to memory of choice poetical gems is attended with excellent results.

We condense from the officially prescribed directions the chief points of less thon two-thirds—is canonically interest in the election of a new Pope at Rome. The Cardinals assemble on the third morning in the Vatican, in general congregation, and appoint two of the prelates, one to read the funeral service, and the other the mass de eligen lo summo pontifice. Three Cardinals are selected to superintend the erection of the Conclave-the inclosure where the Cardinals are shut up in close confinement till a successor is elected, Every detail is cared for, a confessorgeneral selected, to whom they can tell if they wish-of the secret stirrings of ambition, envy, vanity, etc., in their own hearts. On the day after the tenth congregation the Cardinals hear mass in the chapel of the Choir of St. Peter's after it two orations, one on the virtue of the deceased, and the other about the proper selection of a successor. They then retire to their cells; for every living Cardinal there is a cell constructed of boards, in length eighteen Roman palms, and in breadth fifteen, covered with brown cloth, or for those connected with the late Pope green. There are no common partitions, a foot space between each sufficing; on the door of each cell are the armorial bearings of the Cardinal to whom it belongs. There is only one way of egress, and there are four keys to this door; food is introduced by apertures in the wall-like those in nunneries, providing communication without sight + At noon each day the carriages of the Cardinals drive up laden with provisions; officers break the seals which guard each revolving box. As soon as the hurry is over the Vatican is again buried in silence : embassadors bearing injunctions from their sovereigns are allowed to speak through the grating of the one door carefully covered with a curtain.

The e'e tion is usually by scrutiny or vote-tickets are printed after the manner shown-the Cardinal writes

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Eligo in Summum Pontificem Revere dissimum D. meum D, Cardinalum

his name in the first space,-I, E. Cardinal, N. Y."-and folds it over the second space. On the third space will be two seals. In the 4th he writes, " elect to be Supreme Pontiff my most reverend Lord Cardinal, W. X." The fifth space falls on the third, and receives the seals. In the 6th the Cardinal writes a number and motto, in order that, if another has forged his name, it may be detected.

In the chapel a large table is placed before the altar, and on it tables containing blank forms, with as many balls Cardinals present, and on each a name. They are put into a bag, well shaken, and then the first three drawn the Tellers, the second three are the impermieri, or collectors from Cardinals too infirm to leave their cells. The Cardinal Dean writes his first, then the Tellers, so as to be able to do their work, the others voting in seni-Each one as soon as completed goes to the altar, kneels before the pyx, olding his bellot between two fingers, remains in prayer for a moment, then standing in a loud voice says, "O Lord Christ, who will be my judge, I call thee to witness that I elect him whom, ac- of the impenitent at death. The most cording to Gad, I judge that I ought gravely important foreign ecclesiastical to elect, and that in access I will do
the same;" then lays the ote on a
paten, and then from the paten drops
it into a large chalice. If there are
more ballots than Cardinals, it is seen
some have voted twice; if less, some have missed. In either case all are and the special interest it has at this nl the smoke issuing from the juncture to American churches, com- point-and very

MODE OF THE PAPAL ELECTION. | chimney top shows persons outside there has been no election that day. Whoever has a majority of votes-not elected; sometimes when they have failed to do this, a compromise is effected by a nomination.

When the name of the Pontiff elect is ascertained one of the Cardinal-Deacons rings a bell, when all the Masters of Ceremonies, Secretaries, and other witnesses, surround the object of their choice, and demand: "Acceptasne electionem de te canonice factum in summum Pontificem?" Dost thou accept the election of thyself, canonically made, to be Supreme Pontiff? As soon as the consent is obtained he is asked what name he will be pleased to assume, for, in receiving the dignity, he lays aside his former name. Then two Cardinal-Deacons lead him to the altar, where he kneels in prayer. After this the new pontifical robes, already provided, are put on. White stockings, red velvet slippers embroidered with gold cross, white cassock, with golden girdle, episcopal rochet and mozzetta, stole, and a cap with a tiara. Coming to the altar he gives his first benediction to the Sacred College, seats himself, presents his hand to be kissed by each Cardinal, in return embracing them personally. The Cardinal-Deacon meanwhile announces to the people: "I bring you glad tidings of great joy. We have a Pope, the most eminent and most reverend Cardinal-," etc. The castle of St. Angelo rolls back its welcome in grand salute: from the Chapel of the Conclave to the Sistine the Pope is carried in state, preceded by a cross, singers, chanting " Ecce Sacerdos Magnus"-Behold our great High-Priest: a second time the Cardinals adore him and kiss his feet. The coronation follows after an interval of eight days .- N. Y. Adv.

The British Bible Society reports as astonishing demand for the Bible among the Cossacks. Over 60,000 have been distributed within the last few

OUR GOOD QUEEN.

Dr. Milburn, the blind American missionary, who is now in England, says there is not a word of truth in the stories circulated about the Queen's niggardliness. Her fortune, whatever it may be, has come from judicious investments, which were made by the Prince Consort. He was a most sagacious business man, and he invested in directions which have yielded lucrative returns. It requires all her allowance, and more, too, to keep up her expenses. When Dr. Langley was Archbishop of Canterbury he was entitled to various livings whose yield was nearly \$200,000 per annum; and, yet, such was the expense of the archiepiscopal position that he died in penury; and were it not that the Queen secured the admittance of his daughter at Hampton Court, she would have been without a roof to her head. The Marquis of Bute has au income from his estate of £500,000 a year; but so much of this has to go back to keep up the estates that his actual net income is less than a twelfth of this amount. In the case of the Duke of Chatworth, two hundred servants sit down to his tables, and they in turn have each a servant to wait on them. The same thing prevails every where: and applies to the Queen as to others. Dr. Milburn adds: "The tradesmen may grumble as they will but Victoria is to-day shrined in the hearts of the English people, and is by them beloved to an extent that is absolutely wonderful.

Enmities are bad baggage for the Christian to carry .- The Methodist.

Canon Farrar, the well-known author of the most popular life of Christ, is

bine to fix public attention on these If they had insured at full value they discourses. A brief report of them will be found in last WESLEYAN. The attentive reader will notice that the strength of these sermons lies in their strong assertion and impassioned appeal rather than in the cogency of any argument, either critical or philosophithat the position and character of the preacher and his recognized scholarship give to his solemn declaration of the words Damnation, Hell and Everlasting the force of an argument. Whatever may be thought of his conclusions, we believe that the pulpit will do well to heed his denunciation of the contemp tuous manner in which this subject is too often treated.

One of the great and lamentable mistakes of many pastors is not "weaving in" someting for the children at every public Sunday service.—Examiner and

QUEEN VICTORIA AS A HOSTESS.

Gen. Grant has been royally entertained by Queen Victoria, but she once gave more hearty reception to a less distinguished American. The Springfield Republican tells the incident:

One of the pleasantest stories told of truly, ner concerns the reception she gave to Capt. Henry J. Hartshorne, in 1856, when he took to England the British exploring barque Resolute, found abandoned in the Arctic seas, rescued by a New London whaler, and bought by Congress as a present to the British Government. The Queen invited him to be her guest at Osborne House from Saturday evening to Monday morning, and paid him the compliment of treating him with just the courtesy and ceremony practiced by any lady to a guest.

Prince Albert alone, his hostess observing that she presumed an American would prefer to escape the formalities of state dinner. The children came in and shared the desert; and the Queen poured out the nothing butthe good woman, a friend to all the people. - Youth's Companion.

Would n't it be a good idea to call upon Providence to raise up an apostle to go round and prevent churches from getting into debt ?-Golden Rule.

INSURANCE ON CHAPELS IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mr. Thos. Potts. Emigration Agent for New Brunswick, now residing in Liverpool England, writes to the Recorder London, explaining the condition of our churches in St. John. His letter deserves to be reprinted on this side the

To the Editor of the Methodist Recorder. SIR.-My attention has been called to a letter in your issue of the 7th from the Rev. J. Rippon with reference to the fire in St. John, New Brunswick. Mr. Rippon says, "The question has been put to me by several practical business men why the friends in that part of the world do not insure their Connexional property, and thus obviate the necessity of appeals for belp?" 1 knew St. John when it had but one Methodist church. At the time of the great fire it had four, and one of those burned was the largest and most commodious place of worship in the city; besides this, it had a large mission-school capable of seating about 300 persons. These buildings were all of wood; and it may not be generally known to the large hearted Methodists of this country that the pioneer Methodists of that new country were compelled to build their churches of that material. The consequence was the premiums of insurance was very high; and although I speak from memory, I think I am not far wrong when I say it cost from 21 to 31 per cent per annum. You will therefore, plainly see that to insure at full value, would make a great drain upon the income of the Church, The result was an insurance very much below the value, which was the case in the City of St. John.

The business men who make the inquiries referred to would meet me at this

would have been safe, and it would have required the congregations to dip their hands a little deeper into their pockets to maintain the Church. That is quite true. But I need not tell English Methodists how great must have been the strain, how continually repeated the calls upon a rapidly increasing Methodism, such as St. cal; but he will also recognize the fact | John and its connections has presented for the last forty years. And I will venture, on behalf of Methodism at St. John, to affirm that had the churches been burned and the congregations left intact they never would have asked for help. But, unfortunately for them, the whole property of the congregations was swept away with the church, and hundreds who would have contributed with heart and hand to rebuild the churches are utterly unable to do so. I am sure that you will excuse me for adding that my intimate acquaintance with the high tone and spirit of New Brunswick Methodism convinces me that in their appeals to the large heartedness of their brethren on this side of the Atlantic they are not influenced solely by a selfish motive, having no object but the interest of the congregations who have worshipped in those ruined churches, and coupled with that they have a desire to restore to its natural vigour and energy with as little delay as possible, a mutilated and shattered limb of the great Methodist body, in which the whole of that great body must feel an interest,-I am, yours THOS. POTTS.

OBITUARY

Died at English Harbor, Trinity Bay N.F. on Nov. 15th, 1877, Harriet Barnes, aged 73 years. Sister Barnes was the widow of Mr. John Barnes-Planter-at whose house the Methodist Ministers have long found a home. She often spoke of the various ministers who had preached the word of life on that circuit and delighted in calling over their names as under :- The Revs. Messrs. Wm. Ellis, J. S. To his pleased suprise, he dined the eve- Addy, John Corlett, Barr, Norris, Nightning of his arrival, with the Queen and ingale, Wilson, Peach, Shenston, Fox, &c., some of whom remain unto this present, but others are fallen asleep. Sister Barnes, from her earliest years, realized a sense of God's great love to her: and under the teachings of the divine Spirit, was tea when that meal was served, At bed- brought to yield herself to God's service time she said good night, and left the at an early age. She took pleasure in captain to chat with the Prince. The reading and meditation and from the tes-Sunday was spent in the same simple timony of many now living, was through way, and he went to church with the life, a quiet, thoughtful and consistent folks. The next morning he came away, follower of Christ. She was a great sufand he always said, when he told of his ferer from Rheumatism of late years, but visit, "I could not have felt myself more | bore all patiently and with much fortitude. at home if I had been on a visit to my She was fond of instructing her grandsister and her family." Queen Victoria children at such times as her strength gone. has always been fond of dispensing with permitted. To her minister she frequently formality, as at Balmoral, where she is spoke of the goodness of God, and the preciousness of Jesus as her Saviour. the 12th inst., before leaving her, she engaged in a sweet conversation about spiritual things, and followed his prayer very heartily - earnestly responding Amen! Amen! She spoke confiden ly as to several of her family being in heaven. and believed the others would follow after them. She was quite resigned to God's will, and commended her children to Hismercy and care. A large number of persons attended her funeral on the 17th inst. although the day was very wet, and showed their respect for the deceased. "The memory of the just is blessed' truly. A sermon was preached by the Rev'd. Jessie Heyfield, from Phil, 1 ch., 21st vs., who made touching allusions to the life and death of our sister who had exchanged mortality for life. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord," &c.

Mr. Judson A. Fox, late of Young St., Halifax, was born at Newport on Oct. 20th, 1832, and died Dec. 16th, 1877. When a youth he enjoyed all the advantages of godly training. His parents, who were consistent members of the Wesleyan Methodist Society, brought him up "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." But it was not until the year 1861, when he married, that he gave his heart fully to God, and became a member of the Wesleyan branch of the Church of Christ. From that time until the close of life his whole course was marked by blameless consistency. He "walked in wisdom towards them that were without." and let his "light so shine before men" that they, seeing his good works, "glorified God his Heavenly Father. His life presented the harmony of principle and practice. His creed was embodied in his conduct. He exercised himself "to have always a conscience void of offence toward God and toward men"; and adorned the doctrine of God his Saviour in all things. For some time past it had been obvious to his family and friends that his health was breaking up, yet ne danger was apprehended until graver and more complicated symptoms developed themselves, which net yielding to the efforts of professional skill, awakened the most serious apprehension that the decay of the vital powers oo-by saying, was beyond reparation or remedy. His

sufferings during his last illness were severe, but he who had glorified God by a steadfast and unwavering faith in health, was enabled to glorify Him by unmurmuring resignation and patience in affliction. After such a career of devoted christian discipleship and consistent christian testimony, no last words of witness were needed to reassure the hearts of sorrowing friends, nor did his affliction in its latest crisis admit of frequent or lengthened communications, but all his utterances were indicative of profound trust and perfect peace: hence when unable to speak, his beaming countenance, lighted up with heavenly he and joy, showed that the glory of the better country was dawning upon him, and thus without a struggle he fell asleep in Jesus. His mortal remains are laid beside those of his sainted mother, in Newport cemetery, there to await the first resurrection. POLICE R. BRUNYATE.

of Bentville, daughter of the late Henry Kent. Being of pious parentage and religiously instructed, she feared God from her childhood, and through life gave evidence of a work of grace; fear to do wrong, and an earnest desire for the right seemed the pervading principle of her

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Without ignoring the facts of universi human depravity, this gracious principle under Divine influence, was seen with the passing of years to become increasingly developed.

The same infinitely wise and gracious. Providence which at the age of thirles bereaved her of a christian father, ontinued to her the prayers and promptige of a devoted mother, resulting in the nspeakable satisfaction that these labors were not in vain in the Lord, but we among the many things working together for her good. The reality of her becoming subject of God's justifying and renew ing grace, through faith in our Lor Jesus Christ, was demonstrated by he peace and happiness of mind, the fruit only of receiving the atonement, and by the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, and her religious determination. Agreeably hereto, about ten years ago, after much and close conversation with her own beloved sister on the subject, they together came forward, and as an expression. of consecration to Christ and his service. were publicly baptized with water of the sacred name, and more closely connected with the Wesleyan Society. She ever manifested a particular affection and respect toward the house of God and toward His ministers and cause, and seemed averse to any display on her behalf when

About two years ago she had indications of disease, but these, by the use of means, were partially overruled, yet alternately with all that hope could do, there was but too much room for her friends fo fear a fatal result. Could anything available be devised or done in the home circle or among her friends, not so soon would she have been apparently torn from fond and family associations. But the decree had gone forth. The habitual flattery of that wasting disease played well its part, and soon those whose life seemed bound up in hers, were instead of having her presence to comfort them, to learn to maintain connection with her by that mysterious method of spiritual communion, by that faith which looks upon a separated christian friend not as lost nor dead (see John 8. 51, 52, and 11, 26) but gone before, Only one fortnight was to separate her from that part of the Lord's worshipping host beyond the flood, when by an extra effort she attended God's house and word, thinking it might be (as it proved) the

last here. During the time of her severe cough and distressing weakness she was patient and resigned to the will of her Heavenly Father, and repeatedly spoke to those about her of the manner in which God was blessing her, and of the particular satisfaction she had had in conversing

with certain christian friends. On her last Saturday evening she intimated to the two or three about her their holding something like a little classmeeting, of which, when done, she spoke as if it were a little heaven below. The last sunlight she saw upon earth was that of the Holy Sabbath, which was soon to brighten into that of an Eternal Sabbath, and now with all simplicity she told her sister and her mother how happy she had been through the night, and in this happiness she continued.

Very early on the morning of September 3rd, 1877, in the 39th year of her age, at the Saviour's kindly bidding, she laid down the earthly tenement, until her ransomed and bloodwashed spirit comes to put it on afresh. When at the Almighty fiat of Christ that which was sown in weakness shall be raised in power and undecaying and bliseful immortality, and He shall have all the glory of her salva-

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FIRST QUARTER: STUDIES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF JUDAH.

B. C. 955. LESSON II. ASA FAITHFUL TO HIS GOD; or, Help for the Faithful. 2 Chron. 14. 1-11. Commit to memory verses 2-5. January 13th.

#### EXPLANATORY.

ABIJAH. The second king of Judah : reigned but three years; warred successfully against Jeroboam, and wrested the cities on the northern frontier from his grasp. But, as is often the case, with wars abroad, sins grew rife at home, and he left the kingdom farther away from God than he found it. Asa. His name means "physician," appropriate to one who was the healer of the nation's disorders. Quiet ten years. As the result of Asa's victory and the unsettled succession in the northern kingdom, there came a decade of peace in ceuturies of strife, like a patch of blue sky on a dark day. Right in the eyes of the Lord. He took for a standard not his own impulses, or opinions, or convictions, but the will of God. He who sees upon himself God's eyes will not stray far from God's ways.

HE TOOK AWAY THE ALTARS. Ever since the evil example of Solomon's decline, idolatry had flourished, bringing in universal depravation of morals. First of the kings of Judah Asa appears as a reformer, and strikes at the root of the evil by destroying everywhere its outward institutions. "Tear down the nests and the rooks will take their flight," said John Knox, referring to the monasteries in Scotland. So shut up the saloons, and the next generation, if not the present will be saved from drunkards. High places. Shrines for idol-worship, generally built on elevated situations. Groves. "Ashtaroth," a form of idolatry, whose rites were accompanied with the vilest immorality, practiced generally in woods and secluded places. The energy of the king was not supported by his people, and before the close of his reign the evils were again in full power. Eternal vigilance is the price not only of a nation's liberty, but also of its morality.

COMMANDED JUDAH. It is not sufficient te remove temptation; inducements must be presented toward righteousness. Cold sed to be urged into earnest service. Only those who seek the Lord will | and no dipping. have power to do the law. Images. Literally, "sun images," through which worship was paid to the sun. The kingdom was quiet. Free from foreign war and domestic strife. Asa was able to carry forward his reforms. [Teacher, impress the thought of thoroughness, wholeheartedness, in doing right.

LET US BUILD. Industry and religion go hand in hand. "Tramps" have no piety. The land is yet before us. The way to avoid danger is to make preparation for it. Rest is not idleness but activity. "When the sword is sheathed. take up the trowel."-M. Henry. We have sought the Lord. God ever smiles upon the people that seek his face. Not always thus do people and kings remember God in peace and prosperity, and recognize national blessings as his gift-[Teacher, suggest the thought of thankfulness for happy homes, church privileges, etc.] Rest on every side. On the north, the kingdom of Israel was too closely absorbed in civil strife to undertak: foreign war; and on the south the frontiers were left uninvaded by the Egyptian arms. Built and prospered. Trust in God must not beget neglect of personal effort; faith and works should supplement each other. Targets. An old term for shields. Judah with spears and and Benjamin, that ... drew bows, could aid each other, one in the close fight, and the other at long range. God's warfare requires the varied weapons and abilities of every Christian soldier.

ZERAH THE ETHIOPIAN. Probably Osarchon I., the second king of Egypt after Shishak; called the Ethiopian on account of his birth, as he was not the son, but the son in law of the previous king. (Rawlinson.) He invaded Judah to recover the Egyptian supremacy, which had been thrown off by Asa. A thousand thousand. Notwithstanding the precautions of Asa, he found his dominions suddenly menaced by an army twice the number of all the fighting men in the land. God often reveals to us our own helplessness, that he may teach us to lean on him more fully. Mareshah. A city fortified by Rehoboam, (11, 8) on the borders of the Philistine plain, between Hebron and Ashdol.

ASA WENT OUT. Though his army was greatly inferior to the foe, he did not besitate, for he had a mighty ally. "One with God by his side is a majority." Asa cried unto the Lord. Having done his best, he now confidently claims the divine sing. We must work as though every thing depends on ourselves, and pray as dealers generally.

though every thing depends upon God. [Teacher, urge your scholars to pray about all things.] Nothing with thee. Great and small are one with him. Prevail against thee. If Judah be overthrown, it is God's cause that will suffer defeat. The religious interests of the whole earth, for all time, were centred in that insignificant land. His plea was not in vain. The enemy fled, and the scepter of Egypt was so completely broken that during four centuries no enemy threatened Judah from the banks of the Nile.

GOLDEN TEXT: Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power. 2 Chron.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION: Divine Pro-

The next lesson is 2 Chron. 15, 8-15.

CLASSICAL USE OF THE WORD BAP-TIZO.—Achilles Tatius says: "Whom having baptized with the same drug." Here the baptism seems to have been taken off with the same drug by which it was put on. The state of stupefaction is what is called the baptism. The mode was by taking the drug internally. There was no dipping here.

Atheneus says :- "You seem to be baptized with unmixed wine." That is made drunk. The mode was by drinking the wine. There was no dip-

Canon says :- " Having baptized Alexander with much wine." Drunkenness again, but no dipping.

Erenus says:-"Baptizes by sleep: neighbors of death." There was no fluid used in this baptism, and therefore could not be dipping.

Lucien says: - "Resembles one heary headed and baptized"—i. e., drunk.

Diodorus Siculus says: "They do not baptize the people with taxes." Bankrupted, he means. Here there was no fluid used, and could be no dip-

Plutarch says:-" Baptized with a debt of fifty millions." No dipping

Heliodorus says:-" Baptized by the calamity." No fluid here and no dip-

Again Heliodorus says:-Had baptized the city in sleep." No fluid used

Procus says :- " Baptized with much wantonness."--N. D. E. in the Texas

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pose; but Providence seldom smiles on one who is without purpose. Three conditions are required by the Bible of all who would accomplish anything for themselves or others :-- 1st. " Vow". promise, enter into compact with yourself. It is useless to sneer at Temperance pledges, at Baptismal promises, at the formal signature of some new member to a "constitution." Vows areexplain it as you please-of considerable moment as factors in the world's great moral and religious reforms. "Vow and pay"-regard your yow as a debt, to be discharged faithfully and at the first opportunity. Make it a matter of conscience, of scrupulous, honest obligation. The saddest of human failures are those which result from a disposition to break fair contracts. 3rd. "Vow and pay unto the Lord "-let God be a party in your agreements, and your faithfulness or failure be regarded as under His in-

spection and subject to His judgment.

Look in upon the economy of a well-

regulated home. You enter during the day and participate in the household happiness. This is made up of several elements-cleanliness, order, respect for self and for each other-good government, in short. A little careful analysis of these elements would take you back to the disposition of the head of the household, and to the plans and purposes of the morning of the very day you are enjoying. The early sun, following a prescribed path himself, looked down upon a careful, prudent woman mapping out a day's mevements for servants, children, and all else. Result—a quiet, perfect revolution of the arrangements made at the outset. Similar causes are at work in every successful business and professional enterprise. In the counting-house, the court of law, the church, the army, the navy, the workshop-everywhere among life's activities, purpose and faithful execution are placing men above and beyond their fellows.

Ministers of the Gospel are very

much at the end of life what their purposes had contemplated in the beginning. To an observer there is something perplexing in the diversity of opinions which seem to actuate men called to this holy office. One sets out in a new year with the selfgratulation of having attained to a respectable social position; regards himself as under obligation to preach so many sermons, visit so many families, and then -draw his quarters salary. This is the time-serving minister. A second plans a years literary work-while every duty of his parish he considers an encroachment upon his previous time-a deviation from the scholastic course in this voyage whose destination is honour and position. This is the man who has espoused the ministry for its intellectual advantages. A third regards himself as under vows to Christ, an apostle, and so seeks first His counsel as to duty. From the beginning his path is to direct usefulness. Of these three, one looks back upon the year approved by his sense of worldly propriety, another approved of men, and the third approved of God and his own conscience.

To Christians generally the same standard may serve, applied in other ways. They accomplish only what they aim at. With low purposes they will gain but meagre advantages; with elevated, holy ambitions they, at least, fulfill their purposes in part.

Let 1878 be entered upon with grand aims; so shall it close with grand re-

In the rush of last week's business, editorial remarks which we intended to make upon Canon Farrar's utterances in Westminister Abbey were crowded

As to the Christian Union, we were s glad to see its very apparent disapproval of Canon Farrar's position that we were willing to quote from that source in pre ference to some others. Farrar's name

sermon in Westminster Abbey was, as the Christian Union well expressed it, devoid of argument," a fact which we are quite sure our readers would discover for themselves.

We give an extract from the Methodist Recorder, Pittsburgh, whose editor, Rev. Dr. Clark, is always good authority on book lore, and who thinks very highly of his "Life of Christ." Moreover, the Recorder does precisely what the WES-LEYAN did, in common with most papers which have noticed Canon Farrar's sermons-publishes his words as they were reported. Of course, in common also with our Methodist contemporaries, we decidedly objected to his statements. If "everlasting" can be modified as regards future punishment, why not as regards future rewards? The Recorder says :

"Canon Farrar, the distinguished anthor of "The Life of Christ," has created a sensation at Westminster Abbey. His orthodoxy has been unquestioned. His sermons and writings have been welcomed by multitudes of Christians, both in this country and in England. We esteem his "Life of Christ" the most thoughtful, thorough and readable of the many that have been published. But this profound scholar has recently made a deiverance which startles the evangelical world. That we may not do him injustice, we quote a paragraph as reported from one of his December discourses, spoken vonder beneath the same roof that covers the famous Jerusalem Chamber, where the Bible revisers are busy at their long and important work."

A paragraph in an inside page of this week's paper, and which ought also to have been credited to the Christian Union, clearly takes issue with Canon Farrar, though it would seem to look favorably upon a qualification of the terms "damnation" and "everlasting." We publish now, however, Farrar's own further statement, sent to the English papers, showing that, after all, his change of views since he wrote "The Life of Christ," are not so sweeping as was at first supposed:

SIR,-Since many complete misrepresentations of the language and purport of sermon which I recently preached in Westminster Abbey have found their way o public notice, I am reluctantly compelled to trespass upon your courtesv. ] will, however, confine myself to the correction of one erroneous statement. To say, as these reports have done, that I denounce the doctrine of eternal punishment," or expressed a hope that the word eternal" might not appear in the Revised Translation, is, as most of your readers will have seen, at a glance, utter nonsense. The object of my sermon was to prove that the word "eternal" did not necessarily connote "endlessness"; and at the same time to vindicate that faith in the possible effects of Christ's infinite redemption even beyond the grave, which seems to be most expressly stated in the text from which I preached (1 Pet. iv. 6). Neither the Anglican, nor even (I believe) the Romish Church, has dogmatically decided against the permissibility of such a hope; and—as is known to all students of Church history—it has been widely held in different ages, both by very eminent Fathers and theologians, and by some of the holiest of the saints of God.—F. W.

The following letter explains itself. Eastern Provinces are not likely to be practiced upon thus; but we may as well be forewarned:

CAUTION-SPURIOUS DRAFTS. To the Editor of the Mail.

SIR,-Will you allow us, through your widely circulated journal, to caution the public, especially of the United States, against negotiating certain spurious bills of exchange, drawn on us as Treasurers of the Methodist Missionary Society? We are in the habit of using such bills when remitting to our authorized agents at distant points; and it appears some unauthorized person has obtained a copy which he has reproduced by the lithographic process. One of these spurious drafts, for \$100, has been negotiated In Cincinnati. How the copy of our draft was obtained we cannot tell, as none are missing from our book, and those sent out have come regularly back to us for acceptance. Our supposition is, it must have been obtained

as a "sample" from the engraver. In the counterfeit draft the word Toronto" is engraved in the date line. which is not the case with the genuine. There is also a slight difference in the form of the figures "187—." In other respects the bill is a fac simile of ours. JOHN MACDONALD,

A. SUTHERLAND, Treasurers Methodist Missionary Society. Toronto, Dec. 20, 1877.

METEOROLOGICAL.

HALIFAX, Nov. 30th. The temperature of the past month has

resulted a little above the normal; being The rainfall has been excessive-perfeetly in accordance with my prediction of a "wet November"—being 8.678 inches

against a normal of 5.011. I now expect a cold December; with a precepitation of about 3 inches of rain and 17 inches dry snow, giving a melted total of about  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches, which is normal.

FREDERICK ALLISON.

Ha! ha! "A cold December" indeed! We clipped the above from our dailies, and ken it for comparison. And now, what of these weather prophets? They have the records of sciis a power in the world of letters, but the guess well sometimes from these and their money.

other data. But as for any reliable anticipation of the weather for a single month, they are as blind as any ordinary mortals. Our atmosphere is dependent upon other disturbing causes than those now known to scientists.

Here is the prediction of Vennor, whose reputation is something remark-

able in Canada. We take the following from Mr. Ven-

nor's almanac for 1877-8 December will, in all probability, in sharp, but this cold term will be of short duration, and give place speedily to rains and some snows. January, of 1878, looks to me at present

gloomy, wet and foggy, and not unlike that of the year 1876—unusually open February again—I must be cautious about this fickle month this time—will set in severely. I look for more snow than rain; consequently this month will probably be the most wintry-like of the whole winter.

March will bring more snow during its early part, but the month will end wet and cold, with heavy winds, and bids fair to go out exceedingly stormy St. Patrick's Day this year will have its snow storm.

April, May and the first part of June, will be very wet and cold. This impression is firmly imprinted on my mind, and this wet and cold spring will be followed by an intensely hot midsummer. April will be characterized by a cold white

The whole autumn and winter will be favorable to the increase of throat diseases and fevers, also, cattle diseases; and I the approach of Asiatic cholera towards northern latitudes during the ensuing

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

By private letters we learn that some dissatisfaction exists among New Brunswick Ministers, relative to the Grant for this year. They have the impression that undue liberties have been taken by the Central Board with estimates of Receipts as made up by financial District Meetings. We are sure their representatives can and will give them all necessary explanation.

Our Missionary Secretaries acting upon the suggestion of the General Board-an excellent suggestion - forward for publication to the organs of the General Conference occasional letters from the Mission field. We have received the first so sent -from the Saskatchewan-and will be glad to publish it next week.

Dr. Moffat's intellectual face, in a Magazine engraving just to hand, reminds us of the fallacy of a sentiment often heard in pulpits and on platforms, and delivered is of gospel doctrine Circumstances do not always make men. On the contrary men make and rule circumstances. Pushed out into the wilds of Africa, Moffat and Livingstone were not to be buried from public notice. They brought themselves well to the frontand brought Africa with them. Strong character when developed by study, and especially by religion, will show itself It comes sooner or later from the battlefield, and is sure to bring in its train prisoners of conquest. Those two mighty men-one brought up among sailors and fishermen, the other among weavershave done more for the Eastern Continent than all mankind besides. Yes, it may be true that a fierce persecution would bring out the stuff of which martyrs are made; but if we possess the stuff at all, it ought to do brave and noble things in the world as we find it. Do not allow Christians to hide behind an excuse of circumstances.

The holidays have again brought much activity to the Book Room at Halifax. Excellent as were the results in two previous years, this ( hristmas trade even surpassed them. A large class of customers, many of whom are not personally known to us, make the Book Room their chief resort in the purchase of such lines of goods as fairly belong to the stationer's avocation. The stock this year was varied and beautiful, and when we say that in about three weeks, the stock was reduced to the amount of \$3,000, readers will form some idea of the extent to which the collection was appreciated. There are reasons for this success of which it does not become us to speak. We may say, however, that the rush has left not a little weariness be-

We begin this year with great hopes for the Wesleyan. In striving to make it a thorough family and news paper-to convey warning, cheer, instruction to Methodist and other homes where it may be received, and at the same time afford, where secular papers are not taken, a birds-eye view of affairs in the world generally-we have given the paper, conscientiously, all the strength that-sometimes a little more than-circumstances warranted. With our history of the past before them, are our subscribers willing to accept us for another year? We, certainly, have no objections to accepting them! If they will take us-trust us, we entific observation for years past. They | will promise to give them full value for

Tidings of revival reach us from a few places. Are our brethren pressing hard upon the consciences of their hearersconcentrating their truths and energies and prayers to the one point of helping souls to decide now for Christ and christian service? One minister writes charge appeared. The Editor promptly of whole families—seventy penitents at one time-seeking mercy. He began in deep dejection, but assured his hearers that he expected conversions and would not cease without them. Is it any wonder the blessing came? Let us have reports of your success, brethren. Such news belongs to the Church generally. We are all ready to rejoice with the angels over the conversion of sinners.

Have our readers ever perused the life of Billy Bray? Take this one sentence from the book-a cheap treatise, on sale at the Book Room. W How complete is the illustration! "Religion to Billy was not a duty to be done-not a privilege to be enjoyed in leisure hours-not a benefit club, a comfortable provision for rainy days ;-it was a life. Never left behind. never put off with his Sunday clothes, never hidden before great or low, good or bad-but in him, flowing through him. speaking in every word, felt in every action, seen in every look-deep, true, abiding religion was with him altogether a life." Would that all christians were all agree with Prof. Mansill in anticipating this! "We hear a good deal now-a-days" said Billy, while preaching "about what is called Baptismal Regeneration; I don't know what it is, but I tell 'ee friends, if it 'ud make me happier I'd go into it like a duck -head, wings, feathers and all." He could be sarcastic when he pleased. "When the young women come into the chapel they put their hand a minute before their face, as if in prayer, but saying, 'Is he come?' And the young men put their heads to their hats and read 'London waterproof.' " At a lovefeast some spoke of their trials, but that their blessings counterbalanced them. At length Billy rose; clapping his hands and smiling, he said, "Well, friends, I have been taking vinegar, and honey, but praise the Lord. I've had the vinegar with a spoon and the honey with a ladle." "If they were to put me into a barrel," said Billy "Iwould

> METHODIST MAGAZINES -Our own Canadian Magazine for January, is a pleasant surprise. With a greatly improved title page, thicker paper, first class illustr tions and several very spirited articles. it has surely surmounted all prejudice, if any ever existed against it. We heartily congratulate the authorities in its manage-

shout glory out through the bunghole."

The Wesleyan Methodist Magazine London) for December contains a portrait of our English correspondent-our good genial triend of years gone bye. Ten years have wrought changes in him though, leaving him so heavily bearded as almost to conceal his, wonted looks, but so well favored that we can vouch for his good conscience and good living.

#### THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Information reaches us, that Rev. J. S. Phinney, of Fairville, N.B. is but recoving from a sharp attack of Bronchitis, which laid him aside for several weeks. Mrs. Phinney and her eldest son—now at home -are both in ill health. We tender our sympathy, and feel sure their numerous friends will bear them kindly in their

Another fire in St. John! This time the damage was confined to half a dozen houses and stores in Waterloo Street. But every additional blow is severe upon a people already prostrate.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell replies in the Tele· graph of last Saturday, to the charge of wholesale plagiarism noted by us in our issue of last week. He admits that the introduction of his sermon was the same n substance as one he had listened to in-Chicago in 1872; but that the body of the sermon was different; regrets that he committed the fault; denounces strongly an attempt made by parties in Fredericton to extort from him a promise to abstain from plagiarism on pain of seeing his theft in this case published to the world. Mr. Mitchell evidently has suffered much mentally from this affair. We hope it will prove warning against a folly-in fact, a sin-which we imagine is not, after all, very common in our day. Ministers may as well decide definitely, that all sources of knowledge open to them, are also open to others; and that plagiarism once actually detected, a ministers good name suffers not a little. The Telegraph says:-" The story goes that Dr. Punshon admitted that on one occasion of great pressure he had helped himself to some passages of Mr. Parsons' discourse, but he added, 'I trust, brethren, that none of you supposes that I can preach a better sermon than Mr. Parsons!' There is little doubt that Dr. Punshon could do so, had a supper at West Leicester, which

though Parsons when in his great pulpit orator."

Mr. Punshon was accused once of giarism; but to meet the very first breath of suspicion, he sent his manuscript to the Editor of the paper in which the exonorated the accused from evel dow of doubt.

THE PRESIDENT ELECT OF SACRVILLE. College.—The members of the Centenary Church, who feel very keenlythe prospective loss of the Rev. Howard Sprague, president elect of Sackville College, are taking steps to induce Mr. Sprague not to accept that position. A committee has been appointed to wait on Mr. Sprague and a final answer is expected to be given next week .- Telegraph.

CHARLES ST .- In the Charles St. Church on New Year's morning, immediately after the close of the usual Watch Night Service, a very interesting circumstance took place. A number of the members of the congregation met for the purpose of presenting their organist, Miss Magris Rogers, with a purse of \$42, in recognition of her services during the past year, The presentation was made by J. W. Smith who, in a few well-chosen words, spoke of the advantages in having a good choir in connection with public worship. Hem. ferred to the esteem in which Miss Rogers is held by the congregation, and the satisfaction she has given during the past year. Mr. Elliott briefly responded on behalf of the young lady.

#### NEWS FROM THE CIRCUITS.

WELSFORD CIRCUIT.-On the 12th inst., the Parsonage was visited by a surprise and donation party. The surprise was a very agreeable one and the donation quite liberal in degree and various in kind, consisting of vegetables, meat, butter, tea, sugar, &c., a very comfortable easy chair, and cash. For the parsonage proper were donated a splendid feather bed, quilts, &c. All thanks to the thoughtful and kind donors.

On Thursday last, 27th inst., we held a supper soiree, in aid of parsonage funds. The affair was very enjoyable, and financially quite a success. L. S. J. Dec. 1877.

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NOTES FROM OXFORD.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,-I have just concluded a series of special services at Est Liecester, an interesting portion of my circuit. Believing that it will be for the glory of God, and the encouragement of the many devoted brethren who have preceeded me on this circuit, I send you the result. During the services, which continued five weeks, about eighty persons presented themselves at the altar as penitents, seeking salvation. Five or six were from other circuits, and a goodly number will join other churches, so that the number connecting themselves with us is smaller than might be expected. Yesterday I baptized sixteen adults, and in all, received thirty-six persons on probation. Several others are to be received at an early date. I also received a sister coming to reside with us from another circuit, and a brother who has been an accredited member of the Baptist Church, but desired to join us. I have the name of another member of that church who wishes to connect herself with us, her husband having been converted during the services. At the close of yesterday's service I had the privilege of administering the Lord's Supper to sixty persons, many engaging in the sacred ordinance for the first time. The church was crowdel to excess. The last Sabbath of 1877 will not soon be forgotten by those who were present. I failed to obtain any miristerial help for the Sabbath, but the Lord put it into the heart of my talented circuit steward, William Oxley, Esq., to assist me in my three preaching services, so that I was able to accomplish the day's toil without much inconvenience. The church is greatly revived, backsliders have been reclaimed, and many souls converted,

for which we give God all the glory. Truly it is glorious work pointing sinners to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world. The people of East Leicester, believing that the temporal interests of the church should be attended to, as well as the spiritual, insisted upon having Christmas-eve free, that they might have their annual donation gathering. After spending a very pleasant evening, chiefly in singing our revival hymns, I was presented with twenty six dollars towards my salary, and Mrs. Johnson with thirty one dollars and sixty cents as

a present. We are making arrangements for the building of a parsonage. In October, we

we now occupy.

for the erection of the building. We hope

to have a good house built, ready for oc-

cupation by the middle of August. The

people have already made a very generous

expenditure in furnishing the house which

Our Missionary meetings held in No-

vember, resulted in an increase of thirty

dollars over the receipts of last year.

Some of my predecessors will not be sor-

ry to hear that a carpenter is now at work

lowering the much abused pulpit of the

Oxford church. Wishing you the compli-

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DIGBY NECK.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,-We held our Mis-

sionary meetings here, and though not so

largely attended as we have seen meetings

of this character yet financially

they were in some degree successful. The

receipts will be in advance somewhat of

last year. Two members of our expected

and announced deputation were conspic-

ous by their absence, causing some disap-

pointment, but the President of the Con-

ference being present, gave us a powerful

For some time one of our churches here

has been in a condition unworthy of the

service of the Most High. Some years ago

it was lengthened and made to appear

like a new house outside, but the inside

condition. We resolved to have the in-

side equal to the outside profession, and a

little better. The ladies got to work, and

the results of their labours were a Christ-

mas Tree and Festival, by which we nett-

ed nearly seventy dollars. This sum and

the proceeds from the sale of the new pews

and the opening services, with subscrip-

Bro. H. Morehouse and contributed toward

pecting the shower of blessing to descend

upon us; that the word of Divine grace

which is preached, may be savingly ap-

Yours truly,

COBOURG ROAD, HALIFAX.-The third

anniversary of the Cobourg Road Sab-

bath school was celebrated in the church

on Thursday, the 27th inst. After the

friends and children partaking of a boun-

tiful repast, the meeting was addressed

by Revs. W. H. Heartz and W. L. Cun-

ningham, also by Mr. Major Theakson and

Joseph Belcher, Esq., occupying the

larger than at any previous period of its

history. And if it should continue to in-

crease as heretofore we shall be compelled

After the distribution of prizes and

music rendered by the scholars the meet-

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CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE METHODIST

CHURCH, Sussex .- An interesting affair

came off in the Methodist Church last

night. This beautiful edifice, which has

for some time past been handsomely and

appropriately decorated, had new attrac-

tions added to it on the present occasion

in the shape of a superb and costly

Christmas tree, which was loaded with

gifts of no trivial kind, and many of them

Were really costly. These articles were

distributed, in a humorous manner, by

old Santa Claus, who had his Christmas

suit on. The children were filled with

ecstasy at the old man's generosity. The

Methodists have fairly outdone their

neighbors in their laudable efforts to

please the little folk. Recitations and

singing by the children formed an inter-

esting feature. An oyster supper was

also served up. The congregation has the

good will of many children, the circum-

admitted of such a feast.—Tel.

stances of whose parents would not have

R. TWEEDIE.

not finished because we have not money.

Hon. S. L. Shannon.

to enlarge the building.

Dec. 29th, 1877

Dollars.

ing closed with the benediction.

We are praying for, and earnestly ex-

was left in a very rough and neglected

and effective address.

D. W. J.

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#### realized seventy-eight dollars. We have CORRESPONDENCE. opened a subscription list with encouraging results, and have asked for tenders

RICHMOND CIRCUIT

Since our arrival on this Circuit we have received from the people every ex pression of kindness which the most expectant nature could desire.

made the recipients of a donation of \$25 in cash and other articles, amounting in all to \$30.

of this timely and acceptable surprise, and hope that this generous treatment will be extended to the ministerial fraternity generally, by the circuits in which they

We are thankful to say that the various interests connected with this charge are in a very encouraging condition. The congregations are good and exceedingly attentive to the ministration of the word. May the over-hanging cloud of blessing break upon us and upon all the Churches

Hope that the matter referred to in our last week's issue by "A Financial Secre tary," will receive that attention which it certainly demands. Am sure that the Brethern on the Mission Stations in the N. B. and P. E. I. Conference will thank the writer for his clear exhibit of the financial cramping which appears to be in process of initiation.

Congratulating you on another year's successful management of the "Wesley an," and extending to you the compliments

> Believe me to remain, Yours truly,

LOCAL ITEMS.—ALBERT CO., N. B.

Very many availed themselves of half fare Excursion Tickets during Xmas holidays, in fact the passenger ear was tolerably well filled. The following table shows traffic

Passengers. Freight. 174,84 1360,46 1535,30 338.86 1386,78 387.63 1208.19 1595,82 854,68 1213.38 Totals. 1360,03 4801,11 CHRISTMAS EVE AT ALBERT MINES.

tions that have been promised, will we expect place the church in a condition in which we may comfortably worship God. We expect to commence the work of restoration in the spring. Immediately after the Christmas Tree a goodly number of the members and friends of the Centreville Church met at the house of circuit expenses, quite a respectable sum. perity.

CHRISTMAS EVENING AT HILLSBORO. In the Methodist Church on the eve of the 25th, the place was literally full and all enjoyed the rich treat in store for the children of the Methodist S. School. The

so far has been most pleasant—sufficient snow to afford fair sleighing and the streets during the present holidays have been made lively by the Hillsboro' inhabi-

Large audiences attend the Methodist chair, expressed the pleasure it gave him to welcome the speakers. He was glad to in interest. intimate that the Sabbath school was now

A boy was seriously injured and a horse killed a few days since by collision with an excursion train near the Village of

# NICAL EDUCATION.

Professor Huxley has recently delivered a lecture on technical education before an English working men's association, in the course of which he gives his views as to what working men should know. He defines technical edand the requirements thereof he sums up to be reading, writing, and cipherng, a taste for one's calling, an acquaintance with the elements of physical science, a knowledge of a foreign language, and the scrupulous avoidance

of the practice known as "cramming."

talent or genius found in schools. It was Edward Everett, we believe. who regarded anyone who could read, the late Charles Symones, junior, took the write, and cipher as well educated, and if to that a knowledge of a foreign language was added, the education, he considered fine. Professor Huxley goes a step beyond this, it would seem; and besides his recommendations while excellent, appear rather too general to be susceptible of ready practical appli-

NOVA SCOTIA.

CARLETON, Co., N. B., 20th Dec. 1877.

Dear Mr. Editor :-

On Christmas day morning, we were

We hasten to record our appreciation

in a glorious manner.

of the season.

W. HARRISON.

ALBERT RAILWAY.

receipts for the last four months.

At Albert Mines on Xmas Eve, all the children of the Sabbath School number ing 100 and over, assembled at the Mines Church and participated in the many good things provided mainly by the local manager, and enjoyed themselves admirably. The church was elaborately festooned and apprepriate mottoes becoming the season beautifully portrayed on the walls. Bro. Haddow is the Superintendent of this ool and seeks most ardently its pros-

commendable. The family of J. T. Tompkins, Esq., of for the Xmas tree and by which the scholars were highly delighted.

THE WINTER SEASON

METHODIST CHURCH.

Church every Sabbath evening and this section of the church is evidently growing

A floor gave way on Demoiselle Creek, last Tuesday evening, on the occasion of a Baptist tea meeting, and many were more frightened than hurt-none fatally.

# PROFESSOR HUXLEY ON TECH-

As to the means for carrying out NEW BRUNSWICK & P. E. ISLAND. this ideal education, Professor Huxley strongly advocates the more extended teaching of natural science in the pubutilizing in the public interest unusual

## NEWS IN BRIEF.

Samuel Guthro, of French Vale, C. B.,

was killed by the falling of a tree while chopping in the woods last week. Malcolm Sillars, Hobson, brought to Pictou last week two hogs, both being under sixteen months old, one of which weighed 640

lbs., the other 682. A thoughtless young man, belonging to a Parrsboro' lumbering establishment, doubtless in search of distinction, recently ran to a barn with a red hot iron to enlarge the tap of kerosene oil cask, by burning, but was stopped by another man in time to prevent an explosion and probable loss of life.

Mr. Charles Marshall, of New Annan, Cumberland Co., was found dead in his bed on Saturday week. He leaves a wife and two children. Aged 23. Mr. Robert Lewis, of Wentworth, went out on Wednesday morning and did his work as usual, then sat down. His son noticed something peculiar in his appearance and called in his mother, who laid him on the bed, and before any further assistance could be called the old man was dead. He was about 90 years of age.

One night in the early part of last week the store of Mr. Smith Harding, Tusket, was broken into by prying the front door open with a crowbar. About \$2 in cash and \$5 worth of underclothing were stolen.

On Thursday evening of last week, a son of William Keho, of Hantsport, fell off a sled load of lumber on which he was riding, and the runner passed over his leg, crushing it so badly that amputation was rendered necessary.

The brig Idle Wild, owned by James Duncan & Co., of Charlottetown, P.E.I., from Cadiz for Cascumpec, P.E.I., loaded with salt, went ashore Wednesday, 26th ult., on Cape George, N.S. It is feared she will prove a total wreck.

On Christmas eve, whilst Mr. John Beular, proprietor of the corn mill at Milton, was at tea, the office in one of his buildings was burglarized, the desk pried open, and \$300, mostly in silver coin, purloined therefrom. A sum of nearly \$1000 in the bottom of the desk escaped the notice of the burglar and was left undisturbed.

A large quantity of smuggled liquor, concealed at a place in Argyle, Yarmouth County, has been ferreted out and destroyed. Another store in the same locality is also suspected and closely watched by the Reformers. The authorities, it is said, are about to make a descent on it.

Another craft has been added to the already leet of vessels owned at Granville Ferry. A brigt. named the Carribbean, of very fine appearance, was launched from the building yard at Granville Ferry, on Thursday last, of the following dimensions :- length 99.5 feet; beam, 24.3 feet; depth, 10.6 feet, and registers 173 tons. She has been constructed of the very best materials, and we have no doubt will give a good account of herself under the able management of Capt. Joseph Hall. She is owned by Messrs. Wm. McCormack, James E. Shafner, Robt. Delap, Troop & Irvine and Capt. Hall.

The Liverpool Foundry Co. have decided to go on with the business in which they were very successfully engaged until the fire destroyed their buildings, stock and patterns. They are putting up a new building near the St. John built vessel spot where the old one stood. It will be ceived such a high commodious and convenient. Mr. James Annis is the master-builder.

The Parrsboro correspondent of the Amherst "Gazette" reports that on Christmas Superintendent of which is C. P. Warman, Train was passing the West Brook tank two eve while the Spring Hill and Parrsboro young men with guns were noticed on the side of the road. A passenger went out to the rear of the car was fired at point blank by the Plaster Works, contributed largely one of them. Fortunately the aim was untrue and the man was not injured, but the end of the car was riddled with shot.

A letter recently received by Mr. Pickup, of Granville Ferry, announces the death by cholera, at Batavia, Java, of Capt. John S. Lent, of Granville Ferry, master of the barque I. W. Oliver. He was a man much respected in the community, and his sudden removal is deeply regretted. He leaves a wife and several children, who were with him on board the vessel.

The Hantsport correspondent of the Bridgetown "Monitor" furnishes the following: young man named Layton employed by Messrs. Churchill, in their steam mill, got caught between the hoisting drum and the rope when engaged in ballasting the new ship He was carried round the drum five times, the rope winding about his head and neck. When cut clear it was thought that he was dead, but is now in a fair way of recovery. The Windsor and Annapolis Railway Company have stopped the tide out of Half-way River. It is a first-class job. The men employed on the work left about four thousand dollars for board alone in the town, no accidents occurred of any account, and as no liquor is sold there was no drunkenness.

A son of David Hatfield, of Tusket, Lakeside, Yarmouth Co., and another boy named Gavel, in crossing the ice on 25th ult., near their homes fell through. Mr. Hatfield and his family went to their rescue, the ice broke from under them and all were struggling in the water. No assistance came and after a time Mr. Hatfield and young Gavel with great difficulty succeeded in getting out, but Mrs. Hatfield, her son and two daughters were all ucation as the teaching of handicrafts, drowned together. Their bodies were recovered. A young man named Malanson, while skating, broke through the ice and was also

> Nova Scotia's big ship, the W. D. Lawrence, Capt. Ellis, arrived at Aden on the 29th of November, from Cardiff.

The Rev. D. Macrae, of St. John, N. B. has for several years received the sum of \$400 annually, from a young man in Newlic schools, and he thinks that the mode foundland, as a contribution to the schemes of instruction should be especially of the Presbyterian Church. The young man practical and experimental. He also is not rich, but desires to increase his gifts to recommends some special means for good objects and does not wish his name to be made public.

In the recent examination at the University of London, in November last, Mr. Charters James Symonds, a native of St. John, son of degree of Bachelor of Medicine (M. B.) in the first class, obtaining the gold medals in n edical juris-prudence and obstetric medicine and the third place in first-class honors in medicine. At a subsequent examination he obtained the degree of Bachelor of Surgery (B. S.) taking the gold medal in that subject

The ice is now pretty firm on the Mirami-

The St. Stephen, N. B., "Courier" boasts that on the occasion of a recent fire in that town, the St. Stephen steam engine only occupied three minutes from the time that it left the Engine house until it threw water on the fire.

On the 26th ult., while Mr. David Miller and his two sons and two daughters, with Mr. and Mrs. William McColgan and their son and daughter, were crossing over the ice at Indian Island, Milkish, in a wagon drawn by two horses, the ice gave way. It is said that the ice was cracking when they had proceeded a short way and continued so up to the time of the accident. They all escaped, Mr. McColgan being saved by Mrs. McColgan who left the wagon first. The horses were

A large she bear and three half grown cubs were killed by Daniel Carrol and his sons early in December at the Forks, Cain's River, Parish of Blackville, Northumberland Co. Mr. Carroll got \$12 bear bounty and 8 gallons of oil from his prizes.

A man named Conderon, in the employ of Chas. Sergeant, Esq., Moncton, was nearly drowned Christmas evening by driving into a hole on the ice near Canadian Point, just below the ferry landing. Had it not been for the timely assistence of some parties who were near. Conderon's wife and children who were with him would have been drowned.

While crossing Musquash River, below Sherwood Lake, on the afternoon of the 26th. George Hennessy broke through the ice and was drowned. His cries were heard by some men working in the woods, near the river, but before they had reached him he had disappeared beneath the ice. His body was recovered that night. Deceased leaves a wife and several small children.

The Zion Church Presbyterian bazaar, which came off two or three days ago in Charlottetown, was very successful, and realized the large sum of \$1,264. The display of ladies' work, in particular, was magnificent. All denominations seemed to mingle at the bazaar. The ladies who worked hard since April saw their labors crowned with success. Where all did so well, it is invidious to name any one, yet our correspondent thinks that Mrs. Stronach, who was President of the Committee, and whose labors were great, is entitled to that distinction. A novel idea was carried out. The labels on the cakes recalled many of the great "powers that be, including Lord Dufferin, Premier McKenzie, Sir John, Governor Hodgson, Governor Laird. President Hayes, the Press, the Government, the Opposition, etc., etc.—Exeh.

George Seamans, Esq., track-master of that section of the I. C. R. between Moncton and Bartibogue, was presented with an address accompanied by a handsome gold watch, at Newcastle, on Christmas evening, by the trackmen under his employ. A supper was afterwards served at the United States Hotel.

For several days, a young man belonging to Charlottetown Royalty, P. E. Island, has been missing and it is supposed that he has

Ship "Erin's Isle," built in Captain McFee's shipyard, Courtenay Bay, which sailed for England a short time ago, has arrived at her destination. A letter has been received here stating that the vessel has been classed in English Lloyds for 11 years, as follows; 6 for spruce frame, 2 for yellow metal and galvanized fastenings, 2 for mixed material, and 1 for salting. This is the first St. John built vessel, it is stated, that has re. | tions for peace. Lloyds.

Mr. James Day, who lives at Long Reach, King's County, brought the carcass of a bear, weighing about 300 lbs., to the city, and it was on exhibition in the market. The bear was eaptured about two miles beyond Bald Mountain, after a ten mile tramp by Mr. Day and his two sons. The animal had evidently been trapped before, as he had only three

Mr. A. D. Freeze, of Penobsquis, was killed on the 25th ult. He was driving a load of milk cans from the station, and when crossing the track west of Penobsquis, the Quebec Express came along, striking the wagon, and throwing Mr. Freeze out, killed him instantly.

A lecture was delivered in Salisbury on the evening of the 19th instant, by the Rev. Robert Wilson, of Hopewell, in his own eloquent and inimitable style. His subject was "The Characteristics of the Irishman." He instructively gave "Paddy as a warrior, a wit, a patriot, a poet, and a Christian.' A Ministerial Convention of the Sackville district was held in the Methodist Church on the 20th and 21st inst. Various topics of a religious character were discussed and the services were seasons of profit and blessing. The Moncton "Times" editor has cannel coal of a good quality, said to have been taken from a mine in Cape Breton. The St. John "Telegraph" reports a discovery of coal near

Fairville, N. B. J. L. Davis, who sojourned at Parrsboro last summer, and represented himself as a writer of articles for Harper's Magazine, and was recently arrested for obtaining money under false pretences, has been sentenced to five months in jail at Dorchester. It will be remembered that he victimized sundry people by taking pay in advance for advertisements to be inserted in a mythical Railway Gazette, of which he told that he would publish an edition of twenty-four thousand in Halifax.

The "Globe" estimates the loss by Saturday's fire at \$60,000; insurance less than one third of this. The disaster throws 200 people out of employment. Valpey's factory alone employed 100.

The test case of a commercial traveller being compelled to pay a license of \$50 per annum in P. E. Island has been decided in Charlottetown against that city. The defence was undertaken by the Dominion Commercial Travellers' Association, Montreal, and all costs of the trial paid by the Association.

#### UPPER PROVINCES.

Mr. Thomas Adair Reeve, of Southampton, last summer acquired a patent process for freezing fish. The process in itself is very simple, consisting of a mixture of ice and sait around an air-tight chamber made of galvanized iron, in which the fish are held. Mr. Adair expended \$3,000 in constructing the necessary buildings and freezing chambers. He froze sixty-five tons of fish during the last season, and sold them at a good prefit to a Canadian firm, who placed them in New

The Windsor and Sandwich Street Car Railway Company put an engine on the road Dec. 24th for the first time. The engine, which is of 30 horse power, does not differ in appearance from a street car, and makes no steam or smoke, and so far works very satis-

The Welland "Tribune" says :- The people of Clifton are making a move to utilize the splendid water privileges at their feet. It is estimated that a small race 200 or 300 feet in length, would give 100 horse power, enlargement and elongation producing proportionate results. The power would be transmitted to the top of the bank by means of a cable, and then be immediately available. Messrs. Secord & Biggar have offered to con struct the raceway and carry on a grist mill for r \$3,000 bonus.

Old inhabitants say the winter of 1837 was very much like the present season. Forty years ago this month Capt. Armstrong made several trips with the steamer St. George between Montreal and Quebec,

The Winnipeg "Free Press" is of opinion that the cash terms imposed upon squatters on the Railroad Reserve in Manitoba will have to be modified. The notices calling for payment have brought scores of squatters into Winnipeg, nearly all of whom assert their absolute inability to comply with the regulation. Meanwhile the names of those who report themselves at the Dominion Land Office are registered in order to protect them against the encroachments of others who might seek to deprive them of any improvements they have made.

The hostile attitude of Canadian squatters at the Pembina Mountains towards the Mennonite colonists has caused some trouble. Notices to quit have been served on the former by officials of the Dominion Land Office.

The excitement over the Cariboo quartz discoveries continues at Victoria, B. C., and a great impetus has been given to business of all kinds. News of fresh discoveries is constantly coming in.

A crop of hay from the dyked lands on the Fraser River arrived at Victoria by steamer Enterprise on the 5th. It is as good as any offered in the market. More than a thousand acres in the section where this hay was grown

will be next year sown with grain. The Hudson Bay Company offer for sale their splendid tract of farming land on the Fraser at Langley. The land will be sold in blocks of 100 acres, more or less, on easy terms of payment extending over a number of

The Dominion Government are in communication with the British authorities as to the cruel treatment of Canadian cattle while wait-

ing inspection at the English ports. In Manitoba unimproved lands sell at from 30 cents to \$1; improved farms on the rivers rom 85 to \$10.

The total revenue collected during the first five months of the present fiscal year is \$9,-781,104; expenditure for the same period \$7,443,414, showing a surplus of over \$2,000,-

The returns of exports and imports for November show an excess of exports over im-

His Lordship Bishop Jamot speaks highly of the natural resources of North-Western Ontario, particularly Muskoka, Parry Sound. and Nipissing, as containing a large amount of land suitable for agricultural purposes.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

The British Government has consented on the solicitation of the Porte to approach the Czar with a view of bringing about negotia-

The Chinese troops in Kashgar have fortified Touchtongain and Arka, two strong strateg cal points, and the inhabitants are fleeing in terror to Russian territory. Reinforcements ordered for the Russian

army exceed 250,000 men. An army of the Baltic numbering 90,000 men is also being formed. Russia has bought 200,000 rifles in

Six hundred colliers who were on a strike in Macclesfield, England, have submitted to a reduction of wages.

The colliers of South Wales have agreed to accept a temporary reduction of five per cent. in wages. Some details remain to be settled, but a general closing of the pits, which the masters at one time contemplated, seems to be averted.

It is believed that 50,000 British troops at Batoum, in alliance with the Turks, with money and arms to distribute, would raise a storm which would drive the Russians out of Trans-Caucasus as well as Armenia. For some time provisions and munitions of war have been accumulating at Malta, from which point could be easily drawn supplies needed for an English army at Constantinople, or a fleet to bar the Dardanelles against the Russian ships of war.

There has been severe cold with heavy snow throughout the North of Ireland. In Paris the weather ) was stormy with sleet and rainfall. On Christmas Day, nevertheless, the streets were thronged and the boulevards presented a gay appearance.

It is reported that the Pope is relenting, and wishes to concert a modus vivendi with Germany. A Calcutta despatch says the expenditures

in helping the sufferers by the famine have reached nine and a quarter million pounds sterling. The wife of William C. Gilman, the New York forger, has recovered her reason and gone to visit her husband at the Auburn

Michard Davitt, a Fenian sentenced to 15 years penal servitude, was released from Dartmour, on ticket-of-leave, after serving half the term of his sentence.

It is reported that Don Carlos was ordered to quit France partly in consequence of the ex-Queen Isabella's overtures to him. These overtures are regarded as an expression of her displeasure at the marrriage of Alphohnso. The "Times" in its military and naval in-

telligence says: "During the past twelve months ships have been constantly employed conveying stores to Gibralter and Malta, at each of which there is now a vast collection of war material." Orders have been received at Woolwich for

the manufacture of sixteen pounder field guns. It has also been determined that the four eighty ton guns for the Inflexible be chambered fosthwith. The conviction which has been growing several days now almost amounts to a cer-

tainty, that the Dutch steamer Friesland, from Java to Rotterdam, has been lost with all hands off Cape Finistere. She passed Gibralter Dec. 5th. Wreckage has been sighted which without doubt came from the Friesland. Her crew numbered about fifty; no passen-

It is reported that gangrene threatens the

It is estimated that there are at present 400 chi, and teams are passing to and fro at factorily, turning short turns with two cars which graduate annually between six and seven thousand students.

WESLEYAN' ALMANAC JANUARY, 1878.

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THE TIDE?,—The column of the Mool's Southing gives the time of high water at Parrsboro, Cornwallis, Horton, Hantsport, Windsor, Newport and

High water at Pictou and Jape Tormentine, 2 hrs and II minutes LATER than at Halifax. At Annapolis, St. John, N.B., and Portland, Maine, 3 hours and 25 minutes LATER, and at St. John's, Newfoundland 20 minutes EARLER than at Halifax. At Charlottetown, 2 hours 54 minutes LATER. At Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes LATER. At Yarmouth, 2 hours 26 minutes LATER.

FOR THE LENGTH OF THE DAY.—Add 12 hours to the time of the sun's setting, and from the sum sub-FOR THE LENGTH OF THE NIGHT.—Substract the time of the sun's setting from 12 hours, and to the remainder add the time of rising next morning

#### LEFT ALONE AT EIGHTY.

What did you say, dear " breakfast?" Somehow I've slept too late. You are very kind, dear Effie, Go tell them not to wait, I'll dress as quick as ever I can, My old hand trembles sore, And Polly, who used to help, dear heart, Lies t'other side of the door.

Put up the old pipe, deary, I couldn't smoke to-day, I'm sort o'dazed and frightened, And don't know what to say. It's lonesome in the house, here, And lonesome out o' door-I never knew what lonesome meant In all my life before.

The bees go humming the whole day long And the first June rose has blown, And I am eighty, dear Lord, to-day, Too old to be left alone! ), heart of love, so still and cold O, precious lips, so white !-For the first sad hours in sixty years, You were ont of my reach last night.

Youv'e cut the nowers? You're very kind She rooted it, last May;
It was only a slip; I pulled the rose,
And threw the stem away;
But she, sweet, thrifty soul, bent down And planted it where she stood. "Dear, maybe the flowers are living," she

"Asleep in this bit of wood."

I can't rest deary—I cannot rest; Let the old man have his will, And wander from porch to garden post-The house is so deathly still; Wander, and long for a sight of the gat She has left ajar for me-We had got so used to each other, dear, So used to each other, you see.

Sixty years and so wise and good, She made me a better man, From the moment I kissed her fair young

And our lover's life began. And seven fine boys she has given me, And out of the seven, not one But the noblest father in all the land Would be proud to call his son.

O, well, Dear Lord, 1'll be patient, But I feel so broken up; At eighty years it's an awsome thing To drain such a bitter cup. I know there's Joseph, and John and Ha And four good men beside, But a hundred sons couldn't be to me Like the woman I made my bride.

My little Polly, so bright and fair, So winsome, and good, and sweet! She had roses twined in her sunny bair, White shoes on her dainty feet. And I held her hand—was it yesterday That we stood up to be wed? And-No, I remember, I'm eighty to-day And my dear wife, Polly, is dead.

#### SPECIMENS OF NEWFOUNDLAND HUMOUR.

We get the following from a late copy correspondent.

CHRISTIAN COAL. Jeremiah Batstone had been for thirty years sexton and beadle of the Episcopal Church of Punch Bowl, Newfoundland. He was as may easily be imagined, a sound, steady-going Churchman, strongly conservative in

England was only equalled by his dislike to Methodism. The zeal of the Methodists had harrassed the considerably and drawn away many who were once regular churchgoers, and the soul of Jeremiah was within him at such proceedings. For "Methody Preachers" with their "reviving and shouting and praying without book," he had nothing but scorn; and firmly held the doctrine that nothing good could come from "Methodies." For thirty years he had been in charge of the church and kept all things in order. In winter time he prided himself on having the church thoroughly warmed by means of a huge wood-stove, which was planted right 14 Harts, 1 Stagg, 8 Bucks, 1 Doe, 9 before the pulpit, the funnel running straight up and through the roof. It was a cheering sight on a cold morning to see this great stove, fed for hours before by huge junks of wood that crackled and roared in his wide throat. glowing with a red heat, and recalling memories of the fiery pillar that led the ancient church in the wilderness. As the parson took his place behind the pillar of fire, in his white surplice, the whole face of nature outside covered with winter's winding sheet, Jeremiah never thought he looked so grand and prophet like.

The sexton's ideas were destined to receive a rude shock. Some of the Church had been to St. John's and had become facinated with the new and improved mode of heating the churches. When they returned they were eloquent in their praises of the Chilson furnace, and told how the warm air stole in through gratings in the floor, and how a powerful heat was generated by a new kind of smokeless coal called "Anthracite." Jeremiah's stove was pronounced unsightly, "beastly." Even the parson fell in with the new-fangled notions, and the end of it was that the stove was discarded, and a new furnace with a supply of Anthracite coal was ordered. The new apparatus was furnished by a prominent Methodist ironmonger in St. John's, and this last circumstance added great bitterness to the district with which Jeremiah regarded the innovation. His growls were deep and continuous, but he had to submit. The new machinery was set up, and Jeremiah was the unwilling engineer. He set doggedly to work to kindle the arthracite coal, but no amount of chips or shavings had any effect. "You might as well try to kindle a piece of Catalina stone," said the indignant sexton. When the congregation assembled, expecting to find the church delicionsly warm, they had to sit in a temperature below freezingpoint, while a suffocating vapor filled the building and kept the parson coughing throughout the service, and almost stifled some whose lungs were weak. Torrents of indignation were poured out on the head of the unlucky Jeremiah, who stood at the furnace grim and begrimed, rather pleased at the by it: bottom of his heart with the general result. Various individuals made abortive efforts to start the furnace. Damp chimneys and anthracite coal thwarted all their endeavors. Jeremiah looked on triumphant. He had his revenge. Here was the outcome of radical reforms and the sweeping away of a stove that had warmed two or three generations-poisonous gases and an artic temperature. The parsons and Churchwardens were utterly puzzled, and asked with a bewildered air, "Whatever is the matter with the furnace?" "Mat ter!" exclaimed the outraged but now triumphant Jeremiah, "Why, what could you look for from a Methody stove and Anti-christ coal."

The difficulties cannected with the of the Toronto Globe, furnished by a heterdox stove have been overcome long since; but to this day Jeremiah per-THE HETERODOX STOVE AND THE UN- sists in calling the eoal by the dreadful name of "Anti-christ."-Star.

There has been compiled by a young lady for an English Church journal an amusing paper on the names of clergymen at present in the Church clergy list. From this it appears that "parties his views-utterly opposed to all inno- in the Church" are represented by 1 vations and so-called improvements. Broad, 2 Low, and 4 Dry. Of High He planted himself firmly on what had there is not a trace. But there are no been realized, and proved sufficient by fewer than 14 Abbets, 7 Priors, 4 Monks long experience, and had a profound and 8 Nuns. Their dresses and deco-

the musical department we have Singers and Fiddlers in abundance. Although it is unlawful for the clergy to embark in "trade," we find a prodigious number of Bakers, Butchers, Barbers, Tailors (no fewer than 107 of these, but not one too many, considering the amount of tailoring now required). Of the "clergy at table" there are 5 Salmon, 3 Haddocks, 2 Herrings, 2 Smelts, 4 Cods, 5 Whiting, 1 Grayling, 1 Pike, 3 Roach, and 2 Crabbes. For pieces de resistance we have 18 Bullocks, 7 Kidds, 2 Veales (with 8 Bacon, 3 Tongues, and 2 Badhams), 8 Lambs, Roes, 7 Hinds, 2 Fawns, and 1 Eland. For game and poultry we have 7 Hares, 2 Rabbits, 1 Cock, 1 Henn, 1 Duck, 20 Drakes, 1 Gander, 8 Goslings, 6 Swans, 4 Peacocks, 4 Partridges, 7 Woodcocks, 1 Coote, 1 Teal, 2 Cranes, and 1 Heron. The supply of vegetables is very scanty, being limited to 2 Beans and 1 Onion. The cellar department is not to be despised, for it contains 8 Binns. in which are stored a dozen and a half of Perry, the same quantity of Hollands 1 of Ginn, and 1 of Port.

#### THE FAMILY JOURNAL.

In a certain farm-house, twenty years ago, a great blank book was kept, and labelled "Home Journal." Every night some one made an entry in it. Father set down in it the sale of calves, or mother the cut of the baby's eyetooth; or perhaps Jenny wrote a full account of the sleighing party last night; or Bob the proceedings of the Phi Beta Club; or Tom scrawled, "Tried my new gun. Bully. Shot into the fence and hit Johnson's old cat."

On toward the middle of the book was the entry of Jenny's marriage, and one of the younger girls had added a description of the bridesmaid's' dresses. and long after this there was written. "This day father died," in Bob's trembling hand. There was a blank of many months after that

But nothing could have served better to bind that family of headstrong boys together than the keeping of this book. They come back to the old homestead now, men and women with grizzled hair, to see their mother, who is still living, and turn over the pages reverently, with many a hearty laugh, or the tears coming into their eves. It is their childhood come back again in visible shape.—Scribner's Monthly.

#### SIGNIFICANT FIGURES.

The "Presbyterian" (Philadelphia) quotes some significant figures from a "Blue Book" recently published in Great Britain. It is the report of the Inspector General of Prisons in Ireland, and the following facts are established

Popery produces in Ireland between thirty and forty criminals for every one that is chargeable to Presbyterianism! For every Irish Presbyterian sent to jail there are four Episcopalians and between thirty and forty Roman Catholics. The numbers are:

Roman Catholics ... Episcopalians . Presbyterians ... ... ...

If Irish criminals were distributed equally, according to the strength of the respective denominations, the num-

ber out of every hundred would be: Roman Catholics ... Episcopalians... ... ... Presbyterians ... ... ...

The quota for other Protestant denominations are not given.

The proposal made some time since by the Rev. Arthur Mursell, of a closer union of English Baptists and Congregationalists, has led to a very intelligent discussion of the differences of faith tion to ask. Did they get their feet and practice by which they are kept | wet?' apart. The Rev. John Clifford, editor of the General Baptist Magazine, gives the following account of the present practice of the body which he represents: "I judge there were not more than a dozen General Baptist Churches fifty years ago that would allow unbaptized persons to commune with them at ontempt for all new inventions and rations are also calculated to excite the Lord's table. Now we have not a ish departures from the old paths. aneasiness, for Hoods and Capes abound, dozen rigidly enforcing that rule. The they had water on all sides of them, lie.

His love for the good old Church of while there are also 9 Garlands, 2 Ban- tendency of opinion is strongly in favor ners, 3 Images, 12 Crosses, 1 Crucifix of treating baptism as an individual and 1 Crozier (among 12 Bishops). In duty, incumbent upon the believer, and not as a term of church communion. Quakers may belong to Baptist churches, and, indeed, do. Weslevans and Independents find fready access into such communions, and in not a few instances are found holding office."

> Recently, when a church steeple was n the course of erection in a Scotch town, the provost had a conversation with the architect, and pointed out the danger which he supposed might arise from the action of the wind upon the weathercock, the great size of which surprised him when he saw it before it was put up. He thought it would be apt to disturb the stones in the pinnacle of the steeple. "Oh, there is no danger!" said the architect. "You see the weathercock turns round with the wind, and never presents any great surface to it. There is nothing fixed but the cardinal points." "Ah, well." said the provost, "and couldna ye mak" the cardinal points turn round too?"

Could any thing be neater than the old darkey's reply to a beautiful young lady whom he offered to lift over the gutter, and who insisted she was too heavy? "Lor', Missus," said he, "I'se used to lifting barrels of sugar."

#### BAPTISM OF SAUL.

If any one should feel interest enough in Saul's baptism to inquire, how was he baptized? the question can be answered, at least in part. He was baptized standing. He stood up and was baptized.

The text is, "And immediately there fell from his eyes, as it had been scales, and he received sight forthwith. and arose, and was baptized."-Acts ix: 18. "And now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized."-Acts xxii:

The same Greek word is used, Mark xiv: 60: "And the High Priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus." &c. Luke iv: 16. "And he came to Naz-. . . and stood up for to sively. read," &c.—Acts x : 26. "But Peter took him up, saying, stand up; I myself also am a man."-Acts xiv: 10. Stand upright on thy feet."-Acts xxvi: 16. "But rise and stand upon thy feet."—Richmond Advocate.

#### AN OLD DIALOGUE RE-PRINTED

"Returning from a council the other day, I overheard a discussion between my delegate, Deacon Grumbole, and Deacon Webfut, of the Baptist Churc at Riverside. Of course the topic was immersion, and it was introduced by Deacon Webfut remarking that his pastor, Dr. Jordan, had baptized five persons the previous Sunday. Deacon Grumbole, who will never be outdone if he can help it, quietly replied that pastor Cyril baptized on that day nine per-

"Well, I hope he did it in the Scrip- tist. tural method.

"Certainly; our pastor always does according to Scripture.'

" 'Well now, Brother Gumbole, what what is your idea of the Scriptural method?

"'O, I got my notion of it from the first case of baptism on record.' "'What was that? Not Philip and always cheating me, you are; but you

"'O, no; it was centuries before that. | you learned"—defiantly. I mean the Israelites when they were baptized in the Red Sea.

case of immersion. They were, as St., he constantly received. And yet her Paul says, all baptized in the cloud and influence over his young, pliant mind in the sea.'

" 'You are satisfied, Brother Webfut, that they were really baptized?'

"'Certainly; the apostle says they were; and tells how it was done.' " 'Well, then, I have just one ques-

" 'They were immersed, that is plain

enough. As Paul says, 'they were under the cloud and passed through the sea, and were all baptized in the cloud and in the sea; if that wasn't immersion, what was it!'

"Well. Brother Webfut, did they get their feet wet?'

and water above them; they were completely surrounded by water.'

" 'Well, Brother Webfut, as I understand, they went 'on dry ground through the midst of the sea;' and if you can immerse me on dry ground, I am very willing to be immersed. I believe in dry ground baptism, where you won't get your feet wet." -- Congrega.

#### THE DECEIVED SON

#### BY SARAH P. BRIGHAM.

The usually bright, handsome face of Harry Endford was disfigured by having his cheek terribly swollen. All night he had suffered intensely with a defective tooth, and the camphor and creosote his mother had applied brought no relief.

"Harry," said Mrs. Endford pityingly, "I must take you to Dr. Hilton. He will stop the pain at once."

"Oh, dear! no, mother," exclaimed Harry quickly; I don't want to go to the dentist's. He'll pull my tooth out, I know he will."

" No. he shan't, Harry; he'll cure it

right off." After a little pondering Harry decided to accompany his mother to the dentist's. He was nearly mad from pain, and was willing to accept any possibility of relief. Having gained her son's consent, Mrs. Endford wrote the following :-

Dr. HINTON: I shall soon bring my son harry to your office. He has an ulcerated tooth which I am sure will have to be extracted. Please resort to a little artifice to hide your intention : he is a nervous, timid boy, and thereby will be spared the dread which would be to him more than pain.

Very truly yours, E. H. ENDFORD.

A little later Harry and his mother ere inside the dentist's office. He examined the aching tooth carefully.

"It is a very bad tooth," he said. "You are not going to pull it?" questioned Harry, giving his face a quick, searching glance.

"I will put something on it that will cause the pain to entirely cease in a

He poured a few drops of a dark liquid from a small bottle on a bit of cotton, and taking it up with his for-

ceps, he said to Harry,— "Open your mouth wide now, and let me lay this on the tooth."

Harry opened his mouth, but in an instant the treacherous forceps had tight hold of his tooth, and it was extracted and in Dr. Hilton's hand before he had the slightest suspicion of his

"What, you haven't pulled it out?" xclaimed Harry greatly astonished. "Yes, I have. You didn't feel it much, did you?"

"You've cheated me?" returned Harry, with an angry, flushed face. You told me you were going to put something on to stop the pain."

"I did. These forceps are the truest pain-killer I know," laughed the den-

"Well, it is all over now," said Mrs. Endford, "and the tooth will never ache again. Are you not glad?" Tears sprung into Harry's eyes,

"You knew all about it, mother," said be bitterly. "You knew Dr. Hilton was going to pull my tooth when you brought me here. You are can't do it many times more. I've got

Whom did Harry so well understand? His mother, to whom he owed his ex-"' Well, brother, that was a clear listence, and whose tender, loving care was nearly gone. Why? Because again and again in the management of her son she had resorted to artifice and dissimulation.

Poor Harry! there was a rankling wound in his heart. Through deception he had been saved the fear he would have experienced from having his tooth extracted, but poison and bitterness had sprung up in his heart far exceeding any physical pain. His moral nature had received a lasting blight,

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HANG UP BABY'S STOCKINGS. Hang up the baby's stocking, Be sure you don't forget, The dear little dimpled darling! She never saw Christmas vet : But I've told her all about it, And she opened her big blue eyes, And I'm sure she understands it.

Dear! what a tiny stocking! It doesn't take much to hold Such little pink toes as baby's Away from the frost and cold. But then, for the bahy's Christmas It will never do at all, Why Santa wouldn't be looking For anything half so small!

She looks so funny and wise.

I know what we'll do for the baby, I've thought of the very best plan, I'll borrow a stocking of grandma-The longest that ever I can; And you'll hang it by mine, dear mother, Right here in the corner, so, And write a letter to Santa And fasten it on to the toe.

Write: "This is baby's stocking, That hangs in the corner here, You never have seen her, Santa, For she only came this year; But she's just the blessedest baby ! And now, before you go, Just cram her stocking with goodies From the top clean down to the toe."

DOLLY.

Papa brought home a big square bundle one evening. Dolly didn't know what it could be. After supper the strings were untied and the paper carefully taken off.

pieces of it, and then a lot of soft white tissue paper, and then out came a funny looking thing made almost all of glass. Dolly first looked and looked but she couldn't make it out a bit.

"Perhaps its a glass washtub," she, said.

" No," said papa; " it's a little house for fish." Then Dolly was worse off than ever. She did not see any fish, in the first place, which was certainly a very important thing. Just then Jack, Dolly's brother, came in with a tin pail in his hand.

"Now, Dolly," said papa, "Do you think you can keep your eyes shut while I count a hundred ?"

" Musn't I peep at all?" said Dolly. " No, not a single peep.

So Dolly went and covered her face her fingers. She heard some one pumping away in the kitchen and making so many noises that it was all she could do to keep her head down.

Papa was counting all the time, but after he got to eighty he went so very slow that Dolly thought she could have counted a hundred between every one. Then there came a great splashing for the last thing, and Dolly was told to

There stood the funny glass case all full of water, and in and out among waving green ferns, white shells and little moss covered stones fish were swimming-little fellows that looked as if they had some of Dolly's gold paper pasted all over them.

That is a birthday present from mamma," Papa said to Dolly, "but you can have one of them for your own."

So Dolly picked out one that looked a little more golden than the rest, and the way she was going to tell him was by a litle black spot on the tip of his nose. Dolly watched the fish tilll bed time, and even then it was very hard work leaving.

But she said good-night to the fish with the spot on his nose and kissed her papa and mamma, and Jack too, and went off with Sarah without a murmur

In the night Dolly awoke. Sarah was fast asleep and the chamber lamp was burning low.

how that dear little ish of mine is getting along;" and the more she thought the more she wanted to know.

She sat up in bed. Yes, Sarah was sound asleep.

"Poor fishie, he must be real cold in that water. I guess I'll go and see." So she crept out of bed, and, taking the lamp she went softly down stairs.

The hall was dark, and when she got to the door of the dining room she came pretty near turning back. But there on the table stood the tank, and the fish were swimming about as lively as ever.

"Poor things!" said Dolly; "they're running about to keep themselves

the table.

"I believe," she said, "that if I could catch my fish I would take him to bed with me to keep him warm until morn-

The little fish rushed about so that Dolly had to work a long time; but she finally caught him. The fish wiggled with all his might.

"There! I knew he must be cold," said Dolly, " Just see how he shivers!" She took her lamp and went softly up stairs again, holding the fish tight in one hand. Then she crept into bed and hugged him close to get him warm, and pretty soon the fish didn't wiggle at

"Now he's comfortable," said Dolly, and she went to sleep.

The next morning, when papa came in to kiss his little girl, there was the fish, dead as could be, in Dolly's arms. "Why, Dolly," said papa, "How

came the fish with the spot on his nose up here? Poor fellow, he's dead!" "Oh, dear!" said Dolly; "I didn't

take him out soon enough, and now he's froze to death!"-Selected.

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> Bridget (a fresh importation from where they don't use pepper casters): 'Shure, ma'am, and it's meself can't say how long it 'll be takin' me to get all this stuff in the thing through the little holes in the top."

A clergyman and one of his elderly parishioners were walking home from church one frosty day, when the old gentleman slipped and fell flat on his back. The minister, looking at him a moment, and being assured that he was with the soft sofa cushion, that she not much hurt, said to him, "Friend, might not be tempted to look between sinners stand on slippery places." The old gentleman looked up, as if to assure himself of the fact, and said, "I see they do; but I can't."-Harper's Bazar.

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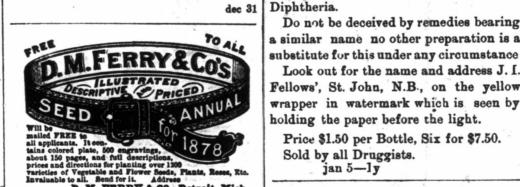
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