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ANOTHER CHILD IN HEAVEN.

ELEANORA TAYLOR.

Yester morn Jesus called our darling-His darling. The Lord gave her to us. We dedicated her to Him, under the new seal and sign of the "everlasting covenant" made with Abraham. The water for the baptismal rite appointed by the Redeemer, who was to sprinkle many nations, and in whom all the families of the earth are to be blessed, was Scripturally applied; being "shed forth" it "fell upon" her sweet face, from the band of the Rev. Mr. Sutcliffe, at Milltown, N. B. There was "much water" there.

After being the pet of the house for two years and four months, she closed her bright, blue eyes in the sleep of death. Her little head rests amid its glossy brown curls; wreathed with flower-buds and early blossoms-soon to be buried.

Gone, is the gleesome recognition. Gone, the music of her laughter; but not the dear, sweet smile. 'Twas so beautiful Death ventured not to touch it, but left it lingering upon her lips-radiantly, silently, acknowledging the respect he paid ber.

She was the "baby" our dear "Aggie called for, and kissed with her last kiss. To whom she gave her parting gift-her "silver cup," to whom, sweetly smiling, she said, with dying breath,-" Baby, Aggie is going to Jesus," and all this only

Did Aggie wish for her company in the mansions of light? So it may be, for that loving child was ever ready to share with others the joy she had while herewhy not now the felicities of her present home. Did she long to have "dear baby' join the melody of heaven, and dwell in the smile of the infant's Saviour?

Hosannas of little children pleased Him here; out of the mouths of babes he received perfected praise. And He is, and evermore shall be, "that same Jesus." And did she watch "over there," as the little voyager panted for hours through the waves of death to reach the beautiful shore of the immortal; and did she wait at the portals of the city of God to greet. her welcome, and tell the numberless children-the vast majority of the redeemed subjects of the kingdom of heaven—as they gathered around them, "our 'dear baby ' has come."

-" And then they led her on and on, O'er the vast plains studded with amaranthines There she saw Myriads of beings clothed in radiant robes; And ONE, more beautiful than all the rest

Who seemed the sun of all the dazzling light She drew near to HIM. In His tender love He raised, and folding her in His arms, And bade her welcome to her home in

Our parsonage has a little vacant chair and little garments hanging up. But another child has entered into bliss, fills a prepared "place," and her spirit is clothed with praise. Dear children of our love; sweet sisters in glory, ours is the shadow-cloud, the sadness and the tear; yours, the brightness, the joy and the song. But our cloud has a bow, our sadness a solace, our tear a promise. Beautiful bow! a combination woven by the sunshine and the shower. The mingled elements of elevated light and ordinary strength, with the sombre earth shall shed

The mortal remains of Aggie and Eleanora will rest in one grave. We have removed from place to place during the years of out itinerancy, and left in each some living loving hearts to whom we were made a blessing. But here we will leave what we have never left elsewherethe graves of our dear children.

The morning cometh! The great Easter of the earth. Thank God, for Jesus and

by and bye rests upon the divinity of his person, his voluntary decease, and his glorious victory over death and the tomb. Aggie will rise, Eleanora will rise, with bodies as immortal as their spirits will they come. To die no more. Halle-

Parsonage, Shelburne, N.S., April 12th, 1877.

DROPPING THE CRUTCHES.

We copy the following from Zion's Herald for two reasons. Mr. Woods is one of our own boys, a Newwfound lander by birth, trained in earlier life under Provincial Methodism. His manuscript we have always regarded as a hindrance to the man in reaching the highest attainments possible to one so gifted for sanctified oratory. That his mind yielded under special pressure, shows the use of the written sermon was an objection in his own estimation, We congratulate our eloquent brother upon this substantial advantage gained.

Perhaps no portion of the late session of the New England Conference will linger longer in the memory, or be more often a matter of pleasant reference, than the very stormy afternoon of Thursday (April 5th). Rev. Frederick Woods preach ed the sermon by appointment, upon min-isterial education. Unlike his accustomed habit heretofore, he spoke without manuscript, the course he is now, with marked effect, following in his regular Sabbath discourses. It was a remarkable address in its matter, and in the devout enthusi asm and earnestness with which it was de livered. Some three months since the preacher wrestled like Jacob, in an house of spiritual buffetting, by his "Jabbok," and "as he passed over (his) Penuel the sun rose upon him." He has not been disobedient to the heavenly vision, but has preached since the Christ who then appeared to him, with unusual directness, power and effectiveress. He spoke on Thursday in the mavifestation of the Spirit, and rose at times to a wonderful beight of inspiring and melting eloquence. His brethren will not soon forget how he enforced and illustrated the thought that true ministerial success consisted in being faithful, and the necessity of preaching Christ, of living Christ and of knowing Christ. "Those that have been accustomed to hear me," he remarked with affecting simplicity, "will be disposed to think that something has happened to me. Something has," he said, and then related the touching incidents of his late remarkable and very manifest spiritual baptism.

He presented the purely divine side of the minister's work. Dr. C. H. Fowler, of the Christian Advocate, followed with an address upon the humane side of the work; the nature and necessity of the preparation required for reaching its highest possibilities. Two addresses could hardly be more antipodal; and yet they were in absolute harmony with each other. Dr Fowler alluded very happily to the sermon of Brother Woods, his former classmate in Lima, and showed the perfect congruity between the highest cultivation and the utmost devotion; insisting that God, in his love and economy, worked with the highest availability of his instruments. The address was full of thought, at times brilliant, relieved by flashes of wit, delivered with much force as well as ease of address, and often rising to climaxes of moving eloquence. So the service was altogether one of rare enjoyment and still rarer profit.

MINISTERIAL CANDIDATES. THE WESLEYAN, published at Halifax, Nova Scotia, copies a paragraph from a London Methodist paper, in which the writer deplores the growing scarcity of the supply of candidates for admission to the Conference and the work of the regular ministry. The WESLEYAN refers to a fact well known in the Methodist world, that for very many years, until quite recently, the applications for admissions to the regular work, on the part of local preachers, have been largely in excess of the demand for such service; and that at every annual session of the Conference there were usually as many rejected as were received. This gave the Conference an opportunity to select those who were deemed fittest for the work, while the others were recommended to continue in the local ranks. The result is a great falling off of applicants, and a decrease in the sources of supply arising from a growing prejudice against local preachers. Looking to our American Methodism and its abundant supply for the ministry, the WESLEYAN confesses its inability to understand the underlying causes; but seems to think the "splendid induce ments." offered through our colleges and theological institutes may have much to do with it, "by bringing a thorough edu-cation within the reach of the poorest student," and thus exciting gratitude and loyalty in the breasts of those who owe to Methodism the advantage of culture and the resurrection. Our hope of re-union

are received on trial in our American conferences were requested by the bishops and the annual conferences to continue at least two years longer in preparatory study, either at college or the theological seminary, it would be far better than it now is for the men themselves, far better for the people who are to be served, and, in the near future, immensely better for the church. Now that our conferences are fast filling to repletion. we may expect these obvious dictates of common prudence, not to say common sagacity, will receive more heed.

The above, from the Western Chrisian Advocate. Cincinnati, we consider quite reasonable. When there is abunlant material for the ministry, it seems the design of Providence that time and attention should be given to the best possible cultivation of a profession which stands foremost among agencies which challenge the world's attention. Our own Provincial condition is such at present, that annual Conferences should use all that is possible of their surplus young men in making preparation for more effectice service in the future. A few that we wot of would be accomplishing more for themselves and the Lord's cause by giving their youthful energies to mental culture, rather than exhausting themselves in travelling over ground which gives little promise of remunerative harvest. This is a subject for Conference judgement; but even Conferences may be aided by an occasional suggestion.

The Grand Scribe has fa voured us with a copy of the Proceedings of the 29th Annual Session of the Sons of Temperance. The organization seems to be doing a good work in a good way. The Report contains a large amount of information relative to the order.

writes to the New York Advocate of last week these two or three facts, which will interest a class of our read-

The new series of the Wesleyan Methodist Magazine is vigorous and brilliant thus far. Mr. Gregory is throwing more freshness and vitality into his editing than any one has done within my memory. All the periodicals now are conducted with great spirit. Mr. Pope has accepted a diploma of Doctor in Divinity from the University of Edinburg, that from which Dr. Moulton's divinity degree emanated. Dr. Pope's "Compendium of Theology" sold off at once, and he is now carrying through the press a new and greatly enlarged edition, in three hand some volumes, cf about 500 pages each. When completed it will he the finest and ripest treatise on theology in the langu-

GENERAL MINUTES REVIEWED.

BY REV. A. M. GRIFFITH.

The General Minutes of the Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the year 1876 is a book of 405 pages, and is filled with valuable information with reference to this branch of the Church of Christ. It is not a widely circulated book, scarcely any but the ministers of the denomination, and, perhaps. not one in ten of them, ever purchase it. From this book we learn that there are eighty-seven annual conferences; embracing the whole of the United States and Territories, with one conference in Germany and Switzerland, one in China. one in India, one in Norway, one in Sweden, one in Liberia. The largest of these is the Pittsburg Conference, which has 232 ministers, and the next largest is the Genesee Conference, with 230 ministers. The smallest of these is the Nevada Conference, which numbers only 13 ministers.

From the statistical tables in these minutes we learn that there are 1,396,920 members in full connection and 225,371 probationers, making a total membership of 1,622,291, The amount of money contributed to the various benevolent enterprises of the church is as follows: Missionary Society, \$512,157.27; Conference claimants, \$133,816.58; Church Extension, \$58,709.84; Freedmen's Aid Society, \$33,-993,12; Education, \$25,860.78; Sunday School Union, \$16,059.95; Tract Society,

position. But if one half of those who \$15.672.21; American Bible Society, \$12,- this added pang, Miss Tucker waited 149,19. Most of the collections are smaller than they were in 1870, and the missionary collection is \$129,324.95 less. The average donation per member, for e ach of these collections, is: For missions .366; Conference claimants, .095; Church Extension, .042; Freedmen, .024; Education, .018; Sunday school Union, .0114; Tract Society, 0112; American Bible Society, .0086.

> The estimated value of Church property, churches and parsonages together, is \$80,306,181, being a decrease from the year preceeding of \$312,118. There are 19.346 Sabbath-schools, in which there are enrolled 1,426,926 scholars and 204,964 officers and teachers. There are 12,491 local preachers and 11,205 travelling preachers within the bounds of the church. making the total number of ministers

In the alphabetical list of names of the travelling preachers we find 172 Smiths, 243 Macs, 67 Johnsons, 55 Williams, 61 Jones; 12 Hays, 19 Wheelers, 74 Millers, 24 Cooks, 34 Coopers, 22 Turners, 32 Bakers, 7 Barbers, 47 Taylors, 2 Shoemakers, 1 Saddler, 3 Painters, 32 Bakers, 5 Sawyers, 11 Butlers, 3 Tanners, 1 Packer, 16 Webbs and 8 Weavers, 2 Tinkers, 14 Porters, 4 Merchants, 1 Joiner, 11 Masons, 4 Carpenters 11 Gardners, 13 Fullers, 5 Drapers and 2 Dyers, 2 Summers, 4 Winters, 8 Wests, 5 Norths, 14 Longs, 7 Shorts, 1 Coffin, 9 Graves, 1 Moon, 6 Starrs, 2 Hands, 7 Heads and 3 Harts. There are 33 Whites, 115 Browns. 8 Blacks, 29 Greens, 1 Blue, 24 Grays, 1 Light, 3 Fairs and 9 Dunns. There are 5 Fish and 12 Fishers, 12 Lyons, 12 Foxes, 2 Coons, 9 Wolfs, 3 Bears, 14 Bucks, 5 Roes, 3 Jays, 4 Parrotts, 1 Gosling, 3 Drakes, 2 Sparrows, 1 Crow, 2 Hawks, 17 Robbins, 3 Swallows, 3 Swans, Martins, 5 Birds and 4 Wings. There are 34 Kings. 2 Lords and 5 Popes; 22 Days, 3 Weeks, 5 Lakes, 3 Sees, 2 Lambs, 2 Hares, 8 Cranes and 1 Dove. There is 1 Bachelor and 17 Bells; 2 are Gay, 1 Jolly, 3 Moody 1 Meek, and 6 Cross, 3 Good, 1 Keen, 5 Sharp, 2 Smart, 3 Hale, and 2 Weakley. And in all this number there are but 2 Ladds, 4 Jewels, 3 Darlings, 2 Dandys, 1 Crony, 1 Friend, 2 Luckey, 10 Mathews, 4 Marks, 1 Luke 6 Johns, 3 Pauls, 1 Pray

A. L. O. E. Concerning the well-known writer of

and 8 Parsons.-Western Advocate.

attractive Sunday-school books-"A L. O. E." "A lady of England" a correspondent of The Christian at Work, from Allahabad, India, writes pleasantly :- Charlotte Maria Tucker is the daughter of Mr. Henry St. George Tucker, an English gentleman "who long and ably served his country, first in India, where he rose to the position of accounant-general, afterward in England as a director of the East India Company." Seven sons as they grew to manhood, left England for India, where they held positions of honor and trust. Of India and its people Miss Tucker had heard much from her earliest years, and she grew to womanhood holding in her heart a deep and tender interest in the spiritual and temporal welfare of India's millions. She at its benighted daughters. Toe dear to their rest, and to an elder brother for whom he had lived and labored Miss Tucker communicated her desire to go as a missionary to India. Her brother was even then in great feebleness of body, and knew that, and the desire of his much loved sister be accomplished, it would probably for him a last earthly farewell. But he did not hesitate. In India's service his death." It was to labor among the own best years had been spent; and now, no longer to labor for her he rejoiced that one whose heart was so full of love for her people had a mind to be spent for them, and cheerfully he gave her his blessing. To a dear widowed sister the story of her new resolve must the scene of his loving labors, more next be told. Knowing that the already tender than before seemed her interest sorely wounded heart would deeply feel in the poor heathen around her.

until the Sabbath, and then told her sister of her purpose, putting into her hands at the same time a little package of missionary journals and reports, and saying: "When you have read these tell me if you can detain me. To-morrow we will talk of the matter. To day we will give to God, and ask His Spirit to guide us." When the morrow came her sister gave her tearful consent. Preparations for an early departure were made, and in November last Miss Tucker landed on the shores of India. As soon as she had decided to give herself to the missionary work in India she applied herself diligently to the study of the language, and she had made most commendable progress. Her diligence was marvellous. Every moment was industriously employed. When sitting in the family room and entertaining us as she knew so well how to do with pleasant converse, her hands were busy in some useful work; and when in her own room she was constantly employed with her books or her pen. Yet all was done without ostentation. One of the days of her visit was spent in visiting the former home and the grave of a brother who fell at his post of duty during the terrible mntiny of 1857. He had served long and faithfully in India, not only his country but his God, devoting much of his large income to works of benevolence, giving to the missionary cause about \$200 in gold per month, and one year even more. To a clergyman who had expressed a fear that his liberality might put himself into straits, the Judge of Tutteypoor returned this reply :-

"There are in India at least 5,000

adults who die daily, allowing the adult

population to be 86,000; so that you see that every delay or intermission, or slackness or stingniness, or laziness, on the part of those who have the means evangelizing the people of India, is to be reckoned at the rate of 5,000 souls daily! Woe unto those who do the Lord's work slackly !" At the entrance to the station and close by the high road, he caused four tablets of stone to be erected. On two of these tablets are engraved, for they are still standing. the Ten Commandments. On the remaining two is the Saviour's message of mercy to mankind in John 3: 14-18. The time and strength which remained after the duties of his office were discharged were spent by this noble Christian man in earnest efforts for the spiritual welfare of those around him. In the bazaars, in the streets of the city during the week and on the Sabbath, his form was seen and his voice heard, as he boldly and earnestly preached Jesus. It was his deep and abiding sense, of the debt which he owed to the Saviour who had given his life tor him which impelled him to devote not only his means but his heart and his soul to the Lord. In such words as these he expressed his deep gratitude: "If every hair upon my length conceived the idea of coming head was a life, it would be too little to herself to India to labor for and among sacrifice for the Lord Jesus Christ." He was at length called to lay down father and mother had both been called his life. He fell by the hands of those and prayed. Some time after his death a missionary writes: "I visited the ruins of his sitting room, printed in large letters which fire and water had not obliterated on one side were the words: words: "Fear God" on another, "Love your Enemies," on a third, " Prepare for people who had pursued even to the death one so dear to her that Miss Tucker had left her pleasant English home, with its refined surroundings, and her circle of choice friends. heturning from her brother's grave and

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grief-trembling tears.

MR. BLISS'S LAST HYMN.

For the benefit of those who may be in terested I send to the WESLEYAN, the original of Mr. Bliss's last Hymn, written by Diniah Maria Mulock, (Mrs Craik.) MRS. JESSE W. FULMORE.

HB KNOWS.

I know not what will befal me. God hangs a mist o'er my eyes, And o'er each step of my onward path, He makes new scenes arise; And every joy he sends me, Comes as a sweet surprise.

I see not a step before me, As I tread the days of the year, But the past is still in God's keeping, The future his mercy shall clear; And what looks dark in the distance, May brighten as I draw near.

Or perhaps the dreaded future Has less bitterness than I think; The Lord may sweeten the waters. Before I stoop to drink ; Or if Marah must be Marah, He will stand beside the brink.

It may be there is waiting, For the coming of my feet, Some gift of such rare blessedness. Some joy so strangely sweet, That my lips can only tremble, With the thanks I cannot speak.

Oh! restful blissful ignorance! Tis blessed not to know, It keeps me quiet in those arms Which will not let me go. And nushes my soul to rest. In the arms that love me so.

So I go on not knowing, I would not if I might; I would rather walk on in the dark with God; Than to go alone in the light; I would rather walk with him by faith.

My heart shrinks back from trials Which the future may disclose, Yet I never had a sorrow, But what the dear God knows So I send the coming tears back, With the whispered word, "He knows."

Than walk alone by sight.

Moody's voice is magnificent: now ringing out like a trumpet, now soft and tender as the cry of a woman. At times it is pathetic, then startling; always clear and impressive. He has also the physical basis of true oratory. Like Bright, Gladstone, Webster, and other noted masters of speech, Mr. Moody possesses a healthy, robust, and well-preserved body. His style is impassioned. He continues and ends as he commences. There are no eminences or depressions in his oratory. His sermons have been delivered so often that he knows them by heart, and he can declaim them without ever pausing for a word. Cheerfulness is another secret of his power. His face beams with smiles, his eyes overflow with a bubbling light as though his very soul were escaping from the body. The man is the picture of effulgent happi-

Doubtless the grand singing adds much to the fame and usefulness of the evangelist. Mr. Sankey is the Paganini of singers. The sacred service of song, as I heard it, was emphatically great-great in enthusiasm, great in devotion, great in character, and great in design. Mr. Sankev, with a face shining like that of a scraph, sings with the congregation. I have heard two hundred Methodist preachers, at a conference, sing Charles Wesley's hymns with a thrilling power that sent the blood through the veins; I have heard orators render Handle's Messiah in great opera-halls: I have heard vast multitudes of negroes strike the heavens with their voices, as they sung "Blow ve the trumpet, blow;" I have heard a choir of ten thousand Sabbathschool children sing God save the Queen," when she visited Belfast in 1853; but I never heard music so pathetic, so overwhelming, so much like heaven, as that which I heard in Moody's tabernacle. I never expect to hear it equalled until I hear from the lips of the redeemed before the throne.

Mr. Moody is doing a noble work. He goes through the land full of the fire of heaven! But I must confess my disappointment at the results of his meetings in Boston. With the press almost unanimously in his favor, with over a hundred ministerial belpers, and with a year's elaborate preparation, I was surprised to see the meagre ingatherings. When there ought to have been from one hundred to five hundred conversions, I saw, the nights I attended, only from seven to twelve who came out on the Lord's side. That he is doing immense good there can be no doubt. He is arousing dormant Churches, and stirring up lukewarm ministers. How that class of preachers

can listen to such a man and then remain three years in a charge without a revival, is one of the mysteries which can not be explained until the day of judgment.

I wass from this eminent servant of Christ's, to one of the noblest of men which this country has produced. I refer to the Rev. Joseph Cook. I heard him in Tremont Temple. The audience was immense. Never was there so unmerciful a jam. I was determined, however, at the risk of my ribs, to see and hear this second edition of Jonathan Edwards. It was worth the crush to hear him in the full plenitude of his powers, for forty minutes expose and excoriate the brilliant shams of Theodore Parker. It was a Scotch critic in Blackwood who; at Lord Canning's death, wrote: "There died George Canning, the last of the rhetoricians." Nothing of the kind. The rhetorical spirit still lives. For impassioned oratory Cook never has been surpassed. There are passages in his lectures which bear the impress of inspiration, which seem to have fallen from heaven, as has been said of similar shining bursts in Shakspeare, where the mind for a time, necessarily engaged in working out the subject before it, suddenly inflames and produces those splendid storms of mingled thought, fancy, and emotion which transport an audience. Like the enunciation of principles, his arguments are expressed in concentrated flashes. Logic, imagination, judgment, and emotion are the characteristics of Cook's eloquence. There is nothing of Chalmer's tiresome repetitions; nothing of Melville's gorgeous mannerism; nothing of Punshon's electric rhetoric and ornamentation; but true, manly, downright eloquence, such as Paul might listen to with profit and admiration. Cook is, assuredly, the greatest poet, orator, and logician in the American pulpit.—Cor. West. Adv.

TIME TO ME.

Time to me this truth hath taught. 'Tis a truth that's worth revealing; More offend from want of thought, Than from any want of feeling.

If advice we would convey. There's a time we should convey it; If we've but a word to say, There's a time in which to say it!

Many a beauteous flower decays, Though we tend it e'er so much ; Something secret on it preys, Which no human aid can touch !

So, in many a loving breast, Lies some canker grief concealed, That, if touch'd is more oppressed, Left unto itself—is healed.

Oft, unknowingly, the tongue Touches on a chord so aching, That a word, or accent wrong,
Pains the heart almost to breaking.

Many a tear of wounded pride, Many a fault of human blindness. Had been soothed, or turn'd aside, By a quiet voice of kindness!

Time to me this truth hath taught, 'Tis a truth that's worth revealing; More offend from want of thought, Than from any want of feeling.

MR. GEORGE E. FULL'S LECTURE

Mr. Full's lecture in the basement of the Methodist Church, on Wednesday night last, was entitled, "Select stories from the Book of Nature." Infidels maintained that there is no evidence of God in Nature, and his purpose was to prove that there is. His first proposition was, that all things are subject to inexorable laws, and his conclusion, that where there are laws, there must be lawgivers, and the great Lawgiver is God. His second was, that the works of Nature showed unmistakable evidence of design, and the conclusion was, that where there was design, there must be a designer. Every designer must be a thinking being; there fore the great Designer of the Universe

The lecturer next enlarged on the work ing out of these designs—the ingenuity manifested in the unfolding of naturethe consummate skill of all natural process and law-and the wonders recorded in the great Book of Nature. Then came a succenct description of the creation of the Universe, as held by such geologists and scientists as Miller, Huxley and Dawson—the lecturer evidently holding to the seven day period of creation as advanced by Hugh Miller. Thus far the lecturer had been looking through the telescope. He next turned his attention to the wonderful discoveries of the microscope.

of the earth, in the different periods of its formation, to the life of its inhabi tants-all showing evidence of intelli gence, wisdom, goodness and design.

The lecturer brought his paper to close by showing the goodness of the Creator in fitting the earth for the comfort and convenience of man. Everything was, made to minister to his wants, his pleasures and desires. The address was exceedingly well written, and abounded in many eloquent passages. The "stories" produced were, indeed, wonderful, and proved to be both interesting and instructive. A high moral tone pervaded every part of the discourse. At its conclusion, Mr. Full was warmly complimented by the chairman-J. R. Brecken, Esq., Mr. Lathern and others.-Charlottetown

OBITUARY.

IN MEMORIAM.

The little babe That now lies 'neath the frozen sod at rest. Where bleak winds howl through leafless

And moans and sighs each passing breeze. Where the winding sheet of snow is

spread Though it gives to the sleepers no chill nor dread, Came to my arms and to its mother's breast A year ago to-day.

Our pretty babe. A few short weeks staid for our love and

A few short weeks to twine its tendril charms

Around our hearts, then from our very Death took our babe. But 'twas the

'Tis well! in death's cold arms, forever still. Rest thee, who came our care and love to

A year ago to-day.

This lock of hair Was gently severed from itsauburn mates, Fondly I gaze, and as by magic spell, The lock becomes the form I love so well, The tiny hands, the soft brown eyes, the

That seemed to us possessed of wonder-Vision farewell! that op'ed of life the

A year ago to-day.

Then rest thee babe, rest thee babe under the trees. Thou art not alone, for each passing breeze Sings saddest requiem over the forms, Of six little sleepers sheltered from storms.

March 7, 1877.

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IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Bethia Moulton, of Arcadia, Yarmouth, was in her 89th year, when on the 11th of March, she exchanged mortality a most worthy and consistant member of the Methodist Church. turally of a retiring disposition, the depth of her religious life, was known only by those who knew her best; but her calm, constant, humble walk with God, must have been observed by all. The word of kindness dwelt upon her lips, and she won the affections of all who came within the reach of her influence. It was the writer's privilege, to minister to her in holy things for two years: and during that time had ample opportunity of witnessing the divine grace, as manifested in her patient submission to the divine will, in the midst of sorrowful bereavement, and severe personal affliction. Whilst there was not the slightest approach to self confidence, in speaking of her religious experience, there was always the expression of urreserved confidence in Jesus as One 'mighty to Save.' And when at length the messenger came, she was not taken by suprise; but calmly and gently as a child glides into its evening slumbers, so with her head pillowed upon the bosom of Je-

"She sank in blissful dreams away In visions of eternal day.'

WILLIAM HARDING. At Collins' Cove in the Burin circuit Newfoundland, on the 6th of March, in quietness and assurance for ever," resting on the atonement, the venerable Wm. Harding peacefully passed from this "vale of tears," to "the inheritance of the saints in light." He was born at Farrington. near Bideford, England, Nov. 5th, 1793. In early life, he in company with his parents and the members of their family attended the ministry of the "Church of England." Notwithstanding his outward conformity to the ordinances of religious worship as observed by him at that time he grew to manhood a stranger to vital godliness; being destitute of a saving knowledge of Christ. The course he pursued for some time was one which he afterwards deprecated and deplored. By a remarkable interposition of Divine Providence he was reclaimed from his sinful habits, and brought into intercourse, acquaintance, and ultimate relationship with a pious family. While with them he became acquainted with Methodism its people and their principles. Gaining

kindness to him, and general good de portment; he ventured to express to one of them some strange ideas he had enter tained in respect to the manner in which the class-meeting was conducted; from reports he had heard which emanated from those whose religious tenets were unfavorable to Methodist influence. He was immediately very kindly requested to attend one of their public services; he did so. Soon afterwards by special invitation he was present at a class-meeting. He was not only undeceived, but agreeably surprised, and confessed his approval of all he saw and heard. But this was not all the good which resulted from these means of grace. He for the first time was sensibly impressed by a Divine power through the instrumentality and agency of Methodism of a sense of his state as a sinner, and the need of a Saviour. Laboring under these feelings, with earnest prayer he earnestly sought God, whom he soon found to the joy of his heart. Delighted with his choice, he soon evinced a zeal for the truth worthy of his profession. He was greatly assisted in his growth in grace, by prayer, meditation, the careful reading of the Holy Scriptures, our incomparable hymns, and the different religious books put into his hands by pious friends. The Methodist Magazine became a favorite study; its biographical portions particularly engaged his attention; these testimonials and memorials to the faith and memory of the sainted dead were read with pleasure and profit; they tended in great measure to confirm and consolidate his religious principles; and caused him in some degree to emulate the piety of those whose examples of faith and love as therein given are ever worthy of our admiration. After being on trial as a member for the usual time, he received his "note of admittance," and became a diligent attendant on the services of the Methodist Church. When in his 24th

year he married and went to live at Ply-

mouth. After a short residence there he

removed to Bristol, where he had the mis-

fortane to lose his wife, within ten months

after their marriage. Her death was sud-

den, but peaceful and happy. Soon after

this mournful event he returned to Bide-

ford, where he remained until April 23rd,

1819. He then left for this country, and

safely arrived at Placentia Bay in the lat.

On the 22nd of April, 1820, he married

ter part of the following month.

his second wife with whom he lived most happily; and who affectionately shared and sympathized with him in all the vicis situdes of life through which they cheerfully passed through until her death, which took place on the 23rd of December last. We have stated that Mr. Harding had united himself to the Church of Christ prior to his leaving England; but for a short period before his departure by being thrown into the company of the ungodly in his daily employment, and other means of intercourse, he became the slave of intemperance. Being happily rescued from his evil associates, and removed from the scene of temptation and trial, by returning to his former home and friends, he was again brought under the fostering care and kindness of his fatherin-law and family. They were grieved because of his backsliding and religious declension; and earnestly besought him to return again to God. Their prayers were not unanswered. Listening to their kind entreaties he began again to pray, joined the Church and soon experienced the sweets of Divine pardon and adoption into the family of God. For a while he was a member of a Mr. Pendell's class, for whom he ever entertained feelings of gratitude and respect. From the time of his second conversion to God, he never appeared to swerve from the truth; or in any way decline from religion. Through faith and prayer he stood armed and guarded against the sin which formerly did so easily beset and deceive him. Soon after his arrival in this Island he located at this place and eventually became a permanent inhabitant; from thence to the day of his death he was known as a good citizen, and a consistent and useful member of the Methodist Church. During this period which extended over fifty-six years he was for some time employed as a schoolmaster, and while imparting to his pupils secular instruction never forgot to inculcate lessons of morality and religion. Among the few who united and assisted in the inauguration and organization of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in this place, (which ceremony was performed on the 7th of June, 1862) our brother occupied a prominent position To this good cause he was devoutly attached; and cheerfully discharged the duties of the offices which devolved on him in connection with that order. His election to the office of D. G. W. P., was indicative of the high esteem in which he was held by his brethren. Our friend will be especially remembered by our people and many of the ministers who have travelled in this circuit as class-leader and trustee the responsible and onerous duties of these offices he faithfully discharged. Pro-

verbial for punctuality by as always in his place at the apad sited time; unless lastally detained by circumstances over which he had no control. He led two classes, one on the Sabbath day immediately after the morning service; the other on Thursday afternoons. In the performance of this particular duty he felt a hallowed pleasure. Very few persons took a greater delight in this inval. uable institution of Methodism than he did. The members of his classes regarded him with great affection. His consistent habits won their admiration, and rendered his counsels all the more pleas. ing and profitable. They gratefully cherish his name and the memory of his effec. tive and happy services; and deeply feel his removal from the Church militant.

(Tc be continued)

IN MEMORIAM. Among the numerous deaths from

diptheria in this place, we have to record that of NANCY, the beloved wife of Wm. P. Lake, aged 35 years. She first complained of sore throat on Saturday, Jan'y, 15th, the day following the false membrane with the usual swelling appeared. which of course produced great pain in swallowing with accompanying weakness this continued with increased prostration, until the following Thursday, when it became painfully evident that recovery was hopeless. Thus in a few days under the power of this terrible disease, the flower faded, and the hopes of life were withered and dead, but though deprived of this, she was calm and undisturbed, her soul had found a peace which death could not ruffle or destroy. She had learned to fear the Lord while in health, and when the shadows of a speedy dissolution were gathering around her, she felt upheld by his Almighty arm.

Her last hours were eminently peaceful. She was resigned and willing to abide the Divine decree, commending her sorrowing husband and children to the Lord, she wished them to sing their last hymn for her, and very touching was that death-bed scene, there lay the dying mother, no. longer able to speak audibly, raising her hands towards heaven in token of triumph, the heart stricken husband stood by, scarcely knowing whether to weep or to rejoice, the joy of the triumph was so great, while their three little girls, with tear-filled eyes, were sobbing forth, "Safe in the arms of Jesus." thus the mother's spirit was wafted to heaven, on the wings of her childrens praise.

Mrs. Lake was early converted to God, and strove to adorn the doctrine of God her Saviour in all things, her love to Christ was manifest in various ways, bu t in none more palpably than in her kindness to the poor, many of whom have los t in her a sympathising friend. She was also warmly attached to the Church of her choice and liberally supported its various institutions; as an evidence of her love to the class-meeting, her friends after her decease found sixty-three Society tickets carefully preserved.

She was also interested in the new church in course of erection here, and gave evidence of being a liberal contributor to the bazaar to be held in its behalf next fall; but in the midst of a young family. with schemes of usefulness in view, the Head of the Church has mysteriously call ed her away. "My thoughts are not as your thoughts saith the Lord."

W. KENDALL. Fortune Harbor, N. F.

JOHN G. MURRAY, PORT HAWKESBURY, At Port Richmond, C. B., on the 17th ult., passed away from suffering and darkness and trouble and infirmities and mortality, to the light and peace and glory of mortality, John G. Murray, having endured life's ills seventy-two years. How grand and cheering the thought-here in the morning struggling midst darkness and tears; home ere the evening falls glorying in the joy of our Father's house, that he hath prepared for them that love him. I am afraid the reason why so many of us are in the "straight betwixt two having a desire to depart and be with Christ," is because we have so little religion.

Bro. Murray's sufferings were very severe, but he bore them without murmuring. It is not very long since his wife went over in answer to the Master's summons. "Hail good woman, I bring thee tidings that the Master calleth for thee, and expecteth that thou shouldst stand in robes of mortality, within these ten days," and now both are gone leaving ten childdren orphans, but not helpless, all having reached the state of man and womanhood; and let us hope that these things will bring all of them to wisdoms state, and by and by an unbroken family circle above. For forty-five years Mr. and Mrs. Mur-

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FIFTH MAR, 1877. APRIL. FIRST QUARTER AZUDIES ABOUT THE KINGDOS OF ISRAEL.

B. C. 893. | LESSON V. ELISHA AT DOTH-AN; or, the Lord a Defense. 2 Kings 6, 8-18. April 29.

EXPLANATORY. KING OF SYRIA. Ben-hadad, the son o Tabrimon, Ahab's old enemy. Warred. According to usage among all ancient nations, war was the rule and peace the exception between Israel and Samaria. Took counsel. Held a council of war. My camp. Intending either a raid, or more likely an ambuscade, with the expectation of capturing the king of Israel.

MAN OF GOD. Such was Elisha; filled with God's spirit, enlightened by God's wisdom, fulfilling God's will, protected by God's power. Sent. The man of God employs his gifts of seership, not for himself, but for the good of others, and the defense of the nation. King of Israel. Jehoroam, son of Ahab. Beware. May mean either " Fail not to protect such a point," or, "Do not be entrapped at such a place." What an advantage he possesses who has God's wisdom to guide

SENT. Either spies to ascertain the danger, or troops to avert it, according to circumstances. How many, like the king of Israel, give more heed to bodily dangers than to the perils of their souls! Saved himself. Escaped the enemy. Not once nor twice. A phrase meaning many

Sore TROUBLED. Men whose evil purposes have been thwarted blame others. and are enraged instead of submissive under the hand of God. Which of us? He suspected treachery among his officers.

THE PROPHET...IN ISBAEL. Great deeds and great character soon make a man known. "He could not be hid." Mark 7. 24. Telleth...words...bed chamber. A proverbial expression, having especial force from the privacy and seclusion of The prince of this world came, and an Oriental harem.

Go AND SPY. The king of Syria supposed that Elisha was only some magician of uncommon skill; he had no suspicion that the hiding of his power/was with the Highest. Dothan. "Two cisterns." A place on the southern border of the plain of Esdraelon, twelve miles north of Sam-

A GREAT HOST. It seemed an unequal warfare; a great king and a vast army against one defenceless man. But he left Elisha's Helper out of his account. When one of his officers complained to Antigonus that his army was smaller than the entered the portals of heaven, as pure enemy's, he replied, "And how much do and unspotted as when He left the you reckon me for?" By night. What folly to imagine that he who had been aware of Ben hadad's plans in Damascus, would be ignorant of his night march against Dothan!

SERVANT. One who had recently taken the place of the disgraced Gehazi, and hence had enjoyed only a limited acquaintance with the prophet's power. A host compassed. He beholds the sun rising out sin." over the hills of Gilead, but its early rays reveal around the wails the tents and chariots of a serried host, which seem to have sprung up like magic, in a night.

HE ANSWERED. See 1. The security of faith. 2. The courage of faith. 3. The insight of faith. 4. The encouragement of faith. Fear not. The loftiest faith is not without sympathy and strengthening for those who are weak. They that be, with us. Faith gives insight into spiritual surroundings. The natural eye sees the host of Syria; the eye of faith beholds circling nearer and mightier the host of God. One looks upon the visible foes, the other the invisible and almighty allies. More than...with them. "One man with God is a majority."

PRAYED. Not for himself, but for his servant. Let us appreciate and employ prayer for one another. He saw. In response to the prophet's prayer, God unvailed his inner sense, and lifted him up for the moment to the high plane of faith and insight whereon his master dwelt. Horses and chariots of fire. The whole hill was girdled with the blazing symbols of divine majesty and power. Such are ever the invisible attendants of every

true-hearted child of God. THEY CAME DOWN. The Syrian host. Blindness. God opens the eyes of his servants, while he closes those of his enemies. It was not total, material blindness. or they could not have marched, (ver. 19.) but false, mistaken perceptions, and ignorance of the way. They saw, but dimly and dubiously. The object was not to do them harm, but to make them realize their own helplessness. Read in the succeeding verses how they were led captives to Samaria, how they were saved and restored by the prophet's interposition, and how a happy result followed.

THE PURITY OF JESUS.

FROM THE GREAT TEACHER.

BY REV. JOHN HARRIS.

If our subject permitted, we should love to linger on the purity of His character; for this, though by no means the most attractive feature to a sinful race, is one of the most remarkable. And here, be it observed, he sought not to preserve His holiness unspotted by avoiding contact with the world: he was not indebted for his purity to the privacy of a recluse. From the moment he became a public character, His field was the world; He domesticated Himself, if I may say so, and desired tobe numbered as one of the human family: He sought to become the heart of the world; and, in the prosecution of that object, He turned not aside from a personal encounter with the Tempter himself. From every thing which the world contained of great and good, His nature

ingredients with which the purest ele-

ments on earth are defiled.

He passed through a scene in which, at every step He took, a thousand malignant influences were waiting to dart on Him, "Yet He did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth." He uttered not a single sentence capable of being construed into a confession of guilt, or a consciousness of defilement. He often alluded to His poverty, rejection and sufferings; and oftener still to the subject of sin, in a variety of forms; but He breathed not a word which could be construed into the most distant intimation that He considered Himself less than a being of unsullied purity. On the contrary, He challenged His enemies (and He had but few friends) to convict him of a single sin. found nothing in Him, no single thought or feeling, which responded to temptation or disposed Him for a moment to yield to it. He lived for years, and was actively employed in a world in which every condition has its peculiar temptations, so that of all the myriads who have ever inhabited it, not one has escaped the pollution of sin. But, like the sunbeam, which remains uncontaminated whatever the object on which it may shine, the Saviour emerged from the region of guilt, and rebosom of the Father. It was strictly true of Him to the latest moment of His continuance on earth,—with perfect sincerity it might have been inscribed on his tomb-it might have been shouted with triumph as He ascended to the throne of Heaven,-" He was in all points tempted like as we are, yet with

A bickering pair of Quakers were lately heard in high controversy, the husband exclaiming, "I am determined to have one quiet week with thee?" "But how wilt thou be able to get it?" said the taunting spouse. "I will keep thee a week after thou art dead," was the Quaker's rejoinder.

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INVITATIONS AND APPOINT-MENTS.

A very notable circumstance occurred tat the session of an annual Conferenc e a few weeks ago in Philadelphia: _A bishop fairly maintained his right to a point the preachers, after consultation with Presiding Elders, independent of outside interference. As a constit. utional principle, the bishop's demand was but just. The Conference, after s tight demur, sustained him, though he told its members some unplateable truths. He had been decoved into inter views with officials from several charges; had been boldly summoned fror 2 active duty in Conference and Committees, to give audience to petitioners and counter-petitioners: had been driven to prayer for direction. and kept anx iously sleepless for hours over the comp licated demands of delegates. All this had reference to stationing the ministers. Men had discovered that influence might be used successfully in shaping the action of the appointing power, and they had improved the opportunity, year by year, until the strain became insupportable. The bishop appealed to his brethren at length, deprecating the growing agitation, and called for a policy upon the part of the churches which would prevent distress and bring honour to the

Three facts were strongly in the bish. op's favour. 1. The original practice in both Euglish and American Methodism was to receive appointments direct from an individual overseer, in conjunction with im mediate advisers. Wesley and the American bishops invariably followed this rule. 2. When the institutions of Methodism Lecame more generally representative, throug.1 the election of counsellors to executive positions, the same principle was adhered to-clected men did that work for which they were elected, stationing being a part of their duty. 3. As other forms of agency were admitted from time to time, and outside influence was brought to bear upon representatives in Stationing Committee, often leaving them without any real duty to perform, it has not been found that our system has been worked with more general satisfaction. The history of the connexion, we believe, will fully reveal the truthfulness of this conclusion.

We approach this subject with some reluctance. The right of pastoral choice is so closely interlinked with Christian privilege and liberty of conscience, that only the ignorant can fail to see its reasonableness and importance. Heavy battles have been fought over this principle. It has been at the foundation of great religious revolutions. The dividing line between ecclesiastical bondage and freedom has sometimes been parallel with the merits of this question. It is to-day one of the most marked and hopeful distinctions between free churches and the arbitrary medieval forms of government from which they have separated. Our influence would never be given toward strengthening old chains, but rather toward cultivating a love of freedom, and inculcating a proper use of the " liberty wherewith Christ bath made us free." In doing so we wish it to be distinctly understood that Methodism, worked fully by the regulations of its own internal economy, has as much of the right of pastoral choice as any form of church government now existing. We have the most perfect form of representative church government in the

world. It provides particularly for the rights of congregations, through their having been elected directly either by staff it looks out through misty win the people, or those chosen by the people to guard their interests.

Consequently there is the less necessity for anxiety. It is this anxiety which we specially deprecate-which shows itself to-day in so many forms and so many places-which all good men should hold in restraint. have fears, too, that the Providence which has been our guide, and has so marvelously prospered us in days of complete subjection to God's will, may fail us in part should human foresight be allowed to take its place. Besides, of pastoral choice by anxious forethought has not invariably proved any more satisfactory than supply secured in the ordinary way.

A very wide license is now being taken in respect to circuit invitations. We shall pronounce no judgment upon the system, when kept within reasonable bounds. It is not probable that it could now be changed by any kind of legislation. It is not to our mind clear that it is a subject for legislation. Still it admits of discussion. It has extravagances which can only be understood by discussion. In the abiding good judgement of our people, in their piety and regard for the glory of God and the church's peace, we trust to restrain the excesses of this system. What the inconsistencies of the system are; how they originate; and what their results and tendencies, we leave for consideration till next week.

THE ANNUAL TEMPERANCE VOTE.

The Temperance Reform meets with At least the stubborn resistance. grand object for which the reformers profess to be laboring, does not seem to draw any nearer. Prohibition has been pronounced against in many Legis. latures from time to time; in our own House of Commons a new vote has been taken on the old subject, with most emphatic objection. There is something very sad in the history of this reform. It differs from all other great agitations against distinct forms of national evil in only this one particular-that nations efuse to attempt a definite and com plete abolition. Like slavery. Civil Disabilities, the trade in rotten ships, and other great defects in the body politic, Intemperance has found gifted champions. Under the absorbing, devouring conviction, that a tremendous evil lay at the root of society, and they were commissioned to expose and expel t, they said and did things so unusual that they came under the convenient opprobrium of fanaticism. They were willing to endure. Bouyed up with hope, they saw in history the overthrow of gigantic iniquities, fully believing this also would yield in its turn. But the tide which receded for a time. turned and rose again, in some places overflowing its banks. Wilberforce and Buxton died with the song of victory upon their lips. Slavery's death knell sounded throughout two hemispheres when the British Parliament voted for abolition. Plimsell gained more than he himself at first demanded. Not so Father Matthew. He was an apostle to the fathers; but the sons were not delivered from the curse. John B. Gough and Neal Dow have obtained only sufficient conquest to prove that ultimate and absolute conquest is possible. Prohibition exists in Maine, but is pent up there, and even there is only partially submitted to. The other States will have none of it. England rejects it as an interference with private judgement and the liberty of the subject. The other nations of Europe have scarcely thought of it at all. Canada, our legislators tell us, is not ripe for it. This is a wearisome campaign against a stubborn and defiant evil. Like the Wars of the Roses, the struggle seems destined to consume many princes, and terminate only with the exhaustion of

opposing powers. Still there is much gained. Every hero who falls is buried a league in advance of those who fell before him. The leaven is gradually spreading through the lump. Twenty years ago there were more who were confident of seeing Probibition with their own eyes, than there are to-day. That this confi-

dence has been put to suffering does not mean that it has been put to shame. chairmen and other delegates, they It is weary and aged, yet leaning on its dows in anticipation of redemption still. The trust of reasonable Temperance men is in the potency of truth and right more than the promise of politicians. Truth is often slow of growth. An age is but a year in its advancement. Truth once stalwart, however, is like the giant oak of centuries .strong to resist the mountain tempest on land; on sea a fitting emblem of a great nation's glory and prowess. The world can afford to wait.

DEATH OF REV. M. PICKLES.

A message by cable was received last week to the effect that the above named Minister, a Supernumerary of the Nova Scotia Conference, had just died. It is assumed that the body will be brought to this country for burial, though of this we have no certainty. Our venerable brother had been on a visit to his native land, accompanied by his wife. He had reached an advanced age, and was an additional evidence that longevity comes more frequently to the delicate than the robust. Mr. Pickles was never of strong constitution; at times his infirmity interferred greatly with his professional duties. Notwithstanding, he survived many who entered the ministry with promise of longer days. As a man of genial temperament, Mr. Pickles was almost unequalled. His ministry was uniformly successful. deriving as it did much collateral testimony from his own pure and upright character. His ministry dated back to an early period in the evangelistic history of these Provinces.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE "PRINTER'S MISCELLANY," pub. ished in St. John, N. B., is a capital little sheet. Its mechanical appearance is really a good sample for Printers, while the information it conveys on printing and all affairs of the art, is very extensive.

Metropolitan Churches, like all great things, have their own troubles. The trouble of the Washington Church is, firstly, that it has lost the presence of the President, secondly, that it carries a heavy debt. Dr. Newman, its pastor, offers his services for lecturing purposes, toward reducing this burden. His terms are \$125 an evening.

Insurance Companies in New York have been collapsing at a fearful rate. Persons little able to bear losses have been fleeced by the extravagance of officials in those card-board companies. Where Presidents enjoyed salaries of from \$30,000 to \$50,000, and everything in the management was on a corresponding scale. what could be expected?

The "Cromwell Line" of steamers from New York to Halifax, thence to Newfoundland are very unfortunate. Following the less of two steamers last winter, come the sad tidings that Capt. Decker, a respected citizen of Halifax, who had been persuaded to go in one of the steamers as coast-pilot, was swept of the deck and drowned on the outward voyage. Capt. Decker was a member of the Grafton St. congregation.

Never was philanthropy more amply rewarded than in the instances of schemes entered upon a few years ago by several young men of the Halifax Methodist congregations. Under the direction of Rev. G. S. Milligan, we believe, in the first instance, as also that of Rev. E. Botterell and other ministers, first Kay St. Church, then Charles St. and more recently Beech St. school room, were constructed in the centres of growing populations. At the south, Coburg St. church became an enterprize of the Grafton St. congregation With the exception of Beech St. the extension of the city in the different directions justified the builder's hopes. Congregations grew. This winter the Holy Spirit has sealed the promise and crowned the projects with good. Marked interest has been connected with the services in the several churches, several families having been added to the membership in each instance.

Several names are spoken of with reference to the next election of President of the Conference. His friends have hope that the health of Dr. Pope, which has greatly improved since the last Conference, will continue good, and so they talk of him; but other names are even more freely spoken of, notably those of Dr. Rigg and Mr. Coley, but it is said that at least one minister in the circuit | tions, addresses to those who had just set | the country and will he cautious in.

work is sure to receive a large number of votes, and that the Rev. Ebenezer E Jenkins, if not raised to the chair at Bristol, will be certain to secure a strong nomination.—London Meth.

It is always a sorrowful sight when the sea gives up its dead. A circumstance sad beyond the ordinary, has just occured in Halifax harbour. The body of Mr. Samuel Tupper, one of the men drowned last fall while yachting, has been brought to the surface—a melancholy restoration for his family.

Our English letter this week is very interesting. A few subjects of special significance are treated in a way to throw light upon their conditions, present and

Gold is going up with a bound! Stocks of all kinds are taking new life. War is on the point of being declared; that means-what? From the combined, patient efforts which have been made to stav the torrent, we may judge somethin g of its pent-up force. Where will it end? Who shall be the sufferers? What old nations shall succumb, or new ones rise? It is a blessing to have a trust higher than human contingencies.

A grand certificate for the Halifax Medical College has just come across the Atlantic. Letters state that at Edinburgh-that centre of learning, especially medical learning-several of its studen ts have taken leading positions in several competitive examinations-coming off better than many educated in England and Scotland. Some of those Nova Scotians have been selected for very important positions.

METHODIST MATTERS

THE BALMORAL FUND.-We have received this week a P. O. Order towards the above object of \$11 from a few friends in Charlottetown.

Rev. Joseph Robson, re-appointed at last session of the Nova Scotia Conference to the Wilmot Circuit, has been obliged to go south on account of health. He had been attacked by hemorrhageduring the winter, which reduced his strength very seriously. The Nova Scotia Conference has suffered by ministerial losses to a great degree this year. What are the lessons of these afflictions?

Mrs. Alcorn, the wife of the esteemed astor of River Philip Circuit, has been very low through influenza, followed by erysipelas. Through mercy she has been

Rev. James Taylor, of Shelburne, has again been sorely stricken by the dread messenger. An obituary of Eleanor his daughter, given elsewhere, written sorrowfully yet triumphantly, reached us just as we were preparing for press. Sad to say, another of the family, aged 15, is so ill as to be spaired of by her physician. Our brother and sister Taylor are bowed down with grief. Let much prayer be offered for their consolation under these repeated strokes. God rules wisely. We will one

This message reached us on Wednesday morning, 18th inst.:-

BARRINGTON, April 14. We have just received word by cable telegram that my father has been called to his reward. When the particulars reach us I will send them. Another of the Annapolis District. No doubt his end was peace. Yours, &c.,

F. H. W. PICKLES.

CIRCUIT ITEMS.-From Woodstock, N. B., we learn that on the 1st inst., four persons were received into the church, one by baptism.

Dr. Burns of Fort Massey, Halifax, lectured in the Methodist church, Hantsport, last week. His subject was "Mahomet." The Dr. is always brimful of enthusiasm, and with his fine mind cannot fail to afford instruction on any subject he undertakes to illustrate. Hantsport is rejoiced greatly with his visit.

Onslow.-Yesterday closed a series of special meetings which I have been conducting in Ishgonish and am indebted to brother Angevine for assistance. The Great Head of the Church has been gracious to us in reviving His work abundantly amongst us, which resulted in twenty four (24) souls presenting themselves for baptism yesterday morning. The services were remarkable for enthusiasm on the part of the people crowding to excess the church, and on account of the wise counsels and touching admoniout on the christian race and w the more matured children of God, by brother. Rogers, who is much belived by us on this circuit. He and administered the sacrament of the Lord's supper to about fifty-four persons in connection with this service which lasted for about two and a

Your's very faithfully,

WM. LUKE CUNNINGHAM.

N. B. and P. E. ISLAND CON-FERENCE.

THE Examination of Probationers and Candidates for the Ministry, will be held (D. V.) in Charlottetown and Moncton, on TUESDAY, May 1st, beginning at 2.30 p.m.; and in Fredericton on TUESDAY 8th, beginning at 9.30 a.m.

C. H. PAISLEY.

OUR ENGLISH LETTER

THE CITY TEMPLE.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,-Many of your readers will remember the recent erection of a fine sanctuary, bearing the somewhat imposing name of " The City Temple." It was built for Dr. Parker, by his church and congregation, and if we may judge from what we see and hear it is succeeding well and answering the expectations of its sanguine promoters. The worthy Doctor has obtained for himself a leading position as preacher in London, and as a writer of admitted ability and power. It was freely predicted at the time he came to London, that he was not the man to do it, but he has gradually worked himself. and his new sanctuary into a foremost position among the great

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of the metropolis. In addition to the ordinary appointments of the Sabbath and week-nights, Dr. Parker preaches at noon on Thursdays, and succeeds in attracting at that hour, and in the midst of the incessant torrent of noise and traffic, a somewhat extraordinary congregation for number and influence. Once a month, after the sermon, he holds a kind of

MINISTERIAL COUNCIL,

although by the way, it is not at all exclusively ministerial or theological in its composition. After an opening address by a person previously appointed, the subject of debate or consideration is open to all, and all kinds of remarks are freely made. Some subjects of the first importance have been introduced and discussed by men of highest position. It is a novel institution, but appears to supply a fitting means of contact for various shades of opinion, and as it has been hitherto conducted, the results appear to be highly satisfactory An idea of the scope and style of the discussions may be gathered if I merely state the titles of the two principal conferences: "Texts or expositions of continuous passages of Scripture"-and "What the pew expects of the pulpit."

METHODIST EXCURSIONS

are becoming fashionable and receive a goodly amount of patronage. The company is formed of Wesleyans only, and if a conclusion may be arrived at from testimonials, they have a good time of it. Proposals are just issued for another tour to Italy and Rome, passing through Paris, and ever so many places distinguished by beauty and works of art. The sum required to secure this first class trip as mapped out is forty-eight guineas, and of course a little pocket money besides; the time is about four weeks, and the special attraction at Rome is the opening of the new Wesleyan chapel by Dr. Punshon and others. Here is a most tempting journey for those who have the time and means at their disposal, but there is little chance for ministers in view of the approaching District meetings and all the work involved in preparing for them.

THE MAY DISTRICT MEETINGS

will be of considerable importance this year, as the question of Lay-Represenation will come up again and for final consideration. After this forthcoming review, in which the laymen who attend the District meetings will have an opportunity of reviewing the whole scheme; it will pass on to Conference to be discussed for an ultimate settlement. The Bristol Conference of 1877 will be famous for the settlement of this most vital question, and that of 1878 will begin an entirely new phase of Methodistic government.

THE BURIALS BILL

referred to in my last letter as just introduced by Government, has been most unfavorably received, and will meet with uncompromising opposition. The Wesleyan Committee of exigence has discussed its provisions, and determined by every means in our power to. resist the passing into a law, the obectionable and humiliating proposals. The action of its promoters is very slow, for the Easter holidays are upon us, and the second reading has not been attempted. It is not at all unlikely that the Government is waiting to. ascertain the unmistakeable feeling of

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PARLIAMENTARY NEWS

can be put into one or two short sen-No bill of importance has been passed, and the debates of the fortnight have not been followed by any testing division. The Government claim that during the progress of important and delicate negotiations, they must not be the Opposition knows that numerically it is quite powerless.

THE OUTLOOK

is a little more hopeful as I write to-day. Russia still tries hard to arrive at a dispute. Yet new outrages are reported constantly, and Turkey either lacks power or desire to punish the perpetrators. April 2, 1877.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BALMORAL FUND.

BALMORAL, April 14th. DEAR SIR.-Since your last issue the following have come duly to hand, Rev. S. James, Upper Kent, \$7; Mr. Deacon, \$6-50, and one trunk of clothing and shoes, Rev. H. Daniel, St. John, \$19.35. An unknown friend 1 parcel of clothes, &c.

Our donors will accept our sincere thanks.

Your's, very truly, GEORGE BLACKWELL

THE BALMORAL FUND.

MR. EDITOR,—The appeal made to the public through the columns of your Paper on behalf Bro. Geo. Blackwell, of Balmorel, has found a response from at least some of our people of St. John. The distressing letter from the Brother himself, and the subsequent confirmation of its correctness by Mr. Penna, one of our young ministers, made a deep impression upon our sympathy, which led to the resolve of trying to do something to help the afflicted family. As the Germain St. Sabbath School was nearest to our residence. we determined to present the case there. The Superintendent of the Circuit and the Superintendent of the Sabbath School were consulted and the case was presented in such a way as produced a deep feeling on behalf of this very destitute family. The result was that nearly forty dollars were contributed before we left the school. A resolution was adopted to collect as many parcels of clothing and necessary articles for family use as could be obtained. On the following Monday the case was taken up with vigor, and by Monday evening a barrel of flour and a barrel of eat meal were despatched by train to Campbellton to the Brother's address. Contributions varying from one to three dollars were sent in, making the entire amount over Fifty-one Dollars. Purchases were made from the above amount of provisions, groceries, cottons, goods and sundries indispensable in a family. This was not all, parcels of second hand cloth. , ing were collected, the whole filled a case of considerable size, and on Wednesday evening the case was on its way by train

to its destination. After deducting for purchases and expenses of freight, truckage, &c., &c., we sent to B.o. Blackwell in Post Office order

What will be done by the Centenary papers. Sabbath School, I am not prepared at present to say. I hope to be able to have a favourable report. Germain St. has done well in this case, and I cannot close this statement without giving to the male Bible Class special commendation for the noble spirit which they exhibited. Nearly thirty dollars of the amount raised was given by that class. The Superintendent of the school and individual teachers and officers contributed generously. I am very much indebted to the brethren, A. Gilmour, Bullock and Jordan, for the very effective service which they have rendered in perfecting the arrangement. All praise is rendered to the great Master in heaven. who puts it into the hearts of his people ' to "do good and forget not."

HENRY DANIEL, St John, April 10, 1877.

HAWKESBURY NEWS.

The winter is over and gone, if we had any winter, and the sound of business and commerce is heard in the land-the thud of the workman's axe, the ring of the eaulker's mallet, and the whistling of the ealling or passing boats, ring upon the shores and up over the hills once

How quickly the usually blighting, illmannered, tiresome, dreary old winter has left us. Indeed he merely flitted past this year, smiling on us with a wink and a nod, saying, "I'll call again by and by!" Turks have been making the most en-

ng through Parliament by the in the month of May last year, and have been clear for weeks; the water is dotted with sailing craft, and the steamships have commenced their regular trips. We shall be well supplied this year with accommodation; the Boston and Charlottetown boats, the Pictou boats, Fishwick's, and I understand Montreal North Shore steamers will also call. They did so last autumn, and brought us a good supply of excellent Canada flour. Though few are wealthy, yet no real want is known amongst sequently no poor tax. Or turn it the other way if you like, and probably it will

be as correct. Still, what with county rates, school rates, Provincial revenue, and Dominion revenues, with other etcetpeaceful solution, and Turkey appears | eras, we are pretty well taxed! I think more disposed to yield some points in there is room for a reform movement here. I wonder if the old Jews were not more around the shores on some of the wrecks of last autumn, and on the slip has been progressing for some time. The barque 'Adeline," wrecked last fall, and bought by A. Grant & Co., of the Dominion Warehouse, will soon be launched from the railway.

This end of "Eastern Extension" is commencing over at Malgrave. We wait patiently for the "Halifax train,"-Hope we will not have to wait as long as Yarmouth! But now a word regarding higher matters. For important as this worlds in-

"It is not all of life to live."

Although we sometimes feel after beseeching men to be reconciled to God and then see them pass by regardless of the cross, that we let them alone; -still there is much to cheer and encourage, and we will be encouraged to go. Our judgment is with the Lord. The most of the people attend the services of the Church well. Some possessing the zeal of Roman Catholics, coming a distance of seven or eight miles to the Sabbath services. The choir with the organ and Sankey's Songe, I am willing to admit, being a strong attraction. A few, Oh so few! turn to the Lord!

As usual we lack nothing. Recently the Parsonage was besieged, and the be siegers got in, and we were made the richer by a princely Donation of about One Hundred Dollars. This lifts us high and safely above the billows of financial care for this year. On the same evening-Miss M. J. Grant and a few other enterprising ladies formed a MAMMOTH SEW-ING CIRCLE, to make ready for a Grand Bazaar next Autumn for the purpose of | Everybody praises her, unless it be the

NEW CHURCH.

tant Church in the village,—the Baptist is of the land" receiving them in an inexsituated between this and Port Hastings. pensive black silk, without any jewellry, meeting at the office of sider the proposed sale. The Catholics have a very neat building in and with hair innocent of puffs, bangs or the Lower end of the place. Hawkesbury frizzes.—Philadelphia Times. is destined to become quite a town when the Railroads are built. Our church is nearly fifty years old, out of the way on the back street, and there are not more than half enough pews to accomodate the

Well, in our poverty we are going to build in the name of the Lord. We are nacle openly justified murder as a have exhausted home resources. Of course it would please us well for friends to send us articles, or stuff to make into articles for contemplated Bazaar; and of course we will expect a boatload or two of our friends at the time, *due notice of which will be given in the WESLEYAN and other I am, yours &c.,

J. B. HEMMEON.

WAR!

(From the Telegraph.)

War between Russia and Turkey seems inevitable, and we may, at any moment, hear that it has been declared The Russian Embassay has left Constantinople, the Russian fleet has been ordered to rendenvous in the Mediterranean; a Russian army is on the Pruth, and the Czar himself is expected to join it to-day. All these indications point to an immediate conflict. It is too late now to inquire who is responsible for the state of affairs, which has brought on the crisis long feared on the Eastern question, in the present year of grace. We are more concerned with the results which are likely to follow it, and the effect which it will produce on the general condition of Europe. There can be no doubt that the Turks are today more moved by fanaticism and hate than at any former period in their history in modern times. They seem to be, one and all, burning for a conflict with the great Power of the North.

While negotiations for peace have been going on during the winter, the We are now as clear of ice as we were ergetic preparations for the conflict

which they had made up their minds could not be averted. Turkey was regarded as almost bankrupt, yet Turkey has been purchasing arms and ammunition in every market where they could be procured. All winter we have weighing over 500 lbs. It yielded 15 gallons of read of the enormous shipments of munitions of war from Belgium, England and the United States, all intended for the Turkish army. Hundreds of thousands of military rifles of the most be expected to state their views, and us. Yet we have no parish poor, con- improved pattern are new in Constantinople, and millions of metallic cartridges; and there is no lack of men to use them, for the Turks are valiant soldiers, and the whole Mahomedan population is filled with that fiery enthusiasm which drives the soldier to the field of battle and causes him to cheaply and better governed! Work welcome death there as a mere passport to Heaven. Nor are the Russians less active in warlike preparation.

> ing all its resources to the collection of munitions of war and the mobilization of its vast army. Unfortunately, the Russian exchequer is low, and, indeed, in that respect, the Czar it not much | Club on Saturday might. better off than the Sultan. Some time ago it was announced with a grand flourish of trumpets that an Amsterdam banker had gone to St. Petersburg and offered the Russian Government a loan of 200,000,000 roubles at 8 per cent. This was thought to be a wonderful proof of a foreigner's belief in the ability of Russia to pay her debts, but it has since transpired that this offer was clogged with two conditions, first that Russia should disarm, and second that she must not attempt to raise another loan for five years. The offer was not accepted on these terms, and now Russia is about to begin a great war with an almost empty treasury, and with very poor prospects of getting it filled. Yet it is veay clear that without money Russia cannot maintain two campaigns, eve n against the Turks, and no one believes that this war is likely to be concluded in a single campaign.

MRs. HAYES appears as much at home in her difficult station as the President does in his. She has received every afternoon thus far, and scarcely an evening passes without a score or two of calls. very fashionable ladies, who think she ought not to dress so plainly. The truth

Since the execution of the Mormon strong purpose to bring others as guilty appealed. as he to just punishment. The teach. ings of Brigham Young in the Tabernot going to ask for outside help till we means of avenging Joe Smith's death. The hoary old sinner said, "These are sins that must be atoned for by the blood of the man. I live above the St. John River. fer you to many instances where men larties who interviewed him. have been righteously slain in order to atone for their sins. The editor of the Salt Lake Daily Tribune declared that at least six hundred murders had been committed by the Mo: mons, and in nearly every instance at the instigation of their priestly leaders. It is time to abate the nuisance of Mormonism .-Richmond Advocate.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The Western Union Telegraph Company have educed their rate from the Province to New York

Some miscreant set fire to Miller's woods, Halifax, on Sun lay, and it took ten or twelve men a couple of hours hard work to beat the fire out, but they succeeded in doing so and thus saved the

Within a few weeks death has removed two members of the Local Government and of the Legislative Council-Hon. James Cochran and Hon, Stayley Brown. Another member of the Legislative Council, Hon. Gilbert cKenna, of Shelburne, is so seriously ill that no hope of his recovery is entertained. He was not present at the late session of the Legislature.

The Montreal Gas Company have, it is said, mad a contract for 10,000 tons of coal from the International Company, of Cape Breton, and will also take coal from the Glace Bay and other

The Fishery Commission meets at Halifax on the 15th June, and will probably adjourn for a month to give time for the consideration of the The Intercolonial Coal Co. have contracted toe

supply the Acadian Iron Mines with 20,000 tons of Sugar making commenced in good carnest on Maccan Mountains with the prospect of good re-

Great Village is infested with burglars. The Post Office at that place has been robbed of \$40; and a private residence of \$35—money of a Sabbath

Windsor Marine Insurance Company, on Tuesday, a dividend was declared of 100 per cent. and about \$20,000 was added to the reserve fund.

Mr. John Patterson, J. P., of Falmouth Village, who received serious injuries last fall from the kick ot a horse, died a day or two ago. A seal was captured last week in Cobequid Bay,

Prof. How, of King's College, Windsor, has been elected corresponding member of the Mineralogical

Society of Great Britain and Ireland. An extensive fire took place at Amherst on Wednesday 11th inst. It broke out about 8 o'clock in the store occupied by Mr. T. R. Pearson at Smith's Corner, which was consumed. It spread to Mc-Laughlin's shop and saloon in the rear, which were also burned. The house of Mr. J. T. Smith, Esq., and Mr. Hillson's house were saved, but completly gutted. Mason Hall, Mr. Hewson's house and Mr. Pearson's house is insured for \$2,000 and the

A man named Cleveland, residing at Dover, about 30 miles from Halifax, shot his wife dead one day last week, and subsequently fatally shot him-The affair, which had its origin in a feud between the old man and his sons concerning some land, naturally causes much excitement.

Messrs. W. G. Sims & Co., Plymouth, Yarmouth, have launched two fine fishing schooners for Mr. W. A. Killam and others, of Yarmouth,

The Spanish frigate Villa de Madrid, which arrived at Halifax, on Good Friday from Havana, on The vast empire of the Czar is strainher way to Cadiz, Spain, resumed her voyage on Sunday morning. During her stay here Spanish money became quite current in the city, and gave many of our tradesmen cause to remember the the Spaniard's visit with satisfaction. The officers received many hospitalities from our citizens, and in return entertained a large party at the Halifax

On Sunday, the 1st inst., Charles Pace, son of widow Pace, Sheet Harbor Road, was drowned in West River. He left Lindsay's camp, near Kellogg, and, in crossing the river on a log, is supposed to have fallen in and drowned. He was not missed in 18 inches of water.

Capt. Gardner, who wrecked the Eastern Clipper the Nova Scotia coast in a fair day, last October, sold her at auction, pocketed the money and then disappeared, has been hard from once more. He left the Provinces for Gloucester, Mass., and shipped on a fisherman bound to George's Banks. The

vessel was wrecked and Mr. Gardner lost his life. The Liverpool "Times" says: "It becomes our painful duty to record to-day a very sad accident that occurred here on Sunday last Between the hours of ten and eleven in the morning, while the parents were preparing to attend Divine service and other part of the dwelling, two little children, a boy and girl, the former aged four 4 years, and the atter aged 2 years and 5 months, the children of Mr. and Mrs. John D. McClearn, remained alone in the kitchen innocently playing and amusing them elves with some shavings and light placed in a recess, near the fire place, for kindling purposes, when accidently the shavings became igted, the flames extending to the clothes of the little girl and before timely assistance could be endered by her father, her arm, neck and side of face were so badly burned that she expired from the effects on the following day, at three o'clock."

A seaman named Elijah Gammon fell from the mainvard of the barque Valkyria, while that vessel was on the passage from Sandy Hook to Doboy, Ga. A gale of wind and a snow storm prevailed at the time, and all efforts at rescuing the unfortunate man were unavailing. Deceased was a son of Mr Peter Gammon, of River John. The sad intelligence was received the other day by the owners of he Largue, Messers Jas. W. Carmichael & Co. The night trains on the Intercolonial Railway

will be resumed on Monday, the 30th inst. The "Amherst Sentinel" says: As the result of the negotiations between N. F. Sharp, Esq., and others, of St. John, with a company of coal speculators in England. five gentlemen will leave Liverpool for Nova Scotia some time this month. Their

bject in coming here is to purchase the different This we must have and should have com- is they feel a little ashamed of their gor- coal mines in this county, and combine them under menced before. Ours is the only Protest- geous attire when they see the "first lady one management, so that they may all be made to contribute to the one trade. On Thursday last the one management, so that they may all be made to stockholders of the Styles meeting at the office of F. W. Bent, Esq., to con- under the editorship of Rev. A. S. Bray.

Some time ago a man remed John York, residing at Montague, had a law suit with two bothers named John and Israel Whiston about some land, which he gained. Since then there I've been ill feeling between the parties, and one day he twee the brothers Wilston entered York's house and murderer, John D. Lee, there is a gave him a bad becting. They were brought before Mr. Griffin, Magistrate, and fixed \$10 cm in bat

N. B., & P. E. ISLAND.

Mr. Sutton's will. South Pay, resumed operations on Monday. Among those that have recently started are River's mill, Pleasant Point: Grand Bay mill, and that of Randolph & Baker, Green Head

Mr. Goodwin, abscording Vice Consul at St. law, and so do this people. I could re- John, has made restitution at Boston of \$7,500 to

The stone cutters at the new Penitentiary buildings at Dorchester have struck for wages. The contractors expect to have two hundred men employed by the end of April.

A despatch dated the 12th inst. to Messrs. Steeves Bros., St. John, announces the attival of the ship Alexander Mackenzie at Liverpool, from a half dollars adva ced by the United States Gen-Pensacola, and also contains the and intelligence that Wm. Logan, on of Mr. Wm. Logan, of Logan & Stewart, was drowned during the passage. The announcement will be heard with regret by many acquaintances of the young man in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. Logan, in their great affliction, have

the sympathy of all who know them. Mr. Harry Beckwith has just returned from an extensive cruise among the lumber camp- on the South West Miramachi. He estimates about one hundred and ten million sup feet logs in the stream emptying into the south west, but doe not anticipate that all will get to market, pa ticularly that in shallow streams. He reports about 2) feet snow in the woods. Mr. B. walked about thirty miles over a very bad road, carrying his camping

The windows and blinds in the summer cottage owned by Mr. Tucker, Lloyd's surveyor, Sandy Point road, town of Portland, were, a few days since, completely riddled and destroyed by gun hots in the hands of some would be sports from the city, who, it is said, are known.

duct is unmanly and worthy only of the base. The Portland School Trustees have awarded to Mr. A. G. Matthews the contract for creeting a new school building near Adelaide Road. Fifteen tenders were sent in, ranging from \$1,760 to \$2,925. That from Mr Matthews was for \$1,900. The house | way. is to be 30x56 ft., two stories high and to accommodate four schools.

The inquest on the body of James Kingan, at Weldford, was concluded recently. The verdict was that the death was caused by some person or persons unknown. Three of the Mills of the Eaton Brothers at

Milltown, began sawing towards the end of last week, and it is reported that Franklin Eaton's are to On Monday morning last, Mr. Alexander Grant's

house, (formerly the Poor House of the Pari h of St. Stephen) at Old Ridge, was des royed by fire. The out-houses in the rear of the building were saved. Mr. Grant lost the most of his furniture. The fire was caused by a defective flue. Insurance

A society for the promotion of temperat recently formed in connection with the Methodist Church of Portland, and Rev. S. T. Teed, the pastor is to be president. There were a good many pres-

At the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Windsor Marine Insurance Company, on Tuesday, dividend was declared of 100 per cent. and about was delivered by Mr. Teed; a glee was sung by the choir ; Mr. Charles A. Everett and Mr. John Ed wards made speeches; another solo was followed by ddresses from Messrs. Edward Willis and Thomas Dale; a song, a chorus and taking up of a collectien preceded an address from Mr. S. B. Patterson, and then about 150 signed the pledge that had been prepared. Mr. E T. C. Knowles delivered an adlress, and the meeting, which was one of great in-

terest to all present, closed with the doxology and

benediction. Schr. Ella Clifton, at Vineyard Haven, 8th inst., from Providence for St John, N. B., on the previous night was in collision with an unknown schooner of Gay Head, and had main rigging and quarter rail carried away on port side and the house in-

The frame of the new Methodist Church, Moneon, has been raised, and work is progressing rapid

It is understood that street lamps will soon be introduced in Moncton, wherewith to "light the weary

traveller on his way. The barque, Augustine, which left Georgetown, P. E. I., in December last, laden with a cargo of oats, bound for Bristol, England, has not since been heard from. She left Carriboo Cove, Strait of anso, on the 16th December last, and has no doubt een lost with all hands in some of the severe gales which prevailed on the Atlantic about that time. The Augustine was built at Cardigan Bridge, and owned by Messrs, A. A. McDonald & Bros., of this town. She was a fine vessel, of 450 tons register, and was on her first trip, commanded by Captain Andrew H. McDonald, son of Mr. Allan McDonald Lower Montague. The cantain's brother Mr Danl A. McDonald was also on Board. In addition to these she had a crew of nine men, as follows : Chas. Griffin, Francis McCarey, and John Lyons, of P. E. Island; John L. Glover, and James Thompson, o Picton, N. S.; John Anderson, Sweden; David James, Wales; Patrick Lee, St. John's, Nfld., and Joh : Dwyer, of Liverpool, Great Britain.

Mrs. Hunt Morgan, who visited St. John recently, is about to appear in Bangor and deliver lec

The Orangemen of Portland, with members of the Order from the city, Carleton and Fairville, attended the funeral of Mr. John McJunkin, a late member of Wellington Lodge, Portland. Upwards of 300 Orangemen were present in their regalia and with banners, and they made a fine appearance.

The Trowbridge has landed at Queenstown the captain, boatswain, steward and four seamen of the Florence Oulton, which ship was from Pabellon de Pica (guano), for orders, and was abandoned with fifteen feet of water in her hold, on Feb. 21st. in lat. 22 north, lon. 40 west. The crew took to the boats, in one of which were those landed at Queens town; in the other were the mate, carpenter, and eight seamen. The boats parted company on Feb. 24th, and the Trowbridge fell in with the captain's boat on the night of Feb. 26th, in latitude 20 N.

UPPER PROVINCES.

There is great demand in Montreal for potatoes

which sell as high as \$1.15 per bag. The Grand Trunk Railway Directory proposes in troducing steel cars in which to carry grain. They are to be shorter than the present cars and will permit of grain being loaded higher than at present The new cars weigh six tons, and carry eighteen tons instead of ten.

A French Canadian woman 104 years old, appears as plaintiff in an assault case at Montreal, on 14th inst. She vividly recollects the great eclipse in 178', and gave her evidence in court with much

A despatch from Mr. B. Devlin, M. P., who is at Savar nah, states that he is so ill as to be unable to travel, or he would return home. Great anxiety The river is open from Montreal to Longuiel.

John Lyons & Co., Lachine Canal contractors have con promised with their creditors at 75 cents An attempt is being made by the counsel of Glas-

the Molson Bank emberzher, to get him eff on technicalities. how weekly, to be modelled after the Trelish

Some 75 agriculturists from the counties of Lanark, Benfrew, Pontine, and Ottawa will leave Ottaws on the 17th April for the Nert-west territories, where they intend to take up lands. Au-

t west 10th of May text. Largenumbers of French Canadians are again reparted to be leaving to the States, as many as the Inserved having best from the meighborhead of Rechmend during the past two days.

efflence t of the wir have Giawa on the

The bar of Meetred bus lastic the death of Frederick Griff. Q. C., one of its of lest members He began to produce in legs. The body of the late Captain Joseph Backus Lar been stelen from the Moulimetre grave yard.

MISCELLANEOUS.

An extensive Spanish minitary camp, wave-houses, harricks, ite, near Deminguiz, Cr. s., have been accidentally burned; loss two millin

The steamer Lee was burned on the 13th inst. on the passage from Savannah to Nassau, daring a heavy gale. Three passen, ers and sixteen of the crew are supposed lost in a boat. Thirteen were saved on a life raft. The Supreme Court decides that the million and

ernment to the Centennial Exhibition was longed and must be propaid, instead of being distribut. among the stockholders. A cable despatch says the Papal Government regards the retirement of Bismarck as affording

an opportunity of repairing the breach between Church and State. Emperor William in gracious terms refuse!

Bismarck's request to be pensioned off, but accorded him lengthened leave of absence.

At Montpelier, Vt., Hiram Arbuckle, suppose ! insine, shot dead George Bancroft, and severely wounded George Short, finishing by shoothing A fire in the Jewish quarter of Stamboul, To

key, destroyed nearly 500 houses. The Southern Hotel, St. Louis, was burned at

two o'clock, this morning, 11th inst. It was fail of guests. The flames spread rapidity, causing a terrible panic among the inmates. The eval-t number of lives lost is not yet ascertained. Fifty is the estimate. Several were killed jumping to the third, fourth, and fifth story windows. The gnests were mostly Southerns and Western peoplé. Kate Claxton the actress, who narrowly escaped the Brooklyn theatre disaster, saved her by wrapping her face in wet towels and running through the flame and smoke down the main stair-The German counsel broke a leg jumping from the window. Several female servants occ pying the attic story perished. The hotel was ralucd at nearly one million dollars.

A remarkable discovery of bronzes has recently been mule at Bologna, Italy. At a depth of align! three yards a Roman pavement was found, unfitte which was disclosed a large vase of terra cogia, containing over a thousand hatchets, daggers, or naments, carpenters' tools, etc., the whole ing about a ton au i a half and being of great value. A fact Worth especial notice is that Tone of these articles have been used and are entirely free from rust, possessing a rich golden huc.

The Con-ul at Melbourne advises that no Ame ricans emigrate to Australia who do not carry means for returning in a year, as such emigrants are likely to want to return.

The cattle plague has broken out at Willesden, Middlesex county, on a large carry farm. The entire berd of 150 will probably be slaughtered. Within three miles are 2000 or 3000 cows whose

WESLEYAN' ALMANAC APRIL, 1877.

Last Quarter, 5 day, 0h, 15m, Afternoon New Moon, 18 day, 1h, 26m, Afternoon. First Quarter, 20day, 3h, 28m, Afternoon

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THE TIDES .- The column of the Moon's Southing

High water at Pictou and Jape Tormentine, 2 hrs and 11 minutes LATER than at Halifax. At Annapolis, St. John, N.B., and Pertland, Maine, 3 hours and 25 minutes LATER, and at St. John's, Newfeundland 20 minutes EARLIER than at Halifax. At Charletteown, 2 hours 54 minutes LATER. At Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes ATER. At Yarmouth, 2 hours 20 minutes LATER. 20 mtnutes LATER.

FOR THE LENGTH OF THE DAY.—Add 12 hours to the time of the sun's setting, and from the sum substract the time of rising.

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

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARIES.

The missionary anniversaries of the Sabbath School Branch Missionary Society, held in the Prince street Methodist Church, were of more than ordinary interest. The missionary sermons on Sunday were preached by the Rev. M. R. Knight in the morning, and the Rev. Mr. Hamilton, of Summerside in the evening. The congregation expected eloquent sermons from these promising young men. and we can safely say their expectations were realized.

On Monday, the 2nd inst., the missionary meeting was attended by a larger number of people than any former anni. versary-an evidence of the increasing inter s in missions The pastor of Prince Street Church, the Rev. Mr. Lathern, occupied the Chair.

We observed several new features in the meeting, one of which was the arrangement of the Sabbath School children in Nnever has the music of Monday night been surpassed in the Brick Church. The noticeable improvement in the singing was in a great measure due to the assistance of the organ placed in the Church for that occasion. Perhaps Mr. C. P. Fletcher never had as good an opportunity of exhibiting his skill upon the cornet as on Monday night in the spacious Church, and never has he merited greater praise for the proficiency to which he has attained as cornet-player.

The committee of arrangement seemed to have caught some inspiration from the regular choir of the church, who sung on the previous Sunday evening the anthem containing the words: "Praise God upon the harp, upon the lute, and on cymbals," and they carried out the suggestion by introducing instrumental music. We are sure that these worthy people who look upon instrumental music as an invasion of the sanctity of the Church, and the destruction of congregational singing, will, if they do not entirely withdraw their opposition, at least, be more moderate.

After prayer by the Rev. Mr. Small word, the chairman stated the object of the meeting, and then called upon the Secretary, Mr. Walter Beer, to read the report. We may here add that the success of Monday night's proceedings was in a great measure attributed to the Rev. Mr. Lathern, whose zeal and enthusiasm seemed to impart a warmth of feeling and sustained interest from the commencement to the close. He was like an experienced steersman at the helm of the ship, guiding her safely through intricate channels. The Secretary's report was an improvement upon what those documents generally are. It was not very lengthy, but concise, and to the point. The speakers of the evening were the Rev. Mr. Hamilton, Rev. M. R. Knight, W. W. Stumbles, jr., and Chris. Warren. Doubtless, the speakers felt that if any one in the audience was not pleased with their efforts, he might take the platform and present own liking.

The interest of the meeting reached its climax when the Secretary of Prince St., Church Sabbath School, Mr. R. K. Joet, read from the platform the amounts contributed to the mission fund by each class in the school. The total being from that school, \$487.00. The School being divided

give for the benefit of the readers of the Argus a statement showing the proportion contributed by each member of the Intermediate Bible Classes of the year :--

Num. of Propor- Total. 3.75 Mr. W. Heard's class, W. Shepherd's do. W. E. Dawson's " 1.77 1.35 F. W. Moore's "W. McKechnie's " " Wm. Brown's "
" W. W. Stumble's " 26.00 295,00

Intermediate Department,

The different amounts contributed by the Bible classes were presented by representatives from each class. The Infant Class taught by Mrs. R. K. Jost deserved special mention. It is composed of children of from three to eight, years of age, and their efforts on this occasion show how faithfully their teacher has instilled into their minds the importance of giving for the support of Christian missions. In addition to the above sums given, the secretary of Euston Street Sabbath School presented \$140.00, forty of which was contributed by Judge Young's class. The sum of \$17.10 presented by Mr. George Tanton from the Riverside school was a surprise, as the children of that school are, as far as worldly goods are concerned. extremely poor. "They in their poverty having given more than they all." The total amount, together with the collections raised by this branch of the Society in Charlottelown, is nearly \$700.00. The Secretary of Euston Street School made an elaborate report of the progress of that institution, the increase in its membership in a great measure being due to the earnest and untiring efforts of Mr. John Dorsey. The meeting closed by the singing of a hymn, and the benediction by the Rev. Mr. Smallwood .- Com to Argus.

THOMAS CHALMERS.

We remember well our first hearing Dr. Chalmers. We were in a moorland district in Tweeddale, rejoicing in the country after nine months in the High School. We heard that a famous preacher was to preach at a neighboring parish church and off we set, a cartful of irrepressible youngsters. "Calm was all nature as a resting wheel."

The crows, instead of taking wing, were impudent and sat still; the carthorses were standing, knowing the day, at the field gates, gossiping and grazthe singing seats and adjoining galleries ing, idle and happy; the moor was for the purpose of assisting in the singing. stretching away in the pale sunlightvast, dim, melancholy, like a sea; everywhere were to be seen the gathering people, sprinklings of blithe company; the country side seemed moving to some

> As we entered the kirk we saw a notorious character, a drover, who had much of the brutal look of what he worked in, with the knowing eye of a man of the city, a sort of big Peter

"He had a hardness in his eye, He had a hardness in his cheek."

He was our terror, and we not only wondered, but were afraid when we saw him going in. The kirk was as full as it could hold. How different it looks to a brisk town congregation! There was a fine leisureliness and vague stare-all the dignity and vacancy of animals, eyebrows raised and mouth open, as is the habit with those who speak little, and look much and at far off objects. The minister comes in, homely in his dress and gait, but having a great look about him like a School boys thought him like a "big one of ourselves."-He looked vaguely round upon his audience, as if he saw in it one great object, not many.

genial benignity. How he let the light of his countenance fall on us. He read a few verses quietly, then prayed briefly, solemnly, with his eyes wide open all the time, but not seeing; then he gave out his text; we forget it—but its subject was, "Death reigns." He stated slowly, calmly, the simple meanless to declare it. He told us how death | Abercrombie! Did ye never hear tell the claims of missions according to his reigned-everywhere, at all times, and o' John Abercrombie, the famous Edin-The drover, who had sat down in the the speaker. The tide set in; every- recovered a little from my surprise, I into three departments, the Bible Class, thing added to its power; deep called ventured to remark to the enigmatical and number in a box.

poured in, and every now and then the theme—the simple, terrible statement -was repeated in some lucid interval.

After overwhelming us with proofs of the reign of death, and transferring to us his intense urgency and emotions and after shrieking, as if in despair the words, "Death is a tremendous necessity," he suddenly looked beyond us. as if to some distant region, and cried

"Behold a mightier!-who is this? He cometh from Edom, with dved garments from Bozrah, glorious in his apparel, speaking in righteousness, traveling towards men in the greatness of his strength, mighty to save."

Then in a few plain sentences he stated the truth as to sin, entering, and death by sin, and death passing upon all. Then he took fire once more and enforced, with redoubled energy and richness the freshness, the simplicity, the security of the great method of jus-

How astonished and impressed we all were! He was at the full thunder -the whole man was an agony of earnestness. The drover was weeping like a child, the tears running down his ruddy, coarse cheeks-his face opened out and smoothed like an infant's; his whole body stirred with emotion. We had all insensibly been drawn out of benefactor. Here was the explanation our seats and were converging towards the wonderful speaker; and when he sat down after warning each one of us to remember who it was that followed death on his pale horse and how alone we could escape, we all sank back in

How beautiful to our eyes did the thunder look-exhausted, but pure, and sweet! How he poured out his soul before God in giving thanks for sending the Abolisher of death. Then a short psalm and all was ended .-North British Review.

A CIRCASSIAN SCOTCHMAN.

I may mention a strange acquaint-

ance I made when travelling on the great plain which stretches from the Sea of Azof to the Caspian. One day I accidentally noticed on my travelling map the name "Shotlandskava Koloniya" (Scottish Colony) near the celebrated baths of Platigorsk. I was at that moment in Stavropol, a town about eighty miles to the north, and could not gain any satisfactory information as to what this colony was. Some well-informed people assured me that it really was what its name implied, while others asserted as confidentally that it was simply a small German settlement. To decide the matter I determined to visit the place myself, though it did not lie in my intended route, and I accordingly found myself one morning in the village in question. The first inhabitants whom I encountered were unmistakably German, and they professed to know nothing about the existence of Scotchmen in the locality, either at the present or in former times. This was disappointing, and I was about to turn away and drive off, when a young man who proved to be the schoolmaster, came up, and, on hearing what I desired, advised me to consult an old Circassian who lived at the end of the village, and was well acquainted with local antiquities.

On proceeding to the house indicated, mountain among hills. The High I found a venerable old man, with fine regular features of the Circassian type, coal-black sparkling eyes, and a long flowing beard that would have done honour to a patriarch. To him I explained We shall never forget his smile !--its briefly, in Russian, the object of my visit, and asked whether he knew of any Scotchmen in the district. " And why do you wish to know?" he replied in the same language' fixing me with his keen sparkling eyes. "Because I am myself a Scotchman, and hoped to find fellow-countrymen here." Let the reader imagine my astonishment when, ing of the words, then suddenly he in reply to this, he answered, in genustarted, and looked like a man who had ine, broad Scotch: "Od, man, I'm a seen some great sight and was breath- Scotchman, tae! My name is John in all places. How we all knew it, and bugh doctor?" I was fairly puzzled how we would yet know more of it. by this extraordinary declaration. Dr. Abercrombie's name was familiar to me table-seat opposite, was gazing up in a as that of a medical practitioner and state of stupid excitement; he seemed writer on psychology, but I knew that restless, but never kept his eyes from he was long since dead. When I had

Intermediate and Infant class. We here to deep; imagery and illustration personage before me that, though his tongue was certainly Scotch, his face was as certainly Circassian. "Weel weel," he replied, evidently enjoying my look of mystification, "you're no' far wrang. I'm a Circassian Scotchman !" This extraordinary admission did not diminish my perplexity, so I hegged my new acquaintance to be a little more explicit, and he at once complied with my request. His long story may be told in a few words:

In the first years of the present century a band of Scotch missionaries came to Kussia for the purpose of converting I hae gotten in a guid wheen bawbees the Circassian tribes, and received from the Emperor Alexander I. a large grant, debts." of land in this place, which was then on the frontier of the empire. Here they founded a mission, and began the work but they soon discovered that the surrounding population were not idolators, but Mussulmans, and consequently impervious to Christianity. In this difficulty they fell on the happy idea of buying Circassian children from their parents, and bringing them up as Christians. One of these children, purchased about the year 1006, was a little boy called Teoona. As he had been purchased with money subscribed by Dr. Abercrombie, he had received in baptism that gentleman's name, and he considered himself the foster son of his of the mystery. Teoona, alias Mr. Abercrombie, was a man of more than average intelligence. Besides his native tongue, he spoke English, German and Russian perfectly; and he assured me that he knew several other languages equally well. His life had been devoted to missionary work, and especially to translating and printing the Scriptures. He had labored first in Astrakban, then for four years and a half in Persia-in the service of the Bale mission-and afterwards for six years in Siberia. The Scottish mission was suppressed by the Emperor Nicholas about the year 1835, and all the missionaries except two returned home. The son of one of these two (Galloway) is the only genuine Scotchman remainmaining. Of the "Circassian Scotchmen" there are several, most of whom have married Germans. The other inhabitants are German colonists from the province of Saratof, and German is the language commonly spoken in the village.—From "Russia," by D. Mackenzie Wallace.

CLOTHES PINS.

The Newark Advertiser says: Insignificant as the common wooden clothes pin is itself, its manufacture forms no mean part in American industries, and the numerous factories in New England and other States furnish employment to thousands of people. There are several large clothes pin manufactories in Pennsylvania and Ohio, and one in the vicinity of Saratoga, N. Y., each of which is capable of turning out a thousand boxes, or 72,000 pins, per but the handsome flowers elbowed yours week. There are several small factories away off into a corner, and it's my bescattered throughout Massachusetts, lief that nobody so much as looked at New Hampshire and Vermont, and all it.' are run by water power. As a rule, those engaged in the manufacture of clothes pins are Quakers. Beech, white birch, and poplar are the woods used in making the article, the birch and | time to go to sleep, and I lay down and poplar being considered the best. The cried under the quilt; but not aloud; machinery employed is very simple. that would have plagued father. My The wood is first sawed into logs four poor little flower! Nobody had looked feet in length, and then cut into small at it! Nobody had told how pretty it square sticks by means of a cutting was! And it was such a good little machine. Each stick, after being thing, to grow here in our crowded rounded in a lathe, is passed into an- room, when other plants were having other machine which throws out a number of perfectly formed pins at one cut and with great rapidity. The pins time about it, I fell asleep, and dreamed are then thrown into a large revolving a beautiful dream. I thought I was as cylinder and smoothed by friction with | well and strong as ever, and that I careach other. New York and Boston are ried my flower to the Exhibition mythe principal markets for this ware, self, and stood a little way back to see and hence they are shipped in large what the people would say to it. There quantities to the West, and to England was a great crowd, and somebody said and Australia. Over 100,000 boxes of there were lords and ladies mixed all pins are annually sent to England, and a corresponding number to Melbourne, Sydney, New Zealand, and the Sandwich Islands. Owing to the depression in business, during the past two years prices have fallen off 25 per cent, and some of the manufacturers in New England have ceased operations because they could buy cheaper from the West than they could manufacture themselves, besides saving the expense of packing and transportation. The price depends entirely upon the finish

PLEASANTRIES.

A country editor re rived the lowing : Dear Sir, -I have look carefully and tiently over your pane for months for de death of some indivi dual I was acquainted with, but as yet not a single soul I care anything about has dropped off; you will please to have my name erased."

"What d'ye think of this great revival that's gaun on the noo, Jamie? asked a grocer of a brother tradesman. "Weel," answered Jamie, "I cannot say muckle about it; but I ken this_ that I had gi'en up langsyne as bad

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

THE CHILDREN'S QUARREL

Let's kiss and make friends," the child-lips said, And the little brown head and the little blonde Nestled up to each other as doves might do. With the same soft billing and inward coo; And when two little faces looked up again, They were bright as an April sky after a rain

THE CATS WHO WENT TO LAW

BY HELEN ANGELL GOODWIN. Two felines had managed to seize So tempting a piece of old cheese That they quarreled about the division, 'Twas so solid and awkward in shape That they called in a learned old ape And agreed to accept his decision.

After coughing and scratching his pate. Said he, "We'll aivide it by weight." The balances swayed like a see saw. As he bit from the left and the right, Till, alarmed at the size of each bite. His clients remembered old Esau.

There'll be nothing for us, sir!" they If that is the way you divide."

He grinned like a mask at a revel, "If justice be done to each cat. This side must be equal to that, And the scales here hang perfectly le-

We care less for justice than cheese." And they tried the remainder to seize. Cried the Ape, "That's my fee, dears." THE MORAL.

You'll be sure to lose more than you gain, In delay, and vexation, and pain. At the law, though you win in the quar-

THE STORY LIZZIE TOLD.

"Im sorry I frightened you so, ma'am. I wasn't scared myself. It was only one of my turns. Mother says she expects I'll go off in one of 'em sometime, but we don't tell father that. And I hope I shall live to go on a pilgrin age first.

"Did my flower take the prize?

"I'll tell you all about it, ma'am, After father went away with it in the morning, I thought what a long day it would be before he would bring it back at night. But I told stories to the children, and that kept them out from under mother's feet, and I read my 'Pilgrim's Progress,' and had a good time; but I was glad when I heard father's step on the stairs, and to see my dear good little flower, safe and sound. .

"Don't take on my lass,' says father,

"'That must be the reason it did not get the prize,' says I.' 'I'm glad it ought to have got it, anyhow.'

And then I said it was late, and such a nice time out o' doors!

"But after having cried a pretty long up among us poor folks. But all I looked at was my flower. There it stood up in a corner, all by itself; but nobody noticed it, nobody said a word about it, except Mrs. Jones; and I heard her laugh and say, 'Do look at that mean, scraggling little atom of a marigold of Lizzie Gray's! The idea of bringing it here, among all these splen. did flowers!'

"She passed on, and a gentleman and lady stopped to look at it.

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Oh, look at this gred marigold ! say he lady. Fancy how the child's heart will ache, when it goes home and tells her it has not won a prize after all! Tuck something down into the pot, dear; she will find it to-marrow; and what a surprise and what a joy that will be to

"She was such a lovely lady to look at, with a face that went right down into your heart! And her husband said. Yes, darling, I have.

"Then all the people who had brought plants, had tea and bread and butter, in a tent, and there was a band that played sweet music; and the children tumbled about in the green grass. But I did not want any tea, or any bread and butter, and I had heard that sweet lady's voice, and it was music that nobody else heard. So I took my little flower-pot in my arms, and went home with it; and it kept growing heavier and heavier, just as Jim used to the last days I nursed him, and I could hardly get up the stairs; and when I did. my two legs went from under me, and I fell right into the room.

"The fright woke me up, and then I knew it was a dream, for it wasn't bedtime, and mother sat at work by the light of the candle, and father sat by her, cutting a bit of stick. So there wasn't any sweet lady, and there wasn't any kind gentleman, after all! The tears began to come again, and I could hardly help crying out aloud. But I heard mother say-

"'Sne didn't take it much to heart, after all, poor thing. She dropped off to sleep like a lamb as soon as you got

"'I hope she did,' says father. 'For I never had my heart so broke but once before.

"'And when was that?' says mother.

"'It was the night I got a look at her poor back,' says father. 'You'd better let me know it when it was acoming on, and not let me find it out all of a sudden. Why, when I went to my work next day, the streets and the houses, and the people were there just the same, and the carriages rattling, rattling along just as usual; and yet and then he went off again. they weren't the same streets, nor the same houses, nor the same people. Everything was altered to my eyes, and altered to my ears. My trouble had struck in, and there wasn't no cure for it. Sometimes I thinks it's your fault with letting the poor thing carry the children about; and sometimes I think it's a judgment upon us for living like two heathens, as we always have.'

"'As to that,' says mother, 'I did the best I could by the child. Bringing up a family of young ones is a trade, and I never learnt it. I was a slip of a girl, and was set to the business with nobody to show me how to go to work, and without any tools. I wasn't brought up myself; I footed it up; and how should I know our Lizzie was getting beat out? She never said she was tired, and she never said her back ached; and I was so drove from morning till night, that I did not notice how pale she was getting. I tell you what it is, Joe. A man has his days' work, and there's the end of it. He can go to the beer-shops, and the gin-shops, and sit and warm the inside of him every evening, and then lie down to sleep all night, and wake up strong and hearty. But his woman's work goes on, and she's up and down of nights, and she lays and thinks what's to feed them all next day, and her head isn't empty enough to sleep

"' Wife,' says father, 'don't mention beer-shops and-gin shops in the room where that child lays asleep.'

" I thought, though, I ought not to let them believe I was asleep and I tried to speak, but I couldn't for the tears. Did you ever have a lovely dream, ma'am, and wake up and find it was a dream?

"I suppose I may mention the places where my husband goes and spends his time, and wastes his money,' says mother, a little short.

"'My trouble's struck in, I tell you, says father. 'And it's got in so deep that even the drop of drink can't reach

it. I've done drinking, wife.' 1000. "'Then have you took the pledge?" says mother.

My pledge is a lying there on that bed, says father. 'I never drank to at a pathetic story ... its own it hurt me, nor to hurt you nor the young ones. I've always been a decent, sober, hard-working man

"'So you have,' says mother. 'And you're no heathen, either. You needn't call yourself names, Joe.'

"' Maybe you've forgot it,' says father, slowly, 'but I haven't, for I was brought up to know better; we pawned the Good Book, and that's why I said we were heathens.'

"I rose right up when I heard that. for I remembered what a big book it Life of Lord Macaulay. Harper's fine was, and how much reading it had in it.

"Why, Lizzie, have you woke up?" says mother. 'There, lie down and go to sleep again. It's nigh upon ten o'-

"But you were talking about a book."

"Yes, yes, we pawned it after father's hurt to his leg' when he couldn't go to his work; dear me, I'd forgot all about it. I've got the ticket now.'

"'Please God, we'll have it back again,' says father, ' and Lizzie there shall read to us out of it every night.'

"'Then they blew out the candle. and I lay and thought about my pretty lady in my dream, and the room seemed almost light. And the next thing I knew it was morning, and everybody was getting np.

"That night when father came home, he brought the man with him that gave him my plant. The man kept his hat on, and when he looked at me, he said "Halloo!" and no more!

"Then father reached him the flowerpot, and when he saw that, he took it in one hand, and held it off as far as he could, and burst out a-laughing; and he laughed so hard that he fell back into a chair, and the tears rolled down his cheeks. He kept trying to say something, but every time he tried he laughed louder than ever. Father looked bewildered at first, but then he began to laugh too, and then mother and all the rest of us set in, till we made the room shake. Oh, how tired I was; but I couldn't stop.

"At last he got out what he had to say, and it was just this, and no

"'Why, it's nothing but a marigold,"

"At last he sobered down, and say he, 'If I don't pitch into Bob Higgins. my name isn't Hicks. He told me it was such a rare and costly plant, with such a high and mighty name of it's own, that I thought your lass was sure to win the prize. Never mind, my girl we'll do better by you next year, and now let me tell you how to manage this plant. You've let it run up too tall, and it looks like a sickly girl that's got no life in her. When this blossom falls off, pinch it here, so, and pinch it there so, and it will throw out more leaves, and bear more flowers in the end; and if it don't get prizes, it will help pass away the time, won't it?'

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