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The Canada Methodist Magazine December, with an attractive list gramme for 1878. It will not be cred $n$ the Dominion if such a Magazin will not be handsomely placed upon a Editor is energetic and up with th times, and ought to be well sustained Journal of Proceedings "of the four teenth Annuel Session Grand
Good Templars of Nova Scota. From the Weslegan Conference new publications to lay before our read ers. They are al
ax Book Room.
The Wesleyan Methodist Connexiona Record and Year Book, 1878, is an his British Mêthodism, containing inforn Ation on every phase of its character
and operations.
Minutes of the English Conference held
in Bristol, July 1877 . in Bristol, July 1877.
Missionary Stories, Narratives, Scenes,
and Incidents, dc., by the Rev. Wm Moister, new edition. Among the very
considerable variety of incidents and cenes-all well written-t here is
on 'The Man-of-war Class Meeting"
incident of Bermuda in 1844 , an incident of Bermuda in 1844,
which Rer. W. H. Sbenston, now
Newfoundland, is the most promine person. These stories cover a wide
field.
The Braakfast Half Hour, addresses The Braakfast Half Hour, addresse
a religious and moral topics by Henr R. Burton, 3rd edition, 9th thousan
This is is a series of short, crispy le his is is a series of short, crispy lec
ures, delivered before a large compan of workmen during the half hour spared ven more popular than the leetures. David Livingstone, by Rev. Jabe Marrat, is a pretty Sabbath Schoo
Book, in which the great traveller' Martin Luther by Martin Luther, by Rev. J. S. Banks nd well illustrated.
The Wesleyan Methodist Catendar a Daily Remembrancer for 1878. A nea poeket book, containing a vast fund
information for reference, and inter leaved with blank paper for daily note It has also Diary, Cash account, and
Memoranda leaves, of great advantage Memoranda
In monthly numbers we have the Westeyan Mollodizine, the Christian Mis ellany, Our Boys and Girls, besides ne racts of much excellency. The enter prize of the English Book Room is to admired.
UDGE MARSHALL ONDR Referring to the whole work of creatio
nd providence, the Dr. Says:-" Mos and providence, the Dr. Sass:- "Mos
takes strong ground on thase points.
first insist on the creations of and
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the fint of the by the fiat of the Sapreme. Next he spec
fies the elabortion and arrangement of fill
the powers of inanimate nature ; and th the powers of inanimate nature; and and
introduction of organic existence. Lastly,
he insisto on the creation of primal hu-
man pair, and the descent from them of
explains


 nd shows it st re
nitive reli, gion." On 1 , 18 the Judge remarks :
Hepere, again, the Dr. has committed a stat inconsistency and blunder regarding sen, he describes the work of creation in
Genesis as having been . presented to the
nind of a Seer as if in in a series of picture
 perhaps somese aboriginal patriarch, , , on
before the time of Moses, perrapt sthe fir
gan himself, wrapt in exstatic vision man himself, wrapt in exstatic vision.
the . In the frst chapter of Genesis, h
(the Seer) rehearses this divine vision to (the Seer) rehearses this divine vision to
us in a series of regularly arranged parts.
But now fhe Dr. makes Moses alone the composer and recorder of the work and
speaks of his insisising on the whole of tit
How will the Dr. reconcile the two direct contradictory accounts of the Seer befor
Moses, giving the acount in Cen 1 , an
Moses givin it it ihe same chapter ? cannot be done. But the plain and anderpsist
ent truth is, that Go, byis hingiration,
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 The statement of the Dr. about " Moses"
grasping the matering of oncient itolatry
is mere inventionin monotheism," To the Doctor's opinion that-
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nnown to period of the earth's history, and were pre
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which the earth was beine prepared fo ceded by an enormous yapse of ages, in
which the earth was beipe prepared fo
animal existence. but of whtich no record
remain, except those contained in the in emain, except, those con
spired history.,
The Judge replies-
The Judge replies-
What is this Dr.-only " not improba
e" $!!!$ Why, you have been strenuousl

millions of ages before any animal exis
tence on the earth. It would almost seen
as if the Dr. wanted to make a large and
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settled as to the truth of his story, but, in
reality, is ony writing by way orspecula
tion, as several others before hime have
done on the same subjects. he say save
that "enormous lapse of ages no records

 Seer,",
loms"
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fy yon,
not take you, Dr, as a proof on thee usbeject, why
not take that "inspired history" alone a
oufficient " sufficient proof? That tells you as plain)
as possible that the tord God created th
heavens and the earth and
as possin and the earth, and men and beasts,
heavens
and dal craenures and things theren, with
in six days, each having an evening an and ail creatures and hings therenin, witi
in six dyss each having an evening an
morning like all the sceceding days
human Kistory to the present time.

METHODIST TABLE-TALE.
Frem the London Methodist.
It has been decided to call the pro
posed German Wesiegan Charel
East London the "Peter Bohler Mem ial Chapel." It is intended in th way to perpetuate the memory of th pious German who was so
hands of God in the eonersion of Joh
Wesley. A meeting about the scheme
 ission House, when
President, will preside.
There was an interesting and aprigb
conversation, I understand, in th Book Committee on Monday, as to th subject of "Imaginative Writings in
Christian Literature." It appears some excellent ministers do not ap
prove of the mild fictions issued by he Book hoom in Books and perod
cals of late. I am told that one stron cals of late. I am told that one strong
opponent is a historian, but that song opponent is a biswring.
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neonsistent for him to object

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having written certain historical aud
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bably picturess as weiris as as somese of
Dore's weirdest-but then, really, what Dores weirdest-but then, realli, what
has that to do with the case ?
jection is against "imagingtive obrit
ection is against "imagingtive rrit
og in Christian literature," not against

The Burials Bill is not a bugbear ome clergymen. They are wis them trouble, and long walks to the graveyards; and they even express will not be disappointed if, after it leasant to they find it rather un lages to bury the faithful poor of their ock. One who styles himself " Vica
the Holy Orders of the Church Christ and of England, write: "Friend art thou fain to lead $\&$ quiet lifep
Put up with mucch before tho plunge in strife, Perhaps the reply of many would be
bat they had "put up with much, or long.
The Michigan Methodist Episcopa onference has "deposed" the Rev eaching that there is a state of proba tion after death. The good people ho wrote so many letters in one of he papers against the Weslegan Con ference this year for letting men $g$
who had changed their doctrinal view will perhaps like to begin again on Mr . Rork's case. The fact ought to be lear that when a Methodist Minister ist doctrine, and on that conditio ism. is sanctioned as a teacher in Metho dism. Post-mortem probation is not an while the Conference does not deny a preacher's right to teach whatsoeve
doctrine he pleases, it simply termin tes its conditional sanction of him a Wesleyan teacher when he preach-
doctrines different from those of our tandards.

## THE DUTY OF PROFESSIN CHRISTANS, WITH REGARD T THE EMPLOYMENT MENTAE TALENTS. OF THEI

Why has God, in this respect, distin
kind at alarge, we might suppose that it
was only for the purpose of enabling
$\qquad$ nd to engage in those pursuits whic pertain exclusively to the present state of
existence. That mind was meant by its xistence. That mind was meant by it
Creutor to be the slave of matter, and to the support, the decoration, and the pro servation of its peritisab, and tenemene
What shail we eat ? what shall we drink What shail we eat $P$ what sball we drink ?
and wherewitbal shail we be clothed ?" Ongross by far the greatest portion of the
mental talent that exists. Even amonge bose whom Providence has raised abov the necessity of laborious exertion
order to procure the necessaries or con
veniences of life, how small the number renier to procure the necessaries or con
vho seem to thie, , tow smank the number their mental endow ments otherwise than as the ministers
their pleasurea. They are sbrewd ob ervers, sagaciona reasoners, carious in accurately, express themselves readily and do credit to the station they occopy
and the sphere in which they move. Their and tbe spbere in which they move. Their
memories are retentive, their judgments memories are retenive, their jodgment
acute, their pereetions clear and com
prehensive; they bave acquired muc arning and many accomplishments ; bu what have they done for God? There an
they doing for His Church? Is there ractical recognition of the principle thal others, and that in doing so He bas had a
o have taleot; and does it signi-' nothing bow this talent is empred or whether e employed at all f It is not the posses. ee employed at but the good use made of it
ion of talent,
hat renders its posession traly bonorable. ach conduct ill.becomes those especially Iethodi tss) who profess to regard them vith a price," and as boand by the mosi eolemn obligations " to glorify God in fis." And might not those amongat a as a people, who are favored with superio
nental qualifications, do much more tha
hey bave done in the service of Chriat Chey bave done in the service of Chries
hat we bave done what we could p fas we been, in the contrivance, selection, nd arrangement of means for promoting
the spiritual welfare of others? Have heir superior powers of thought and have been in compending the Gospel to
if so why so much backari hers ! If so, why so much backwar sttle speaking for Jesas? Have the tered with a due degree of energy an ence for the good of others, as the ight have done $P$ These inquiries migh be multiplied, but enongh for the presen from the pulpit of to day; but it stould be re:wembered that where much is given, Whether in pulpit or pew, much is re
quired of both. Let but the Chure ring the full " tithes" of their hearts t ae sacred altar; a full conseeration o
ar redeemed powers of mind and heaw ee the experience of all who profess $t$ prosuerity amongat us , inotwithstandin prosperity amonget us, not withstanding
he reproaches we hear that Methodism in shorn of considerable of its atrengt
because of conformity to the world.

Ignorance is no excuse for the tran gressor, providing he have opportunitie na capacity to learn. That is no
only true in theology but in law. jadge thus summed up the other da he evidence against an aged man iven false information to the publion riven false information to the pub
respecting the financial condition of a Insurance Society of which he wa President
That excuse (of ignorance) may be one
to be accepted by hirher thay earthly
ribunal but in the administration of
 ments of the law, and in the protection
which courts owe to all claseses the peo.
ple, it is necessary that ssen ignorance should not be aceepted. It was your plain
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doty to be inorant and of have suf.
fered yourself to be ignorantly doped into
 bolding such important trusts must
held to their outy, or all conffidence in
uman integrity must be abandoned. Me most look out for thenselves as thong
there were no law, no justice, ao aody.
public officers holding such a position of
 pon the pititunt pliea, of ignoranae of the
acts, which duty and the law require The
ashville "Advocate" or two of information which we have The 1ndian Missions of our charch hare
ways been regarded ae one of its grand ast monamients. From a very early period
be aborigines vere cared for by th Methodist Church, and ame noble spee
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ound among those children of the fo

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ho Northwewt., Te Indians believed
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ha been employed as in muatb. piece as been employed as a muuth. piece

 Government have placed upon permanen Rev. George Made. ogal.. aad oxppressiD
eep regret at his untimaly death.

## BENEWALS FOR 1878.

OUR MINISTERS AND SUBSCRIBERS. Please report early and remit as soon ca
Ounvenient for Suberibers for next year Most of our' Subecribers end woith this montb, ld as many as possible. . Wht desire to is an im, do not forget new Subseribers make clean work of f subere riptiond in
December. Then we have rest on that seor December. Then wook of have resto on that seore
or a whole gear. If any have faite to

FAREWELL TO SUMMER. Y $=$

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What tales sweet summer can'st thon tell
OO san and dorrowffl farevells?
Sighed softy from the vine clad bow ers, Of sid and sortowfur firewe velad b
Sighed borne fupon thy golden hours.











 Remo


ministerial privilege and The substance of "A Charge," deliv
ered at the ordination of the Rev ered at the ordiation of the Rer.
Mestrs. Freeman and Pratt, in the
Methodist Cuarch, Carboonear, Newfoundland, on the 19th June, 1877. IV. We must now pass on to a consi-
deration of certain motives. by which the
daties entained in the eext are enforeced


 tial God tead in exceedingly appropriate.
It was "the Lorr of of giors," (Cor. xi . 8 , all", (Acts 8 . 36.$)$ The divinity of Christ Curist is is ivine. It is isconceivable that
the domu-it it equally so that they were nued and there is therefore but one meaning
posesibe, that of faftrming in the strongest r. Now it may bo eusily ofown that it
 tal to Christianity it it this. It the Gosclaiming Divine boonurg for himself, they

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$\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { merely to teach, or to get an example of } \\ & \text { the preat virtue. This He dia ; but had }\end{aligned}\right.$ the prrest virtue. This Ho dia; bat had
this been all it it oconeirable that the end might have been anamered as mell by mee
 toredem them that were under the law that
we might reecire the adoption of sons."
 tively feel that much more is requisite
than enlightenment and moral porer.
These may evail tor the tuare, but what These mat avail ort the tasure, but what
shall avail to cancel the guilto the past
Sold under sin we need a redememer who, Sold ander sin, we need a redeemer whoo,
by participation of our nature acan be.


 justifier of him that beliereth in Jesus.
Now that these wants have thus been

 to the ehurches. Hence, once more, it
appears before us. Committing to ths cos
Ephesian elders the care of the flock, he Ephesian elders the care of tie flana that
can appeal to no higher motie to
which the atoning death of Christ affords, which the atoning deain or, "which is the
"Feed the flovk,", said her
Lord's own, and which is His by purchase Lord's own, and which is His by purchase
eeven by the price of His own blood." And
such is the consideration under which we woald have you enter upon your work
and continue in it till you "finish your course." By this you are tanght the
solemn grandeur and the awful responsibility connected with your work. No
magistrate, or minister of state, or mon-
arch upon his throne holds an office supe. rior.or even equal in this respect to that
of the Divinely called overseer of the church. We may even go back to the
days of the Aaronic priesthood, and find days of the Aaronic priesthood, and find
that he whe entered onec a year into the
holiest of all, who, as the representative of the people drew nigh to sprinkle the
ancrificial blood apon the mercy.seat, sacrificial blood npon the mercy-seat, had
not offices so high, or functions so impor-
tant as those of the Christian minister. tant as those of the Christian minister.
The work of satisfaction to Divine jus-
tice is complete. Christ bas obtined tice is complete. Christ has obtained
eternal redemption for us. We have
therefore to do not only with sinners, ig. therefore to do not only with sinners, ig.
norant, evil and needy, but with sinners redeemen, purchased with the precious
blood of Christ's and if we fall to help and to save them we leave them without a
remedy, and exposed not only to the ven remedy, and exposed not only to the ven-
geance of a broken law, "but to the wrath
of the Lamb." So. again, if through our of the Lamb." So. again, if through our
neglect one of these
perish litle ones should perish-a sinner be unwarned, a beliver
be perverted, or backslider be uncared
for for-how, sheir Judge and ours, who died
Soviour, then
to redeum them, and then entrusted them to our care $?$ Surely indifference, if you
are ever temp ted to it, not to say worldl:ness or vanity, or the facination of novel
and strange doctrines, will have no place
in your soul, if you thus live beneath the
$\qquad$ be viewed in another most impressive
light; they are very full of hope. The
cork in which you are to emploged is the work in which you are to employed is the
woik of God. To oou it is piren to assist
in carrying out those purposes which en in carrying out those purposes which en.
gaged the Divina mind from all eternity.
All the arrangements of Providence have Alen made with reference to this, and are
beill sabordinate to it. Above all for this
s. end God spared not his own Son, bat de-
livered Him up for us all, " How then vered Him up for us all, houm then shall he no not, Him also freely give
effectual, "with Him
" Jon oll thinge." How dear to Christ you all thinge." How dear to Chribt
is every member of the flock! "to present every man perfect in Christ Jesas," you will not only have the coun-
tenance of all holy beings, bnt also the presence and aid of the Master bimself. Here is your highest note of encourage-
ment, for it is from the lips of the ascending Redeemer, " ' Lo! I am with you
ways, even unto the end of the wo
Mat, Matt, xxviii. 20.)
Finally, these considerations are still
forther meant for your confidence and hope, because they assume that ours is
the final dispessation of Goo's mercy.
All has been done that can bedone to pro. wide for the ingathering of the lost. The
or canot be taken out of the hands Him, until all enemies shall have been put under his feet. The arrangement of
the Christian ministry therefore, is the
last expression of the wisdom and love of
the Redeemer Hence if the Redeemer. Hence, if you retain the
sense of your Divine vocation to this of-
fice, and if to the best of your ability fullali its obligations, yon need giviey your-
seff no trouble about your natural defects or imperfections. Does not the Saviour
knuw all about them Pres he not in
thact made choice of act made choice of just such instraumen-
atity that in the falifiment of His grac.
lous designs, "the excellence of the power
nay be of Go, and not of na," and so
hat "no flesh should glory in his pros.


## ,  Neit be            <br> $\qquad$     The departed was called, in the order of sons of deep trial and family affiction. friend bast thou put far from "Lover and and lady who accompanied her to Ameriem, lowed to the house appointed for ail lir. ing." Early in life her partner was taken from her by the hand of death. Now the was left a widow with a son and a daugh- ter, and her widowhood continued through life. She was also the subject of painful affiction occasioned by the death of her daughter, who had been comparatively short time to the late Ifr. A. Troop; and still more recently, by the death of one 'which produced such deep suffering to her grandaunghter. Shee es. pressed the intensity of her feelings, while pressed the intensity of her feelings, while tears coursed rapidy down her cheeks; and then, with pious resignation to Divine will said. "I hope it will be all tor our spiritual good." our spiritual good. Through the <br>  <br> never tollowing the changing fashions of the world. At all times she appeared the same bumble, devoted Christian, looking for a heavenly country. <br> $\qquad$ <br> be with Christ. Brother S . writes, " Mm. Hannah Mill <br> Hannah Mills departed this life on Mon Mow day last, (Nor. 12,) a little after noon. Her last sickness, which extended over <br> ferring. But her heart was fixed, trusting in the Lord, " whose grace she experienced to be sufficient for hor." Thus she died in mansions of glory. May those who are called to níourn, 80 live to the glory of God, that thes met ber in heaven. <br> Diphterain, which has been no mg    painful manner. Seven or eight chil. dren were doomn ill at one time. Cu. sie Lavinia, a brit sie Lavinia, a brigut intelligent little gul of 8 yearo of age, was the first to die. seemed to be wise beyond her years. A



WHETETMAN SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 187 THE TEMPERANCE REFORM. wozd or coursel.

It is fair to assume that nearly 10,000 persons have taken the Temperance Pledge, during the past three months,
in the Maritime Provinces. The movement has been of Providence, if ever lic methods at once enlisted the enthu siastic sympathy of the masses. Much was doubtless due to the class of men Who took the lead-children scorched deeply by fire themselves, who and
folt the anguish of a burning vice and pasision, they knew whereof they affirm-
ed. A pure, high motive governed them, we are sure, in most instances. As in all arduous, humanitarian enterprize, so in this; religion brought to dice and endure opoosition. Is it remarkable that all great movements of heart of Cbristianity: While sceptics are writing books which never go farrther than suggesting doubtful reforms,
and too often contain nothing bette than sneers at religion and religious motives, Christians are working their way into the very depths of the world woes and wickedness, ever help
cheering and directing the fallen. cheering and directing the fallen.
But here are fine results. Ten tho sand names on paper ought, at least, to suggest much change in the homes and assure us that great evils have been
checked. Our gaol-keepers are less active-always a true gauge of the moral atmosphere. Public meeting are sustained, even in the absence of the reformers who called the movement
into being. Wives are hopeful who into being. Wives are hopefal who naked. And honest debts are being dead liabilities.

Nature is weak material at the best but consider the form of humanity are subjects of a disease more relent less in its grasp, more cruel in its des-
potic exactions, than any in the fever hospitals of the tropics. Either con firmed drunkards are monstrous liars, or their passion for drink is dreadful fish lately caught on our seaand each arm having the strength of giant, to draw in and crush its victim. Ordinary men know nothing of this fatality. They can scaroely accept the testimony that there is fire in the veins
of the drunkard-that, according to scientific judgment, there are tens of thousands of open-mouthed, drink-crav ing organisms in the fesh of every old loves, present allurements, self respect, shame, or the prospects er to affeet the mind
If this be so within, what are th
dangers without? In the streets o our cities, towns and villages, with very solitary exceptions, powerful
temptations meet the convert. Old companions, thoughtlessly, if not malito ruin; the air is full of alcoholi toi ruin; the air is every hand. Fightings without, crarings within. Are these men worth saving? Their feet on the first round of the ?

| confidence. <br> Is there, absolutely, a possibility of reforming a confirmed drunkard? There is a popular opinion that this volcano once opened must burn safely out-cannot be effectually quenched. The opinion unnerves philanthrophy at once. But it is not true. Noble, robust, useful citizen's are found in every chureh, every community, who were once in the slavery of this awful habit. .If it be true that intemperance selects its victims most frequently from the generous and gifted, a strong notive is supplied to all who would refurnish society with its lost adornments. "There is an angel in the stone," and | firs on Sunday evening last at six o'clock. The library was mostly saved, though in a damaged state. Insurance $\$ 10,000$. Value of the property $\$ 20,000$. <br> This is a sad mishap to Acadia; but it will so surely be a means of good to the cause of education at Wolfville, that we feel more like congratulating our Baptist friends than condoling with them. They are doing much good educational work, and this will serve the two-fold purpose of advertizing them outside, and stimulating the ambition of their own people. We were, with many others, witness of, and mourners over, the destruction by fire of Mount Alhsan Academy. Looking back upon the intervening eight or ten years, we connot say we are sor:y it happened. |
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he stone is in the dust. He is God'
true artist who proceeds with faith in the divine and the human to fashion this rough material.
all effort sympatey,
y looking at self-reform begin here, words and encouragement. Many youth has taken his first step heavenward by going to a church, or into the counting-house of some reputed friend of the degraded and sinful; and, we grieve to add, too many have retraced "How oft shall my brother offend, and I forgive him ?" 0 Christ, teach us who are bet infants in ached by those ance, purpose, who have been giants in vice, and are still in a measure en thralled by passion. How long shal we bear with them? How oft shall we forgive their backslidings and their
follies ?" "Forgive us our sins as we Corgive,"-if only that will be granted las for some of us!. Draw a cordon of loving, faithful Christian arms about hose reformed men. Let it now be seen that religion, with so large an op professions. Bring them out of the

## current.

which means more than sympathy, and Division Room ought to be ehiefly concerned in respect to this new mater them, stablish them, save them-that is their question at this critical juncture. Once in, they may be reassured
and re-animated. A sacrifice of means nd time-an organization of brotherly orces, to set out in search of these re-
cruits and heartily enlist them in active service-will all be consistent.

> RELIGION.

A principal element in the reform ions of its leaders. This element mus permeate the mass if it is to be saved.
Will, Purpose, maj mean much with Will, Purpose, may mean much stances it is fickle, unreliable support.
With drunkards especially, whose willWith drunkards espgcially, whose will-
power has been weakened hy constant ndulgence, it affords no security but a voice calling to the sinking ship: he tens of thousands brought safe and, religion has saved the larger
umber; of the innumerable dead leaching on the strand, not one need deliverance. THE TAP ROOT. Every skilful woodman knows how most directly to fell a monarch tree.
Digging about it alone does bat increase the fertility of the soil, and so
promote growth. Lopping off the ar, but only sets in of immediate vig Nature by which new strength is quick.
ly brought to the injured parts. Hiden from the eye, only to be reach by diligent industry, is the main root,
striking deeply into the soil, and bury striking deeply into the soil, and bury-
ing itself in the rock beneath. Every ing itself in the rock beneath. Every
blow on that is vital. That severed, have but one positive aim in socil form-strike at the base of supplies.
While the great artery betmee and the distilleries is kept open, there can be no lack of social sorrows. Look
toward prohibition! In the face of obstinacy continue obstinate: No rigbt ontirely by heaven.

| Acadia Colleger building, including the president's residence, college library and museum, were destroyed by firs on Sunday evening last at six o'clock. The library was mostly saved, though in a damaged state. Insurance $\$ 10,000$. Value of the property $\$ 20,000$. <br> This is a sad mishap to Acadia; but it will so surely be a means of good to the cause of education at Wolfville, that we feel more like congratulating our Baptist friends than condoling with them. They are doing much good educational work, and this will serve the two-fold purpose of advertizing them outside, and stimulating the ambition of their own people. We were, with many others, witness of, and mourners over, the destruction by fire of Mount Allisan Academy. Looking back upon the intervening eight or ten years, we connot say we are sor:y it happened. | Mrs. Snowball, widow of our de ceased Minister of that name, was ago at Truro, and injured rather severely. We are glad to learn she is recovering. <br> A friend writes from Fredricton, $\mathbf{N}$. B., Nov. 29th :-Our river is open from shore to shore, and as free from ice or snow as in July. Our steamers got alarmed at a cold night on the 22 nd, and went into winter quarters. <br> We read in an exchange this note from Charlottetown :- <br> The frescoing of the Metbodist Churchb here appears to bave been an example very properiy followed, the love of the beautiful being always beneficial. Four private residences and a.church will he York, who is already engaged in the work of converting plain surfaces into beautiful scenes in tints restful and pleasing to the eyes, and greatiy aiding the house the eyc effect. |
| :---: | :---: | whose business relations in life engros too much of their time to allow them to

go through the usual drudgery of gram mar and text-books. Mr. Tremblas his present pupils speak very highly in teachinge. Mr Tremblay came her ary gentlemen and as an expert teacher
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tiate, by his work here. the good opin
ion in which he is held. $\xlongequal{\text { The "Advocates."-Dr. Curry }}$ New York Advocate through his dis position to criticizetoo freely the defects
and weaknesses of the great Methodist
body. Bishops and Presiding Elders
came in for a full share in his scathing
articles. When the articles. When the day of election ar
and rived, it is more than likely these made
common cause against him. He lost his place by a baremajority vote. His successor, Dr. Fowler, has his own
dangers ahead, chief among which is the prejudice of the other "Advocates," of which there are some ten or twelve Advocate at this season is being pushed orse power. offered for new subscribers. The other Advocates, having neither the means nor the inclination to go into the
Chromo business, naturally protest gainst the usurpation of wawe terri a dilemma;-if the confrere. Hore off, Dr. Fowler loses ground as an
Editor; if the circulation should increase, at the expense of the other
papers, a new power will appear against
Dr. Fowler's re-election $\xlongequal{\text { Mrs. Snowball, widow of our de }}$ attacked by a vicious cow some day
ago at Truro, and injured rather
severely. We are glad to learn she


## casorable opportunity for those who and ang the speakers were Bishop Ames faver





CIRCUIT INTELLIGENGE. Arcadia, Nor. 27th.-On the 14th inst., Brooklyn-proceeds eighty dollars-to iquidate debt on church. The "elect ladies" are deserving of all praise-God bless them. On the 22nd inst., at Ply- mouth we had a Donation Social which was exceedingly agreeablo-tea, music, speeches and general conversation. All speeches and geieral conversation. All seemed highly pieased. Our friends there seemed highly pieased. Our friends there have our hearty thanks for their kindness.

 CORRESPONDENCE. THE REFORM.-GOOD NEWS FROM $\overline{\text { DIGBY, Dec. } 3 \text { rd, } 1877 .}$ Dear Brother.-You will be glad to learn that the Datcher Reform movement is progressing with remarkable enthusiasin
and sucoess in the little town of Digby, a place which, I am sorry to say, has in the
past been noted for the sale, licensed and unlicensed, of ardent spirits, and for its
many slaves of intemperance. If I had many slaves of intemperance. If I had
been told a little over two months since that by this time such a marked change
for the better would be seen, I should bave been almost as incredulous as was
he on whose hand the King leaned, with regard to the sudden relief of the famine-
stricken inhabitants of the besieged city of Samaria. The Reform Clab now numbers more than eight hundred, many
of whom had been notorious for their
intemperate habis heering to meet such crowds as assemble in our Temperance Hall on Friday
evenings, and at the Gospel Temperance Prayer.Meeting on a Sabbath afterioon.
Ail tie Protestant Ministers of the town countenance the movement by their pres-
ence and addresses and prayers. I bad my first opportunity of attending the
Sabbath afternoon meeting yesterdig Sabbath afternoon meeting yesterday (as
I am out in the wilderness seeking the
lost sheep three Sabbath atternoon, of four), and a delightful meeting it was,
I can assure you. Good singing, good speaking, earnest and appropriate prayers,
and the best of order, under the able Chairmanship of Edward Burnham, Esq. Our plan is to have a change of presiding
officer for every Sabbath afternoon meeting, which works well. I cannot but
infer from the improved moral and religions tone apparent at these meetings, in
which all the churches share are good days in store for Digby. I truat
the charese that the churches during the coming winter
will reap a blessed barvest. Many of the leading men in this movement are men of
intelligence and inflem inteligence, and influence in the com-
munity; and what pleases me very much,
and leads me to hope that the and leads me to hope that the good move-
ment will not be "as the morning cloud,
and as the early dew. which goeth awwas." and as the early dew, which goeth away,",
but be deep and darable, is the devout
and earnest recognition of God's agency, and the need of His help. Prayer is not
ingored, but heartily engaged in ond responded to; and these who thus and
help of God tall help of God shall not ask ind rain. W
are often cheered in our meetings by the presence, sympathy, and short, pithy ad-
dresses of visitors from Yarmouth, Wey.
mouth; Bear mouth, Bear River, Digmounth, Wey-
We are talking of either building a new We are talking of either building a new
Hall, or enlarging the present Hall, or enlarging the present one, as it
is by far too small to accoommodate the
number assembling and also of number assembling, and also of estab-
lishing a Reading Room. Our prayer is:
" "stablis Thou the work of our hands
upon us ; yea, the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands
establish Thou it."
Yours truly,

Lord on this circnit is very encouraging,
agns of good being done, a few being added as our members of late ; our mission and meetings have been well attend I trust we shall be in advance of last ward for a very successful time. Strilald at Westrille last week, to rais money, towards liquidating the debt on
our church, met with good success. The nett receipts being up wards of $\$ 100$. The to some extent spiritual blessings. Sever
al have been received as members on trial and the attendance at our class-meetings gress for some time both at Westville Men's Christian Association. There been a number of conversions in both
those places, and the work still goes for

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was breaking in on the land." The
full partiulars of this rare heroism full particulars of this
ought to be brought out !
A spectal to the Halifax "Chroni cle," from _ Yarmouth, last Tuesday



Movement began. In 1873 the Woman's rusade commenced. In 1876, 50,000 Prohibitory cand Smith and Stewart, and Vice-President Ates for President meeting was held in Philademperance ing the season of the Centphia du hibition. Mr. Moody began his labors in Boston, which were largely devoted to temperance, during the same year In 1877 the Murphy movement bega to atttact the attention of the world.

COMMANDER JAMIE
There lived in a Scotch village a very eart on being a sailor. His mother loved im very dearly, and the thought of giving him up grieved her exceedingly; but he distant countries which he had read about that she finally consented. As the boy eft home the good moman said to him: "Wherever you are, Jamie, whether on your God. Promise me that acknowledg down every night and morning, and say your prayers, no matter whether the sail "Mghat you or not."
"Mother, I promise you I will," said Jamie, and soon
bound for India.
They had a g
be sailora were captain, and some of aughed at the boy when he meneeled down to pray.
On the
on the return voyage, things were no quite so pleasant. Some of the sailor plied by others, and one of these proved a very bad fellow. When he saw little Jamie kneeling down to say his prayer giving him a sound box on the ear, said in a very decided tone, "None of that here, sir.'
he swore sometimes, was indignant that the child shoud be so cruelly treated, an would give him a thrashing. The chal lenge was accepted, and the well deserve beating was duly bestowed. Both then returned to the cabin, and the swearing man said, " Now, Jamie, say your prayers,
and if he dares to touch you I will give and if he dares to to
The next night the devil tempted Jami
o do a very foolish thing. He does no like to have any one say his prayers or to do right in any way, so he put it into the sary for him to be creating such a diseasily avoided, if he would only say his prayers quietly in his hammock so that
nobody would observe it. Now, see how little he gained by this cowardly proceed aw. Jamie get into the hammock withou first kneeling down to pray, he hurried to the spot and dragged him out by the neck,
he said:
" Kneel down at once, sir! Do you thin I am going to fight for you, and you no
say your prayere, you young rascal ${ }^{\text {" }}$ During the whole voyage back to Lon don this reckless, profane sailor watched
over the boy as if he had been his fatber and every night saw that he kneeled dow and said his prayers. Jamie soon bega to be industrious, and during his spare about ropes and rigging, avd when he be came old enough, about taking latitude and longitade.
Several years ago the largest steamer launched on the the Great Eastern, wa mous cable acrose the Atlantic. A very reliable, experienced captain was chosen
lor this important undertaking, and who shonld it be but little Jamie, of whom have been telling vou. When the Grea Eastern returned to England after thi ed on him the honor of knighthood, an the world now knows him as Sir
Anderson.-The King's Ferry.boat.

The Rev. Marshall Randles is cer tainly one of the ablest heologriater h has acquired a reputation of eminence and one which will abide. His "For ever has reached a hord include London circuit record does not he has been stationed at Manches but and other large circuits. He is not member of the Legal Hundred, nor has he ever been Chairuan of a District. But these are not a proper or ship, and effective instructor, pulpit qualifications in Wesleganism. Georg Mauder, of Oxford, has spent twent years in London, having been appoibr ears each time save the first, and has never been nominated for the $P$
sidency. Mr. Randles has jnst issue
a treatise on the Atonement, entitle Substitution," which is highly spol en of by the reviewers, and it is certain Ag an able work, and very timely. Your Agent should obtain a liberal supply will find it vigorous, readers. They freshing, and valuable
The Christain Globe, of London, gave last week a portrait and aketch of the
Rev. S. Coley. The sketct is written and interesting, but the portrait is not even decent. Sometimes the portraits of the Globe are respect able-John D. Gedins was of this clase. -Nashville Advocate

A NOBLE ACT.
A beautiful story illustrative of som or the very finest traits of the ChrisSergeant Granvil, of England. The sergeant had two sons, and unfortunately the elder, on whom it was hoped he estate might be conferred, was fast liver, and he promised soon of which he propert which he was utterly unworth. sufficed to bring about a reformation, the father at last, in self-defence, settled the inheritance on the younger brother, who was of a more tractable disposition. After the good father's death th
outhful renegade sat down to medita outhful renegade sat down to meditate h his folly: he grew melancholy, bu length, perceiving that he had for Cited an earthly estate, be determine lay hold on a better inheritance in with admiration, the ovidences of its reality being quite convincing. Soon fterwards the frends of the family ere invited to a great feast, at which the rejoicings suddenly took an unexpected turn. A dish was placed before he elder brother, and this on being undeeds transferring the whole of the property into his possession. The had only done what their father would have done, had he lived to see the lessedness of the change they themelves were privileged to witness.

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