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FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF THE UNITED STATES.—From report of this body, just published, we learn that there are 1,542 churches having 82,323 members—an increase of 4,600 during the last year. The ordained ministers are 1,291, the licentiate, 172. The denomination exists chiefly in New England, New York and Ohio. The Free Will Baptists of the United States are the open communion Baptist body here. While they are less than 100,000, it is estimated that they number two and three quarters millions. Strict communion does not hinder Baptist growth.

WHICH IS THE BEST WAY?—The Presbyterians of the United States have a way of doing some things which would surprise some of us. The cost of the recent General Assembly at Omaha was \$41,061. This large expense comprised the fare of the "commissioners" and cost of travelling and entertainment, together with other incidentals. The largest item was the personal expenses of the delegates. This large amount was assessed upon the churches and paid by them. Now we have a different way of "doing things." It costs our delegates to Conventions, &c., as much, man for man, as it does the Presbyterians. The difference is in the way the expense is met. In our case, the poorly paid ministers are usually delegates, and are expected, by nineteen twentieths of our economical churches, to pay all their own expenses while engaged in doing their business. We have known it the case when the hard wrought minister was not only expected to bear his own expenses, but to fill his own pulpit or get a supply and pay him, if the session of the Association or Convention continued over the Sabbath. What if our business houses should adopt this plan, and ask their employees to bear their own expenses when doing work for the firm which required them to travel, &c., and to pay clerks to take their place in the establishments during their absence? We commend this to our business men, on the ground of economy, if they can bring themselves down to such methods, and if there be others than ministers ready to submit to them. Which is the best way, Presbyterian or Baptist, in this instance? We are glad that some of our churches are awakening to the inconsistency of all this, and are paying the expense of their pastors to our denominational gatherings. Don't be culpably careless on this point longer, brethren.

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL.—It is proposed to erect an Episcopal Cathedral in New York, which will eclipse anything on the continent, and rival the grand edifices of the old world. The cost is variously stated from \$5,000,000 to \$7,000,000. Roman Catholic papers say that no Protestant body can build a cathedral, because there can be no choir, *cathedra*, in any but a Romish church. This will trouble any but themselves very little. The great question is whether such an immense expenditure upon a single edifice can be pleasing to Christ, when the millions of heathendom are perishing.

PROGRESS AMONG THE INDIANS.—A speaker at the Baptist Anniversary gave the following statement of the condition and work of the Indians of the United States. It appears that many of them have become civilized, and are industrious citizens of the Republic. The Indians cultivated 549,748 acres last year, and raised 1,113,660 bushels of wheat, 2,610,613 bushels of maize. They own 324,662 horses, 822,052 cattle, 598,144 swine, and 1,110,889 sheep. They sawed 4,416,000 feet of lumber, produced 700,000 pounds of wool and hauled for the United States 11,337,000 pounds. It has been thought they could not be educated or Christianized; but last year 19,000 of their children were in school.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.—The awakening on the subject of systematic giving is becoming more general every month. The need of funds to carry on the work the wider openings and the greater eagerness to engage in foreign mission labor are pressing upon the various christian bodies, has much to do with this new stir of thought on the best methods to secure the means for the necessary outlay. Recently, there was held at New-ton a Foreign Missionary Conference of the students at three of the principal theological institutions of New England. The following resolutions on systematic giving were adopted:

1. Wherever the love of the Lord Jesus Christ and the great needs of the heathen world are making a continual call upon the churches of America for increased contribution to Foreign Missions.
- Resolved, That we, as men looking forward to the Christianization, give our best and increasing proportion of our church members receive their earnings weekly.
3. It is easier to get a sum by means of a small contribution weekly than an equivalent amount in one yearly gift.

4. Continuous giving assures continual interest in the cause supported.- 5. The demands upon the Missionary Societies for money are pressing throughout the year. (The interest now paid upon money necessarily borrowed would support another man in the field.)
- 6. The system is a success where it has been introduced.

If all our pastors could but feel that systematic giving was a part of New Testament teaching, to be pressed upon the attention of the people, we might hope for a speedy adoption of this method very generally among our people. It is a part of New Testament teaching, and we do believe our pastors feel the need of urging it more than in the past.

CONGREGATIONALISTS OF THE UNITED STATES.—The Year Book of the Congregationalists of the United States, about to be published, will make the following showing: Churches, whole number.....4,277 Churches added to the list last year. 197 Ministers installed pastors.....4,090 Ministers without pastoral charge.....1,237 Members.....436,341 Members added on profession.....27,159 Members removed by death.....6,479 Members removed by discipline.....2,480 Members, net gain.....17,777 Infant baptisms.....3,348

It will be noticed that the infant baptisms are but one to each fifty-eight of the membership, not more than one to six or seven of the children.

TEMPERANCE SENTIMENT IN SCOTLAND.—Scotland is popularly supposed to be devoted to "Whisky," and Glasgow is regarded as among the cities most devoted to this beverage. A plebiscite was recently taken of the house-holders of this commercial metropolis of old Scotia. The results show a remarkable advance of temperance sentiment. Of the 102,802 votes cast, 77,246 were in favor of local option, 8,535 were against, and a number neutral. On the question of prohibiting all license, 57,704 were in favor, 19,411 were against.

The tide of temperance sentiment is rising on both sides of the Atlantic. It has the deepest convictions of the best hearts behind it. It cannot be walled in by self-interest or be swept back by a resort to violence. May it rise more rapidly.

PROGRESS OF THE GREEKS.—There is a notable article in *St. James Gazette* giving an account of the progress of the Greeks in Asia Minor. They are said to be fast displacing the Turks in all the western part of that country. This is due partly to the superior push and energy of the Greeks and partly from the fact that they are exempted from service in the army. The Turkish government do nothing to protect their own race from these encroachments, because the Greeks can pay a larger amount into the revenue. As an instance of the change in progress, it is stated that a place near Mytilene was taken possession of by the Turks thirty years ago. Now there are forty thousand Greeks and not a single Moslem.

THE CHILDREN AND THE JUBILEE OFFERING.—There is one good feature of Bro. Coburn's plan to get all the Sabbath school children to give at least 50 cents each, which may well be noticed. The great immediate object is to secure the \$50,000. But does not this appeal to the children and lads and lasses promise a further result? As the canvass is pressed among the bright-eyed members of our Sabbath schools, will not Acadia College gain a fidei place in many of their memories and hearts? Will this not help arouse in many the desire and determination to take a college course? Those who desire to take course, in the future, will not the fact that they have done what appears to them at the time to be considerable, help them decide to attend at Wolfville? We believe much will be done for the future of our college in getting the attention of the children turned toward her. One of the great reasons why there is so large and gratifying an attendance at Acadia to-day, is because of the struggles of the past to sustain her, which have placed her upon the thought and heart of the older people quite generally. Get the children interested in her, and her future is still better assured.

THE ANSWER TRIAL.—Six months have passed since five of the professors of Andover Theological Seminary were tried on a charge of breach of trust in teaching doctrines contrary to the creed which all professors have to sign before they are able to receive salary from the trust funds of the institution. The Board of Visitors have taken six months to consider their verdict, and it has just been given. Prof. Smyth is found guilty, while his fellow-professors are not, although in accord with him in his new theological ideas. This seeming inconsistency is supposed to be due to the fact that one of the Visitors was not present during one day of their trial, and that this verdict is given under legal advice, in prospect of an appeal to the civil court. It is said that Prof. Smyth intends to test the question in the highest court of the United States, if need be. If the civil courts

sustain him, it will be in vain for men to found institutions for the dissemination of certain doctrines; for it will be possible to teach the opposite, and use for its overthrow the very revenue contributed to support a view.

BAPTIST SEMINARY.—We would call special attention to the appeal in re of the new seminary. If the brethren and sisters would only—how easily the \$10,000 could be raised in the next thirty days. Who will be the first to respond?

Roman Catholics in its Glory.

The republic (!) of Ecuador in South America is wholly under the dominion of Rome. A correspondent in the *Evangelist* has given a description of the state of the country which shows what the influence of the church is, when not neutralized or held in check by Protestantism. We give a few selections from this outline.

In Ecuador the Pope still names the president, the priests make the laws, and as a natural result, in that whole country there is not a railroad nor a telegraph, nor a stage-coach, nor a highway upon which a carriage or a cart can be driven except the great roads built by the Incas before the Spanish invasion, which have never been kept in repair, and are now almost useless.

There is a law in Ecuador prohibiting the importation of books, unless they shall first receive the sanction of the church, and Jesuit priests act as inspectors at the Custom House, to prevent the dissemination of intelligence among the people. No records of the finances of the government are kept. The president of Ecuador and his finance minister were unable to give the United States Commission the amount of imports and exports, or the amount of revenues collected. Their ignorance as to the disbursement of those revenues was quite as dense, but the prevailing belief is that much of the money goes to sustain the thousands of priests, monks and nuns that keep the people in darkness.

Drunkennes, indolence and licentiousness are the lessons taught by the priests. To attend mass every morning, and confessational once a week, are the only requirements of good citizenship, and vice of every description is not only licensed but encouraged. Four-fifths of the population can neither read nor write, and the only knowledge they have is what the priests have told them. Ecuador is a Republic in name, but its constitution declares that the nation "exists wholly and alone devoted to the service of the Holy Church." The army is divided into four commands, called respectively, "The Division of the Blessed Virgin," "The Division of the Holy Ghost," "The Division of the Son of God," and "The Division of the Blood and Body of Christ." "The Sacred Heart of Jesus" is the national emblem, and the body-guard of the president is called "The Holy Lancers of St. Mary." There are no Protestants in Quito, and none are allowed to reside in the city. Everything is tolerated, but opposition to the church, and he who will not partake of the sacrament is stoned.

Two Extraordinary Occurrences.

I. WAS IT CELESTIAL MUSIC?

Early in May last, I read in a religious newspaper published in New York, the following statement, said to have been sent to the editor by Rev. David Street, pastor of the Presbyterian church in the town or village of Felicity, Clermont county, Ohio. I reproduce it in a somewhat shortened form.

On Sunday night, March 27th, Miss Lucy Zink, the daughter of a pious Methodist minister of this place, (Felicity), fell asleep in Jesus. She was about twenty-four years of age, and had suffered from rheumatism for eight years, so that she was physically helpless. It was about three o'clock in the morning when Miss Zink died, and messengers were then sent to several of the neighbors, to request their presence and aid in preparing the body for the coffin. One of these neighbors is a member of the writer's (Mr. Street's) church, the wife of a prominent physician, a lady of superior intelligence and education, and a talented musician. She was not informed of the death of Miss Zink, but only that the family desired her to come as "soon as possible. When she opened the door to pass into the street, she noticed that the air seemed vibrating with harmonious sounds, which seemed to proceed from the residence of Mr. Zink, a distance of two squares away. Her husband also noticed the singing. Both were surprised at it, and thought the daughter must be living, or the family would not be singing. On her way to the house, the lady called at the residence of a lawyer whose daughter had also been summoned. When the latter came upon the street, her attention was at once attracted by the singing, and she talked of it as they passed along. They called at the residence of a third lady, also a person of culture, sound judgment and Christian character. Her attention, and that of her mother was immediately

attracted to the strange music which floated on the blustering night wind. The four ladies listened to the music and talked of it until they were within a few feet of the bereaved family's residence, and then they ceased to hear it. Finding that the daughter was dead, they asked with some surprise who had been singing, and were informed that no person had been singing there since the early part of the evening.

At the funeral service, Rev. W. H. Sutherland, D. D., ite pastor of the Methodist church, related the foregoing facts. The physician whose wife is mentioned is especially averse to recognizing any supernatural appearance or special providence. When the writer asked him what he thought of this remarkable singing, he replied promptly, "It was supernatural." The credibility of the witnesses establishes the facts beyond a doubt, and the event has produced a profound impression upon the minds of the people, as the only reasonable belief is, that it was the singing of angels.

As the matter appeared to me to be of considerable interest to the Christian world, I (E. C. C.) wrote a letter to the Rev. Dr. Sutherland, making detailed inquiries concerning the circumstances related and the character of the testimony. His replies to my questions verify the above statements in every particular.

He says Miss Lucy E. Zink was a member of his charge, and a most lovely Christian character, daughter of Rev. M. P. Zink. She died in holy triumph, March 28th, at 3.30 a. m. Five credible persons, four women and one man, heard the sounds as described. None of them are spiritualists, and all are members of Christian churches. The first one did not call the attention of the others to the phenomenon. The sounds resembled singing, soft, low and very sweet. No natural explanation has been proposed by any person in the place. The sound could not have been caused by telegraph wires, since there is neither telegraph nor telephone in the place. Felicity is a village of 1200 inhabitants, and the dwellings are not built near each other.

I leave your readers to form their own judgment and draw their own inferences from the facts stated. To me they seem significant.

II. HOW LONG MAY MEN LIVE?

In a post-script to his letter, Dr. Sutherland asks whether I know of a family named Sutherland, living in Nova Scotia, which, ten years ago, consisted of three brothers and a sister, named William, John, George and Jennie, and aged respectively 121, 123, 124 and 137 years. He saw the account of this family, some ten years ago, in a paper (he thinks) *The Nova Scotia Standard*, which was mislaid, so that he has not the address. He thinks, from the names and early home of these persons (Clynn, Sutherlandshire, Shotland), that they were probably the sister and brothers of his grandfather. Naturally enough, he is desirous of obtaining information concerning them.

If any person who reads this knows of the family, their residence, and their history, and will kindly send such information to me, I shall take it as a favor, and will forward it to Dr. Sutherland.

HERBERT C. CREED,
Fredericton, N. B., June 23, 1887.

(*Weekley and Presbyterian Witness please copy.*)

HALIFAX NOTES.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.
The first number of the *Christian Messenger* was issued on the 6th of January, 1837. It was styled, *A Repository of Religious, Political and General Intelligence for Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.* The conductors of the paper announced that they were "friendly to social order and careful obedience to existing authority; in a quiet and constitutional reform of public abuses, wherever such may exist or may arise; to perfect equality of religious privileges; and to the protection, but not the pecuniary support, of religious worship by law." The great aim of the paper was to be "to uphold the word of God, and exhibit that connection between religion and human conduct and that firm and salutary control of the former over the latter, and that chastened and harmonious subjection of the latter to the former, which is believed to be the design of God and the secret of human happiness." The editors acknowledge it to be an obvious and cheerful duty "to suggest and forward whatever measures may most effectually conduce to the promotion of sound and practical education among all classes of society, and this in relation as well to the all-important but neglected subject of primary schools throughout the province, as to the advancement of learning in the higher departments." The *Messenger* was to be published every Friday, on a good paper and in fair legible type. Communications were to be addressed to the care of Mr. J. W. Bares, Water street, Halifax.

The copy before me is printed in "fair legible type" on good paper. Its appearance is highly creditable. The number is filled chiefly with extracts from new books, and reviews; but this matter is interesting to-day. In a department headed "Original," are communications pertaining to matters of special interest to the churches. The first article in this department is by Richard McLearn, agent for Horton Institution, giving an account of a visit to the United States to collect funds for the Academy. The education society had found itself loaded with a debt of 2,000. "The people of the province," Mr. McLearn adds, "were not sufficiently enlightened as to the advantages of education to come forward and pay the demand, and agents were employed to go out and search for the money. The visit in New England was not productive of large returns. The agent found the people engaged in so many religious enterprises of their own that he felt it to be unreasonable to expect much aid from them. Nevertheless he was deeply impressed by the fact that benevolence was earnestly cultivated. He had seen both rich men and poor, with unremitting diligence, laboring in their respective professions and callings to obtain money for benevolent purposes. A young man from the profits of a small business was paying annually two hundred dollars into the treasury of the Lord. An aged lady said, 'If they were not visited by an agent every week, soliciting aid for some foreign object, they would scarcely hope that they should prosper in the world.' I wonder if any representatives of that faith are now to be found. Mr. McLearn's visit was extended to the Southern States, where he was very kindly received. He reported some \$2500, as the amount of his collections. It is a noteworthy fact that the first number of the *Messenger* contained a report of an agent for the institution at Horton, and the last issue of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR contains an appeal from an agent of the Institutions at Horton calling for an increase of funds. Continuous service has called for continued support.

In this first copy of the paper Home Missions is placed alongside of education. A member of the Board of Domestic Missions calls attention to a vote passed by the Board recommending that a collection be taken in all the churches during the month of January to aid in the erection of a meeting house at Charlottetown, P. E. I. Following the announcement of this action of the Board, is a report of a missionary tour by James Munro. He visited the Island, found in Charlottetown a church of eight members, gave some assistance in selecting a site for a house of worship and preached in the surrounding country.

Such were the fostering influences under which this important church was helped through its years of trial and weakness. Among the few business notices of the paper is an advertisement by Edward G. W. Greenwood, and also one by John W. Bares. The last line of the paper is, "Printed by Joseph Howe for the Proprietors."

I have found the first number of the old *Messenger* so interesting, that I intend to continue my readings through the volume, making notes especially with reference to education and missions.

MELVILLE.

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According to the statements of those in a position to know best, the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia is now literally lined with American fishing schooners. Mackerel and other fish are reported as being plenty in a number of localities, and the enterprising Yankee captains, with their provincial crews, seem bound to secure a generous share of them. With this purpose no one could reasonably find fault so long as the foreigners keep beyond the designated three mile limit. But good authority affirms that within the last few days a number of Cape Ann schooners have been seen taking fish within half a mile of the beach, in localities not more than three miles from Halifax. Such treaty violation must go on until we have double the present number of cruisers, or, what is much better, an amicable understanding of the matter between all the governments concerned.

Our Jubilee celebration passed off with a measurable degree of success. For two days the city was crowded with visitors. The number of strangers could not have been less than ten thousand, and they appear to have come from all parts of the province, and also from Boston and other American cities. For some reason the impression got abroad that Halifax intended to give a display of extraordinary character. As a consequence, many who came in from the country went home a bitterly disappointed. Others complained that hardly any attraction could be seen until a stiff admission fee had been paid. But such fault-finding follows almost every celebration, and with only \$3,000 to spend the committee could not be expected to accomplish wonders. The most interesting feature of the affair was the turn out of

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THE JUBILEE.

Probably the world has never seen the like of the demonstration of last week, in connection with the closing of the fiftieth year of the reign of our gracious Queen.

During the last fifty years the population of the United Kingdom has grown from 26,000,000 to 37,000,000. Her colonial subjects of European descent numbered less than 2,000,000 in 1837; now they are more than 9,000,000.

When our Queen began her reign the first ocean steamship was in course of construction. The telegraph was then but lying from the brain of Morse.

Of the shipping of the world the British realm provides 11,165,222 of its 21,508,184 tons, or more than half.

While the British realm has made such amazing strides in material greatness during the last fifty years, she has also made grand progress in all that pertains to good government and popular liberty.

Neither are we of the number who take a pessimistic view of her moral condition.

But all this would not have aroused the joyous enthusiasm which has rolled around the world, as the closing sun of Victoria's fifty years of rule pursued its course.

She has been a loving wife; a good mother and a Christian woman, and these are worth more than all external accessories of rank and station.

The jubilee celebration must help deepen the general loyalty, and aid in binding the great British domain more closely together in bonds of common association and sympathy.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE BAPTIST SEMINARY, ST. JOHN.

Wednesday last was a day of drizzle and pour. Succeeding the Jubilee celebration, it was not the most favorable time for an anniversary, in any case.

Bro. Adams thought the rum traffic the most gigantic of monopolies. Politicians cater to this monopoly because they fear its power, and do not dare put a temperance plank in their platforms. Moral

where the anniversary was held, thus testifying to the interest in the Seminary and to the favor won by previous exhibitions of the kind.

The following is the programme:- ATHEM... "Awake the Song of Jubilee." Choir, with Orchestral Accompaniment.

PRAYER. PIANO SOLO... "Tannhauser."—Fagner. Miss E. Blanche Thomas

ESSAY... "Music and Its Influence." Miss Wallace.

CORNET SOLO... Mr Fred Crandall. RECITATION... Miss Helen Roberts.

PIANO SOLO... "Caprice."—Hofman. Miss Helen Young.

ESSAY... "Rome Was Not Built in a Day." Miss Robinson.

VOCAL SOLO... "Gaily Chant the Summer Birds." Miss Hattie Hooper.

"LES BOUTIÈRES."—Misses McLeod, Robinson, Wallace, Wortman, Young.

ESSAY... "English Literature," with Valedictory. Miss McLeod.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS. CORNET SOLO... Prof. Williams. GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Miss Wallace's essay was an excellent composition, and was delivered with a grace of gesture and flexibility of voice which showed very careful training in elocution.

Miss Robinson illustrated the worth of patient but determined energy, and pressed it upon the attention of her hearers with much force of argument.

Miss McLeod, after a plea for the study of our own literature in preference to that of foreign countries, gave an excellent sketch of the great British writers from Chaucer downward.

The dialogue in French was rendered with great vivacity, and showed that great care had been given to instruction in conversational French.

After the presentation of the diplomas by Principal Wortman, addresses were made by his Worship the Mayor, by Senator Boyd, and by Dr Higgins of Acadia College.

The exhibition spoke well for the quality of the work done at the Seminary during the year, and afforded one of the strongest arguments for its continued existence and work.

WESTERN NOVA SCOTIA ASSOCIATION.

A part of the forenoon session and all of the afternoon were taken up by the reading of the letters from the churches. It is scarcely a question that this is not the best way to spend so much of the best time of the Association, when a digest might be prepared by the clerk which would be much more interesting and would need but a small proportion of the time to read.

This was done at the Southern Association of New Brunswick, and all remarked upon the improvement over the past meeting. It only requires the churches to read their letters to the clerk a few days before the Association, to give him time to embody the interesting parts of the letters in the digest.

In the evening the report on Temperance was presented and a platform meeting held. The report will be found in our temperance column.

Rev. J. H. Saunders thought it was well that tobacco should be linked with rum. The rum devil had been pretty well expelled from our churches, but Satan was wrapping himself up in tobacco and getting in.

The members of our churches were spending more in tobacco than rum, and we should clear ourselves from the stigma of its use.

Bro. W. H. Ritchie was a total abstainer from both rum and tobacco, because they would do him no good, but harm. He could not afford to waste the money, and he did not dare risk the influence of his example were he to use them.

Bro. Woodland deprecated putting rum and tobacco in the same category. The difficulty of the temperance stipulation is increased by the fact that there are so many who honestly believe moderate drinking no wrong. Others are not able to be their own guardians, and are an easy prey to the tempter's art.

The first cases can be reasoned with, but the latter need something else—prohibition by law. This is not far fetched. Prohibition is protection of the helpless. Our politicians, he believed, were disposed to do right, if they knew temperance men would stand by them. If temperance men were loyal, there would not be more than two countries in Nova Scotia where their representatives would dare be anything else than true to temperance principles.

Bro. Rowe thought the politicians we should send up to be those who would sacrifice themselves rather than violate principle. He gave a vivid picture of the terrible effects of the traffic. We need law to cut it up by the roots.

sion is not enough. The church cannot do the needed work. Some churches are not true. High license is not sufficient. The only hope is in prohibition. He was in favor of a third party. The old parties are not to be trusted. He was very plain spoken about the evils connected with the use of tobacco.

A few excellent remarks were made by Brethren Wallace and Warren in moving and seconding the adoption of the report, and it was carried unanimously.

The Sabbath services were full of unction and power. Father Bill's sermon in the morning, with the social service following, afforded a rich feast to the crowded audience in the Baptist church at Digby.

The afternoon Sabbath school service was well attended—although the old church was crowded at the same time to hear Dr. Day—and was very interesting. Bro. Adams preached in the evening, and a social service followed. It was a very solemn time. It is hoped abiding impressions were made.

A large number of the thirty-three or four ministers attending the Association went to the churches all around, and the seed of the kingdom was scattered broadcast. May it spring up and bear a rich harvest!

The first business of Monday was the reception of the report on Sabbath schools. It recommended the indoctrination of the young in our tenets, that Sabbath schools spend less on themselves and more for missions, and urged upon the schools the contribution of at least fifty cents per member toward the jubilee offering for Acadia College.

The Associational sermon, preached by Bro. R. D. Porter, from Psalm 90: 17, was rich in thought, beautifully prepared, its publication in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR was voted; but Bro. Porter doubts the propriety of the custom of inserting all sermons of this kind in our paper, and has not yet decided whether he will favor us with the manuscript.

The circular letter by Bro. Warren, on Scriptural Methods in Christian Work, is a trenchant handling of this important topic. Let not any of our people fail to read it, as it appears in another column this week.

On Monday afternoon a delegation from the Free Christian Baptists, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Atwood and Crowell, was received. Fraternal addresses of a very cordial nature were made, and a resolution passed by the Association expressing the hope that the friendly relations existing between the two bodies may yet culminate in organic union, when this union can be formed on a basis mutually acceptable.

Dr. Day read an excellent report on Denominational Literature, commending the MESSENGER AND VISITOR very highly, and emphasizing the need of greater care in our Sabbath schools and families in the matter of securing such books and other publications as do not exert influences antagonistic to the doctrines we believe and preach.

The Book Room at Halifax was spoken of in terms of praise. Bro. Geo. A. McDonald was present, and a gratifying statement was given by him as to the growth and prosperity of the room.

Rev. J. Wallace and others spoke appreciatively of the good work done by this society. The report on obituaries which showed that some of the ministers of the Association had been removed by death during the year. A appropriate reference was made to the demise of Rev. J. A. McLean, who formerly labored at Bear River and afterwards at Pine Grove. Upwards of 120 lay members of churches in the western counties have, however, gone to their reward since the last annual gathering.

Further attention was given to the report on education. In the absence of Rev. Dr. Sawyer, in consequence of illness in his family, Rev. A. Cohoon gave some account of the present outlook of our institutions at Wolfville. He showed that since the foundation of these institutions about 600 of our young men and women have been converted whilst pursuing their studies at Wolfville, and that 102 of these have been led to consecrate their lives to the glorious work of preaching the gospel.

He dwelt upon the present needs of the college, and explained the plan by which he hopes to raise \$50,000 as a memorial offering for our jubilee celebration next year. A grand missionary meeting was held in the evening, at which the Digby choir rendered excellent service, as indeed it did during all the sessions. Rev. J. Rowe read the report on missions and gave an eloquent address on the subject. He was followed by Rev. J. C. Morse, who spoke sympathizingly of his brethren in the ministry, especially those engaged in missionary work.

On Tuesday the report of the committee on questions in letters occupied most of the day. The state of affairs in connection with the church at Weymouth was carefully considered, and a committee, consisting of Revs. E. N. Archibald, I. Wallace, W. H. Warren, J. B. Woodland, I. E. Hill and J. S. Brown, was appointed to visit Weymouth with a view of securing a harmonious adjustment of existing difficulties.

In answer to a question contained in one of the letters, a resolution was passed advising churches, in their efforts to secure pastors, to avoid the system of advertising and candidating, as this system was adapted to divide churches and to promote unkindly feelings among ministers. It was recommended that each church, desirous of engaging a pastor, should appoint a judicious committee to make inquiry privately, by correspondence or otherwise, as to where a suitable minister could be secured, and to obtain all available information in reference to the character, standing and abilities of the person whose name they may have obtained.

If these seem satisfactory to the committee, let the matter be submitted to the church for approval. This being gained, the committee should then ascertain from the minister himself whether he is in a position to receive a call. In case of an affirmative reply, a hearty call, as unanimous as possible, should be given by the church, through its clerk, trusting to God and to the minister sought after that the new relations will prove to be satisfactory and productive of much good.

It was further recommended that the Home Mission Board be utilized as a suitable medium of correspondence between pastoral churches and unemployed ministers.

Other routine business having been transacted, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the Digby friends for their kindness, and to the moderator for his efficient services in the chair, after which the Association adjourned to meet next year at Clarence.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE UNION BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Directors' report states that forty-five have attended the Seminary during the year. Of these, seven are licentiates for the ministry. Three young ladies have finished the Academic course and three matriculate into College this autumn.

The new building is being rapidly pushed forward. The contract price for the building is \$25,575. The cost of the heating apparatus is to be \$5,100. In addition to this there are about \$1,500 cost of land for the Seminary, and of plans. Of course the furnishing of the building is not included in these figures.

Liabilities to the contractors, to a large amount, mature on July 1st, and it is of vital importance that the friends of the Seminary come to the help of the directors at once. Bro. Wm. Vaughan has been acting as agent; but it is felt that there must be a personal canvass of the Baptists of the two denominations immediately, and that other brethren must be put into the field.

There is a deficit on past operations of about \$2,000. It is hoped this may be collected in St. John. A brother has the matter in hand. The new directorate consists of the following gentlemen:-

- F. C. Baptists: E. McLeod, Reg. W. Vaughan, Reg. D. McLeod, Reg. G. Masters, Reg. J. A. Vanwert, Reg. D. Vaughan, Reg. D. W. Clark, Reg. Dr. Gilmore, Hon. G. E. Foster, M. MacDonald, Reg. A. C. Smith, Reg. Robert May, Reg. Robt. McLeod, Reg. R. Elkin, Reg. Dr. Musgrave, Reg. J. Marsh, Reg.

The question of continuing the school or suspending it until the buildings in St. Martins are ready was left to the new board. THE WEEK.

In Great Britain attention has been absorbed in the Jubilee celebration. Even the everlasting Irish question sank out of sight for a few days.

The demonstration in London was of unexampled magnificence. In England, Wales and Scotland there was general celebration in all the cities, towns and villages. Ireland, however, held sullenly aloof, except in the Protestant North.

The passage of the Coercion Bill but a day or two before the Jubilee has made the Irish bitter and resentful. The matter of chief interest at present is the Egyptian question. The Convention recently entered into by Great Britain and the Porte, and agreed to, it is supposed, by the other European powers, has been strongly opposed by Russia and France.

It is rumored that they threaten war, unless it is given up. There has been a cabinet meeting in London over the matter, and considerable irritation prevails. The Ameer of Afghanistan appears to be gradually overcoming the rebels. At the same time, the Russians are reported 10,000 strong, within about 30 miles of Herat, and there are evidences that Russian emissaries have been tampering with the Ameer's troops.

The gravest fears are had that the trouble in the throat of the Crown Prince of Germany is cancerous and incurable, while the venerable Kaiser may drop off at any time. Many conjectures are already ventured as to the effect their death would have upon the political situation in Germany and on the Continent.

There is a general paucity of news apart from the Jubilee celebrations. AN IMPORTANT MEETING. We see by the Intelligencer that our F. C. Baptist brethren have had an important meeting. As many of our readers know, the doctrine of instant and entire sanctification has quite a large following among them—a following which seems on the increase.

For several years before the last, deliverances which appeared to many to partake of the nature of a compromise were made by the Conference; but the dissensions grew more pronounced. Last year the Conference, by a rather narrow vote, passed a resolution in plainest condemnation of this doctrine; but this has not proved satisfactory.

Two weeks ago a consultation was held between the leading representatives of the two parties, and an agreement was reached. It is to the effect that all abide by the resolutions adopted by the Conference in 1886. On condition of this being accepted by the Higher Life party generally, those who took part in this consultation are prepared to recommend the Conference to rescind the resolutions of last year.

Our people take more than a neighborly interest in this action, and what may grow out of it, because of the movement for union between them and us, now in progress. Those who are best acquainted with the instantaneous and entire sanctification sentiment regard it as most troublesome and disruptive. We hope our body will never assume any temporizing attitude toward it.

Acadia College Jubilee Fund. 100,000 SHARES OF 50 CENTS. In response to appeal and a few personal solicitations the following pledges have been received:

- Rev. C. Goodspeed, Carleton, 500 shares; Rev. H. F. Adams, Yarmouth, 100; Rev. J. B. Woodland, Yarmouth, 100; Rev. J. A. Ford, Milton, Yarmouth, 100; Rev. S. B. Kempton, 100; B. H. Eaton, Halifax, 400; E. D. King, do, 200; F. Friend, 1000; Dns. W. H. Griddy, sr., Yarmouth, 20; Henry E. Haly, do, A. Cohoon, Hebron, 200; Rev. J. I. DeWolf, Beaver River, 50; Rev. W. H. Ritchie, Barrington, 20; Joshua Ray, Clarence, 10; John Chaloner, Digby, 40; George E. Freeze, Halifax, 35; Rev. F. H. Beale, Billtown, 10; James A. Estey, St. John, 200; J. J. Bostwick, do, 100; H. C. Creed, Fredericton, 100. Total 3,291 shares.

CONTRIBUTORS are also beginning to come in: From the two younger children of Dea. P. D. Kinsey, Yarmouth, "A freewill offering" from "their own proper good," 2 shares each; "One of the 40,000 Baptists," 2; A grandmother and her granddaughter, 1 share each; John Genuan, 1 share. Total to date 8 shares.

From the above it will be seen that the Governors of the College, the pastors and members of our churches and the children of our Sunday schools are already taking hold of the work. It is interesting to notice that the first money received came from two children. Now let all arise to the work. Do not wait for the agent to call upon you. If you are not prepared to send forward the money, write out a pledge like the following, sign, and send to me:

I hereby promise to pay to the order of the Trustees, Governors and Fellows of Acadia College, the sum of dollars towards the Jubilee Fund of Acadia College, said amount to be paid.....

Let all who can give something to this important undertaking do this and the full amount will be pledged before Convention. A. COHOON, Hebron, N. S., June 24. Agent.

HOME MISSIONS NEWS AND NOTES. 1. At a special meeting of the Home Mission Board on the 15th inst. the following grants were made:-

- (1) To the Queensbury field, Carleton county, N. B., \$125 for one year. Rev. Josiah Webb, pastor.
- (2) To the Rockport church, Westmorland county, N. B., \$50 for one year. Bro. E. H. Thomas, missionary.
- (3) To the Lunenburg field, N. S., \$200 for one year. Rev. S. H. Cain, pastor.
- (4) To the Greywood and Milford church, \$60 for one year. Rev. J. E. Blackburn, pastor.

2. Four of the five men from the Maritime Provinces that finished their studies at Newton this year returned to Nova Scotia and are settled as follows: F. H. Beale at Billtown; D. Price at Cambridge, King's county; H. B. Smith at Casco, and A. L. Powell at Guysboro. We expect the fifth, Rev. J. H. Fletcher, to return

after another year. One, Bro. C. E. Baker, is expected from McMaster Hall to settle in P. E. I.

3. Twenty-two of our young men have been appointed or recommended to fields of labor during the vacation as follows:-

- (1) From Newton—L. J. Tingley to Rockland, Carleton county, N. B., and J. W. McGregor to Tazet, N. B.
- (2) From Rochester—Walter V. Higgins to Oak Bay, Charlotte county, N. B.
- (3) From Wolfville—C. W. Corey to Amherst; L. D. Morse to Hebron; J. H. Jenner to Shediac; J. Bradshaw to Maitland, Hants county, N. S.; W. S. Black to Blackville, Northumberland county, N. B.; H. T. DeWolf to Baillie and Rolling Dam, Charlotte county; C. A. Eaton to Mauderville, Sunbury county; E. E. Locke to Hammond's Plains, etc., Halifax county; F. H. McQuarrie to Ecum Secum, etc., Guysboro county; C. P. Raymond to Shelburne field; J. E. Tyner to Margaret's Bay; C. P. Wilson to Lower Steacie field; W. M. Smallman to Clements; J. A. Marble to Tantracost, Lunenburg county; Thomas Stackhook to North Esk and Little Southwest, Northumberland county, N. B., and L. A. Palmer to Summerside, P. E. I.
- (4) From St. John Seminary—H. D. Baker to Chipman, Queen's county; Wm. London to Queensbury field, York county, and E. E. Daily to Musquash field, St. John county.

Could we have offered them fields, a few others from McMaster, Newton and Wolfville would have accepted appointments. Some of the above have been designated without the invitation we would like to have received, but if the fields are unoccupied, as we think they are, we hope the churches will receive them kindly and do their utmost to provide for their support. They are all good and true men, and though some of them are but beginners and have their reputations to make, we believe they will earn for themselves a good report.

THE DEBT has been lessened by the following donations since last report:-

Second Throuand. Nathaniel Rushion, Westchester, \$1 "No name," Hebron, 50c; "Friend," Temple church, Yarmouth, \$1; collected at Central Chebogue, \$2.77; "A member of New Glasgow church," \$19.87; Mrs A. C. Ross, Carleton, Yarmouth, \$1; Mabel Ross, do, \$1; Samuel Bancroft, Round Hill, \$5; Lucilla Bancroft, do, \$3; Rev. P. F. Murray, Milton, \$5; collection of Middlefield church, Queen's county, \$4.20; Charles Skinner and wife, Brooklyn, Annapolis county, \$2; Rev. J. C. Morse, Sandy Cove, \$1; Morace Haycock, Westport, \$5; Rev. J. W. Weeks, Liverpool, \$1; Mrs Dr. Harris, Beaver River, \$1; Rev. I. Wallace, Grenville, \$1; from St. John's Musquash and Dipper Harbor: R. Thompson, jr., \$1; W. H. Belding, 50c; Wallace Belding, 50c; Samuel Jones, 25c; Mrs R. Belding, 25c; J. Thompson, 25c; "A Friend," 25c. Before reported, \$1,897.51. Total to date, \$1,965.85.

THIRD THOUSAND. Let Hillsburg S S concert, \$20; Lokport S S, \$11.77; Melvern Square S S concert, \$5.50; Milton, Queen's county, S S concert, second instalment, \$5.58. Before reported, \$644.73. Total to date, \$687.58. Special—"A Friend," for the purchase of French Testaments, \$5. All correspondence addressed to Hebron will reach me after a few days and will receive attention as heretofore. Hebron, N. S., June 24th, 1887.

Appl. To the Baptists and Free Christian Baptists of N. B., and the Free Baptists of N. S.

DEAR BROTHERS—We have reached a crisis in the building of the new Seminary at St. Martins. Hence this appeal. Many of the subscriptions—made in good faith—will not be available for months. In order that the work may be carried on to completion, in time to secure the largest of the promised gifts, and to meet maturing obligations entered into with the contractors, ten thousand dollars are immediately required. Not to have this amount means disaster and disgrace. Can they be averted? Shall we now, after so much has been done, be compelled to abandon the work? Impossible! Brethren and sisters, friends of religious education, will you suffer the thought?

The Directors make through the undersigned committee this appeal to you, asking for the \$10,000 within the next thirty days. We only ask this amount in one dollar subscriptions. If you deny the request, we have no confidence in you in this hour of need. Let us now, at once, in one grand effort—an effort in which the rich and poor, the old and young, men, women and children, unite, and avert a crisis now so face to face with this higher education movement. Now or never, brethren. Only one dollar each from 10,000 individuals, burdening no one, will lift the burden from many who are very anxious in regard to the new Seminary. We anxiously wait your response.

In behalf of the Directors, MONT. McDONALD, WM. PETERS, G. A. HARTLEY, W. R. MAY, G. O. GATE. Committee.

NOTE.—Rev. Geo. O. Gates, 55 Queen St., St. John, is authorized by the committee to receive money raised by this appeal and to give receipts for the same.

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A PLEA FOR SCRIPTURAL METHODS IN CHRISTIAN WORK.

CIRCULAR LETTER TO THE N. S. WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

In addressing our present annual letter to the churches composing this Association, we desire to call the attention of our brethren to the necessity of following closely the precepts and methods of the New Testament in all our attempts to promote the Redeemer's kingdom on earth.

Recognizing with profound gratitude the cheering fact that the salvation of a lost world is the grand aim of christianity, we should labor with the utmost diligence and pray with increasing earnestness for the speedy and complete accomplishment of this glorious purpose.

Let us beware, however, of employing unscriptural methods in carrying on this great work. "If a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned except he strive lawfully." Our divine Master has given us specific instructions regarding the doctrines, the ordinances, and even the methods in the use of which his kingdom is to be promoted among men.

A recent religious organization, of mushroom growth, has become somewhat conspicuous for its apparent success in pursuing this line of policy, and some of our weaker brethren have been almost, if not altogether, captivated by its cheap and lawless attractions.

The rotaries of this new faith, moreover, perceiving that the ordinances of the gospel are distasteful to the popular mind, have unhesitatingly discarded them as being non-essential to salvation.

There are other classes of religious workers who have not gone so far as intentionally to abandon the gospel ordinances, but they have made such modifications as practically to obliterate the original design of these sacred rites.

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The abnormal tendencies to which we have adverted may have their origin in a common and, we think, erroneous popular impression. It is imagined by many of our brethren that the pastor or the evangelist who reports the largest number of baptisms, and who dilates most largely through the press upon the results of his labors, is necessarily a more faithful and successful worker than the less demonstrative and perhaps more judicious brother who is anxious to gather gems and not empty shells for his Master's crown.

We have reason to fear that the most prominent feature in the gospel commission is too often overlooked. "Teach all nations" was given as the initial duty of the Christian worker, and his subsequent duty is to continue "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

After waiting with the church young converts will need still further and more advanced instruction in all that pertains to their spiritual welfare. Their growth in grace, their happiness and usefulness in the church, depend very greatly upon faithful pastoral attention to these particulars.

The necessity of maintaining a system of judicious and faithful discipline in the church cannot be too strongly urged. As the crucible, if left unchecked, ultimately destroys the fruit tree, so the lack of discipline in the church leads speedily to the declension, if not the complete extinction, of spirituality among the brethren.

For this reason not a few churches, like that at Sardis, have "a name that they live, but are dead." Many influences combine, it is true, to render difficult the proper treatment of unworthy members. But nothing is gained by permitting serious evils and offences to continue their course in the church, without any effort being put forth in the way of arresting or rebuking the same.

of persons who have long since ceased to have any fellowship with us. We do justice neither to them nor to ourselves by continuing the empty pretense implied by having their names on our records. After all proper efforts for their restoration to fellowship have failed, their names should be removed entirely from the membership lists.

In brief, let it be the constant aim of our brethren to maintain in their unimpaired simplicity the teachings and practices of the gospel, and to preserve the purity, dignity and sincerity which are the distinguishing characteristics of the religion of Jesus Christ.

Notice of Quarterly Meeting.

We have just returned from Upper Queenbury, when the Quarterly Meeting of York and Sunbury counties, were holding their second session of this year.

The conference meeting on Saturday afternoon was thrilling and inspiring, and some of the members of this little mission church were very much cheered and took courage.

Our aged brethren, Rev. James Tupper and W. H. Beckwith, were present and each in turn occupied the pulpit, giving us sermons full of rich experience and wise counsel.

The sermon by Rev. B. N. Hughes, on Sabbath afternoon, was clear and incisive, and delivered with ease and earnestness.

Keewick Ridge, June 15.

A Suggestion.

Probably fully half of the people who were gathered together in Assembly Hall, Wednesday evening, June 1st, failed to hear more than half of what the young ladies had to say.

Religious Intelligence.

OXFORD, N. S.—The brethren here have been repairing their house of worship and expected to occupy it last Sabbath.

ST. MARY'S BAY, N. S.—Since you last heard from this field five have been added to the church by baptism.

LOWER AYLESFORD.—The religious interest in this church still continues. Six persons united with us last Lord's day; four by letters and two by baptism.

CANTERBURY.—I have been called to labor in four churches, viz. First and Second Canterbury, Lower Woodstock, York Co., and Benton, Carleton Co.

SUSSEX, N. B.—I entered upon the fifth year of my pastorate here May 1st. I am pleased to say that the utmost harmony prevails in the church and all the services are characterized by a large measure of earnestness, activity and Christian power.

FAIRVIEW, ST. JOHN.—The Lord continues to smile upon us and to own the preaching of the gospel to the salvation of souls.

NOTICES.

ANNITY ASSOCIATION.—The special meeting of the Annuity Association announced to be held in Leinster street, St. John, July 7th, is postponed to July 14th, at the same place and at the same hour.

The next Albert County Baptist quarterly meeting will be held with the Alma Baptist church, commencing on Friday, the first of July, at 2 p. m.

The meeting of the Woman's Missionary Aid Societies of P. E. I. will be held with the Cavendish Society, on Monday, July 4th, at 2.30 p. m.

TO DELEGATES ATTENDING BAPTIST ANNIVERSARIES AT CAVENDISH, P. E. I.—The Railway Co. will issue return tickets at one first class fare from all stations to Hunter's River on Thursday, 30th of June, and on Friday, 1st of July, good until the following Wednesday.

Ministers and delegates who purpose attending the N. B. Eastern Association to be held with First Elgin Church at Elgin, commencing 16th July at 2 o'clock p. m., will please send in their names to the undersigned before the 10th July.

TO MEMBERS OF N. B. EASTERN ASSOCIATION.—For reasons that can be given when the Association convenes, it has been thought advisable to change the place of meeting of the above Association.

The P. E. I. Baptist S. S. Convention will meet with the Cavendish church on Friday, July 1st, at 10 a. m.

Denominational Meetings for 1887.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—Rev. A. H. Lavers, Moderator; H. H. Hall, B. A. Clerk; meets at Cavendish on the first Saturday in July.

N. B. EASTERN.—Rev. W. Camp, Moderator; Rev. F. M. Young, Secretary; meets at Elgin, Albert Co., the third Saturday in July, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES. B. E. Edson, M. A. Q. C. President; Rev. E. M. Kirtland, Secretary; at Charlottetown, P. E. I., on Saturday following August 18th, at 10 a. m.

N. S. AFRICAN.—Rev. A. W. Jordan, Moderator; P. E. McKerron, Clerk; meets at Halifax on the first Saturday in Sept'r.

N. S. EASTERN.—Rev. Joseph Murray, Moderator; Rev. T. B. Layton, Secretary; meets at Little River on the second Friday in September, at 10 a. m.

Marriages.

HANSON-ROBSON.—At Sackville, N. B. May 18th, 1887, by the Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Capt. Peter Hanson, to Miss Linnie M. Robson, both of Sackville.

SEARS-ESTABROOKS.—At Sackville, N. B. May 18th, 1887, by the Rev. Wm. E. Hall, John W. Sears of Midgie, to Miss Lauretta Estabrooks, of Cookville.

GOLDRETT-OUTHOUSE.—At Sackville, N. B. May 25th, by the Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Mr. Elmer E. Goldrett, of Boston, to Flora N. daughter of Simon Outhouse, Esq., of Wood Point, Sackville.

CROSBYMAN-TROOP.—At Sackville Parsonage, on the 23rd of June, by Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Leander Crossman of Fairfield, to Annie L. Troop, of Point de Bute.

FILMORE-CROSBYMAN.—At Sackville Parsonage, on the 23rd of June, by Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Mr. Thomas Filmore, to Miss Maud E. Crosbyman, both of Fairfield.

ESTABROOKS-SEARS.—At Sackville, N. B. June 15th, by the Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Joseph Estabrooks of Port Elgin, to Miss Mary E. Sears, daughter of Mr. Charles Sears, of Sackville.

RAYNES-BOWLES.—At the residence of the mother of the bride, June 22nd, by Rev. S. B. Edson, assisted by Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Augustus Otis, daughter of the late Joseph Bowles, Esq., of Centreville, Cornwallis, to Newton Alfred, son of Leonard Eaton, Esq., of Lower Canada.

PIRENE-BISHOP.—At the Baptist church, Windsor, on the 23rd of June, by Rev. E. P. Pugh, Mr. William S. Pirene, of Wolfville, to Miss Margaret J. Bishop, of the same place.

RAZE-GILLAN.—At the bride's own residence, Halifax, N. S., on the 19th of June (Sunday), by the Rev. A. W. Jordan, B. D. Mr. B. Raze, of Montserrat, West Indies, to Mrs. Isabella Gillan, of Halifax, formerly of Jananion, West Indies.

CRAWFORD-MAJOR.—On the 22nd of June, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. J. E. Filmore, Mr. Joseph Crawford, of Elgin, and Miss Martha J. Major, of Covesdale, all of Albert County.

McFARLANE-KEITH.—At Springhill, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. W. F. Corey, Samuel McFarlan to Sarah, youngest daughter of Rev. O. Keith, of Havelock, N. C.

McMILLAN-CUNNINGHAM.—At Frank's Villa, Antigonish, the residence of Mrs. F. S. Cunningham, Esq., the bride's father, on June 23rd, by the Rev. W. B. Bradshaw, M. A., Robert C. McMillan, Esq., of Isaac's Harbor, to Miss Fannie L. Cunningham.

WHITTE-CALHOUN.—At the Baptist church, Albert, Albert Co., on 15th inst., by Rev. E. M. Kirtland, M. G. O. B. White, B. A., pastor of St. John's, to Miss Fannie L. Calhoun, of the same place.



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Deaths.

KEITH-BONNELL.—On the 20th May, at the residence of the bride's father, A. Bonnell, Esq., by Rev. D. P. Harris, Jackson Keith, of Salisbury, to Eveline Bonnell, of Moncton.

McKENNEY.—At Brookfield, Colchester Co., N. S., on the 17th inst., after a lingering illness, borne with Christian patience, David McKenney, in his 43rd year, leaving a wife and three children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and father.

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He Cared... "Casting all your care upon him for he careth for you..." Nina Bruce... "What can it mean? Is it taught to Him that the nights are long and the days are short?"

Selected Serial. NINA BRUCE.

CHAPTER VIII. SOME CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. One day, while Nina and Yetta sat in the pleasant front room, Yetta putting the finishing touches to a dress for Jen...

"What a beautiful tid!" said Mrs. Mason, admiring Nina's work. "Is it for sale?"... "Yes, I can find a purchaser," replied Nina, eagerly, for Christmas was at hand, and she had no money to meet the demands.

examining their presents, to brush it off from the table with her sleeve; and when it had reached the floor, she gave it a kick under the table with her foot... "Nina saw the movement, and hot tears filled her eyes..."

"Nina could not afford to spend a cent of her salary, and she had paid for his suit of clothes. It would take two months to do this, after paying for their board and laundry..."

"I know that God will answer my every prayer, some day; I know it, though I may have to wait a long time..." "I shall be glad to give you the money, but I shall be glad to give you the money, but I shall be glad to give you the money..."

I am sure it will be two small for me before I have finished my dinner, I tell you what, Yetta, you are the right kind of a hostess when you once set out to get a good dinner..."

The young ladies of China are about to undergo a very agreeable experience, if all that we hear is true... "The secret is here and mine," she thought. "I had rather that Mr. Stacy and Yetta should think I was partial in bestowing my little love tokens than that they should know how badly she has treated me..."

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"I never was et home, and some places in which And my par what comfort to advise me, I come to this..." "This was a comfurthered in was a young man, and his parents had a had. I admitted and known had been through years. He had both God and man to him..."

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THE HOME.

The Big Bubble.

"I'll blow a bubble pretty soon, As big as yonder silver moon! You'd like to see me?"

Johnny Boast Cried out, full out of breath, almost. And then his pipe he held, waiting, Drew in his breath, and held his tongue.

And almost every other hue, We'll gather them at early morn, From clouds about the sun, new-born; And from the delicate pink shells, And ere he had the tale rehearsed, Puff! into air the bubble burst!

Ab! Johnny Boast, how many do, Though blown by wiser heads than you! — George Cooper, in Independence.

Who is to Blame?

MAY P. STAFFORD.

"I never was allowed to have company at home, and so was obliged to seek other places in which to entertain my friends. And as my parents knew nothing about what company I was in, and I had no one to advise me, I was tempted—and it has come to this."

"This" was a narrow, whitewashed, comfortable prison cell, and the speaker was a young man, so young in years that few could have guessed him little more than a lad.

I wonder if all parents realize what a terrible risk they run when they refuse to allow their boys and girls to have and entertain their company at home. And yet how many parents do this very thing, perhaps thoughtlessly, but none the less wrongly.

As the boys grow older, and evenings are spent away from the safe shelter of home because "The folks won't let me have any of the fellows in the house," are not the said "folks," i. e., the parents, to blame, if the evenings are spent in the company of doubtful companions, or in places of ill-repute.

THE FARM.

One of the "Old Folks" on Sowing Seed.

I haven't lived to be seventy years old without learning some things 'twould be useful for young people to realize. You can't plant poor seed and have a good crop come up.

who have tested this matter of sowing and reapin'. I sometimes wish young folks could be old just for a spell, and then go back to youth; 'twould teach them so much 'bout sowing the right kind of seed to begin with.

But there; the aprons never were in full ear for a bit, then go back to sprouts again, and God's way is best, of bidden o'ne's time is the slow rule of growth. But it is beautiful to have the Spring sunshine of God's love in an old heart; so if I were gifted in speech, and could preach just one sermon to the young folks, I'd beg of them to sow in youth what they'd want to reap in age, and I'd tell them over and over again how blessed it is to have God walk beside you when you are growing old.—Christian at Work.

—There is reason why every housekeeper and cook should have a knowledge of the chemistry of cooking, and of the healthfulness of different articles of food. At this particular season of the year nature bountifully supplies us with much that is cooling in the way of fruit and summer vegetables, which are not only delicious articles of food, but are really health-preserving, for often a slight indisposition of children, or older persons, can be readily cured by the free use of these culinary remedies.

—Minnesota is the largest wheat market in the United States. In 1885 it received 23,500,000 bushels. In 1886 it received 24,000,000 bushels. In 1887 it received 24,000,000 bushels. In 1888 it received 24,000,000 bushels. In 1889 it received 24,000,000 bushels. In 1890 it received 24,000,000 bushels.

—An Indiana farmer, who told his boys to burn every bumble bee's nest they found on the farm, and who was complaining at the failure of his crop, was surprised when Maurice Thompson, a chemist, said: "That is why your clover seed fails you. Bumble bees make your clover seed fail you."

TEMPERANCE.

Report of the Committee on Temperance to the N. B. Southern Baptist Association.

1. Your committee recommend that this Association reaffirm our conviction of former years, that the Liquor Traffic is a piracy upon all the institutions of civilized life. That it demoralizes all its patrons and helps none.

2. That among the many sad consequences of this business is the vast sum of the Lord's money that are spent by us as a Christian people in this wickedness.

Our Dominion's drink bill runs up the enormous amount of \$27,825,000, or about \$5 per head of our population. Our tobacco bill is said to be about \$22,000,000 or \$4 per head of our population, while the contributions of all the Christian denominations of Canada for Foreign Missions are less than half a million dollars.

3. As a cure for this unmitigated curse which is upon us, we recommend to our churches a reorganized church life, which carries with it total abstinence from alcoholic beverages and tobacco, and demands the strictest legal prohibition of the same, as possibly obtain of their manufacture and use.

—Mrs. DUNN.—A woman went into a room-yard on a very cold day and asked to see the head man. He came forward. "Sir," said she, "can you let me have a quarter of a cord for that?" handing him a roll of money; "my children are freezing!"

The man looked closely at her. "Why, are you not Seth Blake's wife?" he asked. "Yes, sir, I am," said she.

"How does it happen that you are in such low circumstances?" asked the man. "Sir," answered Mrs. Blake, "I run did it."

"That's bad," said the man. "Yes, sir, it is bad. My children are starving, and run did that! My children are growing up outside the church, outside the Sabbath-school, outside of the day school, and run does that! My husband, once kind and industrious, is now a vagabond, and run did it! My heart is broken, and run did that!"

—Nor did the rough woodman keep his eyes dry, for he remembered the time when Seth Blake was a promising young man! He married a nice woman, and the young couple started in life with as fair a prospect of comfort and happiness as a couple could wish for.

Newfoundland imported nearly two millions of gallons of liquors in the last seven years—so say correct statistics obtained last year. These liquors would cost these consumers—about 500,000 dollars each year, or \$5,500,000 in the eleven years. Now though the taxes are terribly hard this year, liquor business thrives all over the island.

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BY MINNIE E. KENNEY.

"Boy wanted!" the neatly written slip of paper in the window of Mr. Ward's grocery store caught Tip's eye, without any definite aim or purpose.

"My! How I would like to have a nice place like that, and have a chance to earn something by thought, carefully, and then animated by a sudden purpose, he turned around after he had passed the door, straightened himself up, took his hands out of his pockets, and putting on a brisk, business-like air, entered the store.

"The money is wrapped up in a bit of paper in the bottom of the basket," said Mrs. Merrill, and as Tip handed the basket to the clerk he mentioned it to him.

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A hard struggle between right and wrong went on in his heart, but at last honesty triumphed. His minutes later he marched triumphantly into the store and put some loose change into Mr. Ward's hand.

"Here's that egg money," he said. "Oh, Mrs. Merrill sent it back, did she?" asked Mr. Ward.

"No, she didn't know nothing about it. I brought it back myself," Tip answered. "Did you suppose you could have kept it without being found out?" asked Mr. Ward, watching the boy's face keenly.

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News Summary.

DOMINION.

-At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Canada Bank Note Engraving and Printing Company, Limited, held on the 19th of May 1887, the resignation of Mr. Geo. E. Desbarats, as President, was received, and accepted. Mr. C. Smille was elected to fill the vacancy with Mr. G. F. C. Smille as Vice-President.

-The Liberals of Digby county have nominated Mr. Robichau to contest the county in their interest.

-C. Spooner, for the past three years editor of the Grand Manan Press, has severed his connection with that journal.

-The Moncton Times says: A bald eagle was shot by John M. Johnston, at Bartibogue, on Friday last. Its wings when stretched measured 6 feet 4 inches. The bird had been in the neighborhood a long time, but Mr. Johnston has been unable to get a shot at it until last week.

-There is in possession of Mr. J. McNeil, Hantsport, says the Winsor Tribune, an old felt hat, two hundred years old. It is of German manufacture, and is said to have been worn by some German prince. It is still in very good condition, with the exception of a couple of moth-eaten holes in the crown.

-From and after 1st of July, 1887, the limit of deposits to be received from any one depositor, at the Dominion Savings Bank, will be reduced to three hundred dollars (\$300) in any one fiscal year; with a maximum limit of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

-The remarkable absence of drunkenness and rowdiness during the celebration, says the Halifax Chronicle, was the subject of general remark from visitors. Hardly a drunken man was seen or a row or disturbance of any kind observed throughout.

-While rambling in the woods near "the spring" at the foot of South street, on the 21st, a young lady named Maud Metzler noticed what appeared to be pieces of brown paper flying about. Closer examination showed that the "brown paper" were pieces of Dominion bank notes. They had been cut in small pieces with a pair of scissors. Miss Metzler picked up the pieces of 27 different bills—mostly \$1, although there was the remains of one \$2 and one \$4 bill. The destruction of the money was evidently accomplished by some one.

-William Hill, manager of the Spring Hill mine, who has just made a tour of Cape Breton, says "The island is nothing but a bed of valuable minerals, and all that is wanted is capital to make it one of the greatest mining countries in the world."

-Messrs. White & Allison, barristers, Sussex, were advised on Thursday by Judge Palmer that he had refused the application made to him for the return under the habeas corpus act for the release of the men incarcerated in Kings county jail on a conviction under the Canada Temperance Act. The judge holds that the Scott Act is in force in Kings, and decides against the application of Mr. Twidde; that the Canada Temperance Act was repealed by the revised statutes, (which have lately come into force) and re-enacted in a somewhat changed form and that the voice of the people is again necessary to repeal the act.

-The shipments from Summerside to Point du Chene, per steamer "St. Lawrence" and "Princess of Wales," for week ending 22nd, included 58 horses, 25 cattle, 12 sheep, 72 cases eggs, 374 bags potash, 2,150 bushels oats, 1,000 lbs. hides, 1,100 yards island cloth, 110 cases lobster, and other articles of a total value of \$12,866.

-The Western Chronicle has been informed that great damage has been done to the strawberry crop in the western part of Kings county, N. B. by frosts. In many places fully half of the crop has been destroyed.

-Lumbering operations are "booming" in the vicinity of Parroboro. An exchange says: B. Young, Mr. Uppon and several others are shipping deals from Parroboro every day, and about 500,000 lbs. of 5,000,000 for Newville steam saw mill last winter. They are cutting 50,000 of deals per day, and 35,000 of laths. James Miller, of Economy, got out about 8,000,000. Mill cuts from 50,000 to 65,000 and lath machine about 50,000 per day.

-The Canadian Record, a religious paper with notes on the Sunday school lessons, 6 cents a year. In clubs of five or more 30 cents a year.

-The YOUTH'S VISITOR, illustrated, 45 cents a year. In clubs of ten or more 12 cents a year.

-These are the BEST and CHEAPEST 3c. Papers for Canadian Schools, in order to, take 20 per cent of above rates when sending cash.

-Edmund H. Collins, son of the late David Collins, of Indiantown, was killed at Boston, in the yard of the Boston & Albany railway, last week. Deceased, previous to his leaving this city about six years ago, was a conductor on the I. C. R., and at the time of his death was yardmaster of the Boston & Albany. Mr. Collins was about 28 years old, unmarried, and very popular when in the I. C. R. service.

-Attention is directed to the announcement in another column of the North American Life Assurance Company. This Association has been wonderfully successful, and is now regarded as one of the most prosperous financial concerns in the country. Its policies are at the best features of the older companies and offer inducements not found in many others. The names of the officers are a sufficient guarantee for fair dealing, and persons about to insure, should look carefully into the North American's plans.

-We have been requested to publish the following paragraph: St. John, June 25th 1887. I wish through the columns of your paper to give public denial to a report now in circulation that Geo. B. Colwell had forged my signature. This report is altogether without foundation in fact. Yours respectfully, S. B. Smith.

-Reesor's flouring mill at New Market Ont., was burned to the ground on Friday. The loss is about \$40,000; insurance \$22,000.

-A despatch from Louisville, Kentucky, to the St. Louis, Mo., Republic on the 16th inst, says: "John Woodward, a prominent citizen of Frankfort, New Brunswick, who was visiting relatives in New Albany, Ind., committed suicide yesterday by piercing his heart with a pair of scissors." The despatch adds that despondence resulting from ill health was the cause of the deed.

-Chief Justice Sir Matthew Crooks Cameron died at Toronto on the 25th. He was born at Dundas, Ont., in 1822. It is only a few weeks since he received the honour of knighthood.

-Mr. Lewis, agent of the Sons of Temperance, will lecture at Scott's Bay, Wednesday, July 6th; Perreux, Friday, July 8th; Fort Williams, Sunday, July 10th.

-"Pay as you go and get what you pay for." Sheppard Homans, late Actuary of the Mutual Life of New York, and author of the American Experience Table of Mortality, in a recent letter to The Monetary Times, says:—"The level premium system has its advantages, as well as its disadvantages. It is a combination of insurance, which is one thing, and of investments, which is quite another thing. Each man can choose for himself, whether he prefers to pay for insurance as he gets it or whether he prefers to pay largely in advance. The one is as sound in theory, and as safe in practice as the other." The motto of the Dominion Safety Fund Life Association, St. John, N. B., is "Insure for insurance, and control your own investments."

-Fire broke out in a tenement house off Oxford street, London, June 26, and several inmates were unable to escape. A youth jumped from the top story and was instantaneously killed. His mother followed him. In her descent she struck upon the railing in front of the house and rebounded on the head of a child in her arms. A moment later she fell backward into the flames, and the charred remains of herself and two children were afterwards discovered.

-The jubilee was celebrated in grand style in London, and there was nothing to mar, in any way, rejoicing. Some of the leading London papers spoke as follows next morning: The Telegraph said: "The jubilee has come and gone in a blaze of pleasure, success and happy national emotion. Good Victoria, the centre and climax of the spectacle, was greeted with such cheers of love, reverence and beneficence as no crowned head had ever before received." The Post: "Congratulations is due both to the queen and to the people. No sovereign ever received more sincere testimony of respect and affection. Never has a people testified its loyalty in a more admirable fashion." The News: "The pageant was worthy of the country and the occasion. Flattery could not say more, and the truth does not allow the sober chronicler to say less. The queen's welcome was perhaps the heartiest, as it certainly was the most magnificent, she ever received." The Times: "Amidst the tumult of rejoicing, unqualified in the memory of this, and many past generations, the jubilee culminated in a passion of febrility and thanksgiving. Only they who have lived in and through it can realize its wondrous thrill and glow. Cavilling is dumb with admiration."

-President Cleveland has cordially accepted the dedication to him of the eulogy on Henry Ward Beecher, by Dr. Parker of the City Temple. In his acceptance, the President said, and cut the word "my" in "my love and honored friend." Dr. Parker will deliver the eulogy in Brooklyn in October next.

-Bradstreet's report 141 failures in the United States during the week, against 164 last week, and 161, 184, 187 and 178 for corresponding weeks of 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889. The middle states had 35, New England 24, southern 12, western 54. Canada had 22, an increase of 10 over last week.

-An employee of the Chicago Packing and Provision Company discovered a fire in the tank room early Saturday morning, and in a few moments the tank exploded, scattering the burning lead over adjacent buildings, a dozen separate fires soon competing. The fire burned some fourteen and one-half hours. The smouldering embers continued to laden the air with the fumes of roasting pork, and the fire soon when the premises, red hot for two days. Loss, a million and a quarter.

-A Highland (N.Y.) fruit-grower owns a great hickory tree which with his grand-grandfather killed three wolves in 1772. The day and date were cut in the stick at the time.

-M. M. Sheets of Watkinstown, Ga., saw in the woods near his house a large tree in the form of a horse. He said nothing about it and soon moved out of the neighborhood. After ten years he moved back, and one of the first things he did was to examine the tree. The bees were still there, and he called some of his neighbors to help, and cut the tree down, when it was found to contain a hollow 38 feet long and 8 inches in diameter, chock full of honey from one end to the other.

-Some English residents of Boston, proposed celebrating the Queen's Jubilee by a banquet, in Faneuil Hall on Tuesday, but some of the Irish element, inspired by cheap politicians and demagogues, thought they would prevent it. A diabolical scheme was hatched. The streets leading to the hall were blocked by a noisy mob, carriages conveying guests were hooted and pelted, and the demonstrations more than once approached the dimensions of a riot, nothing but the activity of the police preventing open violence. The Boston Journal, referring to the matter, says: "It is a shame to Boston that a few hundred people who wish to honor Queen Victoria and to revive memories which are dear to them as English-born citizens, cannot meet in peace in a hall consecrated to personal liberty and free speech, but must have the protection of three hundred policemen to hold at bay and club into decency a mob of howling hoodlums."

The Portland, Maine, Press uses the equally strong language and closes on the subject thus: "What the men of Ireland are asking England for is equal privilege with Englishmen. And what the friends of Boston were seeking in the streets of that city Tuesday night was to deprive Englishmen of the privilege which they themselves had time and time again enjoyed."

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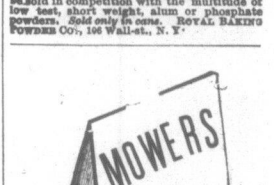
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