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THE AYLESFORD UNION.

"That ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind, striving together for the faith of the Gospel."—PAUL.

AYLESFORD, N. S., MAY, 1897.

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THE MONTH.

The ice held in the St John River until April 22nd, this year.

The Dingley Tariff Bill became law on April 1st—an appropriate date no doubt some will say.

Hunter and Crossley will continue their campaign at Kentville till the end of the month. Thus far about 80 converts are reported.

As we go to press the report comes to us that a man was kicked to death in a drunken row in the shiretown of Kings on the 24th, from which we judge that the devil is still in possession of at least a goodly portion of his "half acre."

The Toronto and Hamilton newspapers unite in condemnation of cedar block pavement as frightful repositories of disease microbes. It is affirmed that more than one epidemic of diphtheria and scarlet fever has been traced to children playing with old blocking which was being removed from the streets.

It would seem that the Cuban trouble is practically, at an end. Since Maceo's death the insurgent forces have been more decidedly of a guerilla character than before. On the other side the war is proving a serious drain upon an already bankrupt nation, which has no prospect of reimbursement by a war indemnity. Consequently Spain is very glad while claiming a victory to grant self government to the Island. Recent dispatches state that a proclamation of this nature has already received the signature of the Queen Regent.

Lieut. Gov. Kirkpatrick sailed on the Majestic for New York on April 21st very much improved in health.

Toronto can no longer boast of its quiet Sabbaths. By a third vote taken on May 15th upon the Sunday Street Car question the car companies finally won by a majority of about 400 votes.

The average rate of duty imposed by the Dingley Bill is 57.03 per cent, while that of the Wilson Tariff which it replaces was only 39.94 per cent and of the old McKinley Tariff 49.58 per cent. In the year 1896 the average Canadian duty levied on imports from the United States was 17.13 per cent. There cannot then be much question as to who is most inclined to be neighbourly.

Quebec like Nova Scotia has gone overwhelmingly liberal rejecting the Flynn administration by 49 to 24. When it is remembered that the last house stood 50 conservatives to 23 liberals, the reversion of feeling becomes the more marked. Mr. Marchand will be the new premier. The star of liberalism is certainly in the ascendent. Never in the history of this country did any party have such an opportunity to prove the soundness of its principles.

It is in no small degree interesting to contrast the anxiety of many of our military men to secure places on Canada's contingent to be present at the Imperial Jubilee in London next month, with the anxiety of these same soldiers a few years ago to be excused from attendance upon Riel's demonstration on the Red River. But we suppose that there is a difference between soldiering under the admiring gaze of loyal Londoners than in the presence of a horde of hostile half-breeds.

The Transvaal government has expended over a million dollars upon armaments since the Johannesburg trouble, and is steadily adding to its equipment batteries of artillery, Maxim guns and large supplies of ammunition. The British war office considers such movements rather significant in view of the unreasonably exorbitant indemnity demanded of England by Kruger's government. A sharp eye is being kept upon the saucy little South African Republic while reinforcements are quietly being despatched to the Cape. Britain will not be caught napping.

It is announced that arrangements for a fast line of steamers between Canada and England have been completed.

At a charity bazaar in Paris under the management of the ladies of the nobility, the building caught fire and one hundred and twenty one persons lost their lives.

The report of the school for the blind at Halifax has been issued. Eighty-six pupils are reported in attendance of whom four are from Kings County.

A grand dinner to the poor of London is to be one of the events of the public celebration. Donations for this purpose are being received. One anonymous philanthropist has sent £25,000 (\$121,000) as his contribution.

The Arbitration Treaty negotiated between Great Britain and the United States was rejected by the senate of the latter nation. Fifty two Senators voted in favor of the treaty to thirty-one against it, but the rules of the Senate require a majority of two thirds for the approval of a treaty with a foreign nation.

The Nova Scotia elections on April 20th resulted in an unprecedented sweep for the government. Only four opposition members were sent back to face a government of thirty-four members. If an opposing party is essential to wise and honest law-making it would certainly seem desirable that a sufficiently strong force may be maintained in opposition to act in some degree as a check upon the government party.

As an outgrowth of the Cretan difficulties and the refusal of Greece to obey the mandate of the powers to withdraw her troops from that island, war was declared between Turkey and Greece on April 18th. Notwithstanding the confident prediction in many quarters that the war would not last over a week, the plucky little peninsular Kingdom put up a pretty good fight for over a month before an armistice was secured by the intervention of the powers, and even now seems to be considerably removed from demolition as shown by the battle of Domokos on May 17th. The one threatening feature of the situation now is the fact that Turkey is apparently intoxicated with her success and is determined to thrust herself forward as an European power. Her demand of the annexation of Thessaly and a war indemnity of ten million pounds is considered out of the question and none can say what the end will be.

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Preaching on 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 11 a. m., and on the 4th at 3 p. m. Social service every Sunday at 7.30 p. m.

Sunday School on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month at 10 a. m., and on the 4th at 2 p. m.

Young People's Prayer Meeting on Monday at 7.30 p. m., followed by C. C. Class, led by the Pastor at 8.15.

Regular Prayer Meeting on Friday at 8 p. m.

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper after the morning service on the 1st Sunday of each month.

Monthly Conference on the Saturday preceding first Sunday of each month at 2 p. m.

Pastor's Reception at the Parsonage every Tuesday afternoon and evening. All are welcome.

W. B. M. A. Society meets on the Wednesday following first Sunday of each month at 3 p. m.

The Junior Union meets on Saturday at 3 p. m., under the leadership of Mrs. J. B. Morgan.

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Sunday School on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 10 a. m., and on the 3rd at 2 p. m.

Regular Prayer Meeting on Thursday at 8 p. m.

Young People's Prayer Meeting on Sunday at 7.30 p. m.

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper on the 2nd Sunday of each month after the morning service.

Monthly Conference on the Saturday preceding the 2nd Sunday of each month at 2 p. m.

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Church Services:

Preaching on the 1st Sunday of each month at 3 p. m.; on the 2nd at 7.30 p. m., and on the 4th at 11 a. m.

Sunday School on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays at 10 a. m., and on the 1st at 2 p. m.

Regular Prayer Meeting on Wednesday at 8 p. m.

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper on the 4th Sunday of each month after the morning service.

Monthly Conference on the Saturday preceding the 4th Sunday of each month at 2 p. m.

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Divine Service may be expected in the Methodist church Aylesford each Sabbath morning during April and May beginning at 11 o'clock; and in the Methodist church, North Kingston, each Sabbath afternoon at 3 o'clock, excepting April 25th and May 23rd, on which dates the service will be at Melvern Square at the same hour. J. S. C.

PARISH OF ST. MARY'S, AYLESFORD.

REV. J. M. C. WADE, M. A.—VICAR.

Services for April:

St. Mary's Church, Aylesford

1st Sunday, 3 p. m.

2nd Sunday 11 a. m. & 7.30 p. m.

3rd Sunday, 11 a. m.

4th Sunday, 7.30 p. m.

3rd Sunday being Easter there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion with morning prayer.

CHRIST'S CHURCH, MORDEN

1st Sunday 11 a. m. 2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.

3rd Sunday, 7.30 p. m., 4th Sunday 11 a. m.

4th Sunday (Octave of Easter) Holy Communion.

Good Friday Service at Morden 11 a. m.

St. Mary's, Auburn 3 p. m.

The Vicar's Bible Class at the residence of H. V. B. FARNSWORTH, AYLESFORD, every Tuesday at 7.30 p. m.

The annual business meeting will be held in the parish church on Easter Monday 19.

LODGE DIRECTORY.**HARMONY LODGE, A. F. & A. M., No. 59.**

Meets on 1st Monday of each month at 8 p. m., in their Hall at Aylesford Station, N. S. C. B. MCINTYRE, W. M.

KINGSTON LODGE, No. 65, I. O. O. F.

Meets every Friday at 8 p. m. in Odd-fellows' Hall, Kingston Station, N. S.

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SUNDEW DIVISION, S. OF T. No. 550.

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GLENDALE LODGE, I. O. G. T.

Meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. in C. J. West's Hall, Aylesford, N. S.

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BROOKLYN LODGE, No. 677.

Meets every Friday at 8 p. m. in the Hall at Welton's Corner, N. S.

HENNIGER ELLIOTT, W. C.

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THE FARMERS' UNION Meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. in North Kingston Hall.

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THE FARMERS' UNION Meets every Thursday at 8 p. m. in the hall at Millville.

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THE AYLESFORD COURT, I. O. F.

Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 8 p. m. in their Hall at Aylesford Station, N. S.

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STAR OF HOPE, I. O. G. T., No. 95, Meets every Saturday at 8 p. m. in Morristown Hall.

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A Soft Roar for the Ear of the Voting Half.

BY AMY MUSGRAVE.

"I will roar that I will do any man's heart good to hear me."

"I will aggravate my voice so that I will roar you as gently as any sucking dove; I will roar you as if I were any nightingale."

A midsummer night's dream. Act I, Scene 2.

In the Highlands of Scotland the people are apt to get their English a trifle mixed; even "the meenster" sometimes using a noun and pronoun to the same verb. So much so that on one occasion the minister having given out his text: "The Devil as a roaring lion goeth about seeking whom he may devour," proceeded,— "My brethren we will consider 1st, Who the Devil he was; 2nd, Where the Devil he was going to; 3rd, What the Devil he was roaring about."

We find this a convenient arrangement of our subject, and, merely transposing the good man's second and third points, proceed to consider

1st—Who the Woman's Christian Temperance Union women are?

2nd—What they are roaring about?

3rd—Where they are going to?

I. We are *women*. When I was a girl I used to say I did not want to be a lady. I know better than that now, but for long I resented the word as small and narrow, a lady seeming to be a person who petted her hands and got all she could out of men in the way of care, and money and work. When I found it meant *Soft giver* I was reconciled to it.

But *woman*,—woman as God meant it is a mysterious wonderful word. Let us go back to God's use of it, and see what He meant. It was because "for Adam there was not found an help-meet—or suitable—for him" that woman was "builded" as the Hebrews has it; and it was out of a bone "of man" that the Lord God builded her.

When we consider that a bone is the strongest and most indestructible part of the body, we realize that this must mean that the Lord God hid in the woman a bit of the strongest and most indes-

tructible nature of man, for him to find it there when he was in need of help. And the word gives the lie to Satan's shallow roaring that a woman cannot understand a man's temptations and so forth.

But this brings us to the second word *Christian* in our Society name. The woman as we all remember very well proved unable to help poor Adam. Still her *raison d'etre* remained, and after she proved a hindrance it became more intensely her duty to find out how she was to become the help suitable—for—him that God meant her to be. And that is what the word *christian* reveals,—the possibility of becoming 'a bone' of the Body of the God man; that is of receiving His nature anew strong and divine on which to build up our character.

And this brings us to the third word, *Temperance*. We have no faith in a bodiless christianity. In fact, if the New Testament be our authority there is no such thing. You cannot have "given your heart to the Lord," unless you have given your body. St Paul says of some people "They first give their *own selves* to the Lord." We know exceedingly well what this means in human love. Let us think of the meaning of marriage and say of each essential that we require in our chosen, Jesus the God-man requires that of me. Is it to leave our present associates and live together? Jesus says to us: "Come out from among them and be ye separate and touch not the unclean thing and I will receive you" Is it to lavish time and energy and bodily beauty in the service of the loved one? The word says:

"We beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice. . . ."

Is it, finally, entire devotion to you and you alone, that you require, as typified in the white wedding dress, or for us in the white shirt front. Christ desires to present us to Himself "not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but

that we should be holy and without blame before him in love."

And the fourth word *Union*. Well! This word is open to misunderstanding. It does *not* mean that we are satisfied that a union of women alone can accomplish our aims, but rather that we are united to use to the full the strength of that bone first to win all good men to cooperate with us, and secondly to win every boy and man in our Dominion to cast out of their bodies whatever weakens or defiles them, whether liquor tobacco or opium.

This brings us to the second point of our subject.

II. What are we "roaring" about? Well boys you know just *how* your mother's "roar" at you when you are ill, wretched, in pain, or in a bad scrape. God teaches them how.

Shakespeare says a soft voice is an excellent thing in woman. We want to catch the tones of the "Still Small Voice" that can find their way into your hearts, in spite of Satan's roaring.

That is *how*: And *what* we want to roar is;—

"Fear not O men greatly beloved, be strong. Yea, be strong."

Dear boys and men we believe in you. You don't believe much in yourselves for you say you cannot carry and enforce Prohibition, and you say you cannot run the government without the revenue of the liquor traffic.

Ineffable logic!

The liquor dealers must be encouraged to fatten by sucking the best blood of our men and boys, to fling their besotted bodies back into our homes or forth as carrion to glut police courts, houses of ill fame, inebriate and insane Asylums in order that with a share of the blood money which they pay into our Treasury we may enjoy a continued immunity from the increased taxation which would follow the first years of Prohibitive legislation.

Sensible surgeon who should refuse to remove a tumor sucking into the vitals of a man in the prime of life, on account of the temporary strain on his physique attendant on its removal!

But we, we scorn such husks when thrown to us as arguments.

We say in our hearts "Wait till our men are waked up—Our men and our boys. Did they not deliver the bodies of men from slavery though it honeycombed the British Colonies and the United States? Didn't our men do it in spite of a howl from the slave-owners.' As to the liquor dealers, aye and the rate payers, roaring a bit, I feel inclined to say with that dear old Scotch woman Margaret Ogilvy, "Hoots boys! a man's roar is neither here nor there."

And if you say it is the lion that goeth about seeking whom he may devour, all the more reason that we should fight him, and save our boys and brothers out of his mouth as David did the lamb.

Only "the arms of your hands must be made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob" first.

Now to be definite.

III. Where are we leading you to?

First, To keeping yourselves, your souls and bodies so clean and strong that we can delight and glory in you (for which we were made but which you make very difficult to us).

Secondly, To voting square for Prohibition when the Plebiscite comes, and trying in all sensible ways to get other fellows to do as you do.

Third, To abstain from learning to smoke or chew, for we do want our children to be strong and perfect.

Fourth To not selling tobacco or cigarettes in your stores. Think this over. You make the money for us. Well we don't want money made by selling tobacco. If we don't want our own sons and brothers to use it we don't want to be using money got in that way. And we do want the greatest good of the greatest number.

Fifthly To increased caution in prescribing morphia and other narcotics and leaving them in the hands of patients who have slight or no idea of the rapidity and strength with which the drug will become their cruel master.

Where are we leading you? Brothers; to the great Elder Brother who waits to make you every whit whole; and then to teach your hands to war and your fingers to fight,—not, like our misguided giant Corbett, against the human body of a fellow creature, but against a foe worthy of your energy, your enthusiasm, your highest manhood, because the enemy of your God, your weaker brothers, your wives and children, your sweet hearts and your native land.

BOOKS.

Books are my friends. They are friends who never intrude themselves upon us, but ever stand ready to come forth at our call. They remain silent until we seek their aid, when they give us instruction, or comfort, or whatever is their special work. We may not know personally the many persons who write the beautiful and useful books which fill our libraries, but they are one and all our friends. They are opening to our eyes and ears the beauties of the world:—

"The beauty and the wonder, and the power,
The shapes of things, their colors, lights
and shades,
Changes, surprises,—and God made it
all!"

Let every one, if possible, obtain a few good books, and read them well. Almost any luxury should be sacrificed for this. But how often we hear the cry, "Oh, dear, I have no time to read." Yet those same persons who utter this cry, waste more precious moments throughout the day, perhaps a very few at a time, yet in those few moments some thought could have been gleaned from a book, which would have lightened many of the daily duties which followed. Byron says:—"Words are things, and a single blot of ink produces that which makes thousands, millions think." "Read anything continuously," says Johnson, "and you will be learned." Perhaps this is so, but I have read books, which after reading, I have mentally flogged myself for touching. Let us all read books which will lift us up, not lower us. C. M. P.

The Musings of a Married Man.

By EBENEZER BENEDICT.

Yes, I am a married man as you might readily suspect from my name. For once in real life there is something in a name, the poet's skepticism to the contrary. But you will object that while I was born a Benedict I was not born married, and therefore my philosophy is weak. True; yet although I was born unmarried, I have always believed that I came into the world with an inherited disposition to matrimony, for as far as my knowledge of the Benedict family history extends, every one of my ancestors has been afflicted with that malady, the microbes of which began at a very early date to develop in my own soul. Whether the family received its name from its

matrimonial proclivities, or whether the latter resulted from the name, is a question which I have been unable to determine. Suffice it to say, that after five years of wedded existence, with four juvenile Benedicts prattling about my paternal knee, it is a source of daily congratulation to me that I am entirely free from the many glaring incongruities which mark and mar the married life of my friend and next door neighbor, Nebuchadnezzar Bachelor, with his family of ten children, of whom nine are girls. Just fancy the absurdity of a father of ten being addressed as "Mr. Bachelor," or spoken of with neighborly familiarity as "Old Bach," to say nothing of the injustice which the family name entails upon the nine little feminine Bachelors! Contrast with this the appropriate dignity of "Mr. Benedict" in the vocative, or the "young Benedicts" as applied to my four promising sons! Then do you ask, "What's in a name?" "Much! Much of joy to gladden the present, and of bright promise to shed lustre upon the future."

I am well aware that it is generally presumed that one in my condition in life is not likely to have either time, opportunity or inclination to indulge in musings of any sort, much less to give the substance of such meditations to the reading public. As against this prevailing notion, permit me to array my twenty-five years of residence among the marrying and married inhabitants of this mundane orb, and my five years of experimental conjugality, and say that married men do think,—yes, have to think—and think for themselves. Moreover, they have certain food for thought—somewhat hard of digestion at times—of which the celibate world knows nothing. Of course we cannot always muse when we would like, as do our bachelor brothers, but unrestrained liberty is a poor character-builder; nor are we exempt from such trivial interruptions as a juvenile disagreement, a shrill blast from the cradle, or a tender bit of sarcasm from the queen of the home, but these only serve as punctuation marks to our cogitations, interpreting more clearly their meaning. While I am not accustomed to muse by the page to suit the caprice of another, I am nevertheless willing to share at least some of my meditations with my friends, hoping that they as well as I, may be both entertained and profited thereby.

(To be continued in the June Union.)

The Value of Our British Connection.

By W. E. HARRIS.

When some time ago the writer was framing a little for this paper entitled "Canada for Canadians," he avoided making particular mention of the value to Canadians, of our British Connection; feeling that it was a subject worthy of much greater attention than one could afford it in a short article, such as the one mentioned above. It is regrettable to find one still meets with the same difficulty, i. e. want of space, when he turns to the broad and weighty subject in hand, and attempts to enter fully into a discussion of the same—However, I shall endeavour to set forth herein some strong reasons for keeping alive the noble sentiments of loyalty to the Mother Country—not on the ground of sentiment alone shall I speak; but from a necessary standpoint as well, for one can safely say the little point is the more popular one with the majority of people now-a-days—Therefore, in addition to showing why we should feel proud to be recognized as British subjects, if only for that alone, I must tell our readers how this matter affects us in dollars and cents, and will adduce some figures at the end of this article showing what an immense volume of our trade is done with Great Britain alone as compared with all other countries in the aggregate.

Some of our friends are ever anxiously turning their gaze upon the south of us, and are very fond of expatiating upon the glorious achievements of that country, since it declared its independence. I would ask these same people to pause and enquire as to whether they might not find truer pleasure, as loyal Canadians, by turning their eyes in another direction? Could they not reap greater enjoyment by looking toward the steady-throbbing living heart of the whole civilized world of today? That heart which pumps the warm gushing life blood of civilization, liberty, and christianity through an empire so vast in its proportions, that the sun never sinks to rest upon its bosom. Then let them realize the fact that the heart of which we speak is none other than that of our own dear Mother-land—How fully do I realize the inadequacy of my feeble attempt to find suitable words with which to frame a fitting eulogium of that country, which has done so much towards bringing about our happy condition of to-day! Great Britain has done so much towards increasing, by tremendous strides in late years, not only our commercial prosperity by sending forth armed forces to subdue the unenlightened inhabitants of the further ends of the world; but also by supplying by God's

grace, the noble men and women, who have taken their lives in their hands, and gone forth offering themselves as a means of carrying God's message to them, and of extending Christ's Kingdom on earth.—England's greatness has been sustained through long, long years not more fully by her achievements in the first named direction (that of advancing civilization alone), than through her noble efforts to supply the vast means necessary to carrying on the advance guard, of the "Church Militant, here on earth," which to day, is found warring against darkness and sin, even in the uttermost parts of the earth.

England reminds one of a man who in seeking his own welfare, seeks first the welfare of his Creator's cause. Such a man is sure to succeed, and stand firm throughout all time, likewise a nation.

It is not necessary for me to recount the great achievements of the British forces by land and seas, in an article of this kind, and bring before you events with which you are all quite familiar if you have given your attention to British History. All people who have a proper knowledge of the World's history, concede British greatness without the slightest murmur of dissent.

"Give me the grand old Union Jack,
Baptized in blood and tears;
The flag that o'er a nation free
Has waved a thousand years,
More modern flags with stars and bars
As beautiful may be;
But the flag that waved a thousand years
Is good enough for me."

Yes! That flag which loyal Britons might liken to the most brilliant gem in the diadem of some great potentate, when they behold it on the brow of that impregnable sentinel which keeps eternal vigilance over the entrance to the Mediterranean sea. That flag which is the ensign of the largest, strongest fleet, which moves upon the face of the waters to-day; and which fleet guards our marine commerce from interference on the part of any. The flag which waves proudly and victoriously over those vast rich British territories in South Africa, that flag which floats so freely over millions of square miles, and millions of British subjects in sunny India; and over our prosperous Southern sisters in the Australian group; and which lends its prestige to millions of industrious Canadians, who occupy millions of acres of British soil in this Canada of ours—Yes! that flag will do for me! When we pause for a moment and consider what our British connection really means to us, and realize with what a mighty nation our names, our interests and our future are identified, it makes one thrill with pardonable pride.

When we, as Canadians, find we have a mighty army, and a navy which has never met with defeat, to lead force to all our demands when difficulties of a diplomatic

character arise, or when "Uncle Sam" attempts to trample upon our rights, as in the Behring Sea seal fisheries; to know we have so mighty a friend to come forward and plead our cause, and to see that the fullest justice is meted out to us by all: I assure you this furnishes rich food for the minds of all Canadians to reflect upon; and more especially those whose minds are tainted with disloyalty, or the "anti-British sentiment."

British troops and ships are sent to protect us, and gigantic fortifications are built and maintained, not at our expense but at the expense of the Imperial government.

When Canadians feel it would be to their advantage to borrow funds to carry on some great public work, such as the construction of that famous continental highway, known as the Canadian Pacific Railway; it is English capital that we borrow, and not the capital of some nation uninterested in our welfare.

When the Canadian government decides that we require a fast Atlantic steamship service, or when we feel that it would be to the advantage of Canada to have the British colonies more firmly cemented together by improved means of communication, such as the proposed Pacific cable, is it not the generous heart and open hand of the mother country which comes forward and proffers assistance?

Time and space would fail me, should I attempt to enumerate the countless reasons for sustaining and strengthening our relations with the mother land.

Now in order to give our readers who have not already looked this matter up for themselves, some idea of the immensity of our trade with Great Britain, I shall submit the following accurate figures taken from the latest trade and navigation returns, issued by the Dominion Government. Let us look at our exports alone, and point out the principal articles exported, in turn:

During the fiscal year ending June, 1896, we shipped to Great Britain alone, 7,587,280 lbs. of canned lobsters and 21,861,276 lbs. of canned salmon, not mentioning the enormous quantity of dried fish shipped to the same place; \$12,178,701 was the value of our forest products sent to Great Britain; 17,179 horses, worth \$1,729,508; 97,042 cattle, worth \$5,816,361; 219,810 sheep, worth \$1,721,250; 4,970,047 lbs. butter; 164,410,940 lbs. cheese; 5,585,725 dozens of eggs; \$1,380,165 worth of furs; 17,026 lbs of honey; 64,807,605 lbs. meat, fresh and canned; 504,680 barrels ripe apples; 487,252 bushels of oats; 1,347,170 bushels of peas; 9,729,368 bushels of wheat, leaving unmentioned thousands of bushels of other kinds of grain, and thousands of barrels of flour and meal.

Our total exports to Great Britain for

the above mentioned period amounted to the sum of \$66,690, as compared with \$51,323,565, which was the value of our exports to all other countries in the aggregate.

We might easily go into this matter of our exports more fully, but for fear of wearying our readers, will leave the subject to be more fully discussed on some future occasion. The foregoing figures should furnish conclusive evidence to the minds of all, that our future commercial prosperity depends upon our success in obtaining closer trade relations with Great Britain: or better still, with the British Empire.

Preferential trade with the Mother Country is the one great hope of the British Colonies, and this should be the goal towards which every sound minded colonial politician of today, is tuning his attention.

Boston Letter.

DEAR EDITOR:—

I was very much pleased to receive a copy of the "AYLESFORD UNION" for April this morning. It seemed like a refreshing breeze, coming over the waters from dear old Aylesford to a dirty dusty city. If the little paper continues to improve as it has during the last month, I am sure the number of copies issued will have to be increased.

Since coming to Boston we have had all sorts of weather from 20° below zero to a hot July day. I have found to my sorrow that it does not do to expect twelve consecutive hours of weather anywhere near the same but to be prepared for every degree of temperature on the globe. Both of my Sunday evenings have been spent at Tremont Temple, the Stranger's Sabbath Home, listening to Dr. Lorimer's splendid sermons. The new Temple is much the same as the old, being on the same site. It is much higher, higher however, thus seating more people. There are more halls, offices etc., than there were in the other Temple; in fact it is almost a small city under one roof.

Much good is being done. After-kneelings are held after each service when many are brought to acknowledge their need of a Saviour. I was struck by the lack of formality here, everyone is made to feel at home and we hear the good old hymns, such as, "Alas and did my Saviour bleed," led by a choir of between eighty and ninety singers.

The chief attraction in Boston at present is the sub-way, which is being built for the electric cars. Part of this will be in working order the first of June, and we will soon find ourselves travelling under

the city This underground way will be kept lighted by electricity.

All tearing up, and repairing of streets, where much traffic is carried on through the week, is done on Sunday, and nights, when told it was obligatory to do this work on the Lord's day, I could not help wondering if this was not a most thoughtless disregard of God's commandments and if he would not punish it.

The prettiest spot I have seen, thus far, in Charlestown is Bunker hill. The grass on this elevation was being cut by a lawn mower when I visited it. On this hill is the high stone obelisk 221 ft. high, which marks the site of the redoubt. In front of the monument is the figure of Colonel Prescott, while on either side are fountains playing. Any one so desiring, may go to the top of the obelisk, but as I did not feel equal to 221 ft. of climb. I did not have the pleasure of the view.

Another very pretty spot is a little to the south east of the hill, where the Union soldiers are commemorated. At the entrance of the ground are two stone tablets erected in 1889 with the names of the Independence soldiers. Inside is a monument while around the green are found beds of tulips of every hue and description.

I have seen very few Nova Scotians as yet but hope to see many more before leaving Charlestown. I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Blanch Nichols not long ago in Boston.

Some of the windows look very pretty filled with Easter lilies, pansies and may-flowers although not as many of the latter as I should like. The markets are full of strawberries, green peas, string beans, etc., and sometimes I am almost led to believe I must be dreaming and that it is July instead of April.

Sincerely Yours,
C. M. P.

Charlestown, April 26th, 1897.

Ordination.

In response to a call of the 4th Cornwallis Baptist Church, delegates from a number of sister churches met in the house of worship at Burlington on Wednesday, May 12th, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of considering the advisability of setting apart Bro. Geo. L. Bishop, to the work of the gospel ministry. The council was organized by the appointment of Rev. M. P. Freeman, Moderator, and Rev. J. B. Morgan, Clerk. After an opening prayer by Rev. A. Cohoon, the enrolment of delegates showed representatives present from the 4th Cornwallis, Berwick, Upper Aylesford, Biltown, Cambridge, Canard and Wolfville Churches, in which were included the following ministerial brethren: Pastors M. P. Freeman, E. O. Read,

C. H. Martell, D. H. Simpson, and J. B. Morgan, and Revs. T. A. Higgins and A. Cahoon. Having related his christian experience and call to the ministry and stated his views upon leading doctrinal points for the council, Mr. Bishop was subjected to a careful examination by a number of the delegates. The candidate was then requested to retire, when the following resolution was unanimously adopted, "That in view of the satisfactory character of Bro. Geo. L. Bishop's examination, the council advise the church to proceed with the brother's ordination."

The following programme of service was arranged for 7 p. m., Ordination Sermon,—Rev. T. A. Higgins D. D.; Ordaining prayer, Rev. E. O. Read; Hymn of Fellowship, Rev. D. H. Simpson; charge to the Pastor, Rev. J. B. Morgan; charge to the church, Rev. C. H. Martell; and 'Welcome to the Association, Rev. A. Cohoon. Although the evening brought a heavy downfall of rain, the house was well-filled, and marked attention was given every part of the evening exercises, which were pronounced interesting and profitable in a high degree. As the writer listened to the respected Dr's well-rounded periods, packed full of mature thought and delivered with characteristic energy and emphasis as he spoke from 1 Cor. II: 2., he was carried back over a decade when he occupied a place among Acadia's students in the west gallery of Wolfville church under the sound of the same voice. A general hand-shake and expression of hearty good wishes for a continuance of the prosperity which thus far has attended the labours of Bro. Bishop marked the close of a pleasant and profitable day.

J. B. MORGAN,
Clerk of Council.

GOD'S GRANDEUR.

Eternal God! who can declare
The Grandeur of thy Name?
When seraph tongues unable arc
Thy glory to proclaim.

Before the universe was fram'd.
Or worlds in space were flung,
Before the fires of nature flam'd
Or lamps in heaven were hung;—

Thou filledst the infinite expanse
And dwelt in silence deep.
A down the centuries didst glance
Those eyes which never sleep.

Systems and worlds before Thy mind,
In beauteous order spread;
The earth and ocean Thou didst bind
With firmaments o'er head.

To praise thee for thy skill and power
The sons of light rejoice;—
Thé morning stars their gladness pour,—
The floods lift up their voice.

But in redemption's mighty scheme
The grandest work we see;
This is the Christian's noblest theme,—
His song of jubilee.

Bridgewater, N. S.

S. MARCH

AMONG OUR CHURCHES.

AYLESFORD.—The regular work of the church was seriously interrupted during the entire month of April by the illness of the pastor. On the second and fourth Sundays the appointments were filled by Bro. A. I. Corbett from the College and Rev. R. D. Porter of Middleton, both of whom were much appreciated by the congregation on the whole field. The pastor is again at his post, and the interest in all branches of the work has not appreciably diminished. We look for still greater blessings from the presence of God's Spirit in our midst, and feel deeply impressed that the salvation of souls is as important in May as in January. Let there be no relaxation or diminution of efforts as the busy days of spring and summer come upon us, but let the first fruits still be given to the Lord, and to His work.

KINGSTON.—The interest in the regular work of the church is well sustained. On May 5th, we had an especially good prayer meeting. The attendance was large and a number expressed a desire to come back to the service of their Lord and get right before him. With united hearts and hands, much can be done during the coming months in the name of the Master.

MORRISTOWN.—In order that the pastor might be present at the weekly prayer meeting, a change has been effected at his request in the night of meeting from Wednesday to Thursday. All meetings are well attended and are especially marked by a large percentage of the younger members.

WOLFVILLE.—Mr. Gale, as reported in our last note, has been at work with us. He left some time ago, but the influence of his spirit-filled life yet remains. Never probably in the history of the town, has christianity been so freely spoken of and so highly esteemed by all, even the unconverted. The christian life of very many of God's people has been strengthened and deepened. The beauty of a clean, out-and-out, uncompromising life for Christ has never been so apparent, and never appeared so truly noble as to-day. Mr. Gale sowed the seed and has left it to us to gather in the harvest. Already twenty have united with the Baptist church, besides others who are connecting themselves with the Methodist and Presbyterians. On the evening of the 25th Mr. Trotter baptized seventeen. Of these fourteen were from the Institutions on the Hill. More are expected to offer themselves at our regular conference on the 29th.

CANNING.—A large attendance and a deep interest is manifested in the weekly prayer meeting and Sunday School as well as in the Sunday evening services.

PEREAUX.—Our pastor Rev. W. N. Hutchins, who for some time has been holding meetings at Blomidon, has been greatly aided in his work, by Mr. Marple, the Evangelist. The meetings have been well attended and many have expressed a desire to lead better lives. Sunday morning, Apr. 18th, Mr. Marple preached in the Baptist church at Pereaux, and in the afternoon our pastor baptized three candidates. Surely God is with his people in this place.

W. B. M. U.

MOTTO FOR THE YEAR:
"Workers together with Him."

PRAYER TOPIC FOR MAY.

For Mr. Sanford that he may have continued health, and great success in his work. For Mr and Mrs Gullison that they may speedily acquire the language and soon be prepared for service.

AYLESFORD.—Although our meeting was not quite so largely attended this month as we had hoped for—thirteen sisters being present—yet we believe that there is an earnestness and devotion pervading our workers which may well inspire us with courage to press forward.

The meeting was opened with prayer especially remembering our prayer-topic. An interesting letter from Mrs. Gullison was read, also other missionary intelligence. One of our sisters favoured us with a very suitable and well-delivered recitation.

Deeply impressed with the necessity of a greater number of workers in our field, it was proposed by our President that each sister present make a special effort to bring a new member with her next month.

Owing to illness among the sisters the public meeting which we anticipated holding in April was postponed for a few weeks. However we hope to gather our forces for a May meeting.

God grant that the power of His Holy Spirit may come upon all our dear sisters arousing each christian to this soul-saving work—this missionary effort.

TRIMONT.—The W. M. A. S., met at Mrs. L. M. Baker's on the 7th. Nineteen sisters were present. After the usual opening exercises a letter to the society from Mrs. Gullison was read, also extracts from private letters, which were both interesting and instructive. As we read these letters our hearts are made glad to think that one of our members is permitted to labour in India.

A farewell letter was read to Mrs. Geo. Spicer (formerly Mrs. Janetta Banks) and a Bible was presented her as a token of esteem from her sisters. She replied with a few words of thanks.

We shall miss our sister very much. She has been a faithful worker in the

mission cause and has been secretary of our society for some time.

After a season of prayer the meeting closed to meet next month at Meadowvale.

The officers of our society are now as follows.—

PRES.—Mrs. Thomas Steel.

SEC.—Mrs. Milton Baker.

TREAS. Mrs. Ellis Ford.

There is also a Vice President in each section,

EXTRACTS.

from a private letter from Miss Newcombe to the Sec'y of the Kingston W. M. A. S.

BIMLIPATAM, Mar 19th., 1897.

Thus far I have enjoyed Telugu very much indeed. I sometimes think I am living my first school days over, and know now just how glad and proud I used to feel over each new word added to my vocabulary. When you first come and hear the natives talking (seemingly about twice as fast as we do) in this new language it seems an awful maze, and that without any plan, and your heart sinks at once, you wonder if you ever will be able to say one word, let alone understand the natives when they talk. But word by word I find I am getting the language until now I actually can see some form to what they say, and quite often can catch a word or perhaps a phrase that I know. How easily difficulties are conquered when we master them one at a time.

Mr. Morse suggested that I follow "Prendegast's method of acquiring a language," and I find that it makes the study of Telugu not only easy, but a delight.

Mr. and Mrs. Gullison have been in for a week previous to their going to Chicacole for the hot season. It seems so delightful to see them again.

I did not get your letter finished on Friday, but must try to do so now, as we plan to start for Ootacamund tomorrow. Yesterday was such a busy day, getting everything packed so as to send off in the cart early to-morrow morning.

I think that I saw one of the saddest sights in my life yesterday. Talk of poverty at home! We know nothing of it at all. Every Sunday morning Mrs Morse feeds the beggars who may come to the gate. But yesterday it had been given out that they were going away, and all the poor people unable to work might come. What a spectacle as they came in and sat down under the trees! The maimed, the lepers, the blind, the old, the young, the middle aged, their scanty clothing more scanty still because too poor now on account of the famine to get anything, little as many of them wear. Some even had not as much as a dirty cloth to put their rice in. Oh! it was sad as you saw some little child leading a poor old blind

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To anyone sending us four paid subscriptions to the AYLESFORD UNION we will send a free copy for a year.

For eight paid subscribers we will send the *Baptist Union* free.

For 10 paid subscribers we will send the *Messenger and Visitor* free or the *Baptist Union* and our own paper both free.

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EDITORIALS.

We are very sorry to be somewhat behind-hand in making our appearance this month. Sickness and the pressure of other duties made it impossible for the editor-in-chief to place the matter in the hands of the printer at the usual time. The responsibility rests therefore with the staff, and not with the mechanical department, as sometimes happens in such cases. If our patrons will bear with us we shall endeavor to redeem our record in the future.

The Anniversary exercises of Acadia University begin on Sunday, May 30th, and continue till the following Wednesday evening. The programme of exercises as published in the *Messenger and Visitor*, from the Baccalaureate sermon on Sunday morning by Rev. W. B. Hinson of Moncton, to the Conversation under the auspices of the executive of the Associated Alumni on Wednesday evening, gives promise of a very enjoyable season to all who may be privileged to attend. Many people living within accessible distance never have realized how great are the privileges thus open to them, which they have never embraced. Beyond the residents of the University town and immediate neighborhood, the attendance upon such occasions consist largely of those who have at one time or another, been students of the institution. A widening interest in these exercises should be earnestly sought, for the more our people see of the institutions and their work, the more hearty will be their appreciation of the value of such institutions to our denomination and the world at large. Especially do we urge the young people to visit Wolfville at this time. Such a visit may mean to you what it has meant to many before you, the awakening of the first great thirst for knowledge.

We desire to express our thanks to the many kind friends, who have added to the encouragement of their patronage, that of appreciation and good-will. Aside from the appreciative estimates of our literary merits, to which editorial modesty forbids that we should make more than a passing allusion, many expressions of satisfaction with the mechanical excellence of

our little journal have come to our ears. We take great pleasure in informing our readers that our printing is done at the office of the *Berwick Register*. Our neat and tasty dress, which we regard with the pardonable pride of youth, is the workmanship of the *Register's* efficient foreman, to whose painstaking ability our mechanical appearance is a fitting testimonial.

The time has about passed for Aylesford, when the general store with its attempts to carry in stock everything "from a needle to an anchor," is either profitable for the seller, or adequate to the needs of the buyer. With groceries, dry goods, hardware, drugs and medicines, gents' furnishings, etc., etc., all huddled together in a single store of moderate dimensions, it is impossible to give the buyer the highest advantages of assortment and cheapness. Thus it happens that many hundreds, if not thousands of Aylesford dollars find their way to the tills of merchants in other towns, which might be kept at home under other conditions. Would it not be a good idea for our business men to seek by agreement among themselves, a division of lines such as exists in other places?

To our esteemed brother, Rev. H. H. Saunders, who is removing from Elgin, Albert Co., N. B., to assume pastoral charge of the Lower Aylesford church, the UNION extends a cordial welcome. The *Messenger and Visitor* reports that Bro. Saunders "has ministered very acceptably and successfully to the church in Elgin" for the past four years. We hope that his new relations will be most happy, and that great blessing may be in store for both pastor and people.

The lavish hand with which nature is scattering her beauty up and down this favored valley, leaves nothing to be desired but good crops and a favorable market. If one half the attractions of this valley were made known to the world, its entire length would be overrun with tourists and pleasure-seekers from June to October. How long will it be before our people will awake to an enterprising realization of the wealth of our country's endowments?

AMONG OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

PEREAUX.—During the past month our B. Y. P. U., has received three new members, of whom two are active. In a small community like Poreaux, even a small increase in members is encouraging. It shows us that our society is living and growing though slowly. Last night we had a grand meeting, quite a number were present and nearly all took part. We ask the prayers of the readers of the UNION that our Endeavour may be blessed, and prove a blessing to others.

CANNING.—The meetings of our Union during the winter months were well attended and very interesting. As summer approaches there is much to attract our young people in other directions, but still the interest seems good. Our regular meeting is on Tuesday evening of each week, the first part of which is spent in singing, prayer and testimony, after which we take up the lesson of the S. L. C. We are now preparing for the examination. At our last meeting many of the members spoke of the help the Union had been to them and expressed a desire to make it more helpful to others in the future.

LOWER CANARD.—Three years ago we organized our B. Y. P. U., for better work among the young people. We know it has been successful and we find the weekly meetings a source of great strength. Our Union has been increased of late by the addition of about twenty-five members, active and associate. We have taken the Sacred Literature Course and with H. G. Harris as leader, our pastor reviewing us monthly we find the lessons very helpful. Our meetings have been considerably broken of late, but we hope that in the future our Union may be used by our great Elder Brother and President, not only to strengthen his children, but to aid others in coming to him.

WATERVILLE.—During the past month our Union has been increased by three new active members. We are hoping and praying that there may be many more to come. Our committees seem to be very much interested in their work especially the Devotional committee which consists of three active lady members, who meet once a week and pray and work for the interest of the society. They are paying particular attention to the younger members, and new members, giving them Bible verses to be read during any pause which may occur in the meeting. Once a month a meeting is especially devoted to them and recitations, readings, and music are given by them, which proves to be very interesting and awakens the interest of the younger ones. We are glad to report a large attendance at every meeting. In our meetings, we notice particularly the hearty

singing in which the greater number take part, this drives away all dullness which is so often noticed in the meetings. The District meeting met here on the 12th and 13th of April. The meeting on Tuesday evening was devoted to the society and was in charge of our president, Miss Jessie Young. Rev. and Mrs. Higgins, returned missionaries from India, gave pleasing addresses on the subject, "The young People and Missions." Rev. Mr. Mellick also spoke with great earnestness on "Missions in the West." The meeting was a very interesting and instructive one, and thoroughly enjoyed by all. We are planning to have a National Service on the 24th of May, in honor of our beloved Queen. Would it not be a good idea for all our societies to do the same thing and show themselves loyal citizens? We are glad to hear of new societies being formed in different places for we know that it is a great help to be a member of one, and pray for God's blessing on them all. As you know we are a new society and desire the prayers of all Sister Societies, that the marked interest we now have may still continue and many souls be saved.

Yours in Christ

ROSS M. SHAW, Cor Secretary.

SYDNEY, C. B.—The B. Y. P. U. which was organized at Sydney a few months ago has been steadily progressing and growing in strength. The active membership has increased from seven to thirty eight.

WINDSOR, N. S.—Since the first of March this Union has had thirty five new names added to its list of members. A Junior Union has been organized in connection with the Senior Union, with a membership of forty five.

AYLESFORD.—This month we have but little to report. Owing to the illness of our pastor during the past month, our work in the culture course was dropped. However we have resumed work again, and at our last meeting we decided to finish the course for this year, as we have found the lessons very instructive and helpful. Although the work in our Culture class was dropped we continued our prayer meetings.

BILLTOWN.—The Union during April has maintained its regular prayer meetings, and class for the study of the Sacred Literature Course. At our business meeting it was resolved to revise the list of members, as many of them have removed to other places, and others are absent from their homes. Some interest has been added to the Social Service, and we are hoping for more. Preparation is being made for a Conquest meeting to be held in May, which we hope will be successful.

MORISTOWN.—A parlour concert under the management of the young people of Moristown was held at the residence of Mr. William West on the evening of Tuesday April 20th. A programme consisting of music, recitations, etc., was enjoyed after which refreshments were served. A collection amounting to nearly ten dollars was taken for church purposes.

Our Juniors.

MOTTO: "In the name of the Lord Jesus."—Col. 3:17.

PLEDGE: "I promise to pray every day, to abstain from both liquor and tobacco, to keep from using profane language, and to be present, when I can, at every meeting of the Union."

DEAR EDITOR.

I thought I would write and tell you how our Union is progressing. We have a membership of nearly fifty and we hope more will join us in our work. We answer to our names at roll call by reciting a verse of scripture beginning with a certain letter. Mrs. Morgan is our leader she makes her talks to us very interesting and profitable. We plan to support a little girl in India under Mrs. Gullson's care. We are taking the Christian Culture Course prepared for the Juniors and intend to pass the examination at the end of the year. The Conquest meetings which are held once a month we find very interesting. At these meetings we take up a collection for missionary purposes.

From your friend

NELLIE PARKER.

We hope that all our Juniors keep strict watch upon themselves in the matter of keeping the pledge. One little girl is certainly on the alert in this regard. Having used some language which seemed to her upon second thought not in full keeping with her promise, she appealed anxiously to her mother, "Oh mamma, did I use profound language?" Detecting a smile she corrected herself thusly, "Oh no! not profound, I mean perfumed language."

A Born Gentleman.

A small boy was at a table where his mother was not near to take care of him, and a lady next to him volunteered her services.

"Let me cut your steak for you," she said "if I can cut it the way you like it," she added, with some degree of doubt.

"Thank you" the boy responded, accepting her courtesy; "I shall like it the way you cut it, even if you do not cut it in the way I like it."

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man or woman, or a leper tottering along with hands and feet so gone that perhaps mere stubs remained, while all showed signs of famine. No words can picture the scene. Being seated in rows on the ground, the preachers first broke the Bread of Life, of which having eaten they will hunger no more. Doubtless the seed sown will bear fruit. Then the rice was brought out, and each one received sufficient for a good meal. But the saddest sight of all was, after each had been given rice, when they saw that some was left over, with one accord every man, woman, and child arose, pushed, shoved, and fought for the remainder. Heathens indeed! No word can paint their physical condition, much less their soul's dire need.

A nation that know not the Lord, nor his gift of salvation surround us. Daily they are dying, and going to an eternity without God. Oh! that we might realize what this means, and who has made us to differ.

Never shall I be sorry that I obeyed the call, and came to India. Now my earnest prayer is, "God make me faithful. Use me as, and where, and when Thou wilt."

Yours sincerely

IDA M. NEWCOMB.

Is Charity Worth While.

Ruth Ashmore contributes a helpful and practical paper on "Is Charity Worth While?" to *May Ladies' Home Journal*, thus summarizing her discourse: "But, after all, what we want to do, you and I, is to fill our lives with charity so that to whomever there may come need we can give help. The help may express itself in material things; it may be in the sympathy of kindly words, or it may be spoken only by the pressure of the hand. There is no charity in having your name on the list of generous givers while some one near to you stays within doors because her coat is shabby, or because her clothing is not sufficiently warm. There is no charity in the giving of much money if you have been harsh and cruel to some one who deserved your consideration, and have made that one heart feel that there is nothing in the world but bitterness. There is no charity in your being willing to write checks that represent much money when you are quick to speak the unkind word, or to show to those who are around you a heart eaten up by pride, and lips that utter no words save those of scorn. All the gold in the world

will count as nothing unless your charity is like that which was taught to the world nearly two thousand years ago. It meant that to feed the hungry, take care of the sick, to forgive the sinner, and to help, always in the best way, whoever asks for help, was Christ's charity. That is the charity, my friend, that you and I want to imitate. Begin by being charitable with your lips, by being charitable in your thoughts and acts. And if, of your little store, there can only be offered a few pence, you may be certain that they will be reckoned by God Himself as greater than the many millions given by those who are so unwise as to think that charity means only the giving of the least of all things - money."

Keep This.

Keep cool.
Keep pure.
Keep the peace.
Keep your senses.
Keep good company.
Keep sober by all means.
Keep away from every vice.
Keep liquors from your home.
Keep away from evil companions.
Keep every unkind word to yourself.
Keep a stout heart; despair always weakens.
Keep early hours; late hours have ruined millions.
Keep the good resolutions you have made; 'twill make you happy.
Keep the love of your wife and listen to her advice. She is your best friend.
Keep on the right side of every person until convinced that the left is the right one.
Keep your feet from straying into forbidden paths every day in the year and every hour in the day.

Example, Not Precept.

A successful worker in one of our rescue missions is a lady who was formerly a society belle, but who has now consecrated her brilliant social and intellectual gifts, and her beautiful voice entirely to the Lord's work among the lost and degraded. She once remarked that she clung to dancing and card playing for years after she made a profession of religion; and that her real joy in the christian life did not come until these things had been given up altogether. One evening, about two weeks after she had made full consecra-

tion, she went into a little mission room, and was there asked to say something helpful to a poor wreck of a man who had been for many years a gambler. The man looked at her suspiciously.

"Do you play cards?" he asked.

"No."

"Do you dance?"

"No."

"Do you go to the theatre?"

"No; not now."

"Very well," he said. Then you may talk to me. But I won't listen to one word from your fine folks who are doing, on a small scale, the very things that have brought us poor wretches where we are."

"Can you not believe," added the lady who told the story, "that the joy of being able to teach the way of life to that lost soul was more to me than all the poor little pleasures I had given up for Jesus' sake?"

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS.

BY HUDYARD KIPLING.

A nation spoke to a nation,
A queen sent word to a throne:
Daughter am I in my mother's house,
But mistress in my own.
The gates are mine to open
As the gates are mine to close,
And I set my house in order,
Said the Lady of the Snows.

Neither with laughter nor weeping,
Fear or the child's amaze,
Soberly under the white man's law
My white men go their ways.
Not for the gentile's clamour,
Insult or threat of blows,
Bow we the knee to Baal,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

My speech is clean and single,
I talk of common things,
Words of the wharf and market-place
And the ware the merchant brings.
Favor to those I favor,
But a stumbling-block for my foes,
Many there be that hate us,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

I called my chiefs to council,
In the din of a troubled year,
For the sake of a sign ye could not see,
And a word ye would not hear.
This is our message and answer,
This is the path we chose,
For we be also a people,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

Carry the word to my sisters,
To the queens of the East and South,
I have proved faith in the heritage
By more than the word of mouth.
They that are wise may follow,
Ere the world's war trumpet blows,
But I, I am first in the battle,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

A nation spoke to a nation,
A queen sent word to a throne,
Daughter am I in my mother's house,
But mistress in my own.
The gates are mine to open,
As the gates are mine to close,
And I abide by my mother's house,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

OUR STORY PAGE.

For the AYLESFORD UNION.

"A Little Child Shall Lead Them."

I once knew a dear little girl named Bessie. She was only five years old, but she had been taught of Jesus and had learned to love Him and want others to love him too.

Bessie's mother was one of the elder children of a large family, and as the younger ones were all boys, Bessie had some quite young uncles. One, who was about twenty years of age, was especially fond of her and she loved him very much. He was a generous, good natured, fun-loving fellow, but he was not a christian.

This fact was a source of much sorrow to Bessie. However, she knew where to go with her trouble and night after night she prayed for Uncle Frank, that he might learn to love Jesus. For some time she received no answer to her prayer, still she did not give up, but prayed the more earnestly.

One day, when out with her uncle while he was at work, she surprised him by saying: "Uncle Frank, I am praying for you every night, I do want you to love Jesus so much." The words were so unexpected, that for a moment Frank was confused, but he soon began talking lightly of something else.

But Bessie's words were not forgotten; they followed and troubled him, until after a long, hard struggle with self, the love of Jesus came into his soul and he became a happy, earnest christian.

Just think how happy Bessie was when Uncle Frank came in one day, took her on his knee, and said: "My dear little Bessie, your prayer is answered; Uncle Frank loves Jesus now." How quickly and lovingly she threw her arms around his neck and kissed him again and again.

Dear boys and girls, have you not an uncle, a brother, a sister, or a friend who does not love Jesus? Can you not, like Bessie, pray for them and tell them how much you want them to love Jesus? If you will I feel sure your prayer will be answered as hers was. "Ask and ye shall receive."

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Whistling to Some Purpose.

He is not a boy in a book; he lives in our house. He seldom says

anything remarkable. He eats oatmeal in large quantities and tears his trousers and goes through the toes of his boots and loses his cap and slams the doors and chases the cat, just like any other boy. He is remarkable for he asks few questions, and does much individual thinking. If he does not understand he whistles—an excellent habit on most occasions, but at the table or in church it is liable to be misinterpreted.

There was much whistling in our yard one summer. It seemed to be an all-summer's performance. Near the end of the season, however, our boy announced the height of our tall maple to be thirty-three feet.

"Why, how do you know?" was the general question.

"Measured," sententiously.

"How?"

"Foot rule and yard stick."

"You didn't climb that tall tree?" his mother asked, anxiously.

"No'm; I just found the length of the shadow, and measured that."

"But the length of the shadow changes."

"Yes'm; but twice a day the shadows are just as long as themselves. I've been trying it all summer. I drove a stick into the ground, and when the shadow was just as long as the stick I knew that the shadow of the tree would be just as long as the tree, and that's thirty-three feet."

"So that is what you have been whistling about all summer."

"Did I whistle?" asked Tom.

—Bright Jewels.

A Shining Example.

"Have your shoes shined?" sang out a small boy near the Union station, among the throng of rural passengers just from the train. A young man who heard the cry stayed his steps, hesitating, for he had not much more money in his pocket than he had blacking on his shoes. But to hesitate was to fall into the shoe-black's hands and the brushes were soon wrestling with splashes of rural clay.

When the shine was complete the young man handed the boy a dime, and felt that he had marked his way into the great city with an act of charity—for at heart he did not care how his boots looked. But as he was pulling himself together for a new start he saw the boy who had cleaned his shoes approach the blind beggar who sits

behind the railroad fence, and drop a dime into his cup.

"What did you do that for?" asked the young man.

"Yer see," said the boy, "that was me tenth dime ter-day, an' me teacher at Sunday school told me I oughter give a tenth of all I makes ter the Lord, see? An' I guess that ol' blind man wants a dime more than the Lord, so I give it to him, see?"

"The Boy is Father of the Man."

When John Coleridge Patteson, who became the devoted bishop, was a lad at school, he was one of the cricketer eleven. At the suppers after the matches, the boys became, unhappily, accustomed to indulge in rather coarse mirth; silly, harmless jokes were circulated, and the talk sometimes bad. Patteson at last could stand it no longer. He rose from his place one night, and said clearly and decidedly, with boyish frankness and determination:

"I must leave the 'eleven' if this conversation is to go on; I will not share in it, and I cannot listen to it. If you persist in it, nothing is left for me but to go."

His companions did not want to lose one of their best players, and the hurtful talk was stopped. Patteson, when he grew to be a man, showed only too well that he could be physically brave.

He died heroically on one of the islands of the Pacific.—Sel.

Sharp Children.

A visitor from Manchester had been invited to address the Sunday school: "I am reminded, children," he said, "of the career of a boy who was once no larger than some of the little fellows I see before me. He played truant when he was sent to school, went fishing every Sunday, ran away from home when he was ten years old, learned to drink, smoke tobacco and play cards. He went into bad company, frequented stables and low tap-rooms, finally became a pickpocket, then a forger, and one day, in a fit of drunkenness, he committed a cowardly murder. Children," he continued, impressively, "where do you think that boy is now?" "He stands before us!" cried the children, as with one voice.—Sk. Lch.

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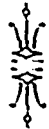
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Our boys are talking of a field day celebration for June 22nd. They should be encouraged.

Have you subscribed for the AYLESFORD UNION yet? If you have not, send in your name at once with fifty cents, and help a worthy home enterprise through the trying period of its existence.

The dispute still rages as to the species of the shade trees that have lately taken up their residence on the parsonage grounds. Will somebody kindly settle the question, or shall we call a church meeting? Fortunately the trees are not worried, but keep right on growing.

The UNION chronicles with pleasure the advent of a new family to the town, that of Mr. Warren Marshall, lately of Centre Clarence, Annapolis Co. Mr. Marshall comes highly recommended as a first-class blacksmith, and will be ready for business as soon as he can get into his new quarters in Ray's building.

The Baptist cemetery is being improved by a general cleaning up and the addition of a new fence. From the editors sanctum the irregularity of the walks is certainly suggestive of paths through a sheep pasture rather than walks through a cemetery. If the directors of the work think this is an overstatement we would suggest a survey themselves from this or some other commanding point of view.

Wm. Farnsworth met with a painful accident on the evening of the 24th while playing base-ball on the grounds near the station. By some mischance he slipped in running and turned his ankle. What was at first regarded as only a sprain proved upon examination the following morning to be a serious break near the ankle joint. Dr. Balcom set the broken bone and it is hoped that Will may soon be around again.

S. J. Ray is getting the frame ready for his new building, which he proposes to push forward to completion as soon as possible. The main building will be 70x25 ft with 15 ft posts and an extension in the rear 17 ft in width under a continuous roof. The ground floor will contain blacksmith shop, carriage repair shop, undertaking rooms and grist mill. Negotiations are in progress for the fitting up of the second floor for Reading Room, Reception Rooms and Gymnasium of the Aylesford B. Y. P. U.

Read carefully our special announcement on page 8.

Mrs. Baker of Millville has purchased the stock of W. E. Harris & Co., and will continue the business at the stand of the old firm. For the present Miss Sadie Hughson will remain in charge.

The railing recently removed from the bridge near the home of Garrett Van Buskirk ought to be replaced without delay. In fact the bridge itself seems rather "tactery." Where's the new government with its road money?

From the muffled sounds which from time to time proceed from the quarters of the Aylesford Band, we judge that music is hatching, which like that of the neighbouring woods will soon burst forth in strains accordant with the season. The signs of the season are many.

Bro. Benj. West of Morristown, recently met with a painful accident while ploughing. His horses got into a tangle with the harness, and in trying to set things right, he was thrown between them, breaking his collar bone. He is doing as well as could be expected.

Early in April a very nice operation was performed on a seven year old granddaughter of Henry Parker of Torbrook for appendicitis in a rather advanced stage, by Dr's. Balcom of Aylesford, Sponagle of Middleton and Shaffner of Lawrencetown. The little girl is now as well as ever, and our local disciples of Æsculapius are to be congratulated upon the success of their work.

McNeil and Lowe began sawing in their new quarters at Millville on May 17th. With the added facilities of the new situation and a well equipped mill the firm anticipates a good season's work. They have purchased the store lately occupied by Mrs. Baker, which they will utilize as an office and for the keeping of a small stock of such essentials as necessary to meet the wants of their men.

We feel confident that our "Wanted" in this column last month was calculated to "fetch." As a direct and prompt result of our appeal, Aylesford is to have what it never could boast of, "a genuine torsorial artist." Mr. Raymond Corbin, from the suburban town of Berwick, is arranging to serve the bearded sons of Aylesford in all the latest styles of his art on Friday of each week at the rooms in L. O. Neily & Co's. building. Any male above 15 years of age who is hereafter found at large with home cutlocks will be expected to explain to his fellow citizens through the columns of this paper. Meanwhile the UNION seizes this early opportunity of expressing the gratitude of the entire community for the loan of Berwick's knight of the razor, pending the securing of one all our own.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Henry VanBuskirk regains strength slowly.

Bro. Wm. Hodges is convalescing after a severe attack of pneumonia.

Miss Anderson is slowly recovering from a painful attack of erysipelas.

Bro. Herbert McNeill has gone to the hospital at Halifax, accompanied by the Union's best wishes.

Mrs. C. J. West is visiting friends in Boston, and Aylesford church again has a "widowerous" deacon.

Bro. James Hutchinson of Morristown, who has been confined to his home for several months, is again able to be out.

Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Welton of Millville, are steadily improving. The former was able a few days since to make the latter a visit.

Bro. George West is steadily recovering and it is hoped that his place in the church and its work may not be much longer vacant.

MEMBERSHIP.

THE AYLESFORD CHURCH.

BY BAPTISM.

May 2nd. May Roscoe, Edna Roscoe, Clarence Taylor, Stanley Sanford, Jessie Palmer.

BY LETTER.

May 2nd. Burpee Sanford, Mrs. Burpee Sanford, Addie Sanford.

BIRTHS.

DIXON—At Wolfville on April 27th, the wife of Frank A. Dixon of a daughter.

OGILVIE—At Welton Corner on May 24th, the wife of Charles Ogilvie of a son.

MARRIAGES.

COLE-JOHNSON—At the Baptist Parsonage, Aylesford, by Rev. J. B. Morgan, B. A., on the afternoon of April 24th, George P. Cole of Lunenburg, to Agnes C. Johnson of Aylesford.

PALMER-FOSTER—At the Methodist church, on the evening of May 5th, by Rev. J. S. Coffin, Francis E. Palmer of Kingston Station, to Alice E. Foster of North Kingston.

DEATHS.

ILLSLEY—At Weston on April 3rd, Annie G., daughter of Clark Illsley, aged 29 years.

ANDERSON—At Aylesford Station, on April 5th, Alexander A. Anderson, aged 74 years.

TUFTS—At Westfield, Mass., on April 21st, Larkin Tufts of Kingston Village, aged 22 years.

ANDERSON—At Aylesford Station, on April 24th, David O. Anderson, aged 33 years, leaving a widow and two small children.

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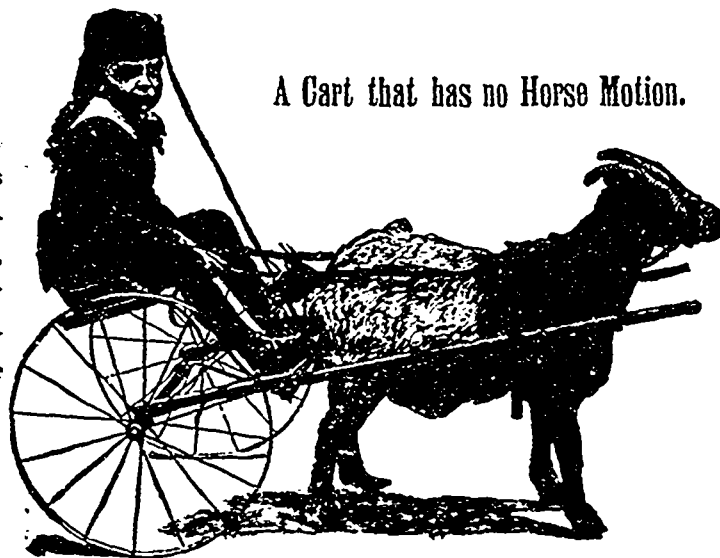
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