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—Dr. Tilden says salvation is not so much an escape as an achievement. This sentence deserves first place as an aphorism.

—MISTRESS may not be allowed to carry their politics into the pulpit, but they surely are called upon to teach their people how to carry religion into their politics.

—ITALY can only be saved from serious trouble, perhaps from revolution, by radical measure. Premier Crispi does not appear to be equal to the demands of the hour.

—INFLUENZA is raging in England. This epidemic is spreading with alarming rapidity. In some districts the public schools have been closed because of its prevalence.

—THE average of seven bushels of wheat to the acre is the estimated crop in North Dakota and the average price less than 50 cents per bushel, has made "hard times" by no means an imaginary thing.

—THE report is that the business of St. John is in a healthy condition. City merchants did more business in 1893 than in 1892, and the holidays' trade was unexceptionally good. This statement coming from men in every line of trade is decidedly encouraging. In the farming districts of this province good crops and a fair market have put the people above serious want.

—THE territories of Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma are about applying to Congress for the position of statehood, and it is thought with some chances of success. Political partisans are figuring diligently as to which of the two great political parties will be advantaged by these accretions with their new representatives in the Senate and House.

—It is said that the Dead Sea is about to be navigated. This sea, so long trackless, is soon to be plowed by two boats. One of them is to be employed in gathering sulphur and bitumen, and the other to carry passengers. Some one, in referring to the above, says that those who cannot make a ton of Palestine can see the Dead Sea nearer home. All he has to do is to step into some churches not far away, and he will find a dead man in the pulpit, a dead man leading the choir and dead men taking up the offering. Query: Have we any such churches in these provinces?

—On New Year's day the plebiscite on the prohibition question was taken in Ontario. There is little doubt that the result will show a majority of the people in favor of prohibiting the liquor traffic, though whether the majority will prove to be so large as could be desired in the interest of prohibition, is more a matter of doubt. The result of the vote in a general way will probably be known in the course of a few days, but for anything like accurate figures it will be necessary to wait perhaps some weeks. In P. E. Island the returns from the plebiscite show a majority of about three to one (of those who voted on the question) in favor of prohibition.

—The letter of Dr. Sawyer in another column is worthy of special notice. Our educational work is too important to be allowed to suffer for lack of support. The denomination in these provinces owes so much to our institutions of learning that the loyal support of every member of our churches should be heartily given to them. There is no doubt that if the work of our college and academies and seminaries were kept prominently before the minds of our people there would be no lack of moral and material support. We venture to affirm that too much stress is sometimes laid upon what is done at convention and the knowledge possessed by pastor and office-bearers.

—SAID Thomas Dixon in a recent sermon: "The common people are humanity because they fight its battles. They do its thinking. They do its suffering. They do its work."

Yes, and we read that "the common people heard Him"—the Son of man—"gladly." Is it any wonder that they did this when He so thoroughly identified Himself with them. And when men who speak for Him now wish to get the ear and heart of their fellows, they must have this same spirit. There is no other way to win men. A day of special prayer for a spirit of consecration would be a day well spent by the pastors of our churches.

—The Baptist Telugu Mission has received, within four years, an increase of 57 missionaries, so that now there is a force numbering 85. Of natives there are 66 ordained and 175 unordained preachers, 17 colporteurs, 111 Bibles

women and 161 other helpers; a total of 630. There are 1,979 villages containing native Christians, and 210 of them have started congregations with a building to meet in and a person in charge. The 65 churches report 1,609 addressees by baptism. The present membership is 48,899. In 17 boarding schools 551 male and 268 female pupils are taught by a force of 80 teachers, and in 13 caste-girls' schools there are 42 teachers with 659 pupils. The village schools number 837, with 509 teachers, 4,739 male and 2,535 female pupils. The total number of heathen scholars in all the schools is 1,433, and of Christians, 17,876.—*Mos Review.*

PASSING EVENTS.

IRELAND, with all her political troubles, has been favored with a season that is ending well. It is freely admitted that this has been one of the most favorable years within memory for the growth and harvesting of Irish crops. The only exception is found in three or four of the south-eastern counties, which have suffered with England from the drought. The autumn weather has favored the gathering of the potato crop, which is in quality and quantity unexceptionably good.

THAT full confidence in the financial ability of Canada is had by the people is indicated by the fact that there is over \$42,500,000 on deposit in the government savings banks of the Dominion, and that this large sum is placed at 3 1/2 per cent. interest, shows that many of our people are willing to take a low rate of interest for their money if the security is satisfactory. When the present over-production of all the necessities of life is exhausted, these funds will find a more profitable use invested in productive industries.

BRAZIL is still in the throes of a revolution, which is not likely to terminate at an early day. There appears to be no well developed public opinion in the vast territory of Brazil. The press does not enjoy the fullest freedom, and the facilities for the distribution of news are very imperfect and unreliable. As it is not possible to clearly understand from all the sources of information at hand what are the real contentions of the revolution, or the ability of the present government to control affairs, but little can be said with certainty of the future of Brazil.

IT is as true of nations as of men that what they sow they reap. Not long since the political leaders of our neighboring republic spoke in gleeful prophecy of the financial troubles that would come to them because of the high tariff they had established in the United States. They rejoiced in the certainty of coming prosperity to their nation; nor was their joy lessened by the thought that other nations would be put at a serious disadvantage by their restricted trade policy. A wise Providence has had the United States people at school for a few months past, to teach them that no individual or nation can afford to live a selfish life, or come to the fullest prosperity by a selfish policy. The loss of property and the misery of want which have come to many at an unexpected time, are but the result of measures adopted by the United States to ensure prosperity—rapid and certain. The selfish attitude of the nation has begotten and cultured individual selfishness and greed of gain. Fictitious values have been created and raised by unwise legislation and artful speculation to the place of real and relative worth. Millions have wonderfully increased, and so has the poverty of the millions. Political partisanship has had a strong hand in the case. "The most trusting creature in the world is a political partisan who goes with his party, no matter where it leads him." The recent struggle of capital and labor has been a fight in the dark. The friend has often been stabbed instead of the foe. The laboring man has voted capital into unlimited power and then waged an ill-advised and unequal warfare with him. Other influences and circumstances have doubtless contributed to the present troubles. Reliable reports state that the number of unemployed wage earners, who are in forced idleness, number now many hundreds of thousand, and that the persons depending on them for support are several millions. It is hoped that a change for the better will come soon. That the low price of bread in the American market is so marked as to threaten the success of British farmers, and that millions in America are at the same time suffering with hunger is an unusual, if not until now, an unheard-of circumstance. With the abundant crop

we have seen gathered this year, no one ought to suffer with hunger in our highly civilized and Christianized America. The golden rule can now be studied with profit by our United States neighbors.

THERE is apparently the best reason to believe that the local option bill which Mr. Gladstone has promised to the temperance reformers of Great Britain will be introduced during the next session of the Imperial Parliament. The proposed measure will give to towns, cities, boroughs, and in some cases to parishes, the right to control the liquor traffic within their own limits. The government is fully committed to the bill, and of course relies upon sufficient support in the House of Commons to carry it through that body. The bill will also have, it is said, considerable backing in the House of Lords. It is stated that public sentiment in England grows stronger in favor of the measure. This public sentiment has been fostered by meetings held during the past few months all over the country. The great meeting held in the Covent Garden theatre, London, two or three weeks ago, is spoken of as "the largest Temperance convention that has ever assembled in the history of the temperance agitation."

From this convention a large and most respectable delegation, headed by Sir Wilfred Lawson and Mr. Cairns, was sent to wait on Mr. Gladstone. The deputation was of a most thoroughly representative character and every great temperance organization united in it, with the single exception of the Church of England Temperance Society. The reason for this exception we are told, was that the Church of England Society has no desire to see the local option power placed in the hands of the people. The deputation was received with great respect by Mr. Gladstone and Sir William Harcourt, who united in giving assurances that the Government would do its utmost to secure the passage of the bill. In opposition to the bill the liquor dealers are supported in many instances by the land holders. It is now within the power of an owner of an estate—whether owned by a village—to determine whether or no there shall be any public houses on his property. On some estates at the present time, no such houses are permitted; but in most of the villages there are generally one or more public houses, generally a source of very considerable income to the owner of the estate. It is readily seen that to transfer the right of option from the owners of the estates to the people of the villages might in many cases result in drying up this source of profit for the landlords, hence their opposition to the bill.

ON Friday last Mr. Gladstone completed his eighty-fourth year. That any man so advanced an age should find his physical and mental strength in any sense equal to bearing the heavy burdens and responsibilities which must fall upon the Prime Minister of Great Britain is sufficiently wonderful. And this would be the case even if he were not the real leader, and were but lending to his party the prestige and influence which the services and successes of former years had won for him. But no one doubts that the commanding force in the British Government of to-day resides in its prime minister. The man who is at the helm and who steers the ship of state is the man of four score years and four. Beyond as well as within the British Isles, there are, of course, radical differences of opinion as to the wisdom of some parts of Mr. Gladstone's legislative policy, but no one regards it as a feeble policy, characterized by that caution and fearfulness which are usually associated with the enterprises of old age. The grasshopper has not yet become a burden to "the grand old man," nor has he yet come to be "afraid of that which is high." With his hand upon the helm the governmental ship does not hug the shore of conservative policy, but launches out boldly into the wide and stormy ocean of radical reform. Those who are most bitterly opposed to Mr. Gladstone's reforms cannot but admire the ardor of spirit, the fixedness of purpose, the tremendous ability, the unflinching astuteness and the indomitable energy with which he pursues his way. All this would be wonderful enough in a man of half his years, but in a man of eighty-four they constitute such an example of intellectual vigor and power in old age as, perhaps, the world has never before seen. It is true that it is not infrequently asserted that the prime minister is exhibiting signs of falling health and that a break-down of his great powers is imminent. But in spite of all these predictions he continues to live and to guide the affairs of government with undiminished strength; and

now it is certainly remarkable to find the London *Lancet* charging that Mr. Gladstone's unique strength has led him to prolong the session and shorten the holidays to such an extent as to endanger the health and perhaps the life of the members of parliament. That is the old-fashioned leader should set an easier pace, so that the average member of parliament shall be able to keep up.

Baptists of Western Canada.

While the Baptists of the East and West with one another does not increase very rapidly, our people have enough interest in the work of our Western brethren to make Ontario's Year Book a publication of value. We therefore note a few items gathered from the last issue.

The statements as to statistics are rather uncertain; but as far as we can understand the reports, there are in Ontario and Quebec 423 churches, having in all 36,800 members. The Baptists reached 2,665. The membership for the Maritime Provinces is 43,094.

The work in home missions was prosperous. The Board had 88 missionaries and 49 students during the college vacation. Three were reported to the Board 892 baptisms. Thirteen new meeting houses were opened on mission fields, and six new churches were organized, nine churches became self-sustaining and work was begun at nine new stations.

The receipts amounted to the large sum of \$24,188. This is a good record and shows an interest in the home work preeminent in every way.

The foreign mission work is also flourishing. Six new missionaries were sent out during the year. The receipts for this work were \$80,568. The receipts of our Maritime Board were \$30,521. They have eleven ordained missionaries and eight single ladies at work in India. They have in India 25 churches having a membership of 2779; 344 baptisms are reported.

Their educational work is also growing. McMaster University had 100 students in its classes; Woodstock had 151 pupils; Monitton had 138 young ladies.

The act of incorporation of McMaster University has been amended by an act passed by the Legislature of Ontario. The charter now provides for the following representation of the Maritime Provinces: "In addition to the Senate as constituted for the general purposes of the university, the following shall be members of the Senate, so far as the work thereof concerns the theological course, with the same powers and rights as other members of the Senate as to matters pertaining to such theological course: (1) Eight members to be elected by the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces to serve for such term or terms as the said Convention may decide. (2) The president of Acadia University and two of the professors of said university, to be elected by the faculty thereof annually.

This representation of the Maritime Provinces seems to be practically useless. We do not hear that any one of our representatives attends the meetings of the Senate at Toronto, and we are not aware that the faculty of Acadia has appointed any of its number as empowered by the charter. Several Baptists from these provinces, however, are on the Senate, viz.: Dr. Rand, Dr. Weldon, Dr. Goodspeed, Miss Alice M. Fitch, and Miss Blanche Bishop. A committee was appointed by the Maritime Convention at its last meeting to consider our relation to McMaster and to recommend a course of action in the matter. It is time, for us to reconsider the subject.

Meanwhile all our people who hold convictions as to the value and necessity of Christian education will rejoice in the great progress of Baptists in the West. They are going forward with energy and building up schools that must prove of great usefulness to the country and to the religious work of the body. And our satisfaction is all the greater because a number of the leaders have been nurtured among us. We are through them, making a large contribution to Christian education in Ontario.

Among the pastors whom the upper province brethren have called from our churches by the sea we note: Rev. W. E. Porter, Rev. J. W. Weeks, Rev. W. B. Hinson, Rev. C. H. Day, Rev. T. J. Bennett, Rev. J. W. Mann, Rev. W. A. C. Rogers, Rev. L. M. Weeks, Rev. O. C. S. Wallace, Rev. F. Beattie.

As the years pass the exchanges of pastors will no doubt continue, perhaps they will increase.

Whether our relations with our brethren in the West will become closer

in any organic way only the future will reveal. But in any event the moves of our fellow laborers will be a cause of thankfulness to us and we hope their zeal may provoke us to greater labors for the greatest of causes.

Halifax Notes.

Rev. H. F. Adams, of Truro, visited the city and on 17th ult. preached in the North Baptist church, exchanging with Bro. McDonald. At both services a large audience assembled and were delighted with the discussions delivered. Bro. Adams is welcome to call again when needed "rest."

Pastor Chute's work on "Life of John Thomas," is out, and in neat size, nicely bound, good type, and as far as we can judge, will prove helpful to all who may read it. The edition is limited and selling well.

The District Committee met with the Indian Harbor church on 28th inst. A large number were present. Bro. Hall and Kempton from Halifax were present and report a good meeting. A history of the church was delivered by Bro. Hall. Eleven persons were originally organized into a Baptist church and to-day one only surviving member lives to enjoy the jubilee services. A roll call followed, responded to by 48 persons. This part of the service was very interesting. Many reminiscences of "Ye olden times" were told.

Rev. S. B. Kempton read a good paper on "The Mission of the Baptists." He also preached to a full house in the evening. Bro. Hall conducted an evangelistic service at the close, full of earnestness and power. Some brethren were unable to attend these services by reason of sickness. We earnestly hope that the visit of our brethren will prove a very happy new year to many souls. The Baptist Y. P. Local Union held a mass meeting on December 23, in North church. In the absence of the president Bro. D. G. McDonald conducted the service, which was quite interesting.

Baptist Book Room did a big trade Christmas, and now tenders thanks to all and wishes Happy New Year to all.

The Week of Prayer.

The Evangelical Alliance has suggested the following topics for the week of prayer. The sub-topics are given by way of suggestion, and it is expected that each leader will make selections: SERMONS.

Sunday, January 7th.—Pentecostal power. HUMILIATION AND THANKSGIVING. Monday, January 8th.—Confession of sin. Prayer. Praise and Thanksgiving. THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL. Tuesday, January 9th.—Prayer: For the whole church of Christ.

NATIONS AND THEIR RULERS. Wednesday, January 10th.—Prayer: For all in authority; for the persecuted; for the abolition of the slave, opium and strong drink traffic, industrial and political.

FOREIGN MISSIONS. Thursday, January 11th.—Prayer: For the conversion of the world; for societies and their missionaries; for native churches, secret disciples; for the removal of hindrances, for such cooperation as becomes the members of the body of Christ.

HOME MISSIONS. Friday, January 12th.—Prayer: For the evangelization of the city, country and frontier and for a greater sense of personal responsibility.

THE FAMILY. Saturday January 13th.—Prayer: For parents, children and servants; for Sunday-schools and all Christian associations for young people, for all educational institutions.

SERMONS. Sunday, January 14th.—The second coming of our Lord.—Rev. 22: 12.

W. B. M. U.

NOTE FOR THE YEAR: "Lord what will Thou have me to do." Contributors to this column will please address Mrs. Baker, 211 Princess Street, St. John, N. B.

PRAYER TONIC FOR JANUARY: That a special blessing may rest upon the services during the week of prayer, and that the rich outpouring of God's Spirit may be experienced by our missionaries at their conversion.

Is it much to be a Missionary? "It is not so much to be a missionary to-day as it was twenty five years ago." No, our missionaries go to India now in six weeks instead of six months as formerly, but India is just where it was twenty-five years ago. Our missionaries live in houses larger than the houses of old, but it is "home" within the whitewashed walls? Where are the fathers and the mothers, the brothers and the sisters, and often the children? Christianity has done much for the heathen world during the last quarter of a century, but our missionaries are not dealing with souls regenerated twenty-

five years ago; they are dealing with souls stained with sin and idolatry; the heathen soul to-day is as black as was the heathen soul of twenty-five years ago. The conditions that do not change are the conditions that make the missionary's life one of so great sacrifice, separations, discouragements, travail for souls—these all tend the heart to-day just as they did twenty-five years ago. But while it is true that these painful conditions do not change, it is also true that God's conditions of grace do not change. "My grace is sufficient for thee" means as much to-day as it meant when the missionary Paul so wielded the assurance. The promise, "My presence shall go with thee and I will give thee rest," brings to our missionaries the solace and joy it brought to the servant of God long ago. Heathen darkness is dense, but the God of all light still lives, and in His ever-abiding presence the missionary says: "In alien-land I turn to thee, The God whom I have known, The God who in this lonely world Hath never left me lone. Do with me, Lord, whatever Thou wilt, So only Thou, wilt be Forever and forevermore. What Thou has been to me."

LOOKING FOR JESUS.

We who know the blessedness of having found the Christ, think tenderly of the aged Simeon waiting for the consolation of Israel, and peering into the darkness of his time, eager to catch the first gleam of the light that was to lighten the Gentiles and be the glory of His people Israel. We rejoice that it was given him to see the salvation of the Lord.

In the Gentile world was a group of earnest seekers, who for months trod the uneven track to find Him who was born King of the Jews; and we give thanks with them for the reappearance of the star that "stood over where the young Child was."

And shall we not be touched by the story of those who to-day, in the darkness of heathenism, are looking for the coming of the King? We have read the story of a Telugu boy, like the wise men of old, went about seeking to find the infant Jesus. He had found a leaf of the New Testament containing the second chapter of Luke, and after much perseverance was able to read the story. He went from house to house looking for the Saviour, but no one could tell him anything about Him. One day, while still in search, he met a beggar and asked if he knew anything about this wonderful child; the beggar knew nothing, but said perhaps the white man who gave rice could be able to tell him. The little boy ventured up the steps of the mission compound and entered a room where the missionary and his wife were sitting with a group of children. Presently a little golden-haired child ran into the room, and the strange boy, clapping his hands for joy, cried out, "I have found the wonderful child." His heart was ready to receive the missionary's story of the true babe of Bethlehem, and he was led to worship Him.

And there is a story of two old chiefs on an island in the Pacific, who like Simeon of old, were waiting to see the salvation of the Lord. Their one dim star of hope was the fragment of a story of one Jesus, which they had heard thirty-three years before from a passing missionary. They carefully measured the days of the week, and on the return of each Sabbath day, put on the calico shirts left them by the visiting missionary, and gathered around them the people of the island, to tell over again the simple story. Thirty-three years of waiting and watching; but again the missionary came and led them to Jesus at whose feet they worshipped.

We are glad to hear good tidings from so many W. M. A. S. concerning Crusade day. The Carleton society wish to add their testimony to the blessed results that followed the efforts put forth on that occasion. The names of all the women of the church were obtained from the clerk, and those who were not members of the W. M. A. S. were given to number of the ladies a visit, presenting to them the urgent claims of our mission work and inviting them to join our number and unite their prayers and efforts with ours. The results were most satisfactory. Forty-five new names were obtained and several others promised. This will make the society about three times as large in number and we hope will a thousand-fold in the interest and prayers that shall attend the work. A number of the new members have attended our meetings and the Holy Spirit's presence and power was felt by all. May the new year bring rich blessings upon all the societies and each member be impelled with fresh zeal to undertake this blessed work for the Master. T. J. M.

LOVE COUNTETH NOT THE COST.

There is an ancient story, simply told,
As ever the holy things of old,
Of one who served through many a long year
To earn at last the joy he held most dear.

SIGHTS AND SOUNDS IN INDIA.

For Boys and Girls in Canada.

Dear Girls and Boys: Westward from
Biml, ten miles, through the twilight,

Then the dusk, then the darkness, over
bridges, under great trees, past out-door
fires, where travellers are cooking their
evening meal, our wheels rolled

After a good night's rest, we arise to
find ourselves encircled by fold on fold
of rugged hills.

Here in this amphitheatre of hills, how
vividly do we recall the prophet of the
"Sweet singer of Israel."

It is now late in the afternoon, and we
are crossing a field of grain to the village
under Camel Hill.

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I have named this saddle-like hill after
that Gallian mountain and he has called it
Karn Hatin (Karn of Hatin).

We pass a man with a large fan in his
hand, a large dust pan. With this he
is vigorously fanning a heap of grain,

We tied our way on to the village in the
distance, talked with the people and
came back to the village through which
we had passed on our way.

We have been here now three and a
half days and have visited eight villages.

Bimlipatam, India, Nov. 8 '95.

Baptist-Doings in England.

MUSIC AND SINGING—BAPTIST CHURCHES.

In my last letter I remarked on the
accountant slow progress of the Baptist
denomination in Great Britain.

It is now late in the afternoon, and we
are crossing a field of grain to the village
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to prevent our young people straying
to the Church of England, he "con-
fessed that he himself went to the
Church of England very often

No one can wish to go back to the
state of things that was common in
our country church especially forty or
fifty years ago;

Let us have good singing, then; sing-
ing in which all can join, heart and
voice, with as little as possible of the
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The Atlanta Baptist Congress.

The Baptist Congress held in the United
States, which was held in Philadelphia,

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Baptist Temperance
was pretty well voiced in the last two
years to convention. Every committee
and Board, I take it, is appointed
to work during the interim and report
results to the next meeting of the Body.

There is a phase of our temperance
question that public bodies and news-
papers have hardly touched as yet,
and is the peculiar doctrine given by
many of our lay courts in liquor cases.

Now comes a query. If most of the
judges, lawyers, doctors, merchants,
government officials and leading men
in the land, together with a responsible
minority (in number and position)
in the legislature, have been in our
other regions, can we as sensible business
people expect prohibition? Instead of
pitching, so tremendously, big speeches
and resolutions, into the traffic and the
politicians would it not be better and
easier to go for the forenamed dignitaries
and church members?

Christ leads us through no darker
rooms
Than He went through before;
No one into His kingdom comes,
But through His open door.

Stillness in Suffering.

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to lose our one was lamb while our
neighbor's table is surrounded by a
group of rook-cheeked children; it is
hard to drink the very cup that we
prayed might pass from us; but the
Lord's discipline does not weary us at
such times and puts His arm about us
and says: "I know My sheep and am
known of Mine. I am with you always.

Observe, too, that the Shepherd does
not go behind us driving a reluctant
herd! He goes before us, calling and
drawing us onward. He offers to guide
us if we will but hear his voice and
follow Him. If he never promises
smooth paths. He always conducts us
into safe ones when we obey Him.

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The constitution of Baptist young people
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service; their education in spiritual
their instruction in practical life; and
through efficient denominational institutions.

For the week beginning
TOPIC: "Beginning with Jesus."
SCRIPTURE: Luke 5: 27-28.
time of beginnings. The
schools all may be beginning
low out new plans in the begin-
a new year. What a good time
with Jesus. Our Scripture tells
Matthew's beginning to follow—
"Left began by hearing Jesus
tion. 'I will follow you; yes, I will
'Follow Me.' We must be
Listen now. His invitations are
today.

Begin by leaving some things
could not follow Jesus and the
receipt of custom. He "left
begin right we must leave all that
do offend. Let go old self, old
old things." He rose up and
We have a good many in-
gations in this world to help
well, they forsake very many
but they don't rise up and fol-
very much determination. Let
to follow.

SOME THINGS TO BEGIN TO DO AT
BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.
—Begin to refuse every evil
that conflicts with any service
of Christ.
—Begin to take your part
regularly in the services.
—Begin to speak a word for
your friend whom you meet
daily.

—Begin to show your color-
ing your religion all the time.
—Begin being a soul-winner
all-the-way-round Christian.
—Begin being an all-consecrated
way a very prominent religion
applies personal consecration.

—Begin to be a more than
a Christian. You will find
that Christmas time will
that we have this kind of
to our friends. How about
the Master? Did the Christ-
ants you made out more than
gave for a whole year to help
to the regions beyond. You
paid \$5 for that gold or silver
for your friend, and you put
into the offering that was made
the news of Jesus' dying life
perishing. Did you give to help
Spell it personal and all-consecrated.

—The International Convention
July 19-22, is to be held in the
Music Hall, Toronto. This
now in course of erection, will
fit of its kind in the Dominion
of Canada. It is full of practical
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Rev. W. L. Gaston, seems "
how." Some of his thorns are
WILD GALATIONS.—In the
Yule's Union of the 18th ult.,
unique and impressive "Bio-
mon" by Rev. J. J. Baker of
N. B. It is full of practical
and helpful and interesting,
a most ludicrous typographical
He intends to quote Gal. 5-7—
run wild who did hinder you;
the typo made him say, "You
wild who did hinder you; you
rendering not critically ac-
cording to the text, it is, never
very appropriate when ap-
plied to the text, such as B.
was describing.—The Golden

Not for Ourselves Alone
No one lives to himself; we are
all members of one another's
fellowness and our relations to
others are not only a part
of our life, but of all life.
It is not easy for one to see
bearings, or to see his own
setting among other lives.
standing on a mountain top,
may have a fair outlook upon
roundings; but some parts of
below are hidden from view, a
peaks show those that hide
them. If the observer would
something of this present
place, he must move to a
small, and see what his real-
have been. This is, indeed,
some and strange people. A
ment preacher has said: "It
times to get away from our
panions, actions, work-in-
measure it and ascertain our
it." One who finds himself
new set of persons finds that
views of things he sees not
else. He finds that the little world
is not the only world for
ought to live. The small
neighborhood becomes more
It almost fades from sight, a
fit place to other things
with its very connection
world bigger, and helps to be
outlook that is narrowed by
to one spot. Each one must
understanding his position, re-
sults and feelings, as Hal-
says, "It seems deeper than
long to his race, and that
gives him He gives him for
—S. S. Tenes.

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should eat a full meal at noon but at night could go to bed hungry for Jesus' sake. Cutting down the ration...

In addition to cutting down this one-quarter of the Christians, a Bible woman, promised to give \$10 in cash...

The pastor (David) and his wife agreed to give up coffee as well as cut down the rice. The Naidu (it is the man who gave us the money for one of our wells) was induced to buy out tent...

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DEBERT.—It was my privilege to baptize on the last Sabbath morning, Dec. 24, at Debert, the strength of his young nephew—Daniel Totom. Some others have not yet taken a decided stand for Jesus...

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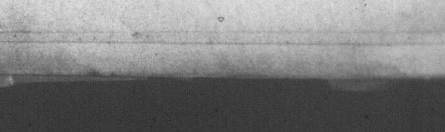
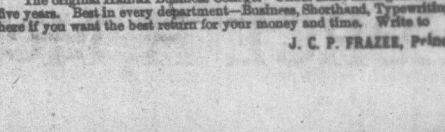
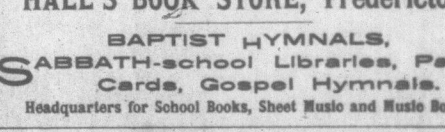
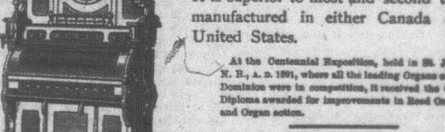
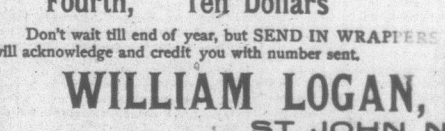
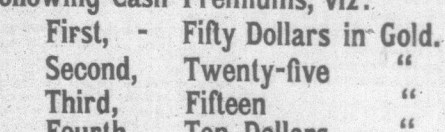
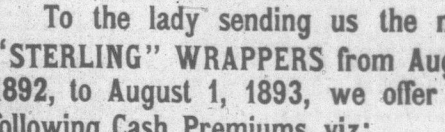
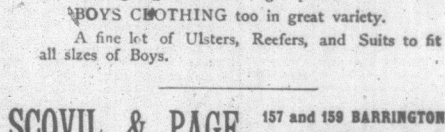
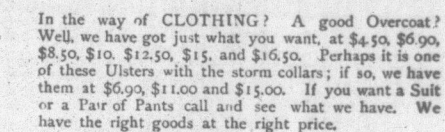
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MR. MARTIN'S OPPORTUNITY, AND HOW HE IMPROVED IT.

BY HELLIE V. CHISHOLM.

"I have been thinking, mother," said Mr. Martin to his wife, "that I will be obliged to give up the paper. Things haven't gone well with us this year, you know, and we shall have to begin retrenching somewhere right at the beginning of the year."

With a request from grandma, who was one of the dear "shut-ins," that if no one was using the paper she would like to have it for awhile to read the sermon.

Especially into them who are of the household of faith. "As we have therefore opportunity," were the words that emphasized themselves with peculiar force upon the mind.

O Benjamin, how are the mighty fallen! The intruder shall be banished in the home, but I see before me a vision of colden cast perched upon fences, upon porches and roofs, over the land a hush so delightful that we shall turn dreamily upon our pillows and murmur, "Why didn't some one print careful rats before?"

Curiously. BY JOHN A. BROADIE, D. D., LL. D. This is one of the hardest to manage of all human propensities, and is really among the most important, when it comes to take a broad view of it.

Intercolonial Railway.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 11th Sept., 1893, the Train of this Railway will run Daily (Monday excepted) as follows:

Yarmouth and Annapolis Railway.

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Advertisement for a man in a suit, featuring an illustration of a man and text: 'Get a bite while it is being sewed. The biggest mouthful of discount ever recorded will be Taken off Dry Goods This Week.'

Advertisement for a horse and carriage, featuring an illustration of a horse and carriage and text: 'An object of admiration. The Ladies do admire a well-dressed gentleman.'

Advertisement for a man in a hat, featuring an illustration of a man and text: 'Up to snuff. Just why the Scotch are addicted to snuff, and wearing their kilts at half-mast, we can't tell.'

NEWS SUMMARY.

The friends of Sir John C. Allen will be pleased to learn that he is much improved of late. Rhodes, Curry & Co., of Amherst, are now finishing the fittings for a church in New Brunswick, England, which is being restored and refitted by General Sir Edward N. Newdegate, governor of Bermuda.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

A sad drowning accident occurred on a lake near Halifax last week. A boy named Charles Neal and Mary Doyle, James Doyle and John Doyle, three young boys, were playing on the lake. On the western side the ice is always thin till late in the season, and it is never considered safe. Neal got on the ice on the eastern side and started across to the western side, where the other boys were. When he reached the dangerous place he went through. Mary Doyle, a girl of twenty, attempted to reach out and save Neal, when she also went through. Her two younger brothers, in turn, tried to save their sister, but both in succession went into the fatal hole. Mrs. Doyle heard their screams for help and ran to the lake. The four had gone down not more than ten feet from the shore. The mother had a pole in her hand. She stretched out and caught James, but was unable to draw him back. She let her back brace and was in the water up to her neck in imminent danger of drowning. Miss Doyle, her sister-year-old, was on the bank a witness of the tragedy. She caught the pole and pulled her mother back to safety. Had the little thing not done so there would certainly have been another added to the fatal list of deaths. Before help came the four had sunk to the no more.

ever been spent within the walls of this happy home-school. The term of study just ended will long be remembered by teachers and students. The spirit of true harmony and earnest helpfulness was manifest everywhere and on all occasions. The discipline was perfect. The young people were quiet, studious, devoted; while their joy to the school, and evident desire for knowledge, will be fresh in the hearts of all who were present.

There has been many visitors to the seminary during the term, and all have expressed themselves pleased with the institution and its surroundings. The more widely the school is becoming known the more deeply is it being cherished in the hearts of the people. The winter term will open on the 10th of January, and a number of new students are expected. The capacity of the building will be taxed to accommodate them.

Marriages.

GRANT-DUNNELL.—In Wells, Maine, Dec. 26, by Rev. John C. King, of Somersworth, N. H., Silas M. Grant, of Fort Lorne, N. S., to Margie E. Dunnell, of Wells, Me. HARRISON.—At the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, Mr. H. M. Coats, Quebec, on Dec. 21, by Rev. C. B. Day, Herbert Chelsea Harrison, of Vancouver, B. C., to Lavina Mary Harrison, of Amherst, N. S. McCURRY.—At 25 by Rev. E. P. James McO'Neil, Dec. 25, by Rev. T. A. Blackard, Fred McCully, to Emma Taylor, all of D. Burt Co., N. S. MCCORMICK-ROOP.—At the home of the bride's father, on the 20th ult., by the Rev. R. W. Webster, Esq., Joseph E. McCormick, of Victoria, to Ella J. Roop, of Clifton, both of Annapolis Co. MILLS-WOOD.—At Oxford, Nov. 14, by Rev. E. C. Corey, Charles Mills, of Lincoln, to Alma Wood, of Mount Pleasant, Camb. Co. MOSE-WALKER.—At Mount Pleasant, Dec. 25, by Rev. E. C. Corey, Rupert Mose, of Leicester, Camb. Co., to Lina Walker, eldest daughter of J. Walker, of P. B. rank. NEWELL-GOODWIN.—At Yarmouth, Dec. 21, by Rev. J. E. Goucher, William W. Newell, of Yarmouth, to Nancy Goodwin, of Argyle Sound. POWELL-MOORE.—At Central Grove, Digby Co., Dec. 25 by Rev. E. P. James, William Powell to Jessie Moore, both of Central Grove. ROSE-FOSTER.—At the residence of the bride's father, G. F. Foster, Esq., Middle Simonds, Dec. 20, by Rev. A. H. Hayward, W. Webster, Esq., of Middle Simonds, to Annie E. Foster, of the same place. TEED-NIX.—At Oxford, Dec. 25, by Rev. E. C. Corey, Charles W. Teed, of River Popham, to Almira Nix, of River Popham. THOMPSON-KELLY.—At Oxford, Nov. 22, by Rev. E. C. Corey, Ralph Thompson, of Little River, to Maggie Kelly, of same place.

Deaths.

CANN.—Died at Ono, Yarmouth Co., Dec. 10, after long protracted illness Nelson Cann, aged 80 years, leaving a widow and a large circle of friends to mourn her departure. COTTON.—At Herbert Station, Dec. 1, suddenly, Bro. Haliburton Cotton passed triumphantly away, aged 40. Bro. Cotton was for a number of years a member of the Baptist church here. Only twenty days before his death he was at conference and testified for Jesus. His brother organist, in uniform, preceded his remains to the grave, three of them having been baptized that morning, and their chaplain had their heads shaved. Bro. Cotton has left a widow and eight children to mourn their loss. It is great, but there can be no doubt but that he gained the port of eternal blessedness in safety. May the Lord who said, "I will not leave thee, he bereaved" be a blessing and fatherless children in their affliction. HARRISON.—It is with sadness and sorrow we record the death of our much esteemed brother, J. T. Harding Vaughn of Greenfield, Kings Co., N. E., who departed this life on the morning of the 17th ult., of la grippe, in the 88th year of his age, leaving a widow and four children and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss. May God comfort the mourners. MARCH.—At Lower Economy, Dec. 13, Sister John March, in her 60th year. She was a consistent member of our little flock, a faithful wife, an affectionate mother and a respected neighbor. Her husband and three children are in fellowship with us. Her Lord came quickly, but she was ripe for heaven and looking homeward. Our loss is her everlasting gain. PHILLIPS.—At Fort Millard, N. S., Dec. 4th, Elizabeth, beloved wife of James Phillips, in her 58th year. She was converted and joined the Baptist church when but a child, and remained steadfast in her faith, and consistent walk to the very end of her earthly pilgrimage. She was one of the dearest of mothers, and leaves five children and a husband who deeply mourn their loss. At the end of a short month's illness she was, like Paul, in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. She could say, for me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." RIDER.—At Gibson, N. B., Dec. 14th, after a long illness, Miss Deborah Rider, in the 55th year of her age. A husband and five children are left to mourn a kind wife and mother. Our

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slater never made a public profession of her faith, but trusted Jesus as a personal Saviour, and went down in the valley without fear. TOMPKINS.—At Maryville, N. B., of typhoid fever, Dec. 7, Jennie E. Tompkins, 17 years of age. Our young sister made a public profession of her faith on the 26th of June last. She took a deep interest in all matters pertaining to the church, and we hoped to have her with us in the time of affliction. The Lord decreed otherwise and we bow in submission to His will. May the comfort of the Holy Spirit be granted to the parents and her brother and sister in this time of affliction. VANCE.—At his home, Debert Station, Dec. 8th, Mr. George S. Vance, aged 78. Bro. Vance was baptized many years ago by the late Rev. S. Thompson and united with the Baptist church at Debert River, and walked in fellowship with the church until the Lord took him to the better land. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." WOODLAND.—The readers of the MESSANGER AND VISITOR will regret to learn that the Rev. J. B. Woodland, 68 well and favorably known, has been called to mourn the sad loss of his beloved wife Julia Livingston, who departed this life at her recent charge in Baltimore, Iowa, Dec. 18, in the 50th year of her age. She was a true helpmate in deed, beloved by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. Her remains were brought to Oxford for interment, and we laid her beside the dust of her three children, who had many years preceded her to the better land to wait the resurrection of the just. It was here they spent some twelve years of their early married life, and where Sister Woodward first became a member of the Baptist church, 22 years ago, under the ministry of the present pastor, which profession she so richly adorned in consecrated service in the cause of Christ. We extend to our brother and his only son, Arthur, our heartfelt sympathy in this sad trial. Bro. Woodward after a few days rest returned to his charge in the West and is lonely.

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