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OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

DEATH OF THE POPE.

DEAR MR. EDITOR.—So much has been written on the death of the Pope, that it appears almost unnecessary to make further reference to it, but these brief notes upon passing events would be incomplete without some allusion to such an important event. A prolonged life, and a lengthened occupancy of the Papal throne will make the name of the deceased Prelate a very memorable one. In addition to these his career has been most remarkable, and during his Pontificate events of unusual importance to Italy and the Catholic Church have transpired.

THE TEMPORAL DOMINION

has been wrested from the Papacy and the Italian Kingdom occupies a commanding and hopeful place among European Powers. The General Council of the Romish Church has promulgated the doctrine of Papal Infallibility and other changes of vast importance will mark the reign of the late Pontiff as one of unparalleled interest. Pius IXth is reported to have been a man of very great amiability, a priest whose few days. This may arise from the of medicine without a previous liberal life was blameless, temperate and pure. | presence of the fleet, and some linger-He secured a large amount of personal esteem, and visitors to Rome from all parts of the world, and of all commu- prevent the threatened dismemberment nions, speak highly of the distinguished Ruler of the Vatican. He could not yield gracefully to his reverses, and cherished rather sharp and unforgiving sentiments towards his opponents, issuing anatheu.as and excommunications on the heads of many who differed from him. His claims for deference and unreserved obedience were high and not unfrequently preposterous. He had many failings, but the prevailing tone of his numerous biographers, is that of generous recognition of his undoubted talents and of his private and public virtue.

DEATH OF GEORGE CRUIKSHANK who was well known and widely esteemed for his artistic ability and his life of philanthropy. His long connection with painting and engraving, goes back almost to the beginning of the present century, and he has been foremost in the ranks of the talented and clever illustrators of popular works and papers. Serious, witty or comical by turns, he was always severe on all forms of vice and folly. There are sound lessons and useful suggestions through all his works. He threw much energy into the temperance movement, and his genius was never more powerful than when depicting the terrible results of the drink traffic and the misery of its victims. The deceased artist was an acceptable speaker, an earnest worker, a liberal helper to many works of mercy, and was permitted to labor on to the close of life, beloved and honored by a very large circle of admirers and friends. THE DEATH OF DR. DUFF

taken place, and Edinburgh has laid him in his grave with all the distinguishing honor of a public funeral. The grand old missionary was well deserving of the love and renown which crowned the decline of his life, which has been evidenced at his interment, and will long surround his name and make his memory fragrant. He was a sound scholar, an enthusiast in his devotion to the mission work, and his services in India were of incalculable value. Since his return to Scotland he has taken an important part in the direction of the foreign work of his church, and by his fervent eloquence on the platform or in the pulpit, and by his pen he has rendered most valuable service. He was spared to a good age, and retained to the very close of life his mental powers, and passed

into eternity in full assurance and cloudless peace. THE EASTERN QUESTION at the time of writing these lines the outlook is more hopeful. The intense strain is relaxed. Parliament granted the six millions, and the Government is doing its best to spend a considerable part of it before the vote of credit will expire on March 31st. They are purchasing vessels, pushing forward some that are building, large numbers of men are being employed in Dockyards and arsenals, and a vast buzz of preparation is heard in all military departments. We feel tolerably secure now until the Conference meets, and hopes are strong that then some other vised, instead of entering into war. out of the trouble, will be de-

THE ENGLISH FLEET desire it, and while it had to encounter no opposition when it finally sailed up, it went without leave. The assigned reason was the maintenance of order, and the security of the English residents. But the number and strength of the vessels were out of all proportion to the mere task of taking care of English folk, and looked very much like a menance to Russia. Then came a vance on Constantinople, for the protection of all the Christians there, and for a time it was believed that the threat was fulfilled. They are very event of any serious hitch in the complicated negotiations, or any further warlike demonstration on our part, they can quickly enter, and it will be no easy task to drive them out. They are many respects a terrible hold upon the prostrate Empire. The terms of peace are not yet arranged, and there are reports current that the Turks have become rather untractable within the last

of their possessions. Feb. 21, 1878.

OUR PROFESSIONS.

ing hope that after all England may

actively interfere for their relief, and

THE MEDICAL PROFESSION. (BY AN M. D.)

To any young man desirous of spenda life of usefulness, and benefit to his kind, the profession of medicine presents many attractions. To possess the knowledge necessary to heal the sick, to relieve the suffering, and to allay pain, is certainly no mean attainment, and he who views it correctly will consider it second to no calling on earth, in its opportunity for doing good to others. That the sacred trust of this noble profession has often been prostituted by dishonest minds, to prey upon credulous and suffering humanity, detracts not in the least from the nobility of the profession itself, but should incite its friends to guard it with more jealous care. It is a profession honorable for its hoary age, its benefits to humanity, and for the great and illustrious men whose lives have been devoted to its pursuit and study. From the time of Æsculapius till this time, many of the greatest minds have been

ability to "do good unto all men." the profession we love, with all the honor of following its course of usefulness, we hesitate before advising young men to adopt it as a life business. Indeed our object just now is to show many young men why they should not enter the profession at all. There are three motives we consider which should actuate every individual aiming at the adoption of the profession of medicine; to do good unto others, to gain eminence for skill and ability, and to win an income worthy of his knowledge and grave responsibility. Now there are many things in the way debarring him from obtaining these objects in their desired and desirable degree; and among the first of these is the already crowded state of the profession—crowded to such an extent that many within its ranks, with all the conditions to ensure success, fail hopelessly. "The medical schools of the United States turn out about three thousand graduates every year; add to this the annual production of the European and Canadian Colleges, and we have no mean army annually added to an already overcrowded profession." Nova Scotia with its scattered

the same condition of things exists, threat from Russia, that they must ad- | and while farmers, laborers and artizans, are asked for and find ample room and opportunity, the medical profession is already crowded. That near the famous capital, and in the the medical profession has already too many within its ranks should of itself be a sufficient reason to induce thinking and cautious young men to hesitate before adding themselves to the not far from Gallipoli, and they have in | numbers; but to those who are willing to take their chances in the multitude we would like to point out other causes and conditions of failure.

> Many persons enter upon the study education and are thus almost incapac. itated for its proper study or ability to comprehend its teaching. Young men from the farm, the workshop, the counting house or the school-room with minds poorly cultured begin this study when they should possess a good education and trained intellect necessary to the successful understanding of the subject they are to pursue. The result continuous industry, a half-educated physician, a man who must be a failure pressed by the keen competition around him. He who wins in these days and stands a peer among his fellows must have no such positive weights to keep him back. The defective early education will show through the whole after life. To all then who lack a liberal education as the foundation for the pursuit of this special study we respectfully but earnestly tender the advice to leave the medical

Another obstacle in the way of suc-

profession alone.

cess is a want of adaptability to the requirements of the profession. We may fail to make ourselves plain on this point. Granting a finished medical education and a sphere of labor not overcrowded, there is yet required, may we say, tact to win and maintain the public patronage and confidence. found in its ranks; and though it has Men there have been of ability and exbeen assailed by the wicked, the igno- cellent medical attainments, yet wantrant, and the skeptical from without ing this necessary qualification, who the veteran Indian Missionary has just its ranks, and by dreamers, experi- have utterly failed as practitioners. menters and fanatics from within, it Goldsmith, whose name and works are still stands grand in its ever increasing | immortal though he possessed "incredible industry," could not succeed But with all the attractiveness of in the practice of the profession; and Dr. Holland in our own time, who has attained such excellent position in the literary world, looked in vain for patients from his surgery window in Springfield, Mass. By failure in his chosen profession, Holland was actualother parts of the Dominion, physicians who have been driven or drifted found them at the Dentists' Lathe. presiding at the school-master's desk. as clerks behind the counter, on the farm, in the counting room, in the pulpit and even as the professional tramp. Happy is he who finds before it is too late that he has chosen a profession to which he is unsuited and which is unsuited to him; for often the man realizes his mistake when the die is cast, when opportunities for other pursuits in life are forever past; and instead of his talents adorning a profession to which he was suited, he finds himself obliged to drag along a useless life with all his aims a failure.

It may be possible that some may discussion, to which I must refer, and ties.

population has about three hundred not be able to determine whether they that is the manner of prayer in the pulpit. has proceeded to within a few miles of practioners, while Ontario has fifteen are suited to the profession or not. To Constantinople. The Sultan did not hundred, and our own Halifax about these we might say, that if to a good forty. Indeed we find throughout the education, a clear head, a large share Dominion that every town and nearly of pluck and perseverance, they cannot every village is full to overflowing. add a good temper, an ability to judge While in the neighboring Republic the human nature, a lack of selfishness supply exceeds the requirements to a and heart full of sympathy for others, greater extent even than with us. In they would do well to eschew the methe newer Provinces and Territories dical profession at least in its civil Another question of some moment

to a young man contemplating the profession of medicine is the strength of his constitution. To the country physician in particular the duties of his life are most trying to health. Irregularity in his daily meals, loss of sleep, exposure to winter's severest cold and fiercest storms, to spring and autumn's rain and mud, and to summer's burning heat require a good physique and no mean powers of endurance. To the busy and active physician there is little time for rest, less kept on almost constant strain; and no hour of his is too sacred to be broken in upon by the real or imaginary invalid. Yet to him who loves his sinners, which may well stir the soul. profession, it is a life of great pleasure; while to him who has made the wrong choice, it must be the dreary existence

of the galley slave. We have barely suggested the necessity of a sympathy for others on the part of the physician. The selfish doctor is never a success be he ever so skilful. In the sick-room a kind word, a genuine smile, with a manner that expresses interest in the invalid, do much to is, in spite of his best endeavors and win the patients confidence in the skill they do a great deal in restoring the sence. There are more aids to health at the physican's command than mere drugs. Yet this gift we know is heaven-born and can never be acquired where natural kindliness of heart

> The physician should ever be a man of honor and integrity. His position is a responsible one, and often in his sacred care are placed jewels more pre- | do much good in it.-News. cious than gold can buy. He is not only the skilful healer of the sick, but frequently the trusted friend, the confidant and the adviser, while in his breast are held secrets of others as sacred as those of the confessional; and alas! he conceals many a skeleton other than those used for the study of anatomy. Often his advice changes the whole life plans of many an individual and marks a course other than he had chosen. At his suggestion professions, trades, pursuits are laid aside and others adopted in their stead. How necessary then that a sense of has stired the admiration of the world honor and uprightness should guide as one of the latest triumphs of human him in his responsibilities!

DR. MARK TRAFTON ON THE PAST AND PRESENT.

Old men see with the eves of experience. If any one is at liberty to form judgments upon modern as compared with previous conditions of the church, it surely is a man of age and opportunities. Dr. Trafton of New England, all know who have read his book or his fugitive, racy letters, is not a cynic. ly driven into literature. For lack of When he discourses upon the defects of this adaptibility as well as for the our religious life or worship, we ought distinct language, as intelligible to the overcrowded state of the profession at least to listen respectfully. Here is natives as that uttered by the human we find in our own Province and in a remark he makes in Zion's Herald, on voice, and which I had the means of

" Are we not losing faith in the 'preachinto various other pursuits. We have | ing of the Word? De we not rely too | Camaroons, and up in the interior, in much on our 'extraordinary means,' upon the Abo and Budi countries, a part of our auxiliaries? We are expected (Heaour auxinaries: We are expected (nearly ven pity us!) to fill the empty slips, to Central Africa not yet visited by Europraise the current expenses, to pay off a eans ." Such facts have a close bearcrushing debt, to popularize 'our pulpit; and to do this we must be sensational, and select and advertise all sorts of taking and trite subjects! The poor preach- civilisation are being continually uner, almost ashamed of the course he feels forced to pursue, says to himself: 'A necessity is upon me; if I do not draw trace backwards the line of human and fill the house, the few who represent descent we come quite as near the being and rule this church will not ask for my return, and the authorities dare not send me back against their remonstrance; or, proofs of man's deterioration grow should they do it, I shall be opposed by men whom I wouldn't set with the dogs of my flock, if I had one!"

This is another shrewd opinion upon pulpit exercise:

There is another matter germane to this

The old preachers 'wrestled with God in prayer.' Any one whose memory grasps those old times, will at once mark the difference between the prayers of the former and the present time. The old preacher prayed as though he expected an answer then and there; and how often it came in overwhelming power upon the congregation! They implored, they besought, they importuned, they plead the promises, they could not be denied; and the kneeling church joined in the earnest plea, with the vocal cry, 'Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!' Are such prayers heard in our churches now? 'But,' one says, 'such exercises would drive all sensible people from the house.' Let them go; the inensible people would come in, and you will have solved the much agitated question, 'how to reach the masses.'

Down-right earnestness in the pulpit is as necessary now as ever. How are men to believe us if the soul be not full of the divine subject? And how are we to satisfy ourselves or others as to our sincerity in this awful truth, if eye and voice and manner be not in for recreation, but mind and body are harmonious activity before the world? As to prayer in the pulpit, this is an opportunity to bring together God and

AN EDITORIAL COUPLE.

The North-Western Teetotaller, a wellconducted weekly paper published at La Crosse, Wisconsin, has, we note, under its title this announcement:-

J. Allison, A.M.
M. L. Allison, A. M.

Editors.

J. Allison is Professor Allison, formerly Principal of Ladies' Academy Sackville of his medical attendant, and more, and M. L. Allison is his wife. The prolost balance of health, and the patient one of the most powerful natural orators is really better for the doctor's pre- Nova Scotia has yet produced. He has lately gone into the Temperance movement in Wisconsin, and appears to be an extremely popular lecturer. Mrs. Allison is a woman of superior intellectual powers and is a fine writer. Both are regular graduates of an American College. They seem well fitted to make their mark in the position they occupy, and will doubtless

THE TELEPHONE ANTICIPATED

-Long ago the wise man said "There is no new thing under the sun." We are continually being reminded that the civilisation of ancient times was nearer a level with that of the present than modern self-satisfaction is wont to allow. Here, for an example, is an old African anticipation of that wonderful instrument, the telephone, which thoughts. A missionary writes that an instrument for the transmission of intelligence by sound has been in existence from time immemorial among the Camaroons on the west coast of Africa. Adrawing and discription of this instrument, the "Elliembic," was sent to the Atheneum October, 1865. It is thus described: "By the sounds produced on striking the instrument the natives carry on conversation with great rapidity and at several miles' distance. The sounds are made to produce perfect and testing on several occasions. The instrument is in universal use among the ing upon the question of man's original estate. Traces of a high, ancient covered in many quarters. As we made a little lower than the angels. The quite as rapidly as the evidence of his improvement. Retrogression is a fact of anthropology, as well as progression. The story of Eden is not yet ruled out from the realm of scientific probabiliON THE LORDS PRAYER. BY W. L. T.

Our Father which art in beaven Glory, praise and love be given. That thou hast shown the way. The way that leads to heaven on high, Beyond this earth beyond this sky, To everlasting day.

Taught us to love thy hallowed name, That thou a world of sin o'er came, By dying in our stead. And raising up love's banner high, Which tells to man he need not die, For Jesu's blood was shed.

O4 that thy kingdom here may come, And be an everlasting one Of union, love and peace, And that this love of teace. Be shed abroad in every soul, And evermore increase.

That thy blessed will may here done By every soul beneath the sun, And God be glorified, Throughout this world of sin and sham For which the Lord of glory came, And in our stead he died.

Give us this day our daily bread, The savour of our living Head, Our Jesus crucified, To bear the sins of man away. And open out a brighter day And homes in heaven provide.

Wilt thou our trespasses forgive, That we may here divinely live And live to God alone, By bearing with each other here And for each woe to shed a tear, Though it be not our own.

Into temptation lead us not. For feeble seems our common lot, The lot of all mankind. For shouldest thou here withhold thy hand Against the foe we could not stand, Though we might be inclined.

From evils that on every hand Show discord over all the land, Wilt thou deliver us, By opening up thy kingdom here, And on our hearts stamp filial fear, Known only to the just

Thine is the kingdom and the power Earthly kingdoms wane and lower; But thine forever stands. And when this earth has passed away, Thine will stand out in bold array The fairest of all lands.

Amen to what our Lord doth sav. Amen to souls found in the way, Glory and praise amen. Amen to angel choirs who sing, Hossannah to our Heavenly King Will ever more ascend.

Amen to the white robed who stand, Day without night at God's right hand, And holy! holy All glory be to God in heaven, That free from all unrighteous leaven, They never more shall die.

Now who can tell the joys that wait, To greet the saints at beaven's gate, When faith is lost in sight. Or paint the scenes that meet the eye Or look thereon until they die, And wear those robes of white

WESLEY THE METHODIST PATTERN.

PROF. J. P. LACROIX, PH. D.

Such was the spiritual equipment, such the devotion of mind and heart, with which Wesley began his work of calling sinners to God. What wonder that he succeeded! What wonder that when excluded from stately cathedral. the multitude thronged out to him in the streets and fields! What wonder that sinners were converted by scores and hundreds; that preachers were awakened and brought to his aid; that societies were speedily formed in every city and county in England and Ireland; that the work soon spread to the West Indies, to America, to the Islands of the seas! What wonder that at the close of his life he could thank God for superabundant success, and look out upon devoted followers to the number of 135,000, faithfully served by 540 selfdenying itinerant preachers! And what wonder that a work of God founded by **such a** man and in such a spirit was based upon solid foundations, and that, after his death, it grew and extended just as before, so that it belts the entire globe, and embraces over 3.000,000 members, teaches over 4.000,000 Sunday school scholars, besides influencing over 6,000,000 of non members who attend its ministry! Thirteen millions of souls brought into constant weekly contact with the pure word of God,-surely this is an achievement well worth the ten porary sacrifice of any amount of e senal comfort and ease! Was not Wesley right in his thorough self-consecration to God? When hundreds cried out upon him as an insane enthusiast and fanatic, was not he the only one that was same among them?

Let us now lause and ask: What of his work was done. was his personal character as a man that Wesley evolved by his peculiarly devoted

been given or implied; we have space but for a few additional thoughts.

First, we note his masterly calmness. Amid all the wild storms of persecution, personal assault, misrepresentation, slander, ridicule, pharisaic malice and devilish conspiracy, that dashed upon Mr. Wesley, none was so calm and cool and steady in his purpose as Wesley himself. And well might he be calm so long as the bright pole star is clearly seen in the sky: what cares the ship for all the storms and billows the ocean can raise against it below? John Wesley had taken his bearings. He knew that his cause was God's cause. And if God was for him who could prosper against

Hence his absolute freedom from anxiety. Alone, in the midst of a surging, raging multitude inflamed by the devilish spirits of brandy and of fana tical hate, Wesley never blanched, never quailed; but, Stephen-like, calmy proclaimed his message of truth, and, with more than Stephen's success, disarmed the storm of its rage, and controlled the multitude at his will.

When great flood-tides of the most malicious and mose cunningly invented slanders burst upon him as unexpected and sudden as a thunder-clasp at noonday, so that his friends were thrown into consternation, and his followers into doubt, and when ordinary wisdom would suggest that he pause in his work and pursue his slanderers into their remotest hiding place, Mr. Wesley usually smiled at the impotent rage, asked his followers to pray for his enemies, and himself continued without a moment's interruption his labour of gathering souls for God. For said he: My cause is God's cause; and to God I shall leave the keeping of my good name.

Secondly, we note his noble modesty. Mr. Wesley was one of the most unassuming of great men in all the annals of history. None more child-like, none more respectful to his opponents, none more free from pretension. Mr. Wesley sincerely believed in the attainableness of Christian Perfection this side of death: and he was ever ready to credit the evidence of such as claiming that they had actually reached it. But as for himself he hesitated. His eagle eve saw too clearly the waverings and possible self-deceptions of his own heart. Hence he paused and reflected; and he even bore with serenity the presumptuous exhortations of those who, in comparison with himself, were but children in Christian experience. And to the hour of his death we have no evidence that he claimed actually to have reached the full stature of the Christian

Lastly, we note his Christion liberality. Wesley's heart and mind were of too heroic type to admit of bigotry or sectarianism. To him the kingdom of God was not shut in by petty shibboleths or priest-made creeds. But it was as wide as human history and as broad as humanity. He had no more doubt of meeting Marcus Aurelius in heaven, than he had of his humblest class-meeting saint. Calvinists, Roman Catholics, narrow ritualists were among his most esteemed friends. Wherever there was a sincere desire to conjure sin and to attain to a pure heart, there Wesley recognized a real presence of the kingdom of God.

Such was John Wesley; such was the founder of Methodism; such was the work he did, and the spirit with which he did it; and such was the character, such the manner of man he was.

How strikingly he stands in contrast with most of the emment men who began the race when he did, and who worked more or less with him!

John Cennick was equal to Wesley in holy zeal. He had a lion's courage and a mar yr's piety. But his brain becomng en'angled in a narrow predestinarian (red, he broke off from his old friend, crippled his own career, and dropped out from history.

Them is Walsh had the learning of a Benedictine, and the flaming love of an ap stile. But the uncurbed energy of his soul soon broke down his body, and he sank into his grave before a fourth

a voice from heaven. But he fell into the oft quoted words: "The best of all the Antinomian delusion; he made too much of "grace alone" and too little of the commandments; and putting his loose views into practice, he undid the work of his life, was expelled from the church for gross immorality, and sank away into darkness.

Mr. Wesleys most faithful helpers, let his brain be turned by delusions on the subject of sanctification, became Mr. Wesley's bitter enemy, seceeded, and spent the remnant of his days in comparitive feebleness as pastor of a single congregation.

George Whitfield was superior to Wesley in fervid eloquence, and his equal in missionary zeal. But as, narrow fatalism trammeling his thoughts. and a lack of system undermining his labors, he passed through the world like a momentary messenger, like a dazzling meteor from the skies, but left comparitively little permanent results.

John Fletcher was Wesley's peer in logical reasoning and in holiness of heart. But he shut himself up in a country parish; but for the writings he prepared under the advice and in defence of Mr Wesley, his name would almost have fallen out from Methodist

brother in early missionary labors, and are few offices within the gift of the his superior in poetic fire. But a bigot- Provincial Governments of such imported high-churchmanship cooled the ardor ance as this, inasmuch as the incumbof his later years; and but for his un- ent has practically charge of the edusurpassed hymns, he would occupy but cation of the people, his policy being, a subordinate place beside the founder as a matter of course, adopted by the

Only John Wesley, of all the holy laborers on the great Methodist temple. is entitled by right to be called the founder and finisher of the structure.

Only he had the strength to keep his head clear and cool amid all the dangers that beset him on the right and on the left. Only he had the heart that was never daunted, never discouraged, and that kept its youth to the end. Only he it was upon whom all others leaned for support, and who himself had abso- selected a gentleman capable of manlutely no one to lean upon but himself aging the educational affairs of the

Surely this is genuine human greatness. Surely if masterliness of character, heroism of life, knightliness of devotion deserve the homage of mankind. here is the place for its ample bestowal. How in the day of eternity will all the feats of military prowess, all the laurels won upon the bloody fields of human carnage, all the plaudits of literary achievements, pale before the spiritual achievements of men like John

We have but space for a concluding word. We have traced the sun in its Orient beauty and its noon-day glory. How now did it set? Were there any clouds in that evening sky? Were there any falterings, any shadows, any regrets? In labors abundant, in faith unfaltering, and in the burning zeal of his manhoods strength,—such was the way in which this patriarch of God descended to his sepulchre.

his life. During this last week he was arranging for his usual laborious March tour through the northern counties: and he had sent word as to when and years, discharging its duties so efficwhere he expected to preach and to meet liently, and proving himself so able a the classes for a whole series of week, teacher, that he was elected to the Preto come. Thus was he unconcerned for sidency of the College in 1869. Victohis own future, but solely intent on ria University, Cobourg, Ont., conferrdoing the work of the hour while the ed upon him in 1874 the degree of lamp of life should continue to burn.

out. It was from no disease, but simply of Halifax were made, he was chosen from the exhaustion of his physical one of the twenty-four original Fellows. frame, worn out in the service of God. that this venerable man went down to his grave. In his last months he had frequently to be supported while preaching, by the strong arm of a friend. But still be persisted in the well beloved work. S ven days before his departure. he rose at four in the morning, drove out eighteen miles from London, and preached to a circle of friends on: "Seek ye the Lord while he may be

cold now entirely prostrated him. He lingered six days, until March 2, 1791, life? A sufficient answer has already | flocked to the music of his words as to | Frequent in his very last hours were | Journal.

God is with us." His favorite hymn.

"I'll praise my Maker while I've breath." was often taken up, until his faltering lips refused to do their service. Finally at the hour of ten, when the dim London day was feebly lighting up his weary face, he uttered his last word Thomas Maxfield, for 20 years one of "Farewell!" and expired, without a quiver or a groan, in the midst of his

Fitting close to a matchless life How like the setting of the orb of light after the majestic course of the day! true few Christians can bave the outer success of a John Wesley, or win his place in the annals of the world. But all can have his spiritual success. And in the day of eternity the single mite of the poor widow, or the single well-used talent of the humblest child of God. will shine with the same lustre as the diadems of the very Princes of Israel. -Pitts. Adv.

DAVID ALLISON, LL.D.

On the death of the late Rev. A. S. Hunt, Superintendent of Education for Nova Scotia, considerable anxiety was felt by the friends of education in that Province concerning the selection of Charles Wesley was the equal to his his successor. And rightly so, for there authorities and enforced by his large staff of inspectors and teachers throughout the country. When it was first rumoured that the President of Mount Allison Wesleyan College, Sackville, had been offered the appointment, the anxiety was changed to hope that he would accept, and the official announcement of his induction to the office was hailed with a chorus of congratulations. It was universally felt that the Government had made a wise choice, and had Province with zeal and ability. The secular and religious papers were for once unanimous in their approval, and President Allison entered upon his duties with welcomes from all quarters.

The new Superintendent is just fortyone years old, having been born in 1836, at Newport, Hants County, N. S. He received his early education at the grammar school in his native village, and proceeded thence to Dalbousie College, at that time, 1852, conducted as a Provincial Academy. From Dalhousie he went to the Wesleyan Academy at Sackville, N. B., to which he was to return in later years as President of the College and other institutions of education. Having thus prepaced himself for college, he followed the Arts' course at the Wesleyan University, Middleton, U. S., taking his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1859, and Master of Arts in 1862. His career at the University attracted the attention of Up to the very week of his death he the Sackville authorities, who appointcontinued engaged in the one work of ed him in 1860, Professor of Classics in the Academy, and two years later presented him to the classical chair in the College, a position he held for seven Doctor of Laws, and when the appoint-But this lamp was now ready to go ments to the Senate of the University In the Secate he had a further opportunity of showing his powers, and he proved himself a hard worker in this new sphere of usefulness.

President Allison will find abundance of employment for his administrative to God, to make reconciliation for the sins talents and varied achievements in the Education office. As Secretary exofficio and member of the Council of Public Instruction he will have to act as the Government's adviser in matters educational, the duty being the This was his last sermon. A slight more responsible that, in view of the constitution of the Council, it is possible there may, for a series of years, when he gently expired at the age of not be a single educationist, as the 88. Those six days were spent, in their | Council of Public Instruction is simply James Wheatley had greater magic lucid intervals, in prayer and song, and the Executive Conneil of the Province of eloquence than Wesley. Whole cities in giving a parting hand to his friends. under another name. - Canada Church

THE GOD MAN

There is perhaps no more strikingly amiable trait in all that is taught us reepecting our Lord's human character than the strength and permanency of his personal affections. We see this beautifully illustrated in his relations with the family of Bethany. That household was evidently made up of devout Jews, having friends in Jerusalem of the better class religiously. They seem also to have been somewhat elevated in their pecuniary and social relations, as is shown by the character of the entertainment afforded to Christ and his disciples. Their house had What lessons in such a life! Nor are probably been his temporary abode during they lessons of discouragement. It is some of his many visits to the Holy City and this intercourse had led to a close and tender friendship between the august guest and the favored entertainers. That this favor was mutual, and fully participated in by our Lord, is shown by the interject. remark of the evangelist: "Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus" Here more nearly than than anywhere else in Judea he found he found a home; and here were those who felt it to be their highest honor and most precious privilege to extend to him the fullest and heartiest hospitality. The incidents attending both the death and the resurrection of Lazarus very fully illustrate these things His finite human knowledge allowed himto presume that "this sickness is not unto death;" but when the disease and occurred the divinity within him revealed that fact to his human understanding. His hasty return to Judea, his sadly ten. der greetings with the sorrowing sisters, and his sympathetic weeping at the sepulcher, all testify to his humanity as fully as his power over the grave attested bis God-head.

His leve for his mother, and also that for John, proved and illustrated this thought. In these we see human love sanctified and elevated beyond all earthly comparison. It was not simply because John was more devout and heavenly. minded than any other of the twelve that he was so treated by the Master as to come to be recognized as "that disciple whom Jesus loved." The two probably were nearly akin by birth and of about the same age, and with their natural casts of mind very much alike; and each of them being at once eminently loving and lovable, it was quite natural that a specially warm and intimate friendship should grow up between them.

The steadiness and amplitude of the

Master's affection for the disciple were

manifested in the closeness of the rela tions to himself into which John was taken, which secured him a place among the most favored three, in the scenes of the transfiguration and of the agonies of Gethsemane; which gave him the place of highest honor at the last passover, and which displayed itself-kindest of allerpressions of love-in the confidence ex. pressed by committing his own mother to the care of the beloved disciple, raising by adoption to brotherhood with himself. Of like character, but still more tender and intense, was our Lord's love for his mother, which manifests itself most urmistakably whenever the two are brought into notice in the Gospel. It is not, indeed, of the self-asserting kind of love that is sometimes seen in shallow natures; but calm, because it is deep; it was everpresent and abounding. It was seen in the temple in his boyhood, and afterwards in his willing subjection in his youth and manhood. It crept out at the wedding at Cana. It is seen in her permitted association with him during his ministry, and it culminated in unspeakable fullness in his extreme hour upon the cross. His last act was to see to it that her desolation caused by his death should not be complete. To that mother so beloved by her divine son, and so worthy to be 80 loved, Jesus gave to her son thereafter his own best beloved personal friend, the disciple whom Jesus loved;" and vidently both parties to the relation so constituted duly appreciated the vor done them, and joyfully responde ed to the obligations mutually devolved upon them. Such, then, is our Christ who verily took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore, in all things, it behooved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high-priest in things pertaining of the people."-National Repository.

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INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS.

FIRST QUARTER: STUDIES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF JUDAH.

Mighty Helper. 2 Chron. 32, 9 21. Commit to memory verses 19-21. March 17th.

EXPLANATORY.

SENNACHERIB. Son of Shalmaneser who had overthrown the kingdom of the Ten Tribes, called on the Ninevite monuments Tsın akki-irib. Assyria. Originally a province lying between Mesopotamia and Media, having Nineveh for its capital. Its people conquered nearly all the territory between the Persian Gulf. the Caspian and the Mediterranean. To Jerusalem. This was the second invasion by the Assyrians, as we learn from 2 Kings 18, 13-15. They now came with the purpose of utterly destroying the Jewish kingdom. Lachash. An ancient Canaanite stronghold belonging to Judah, and situated upon the Philistine plain. Judah...at Jerusalem. The city was crowded with refugees from all parts of the kingdom, seeking protection from the Assyrians.

SIEGE. Or stronghold. Famine and bu thirst. Two potent allies with a besiege ing army. Taken away. He has heard that the altars have been removed, and imagines that the people have been robbed of their religious privileges, and the God of the land made angry. One altar. There is need of but one altar, for the one great High-Priest is all sufficient.

OTHER LANDS. He had crushed the revolt of Babylon, ravaged the Aramean nations along the Tigris and Euphrates, conquered a part of Media, reduced Zidon, Tyre and Edom into tributary condition, and waged successful war against Egypt. How much less .. your God. As Judah was least among the nations, a mere fragment between Syrio and Egypt so its God was deemed correspondingly feeble. [Teacher, show the difference between material and spiritual power. A poor man may yet be rich in God.

AGAINST ... HEZEKIAH. He addressed his words to the people, among whom there was an Assyrian, idolatrous party, discontented with the reforming tendencies of Hezekiah, and ready to revolt against him. Against the God of Jerusalem. The reverent soul of the historian, perhaps Isaiah himself, is more offended by the words against his God than those against his country. [Teacher, exhort to loyalty to God, and reverence toward his

HEZEKIAH. A king of men comes as suppliant before the king of heaven. When every other weapon fails "all-prayer" wins the victory. Isaiah. He who hal stood by the throne as Hezekiah's counselor, now kneels by his side as his companion in supplication. Prayed. 1. It was earnest prayer, for there was urgent need. 2. It was direct prayer. The king spread out the writing before the Lord in the temple, as if to cast the burden on him. 3. It was confident prayer. He who is God's servant has right to look to his master for protection. 4. It was united prayer; the king and the prophet combining their faith. 5. It was prevailing prayer, bringing an immediate and abun

THE LORD SENT. " Events as they pass along proclaim their great Original, and at the foot of every page in the annals of time may be written 'God reigns.'"-Geo. Bancroft. An angel. No doubt some instrumentality was employed, for God works through natural law. Perhaps it was a pestilence, which in a hot climate has been known to sweep away whole armies; or a simoom, the wind of the desert enshrouding the camp with its burning blast. "God's quiver has more than one arrow." All the mighty men. To the number of 185,000, as recorded in Isa. 37, 36. Shame of face. The monuments mention victories after this, but no wars against Palestine. Slew him. Sennacherib was murdered by his own sons, while worshiping in the idol temple. So perish all who defy the God of Israel.

GOLDEN TEXT: With him is an arm of flesh; but with us is the Lord thy God to help us, and to fight our battles. 2 Chron.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION: Efficacy of The next lesson is 2 Chron. 33, 9-16.

EELLOW'S COMPOUND SYRUP OF HYPOmuscles of the body.

A NOVEL SUBJECT FOR THE PULPIT.

Probably no class at the present day is more looked after by the Churches than the young men. Wherever we go we see the announcements of ser-HEZEKIAH mons and lectures addressed especially C. THE ASSYRIANS: or, God the to them, and probably the young women are justified in complaining, as we have heard them do, that their interests are comparatively neglected. The Revd. Dr. Thain Davidson, of Islington, an nounced some time ago that he purposed to preach specially to young men on the second Sunday evening of each month, and these services appear to have awakened a considerable interest. Sunday evening, Jan. 13, Colebrookerow Church was crowded, the congregation consisting largely of the class

Selecting his text from 2 King x. 15. Is thine heart right? If it be, give me thine hand." Dr. Davidson proceeded to deal with his subject, which he entitled "Hearts and Hands," and considered it under the twofold divis-10n-a heart searched, and a hand

In the course of his remarks he said I blame the pulpit for avoiding a subject which will not permit me to elude. should be less than a man, I should crush and ignore the human that is in me, were I to speak to you of hearts and hands, and not refer to those attachments which have more to do with your future happiness than all others put together. He who made us said, 'It is not good for man to be alone;" and when sound wisdom and pure aff ction have guided your choice, thank God if you have met with one to whom you can give your hand, because she bas already gained your heart. Even now your life will be happier, and your burdens all the lighter, that you have a gentle confidant to share them with you in sympathy. But O, let wisdom, purity, constancy, and a high sense of honor mark your whole conduct in this matter. Beware of being dazzled by attractions that are of rainbow fickleness. Before the hand be pledged, ask the question, "Is thine heart right, as my heart is with thy heart?" Gentlemen, I have little patience with those who can only taik with cynicism of he formation of such ties within a Chris-

Where, I ask, more than within such inclosure, is a young man likely to find one who is worthy of his affections, and fitted to be a true helpmeet to him in life? It is not the least interesting thought to myself, in connection with my ministry here, that it has been the means, more or less direct of the formation of many unions which have proved as happy as Heaven ever smiled upon. I know it well, that many a young man in London who wishes his fireside to be more cheerful, feels himsell to be so much a stranger, and is so little in society, that he almost despairs of finding one who shall be a partner with him in his joys and sorrows. Hence some of those impetuous and dangerous leaps into matrimony of which we too often hear. Associate yourselves more intimately with a Christian congregation; and if there are within it, as there ought to be, many warm hearts and kind, happy homes, to which you men of principle are ever cordially welcome, you will find the difculty solved, as it has been countless times before, and with God's blessing. shall meet with one worthy both of vonr heart and hand.

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A very remarkable letter appeared in some of the Halifax papers during last week. Intimations had been given that Dr. DeWolfe, Medical Superintendent of the Asylum for the Insane, Dartmouth, was called upon, with three of his associates in office, to resign. Rumours followed this notice to the effect that a prominent Roman Catholic of Dartmouth-a Visiting Commissioner of the Institution-had been diligently thrusting charges on the attention of those who were associated with him in the oversight of the Asylum; that these charges had taken an aggrevated shape before a Committee of the Legislature appointed to enquire into the circumstances; that the Committee had reported in favour of the dismissal of Dr. DeWolfe and others; and that, in due time, the son of the said prominent Roman Catholic, being a member of the Government, insisted upon the appointment of a Roman Catholic to the office of Superintendent, basing his claims upon the rights of Roman Catholics to a full share in the offices of the coun-

When the Report of the Legislative

Committee appeared, we read it with much avidity, and resting under a very natural impression that something very dreadful was to be revealed. We have followed the history of this institution for years, with painful yet pleasurable interest, having again and again seen very valued friends committed to its keeping, and in every instance rejoiced in the joy wherewith they were restored to society. The bare hint that some sad change had occurred in the management of the Asylum-a change so flagrant that it demanded the dismissal of four principal officers-was sufficient to startle the public. We confess that in this astonishment we shared to a considerable extent. What do we find? The report has two grave charges -serious neglect as to measures necessary to secure cleanliness, and dishonesty in the administration of rations. Dr. DeWolf's letter positively contradicts the former charge; it also throws no little discredit upon the Commissioners who, if the charges be true, allowed the circumstances as to the latter charge to creep into the management. The worst feature of the whole case is, that Dr. DeWolf has been denied the right of appearing before the tribunal which condemned him! He -may be guilty—as to that men may read the evidence in whatever light they please; but British justice demands that a prominent official shall not be sent out into the world, blighted as to his moral standing, without a hearing. The government will not, we are sure, perpetrate this injustice. If it does it must take the consequences of being considered cowardly and arbitrary. We have no political interests to serve. We are not even on terms of intimacy with Dr. DeWolfe. But we have a high regard for the honor and righteousness of this country, and so cannot allow a condemned man to stand helplessly before the public demanding fair play, without lifting an arm and a voice in his favour. There are various courts of Enquiry in Nova Scotia, and we submit that Dr. DeWolfe's case, by the present coloring placed upon his conduct, has passed beyond the province of any secret tritial jury, and if the Commissioners (not Dr. DeWolfe), deserve the blame, as maintained in the Superintendent's letter, the Province will not quietly stand by and allow an innocent public servant | Ontario at half the amount. to be thrust out with disgrace.

A service of very considerable revcommodity, only let the machinery be tions and observations upon the extent alluded. regulated with prudence. We find in to which people really overload themthe reports of the Methodist Episcopal selves in days of prosperity. Doubtless Baptisma.—Rev. J. Lathern's trea-

Concerns, as conducted at New York and Cincinnati, has been profitable during the past year; the most of the Depositor. are only imaginary.

ies, however, have been unprofitable, and at some, losses have been sustained. The ceneral policy of the church in regard to

depositories was carefully considered. The editors represented their respectve papers, which were reported as gaining subscribers, without almost any exception. May the editors realize their hopes for still larger increases of subscribers! All the interests of the two Concerns received the most considerate attention.'

If we mistake not, our own General Conference will have similar cause for congratulation. It may be a good hint to our brethren, that perhaps the source of greatest profit to the American publishing houses, is the publication of their own Hymn Books. Another suggestion is conveyed by the remarks we have quoted-Depositories, or branch Book-rooms-are not money-making concerns, and their number is likely to be reduced rather than multiplied. There are reasons-business reasonsfor this, which need not be mentioned.

It is always easy to launch arrows against a public institution. Sometimes the arrows may fall within the ramparts, wounding the loyal defenders, when they little deserve it. But when a minister or member of any church turns his weapons against any of his own brethren, he ought, indeed, to have some strong justification. writer in the New York Advocate cently made assertions which, appearing in a paper of the widest circulation, and written evidently by a Methodist, were calculated to do much mischief against the character of Canadian Methodist authorities. He was met, however, by another Canadian writer, whose points serve, while they refute the charges alluded to, to shew fairly the best published. two or three important features of our

Here is an extract on salaries :-

"On the question of appointments and salaries your correspondent remarks that men in cities and towns, in many cases inferior in ability but superior in scheming to their country brethren, are getting more than double their salaries.' course there is considerable difference beween the salaries paid in the country and in the towns. It always has been so, and always will be, 'world without end.' As to the 'inferior ability' of city brethren, that may be an open question. Of course, we often hear the remark that there are many brethren on country circuits of superior ability (in their own estimation) to those in cities; but when some city where these talented brethren are to be found, echo answers-' Where?' But joking apart, I venture to say (and I claim to have some knowledge of the facts) that we have at the present about as equal a distribution of talent as fallible stationing committees could possibly arrive at. The insinuation about 'scheming.' I pronounce an unmitigated slander; and I do this without any personal feeling, as I am not in charge of a city congregation. It must be admitted that once in a while a good brother forgets himself so far as to scheme a little; but such are conspicuous only for their failures. There is too much honesty and godliness among Methodist preachers in Canada to permit scheming to succeed when once it is known."

This is a forcible paragraph on missionary appointments:-

Your correspondent goes on: "In the missionary work this inequality is painfully apparent. There are men in British Columbia and Manitoba getting from one thousand to eighteen hundred dollars a year, while the maximum salary on rough and toilsome missions in Quebec and Ontario is five hundred and fifty dollars." Evidently "O. G." is one who relies upon his imagination for his facts. If the missionary reports are to be relied upon, the highest amount paid at present to any missionary is \$1,140, and this is only in the case of a few isolated Indian missions in B. C. and the North-west, where the cost of getting supplies is simply enormous Moveover, there is a significant fact about the supply of these distant missions. I am told by the missionary authorities of our church that when brethren who grumble about their small allowances are asked to go to these outposts, they almost invariably have a venture to say that if "O. G." is a man fit to be put in charge of an Indian mission in the North-west, he can be accomwill be glad to relinguish their thousand dollar incomes to get back to a circuit in

and patriotism if both be not contained Knight is surely our ministerial Laureate. It is somewhat singular that a telegraphic message comes at once responsive to the song. The poet writes:

Let the great cable call for aid, And ere the next appeal is made Ten thousand warriors will reply, And speed to victory or die. Call, Mother, when thy cause demands, Call twice ten thousand hearts and hands, And we will prove our sympathy, With cavalry and infantry.'

The ink was not dry on the page containing these sentiments in print, when the following telegram came flashing over the wires:

OTTAWA, March 2. A cablegram received to-day, from England, stating that ten thousand Canadian troops are to be raised for European service, creates great excitement among the volunteers. There would be no difficulty in enrolling that number.

The poet did not mistake the temper ither of England or Canada.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LIBRARIES .- Cir. culars are being sent out to the ministers of all our Circuits, which we earnestly desire may be placed in the hands of the Superintendents of Sabbath Schools, where these have not received them direct. Attention is thus called to the splendid facilities now possessed by the Book Room for supplying firstclass books at cheapest rates, and with the option of returning any that, may not be required within a limited time. The stock this year is full and attractive, containing the latest books, and

The increase in our sales to Sabbath Schools, within two or three years, is something very remarkable, showing two or three facts. 1. Our people are beginning to see how valuable a means of attraction and instruction is afforded by good books and papers for children. 2. Our Sabbath Schools now regard a free outlay of money for such purposes as a first-class investment. 3. Our Sabbath Schools are finding the best security for quality and prices in their own Book Establishment. We can now confidently challenge the Dominion as to the prices of our books—thanks to congregation in want of a supply asks | those who have patronized us to an extent which enables us to buy from pub-

By the way, it is a fitting comment upon recent discussion in the Wesley-AN. that Annapolis Royal expends on two Sunday Schools of the Circuit not less than a hundred dollars a year, each! We assume the day is not far distant when the church in those localities will begin to draw the interest upon this investment. Economy in all things is desirable; but the pitiable starvation of our Sabbath Schools is not economy.

INSTEAD of the essay on Teaching we give this week one on the Medical Profession. The writer may be accepted as an oracle on the subject, so far as he has gone in its treatment. He is himself a fair illustration of that peculiar something in the successful physician, which he finds it so difficult to define, the possessor of a keen insight as regards constitution and disease-a sort of physiological intuition-which marks | effected a pleasing transformation, that | the School House. the true doctor, whatever other qualifications he may possess. Some men reach conclusions by the exercise of a divine faculty -- we scarcely know what else to designate it—which others can only reach by reasoning or experiment. bunal. Let him be tried by an impar- loud providential call to stay at home! I ling. This is, we think, preeminently true of doctors; and without the in- ber convened together representing varituition we would consider the man's ous ages and denominations. After whil modated. Some of the brethren there energy and education thrown away in a ling away the evening in social converse. great measure.

British subjects who may have Blessings on John Boyd of St. married in the Colonies sisters of their John! He has been before the public deceased wives, now find their children Concerns, when safely managed. There as an instructive, comforting, and amu- to inherit and own property. This was is no investment in which money can be | sing platform man. His lecture last provided for recently by a law passed sunk so readily as in printers' ink; and week on superfluous things-" bag- for that purpose. It is a step in the

Book Concerns this cheering express- the great fire taught people that they tise, with this title, is going into a could live and be happy with less of second edition. The first edition went them. We all have comforts which will be improvements in the second edition, the author giving, in more extend- it before next June.

WE mistake the true spirit of poetry | ed form, his vie ws-which have the merit of being original and forciblein the stanzas given in our columns upon the topics selected for discussion. this week-" Canada to England." Mr. We are glad to find a sound, scholarly literature coming into existence in these Provences.

> THE International Sunday School Convention will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, April 17-19. The subject for discussion is "Our Work" in its various phases. It is of great importance feeling very much cramped for room in that the Maritime Provinces be well represented by Delegates. Any persons who purpose being present should communicate with W. B. McNutt, Esq., Halifax, at as early a date as possible.

> Mt. Allison College.-The Board of Trustees and Governors for this institution was called together for Wednesday last at 10 a m., to consider the question of appointing a successor to Dr. Allison. Since Mr. Sprague declined, members of the Board were disposed to hesitate before taking another step. At the present writing it is impossible to foreshadow the action of the Board, but we shall endeavor to have the decision conveyed by telegraph in nor spending our strength for naught. time for the present issue.

The following telegram reached the office on Wednesday evening:

SACEVILLE, N. B., March 6. Principal Inch elected unanimously at an early stage of the meeting to Presidency of College. Rev. David Kennedy to Principalship of Male Academy, Rev. George Milligan and lady requested to take the places vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Inch. Questions of relation of the Institutions to each other financially are under considera-

WE learn from a Woodstock, N. B., corresponent, that a letter most generally signed by the congregation of the Weslevan Church, in that place, has been sent to Lewis P. Fisher, Esq. formerly in charge of the Sabbath School and choir, requesting him to take his old place among them, which we understand he has consented to do, as soon as his health has sufficiently

NEWS FROM THE CIRCUITS.

JOTTINGS FROM MANCHESTER When the revolutions of the itinerant wheel were brought to a termination last June, we found our name opposite the above circuit. This being our first move in the new relation of pater familias, we naturally felt some solicitude in reference to this field of labor, an expedition of enquiry was at once started among the brethren, but unfortunately for us and ours. we could not discover any returning from the goodly land laden. with a "cluster of grapes." On the contrary there appeared to be a prevailing inclination to assume the role of Micaiah and prophesy evil rather than good. 'Under these circumstances it was with feelings of fear and trembling we started for the scene of future toil not knowing what was before us, but confidently believing "what looks dark in the distance may brighten as we

A few days after our pastoral inauguration, a number of the elect ladies took possession of the comfortable little parsonage and after spending a few hours in inhabit the Celestial Empire. The lecloving labor and pleasant intercourse re- ture was thoroughly appreciated by the tired, having during their short stay attentive audience which completely filled both improved the appearance of our home and greatly added to our domestic enjoyment. Since then we have been encouraged with many evidences of interest in and regard for the comfort of pastor) the adjoining settlement. and family. Notably amongst which must be mentioned the donation of last Wednesday evening. Quite a large numsinging, addresses, &c., they departed, Methodist .- Perwick Star. leaving us the recipients of a tangible expression of their good-will in the form of thirty one dollars cash and about twenty dollars in useful articles.

Although not in a position to report enue to the Churches are the Publishing many years as a lecturer, and always recognized by English law as entitled any special spiritual work, yet we are not without cheering proof that our labor is not in vain in the Lord. A new church is now in course of erection at the Interthere is no way in which money may be gage" he designated them -was evi- direction of abrogating the restriction vale, which is expected to be ready for so profitably expended as in this same dently the substance of his own reflect altogether as regards the relationships occupancy next summer. At Port Mul- viz., the 20th, and again the parsonage grave, where the cause has suffered so se- | was crowded. On both occasions the verely and sustained so many drawbacks | tables, at which the ladies waited for in connection with the loss of two church- hours, were heavily laden with good es, we are pleased to state that there is at | things. Short good speeches were delivpresent a fair prospect of having a com- | ered, select readings were given, and very "The general business of the Book the cumbering wares of life about off by a quiet, steady demand. There building has been secured, and the build- of the firm of Millar Brothers, Charlottefortable place for Divine worship. A choice music was discoursed. Mr. Millar, er is at work with the view of completing | town, kindly put one of their handsome,

SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I., Feb. 25th, 1878. -The good work in this town, of which you gave some notice in your issue of the 16th inst., has continued since that time, resulting in the conversion of quite a number, and the awakening of more. Last evening it was my privilege to receive into the church and upon trial, fifty new members, four of whom were baptized on the same occasion; and several others have expressed their desire to connect themselves with us at an early date. We are our church which has grown too small for us. Times are hard, money and employ. ment both very scarce, yet it will be nec. cessary for us to "arise and build." May we still experience the favor and blessing of the Great Head of the church.

Acadia .- A gracious work is in progress in our new church at Tusket. Among the "first fruits" we received into church fellowship eleven persons yesterday. The whole service was unusually interesting. To God be all the glory. We also baptized and received into connexion with us here, a sea captain. We are feeling the strains of continued hard work. but thankful we are not laboring in vain Several cases of diphtheria.

R. TWEEDIE. Feb. 25, 1878.

STANLEY, N. B .- We have just concluded a series of special services at Stanley with cheering results. We ex. pect it will result in an encouraging addition to our church. Go I has abundantly blessed us. To Him be all the praise.

FOR BOSTON.-Rev. W. W. Brewer. left by train on Saturday last, for Boston. and was to have lectured in the interests of the Inebriate Home, at Needham, Mass. last night. On his return next week it is expected that he will give the Reform Club an account of his visit to D. Banks McKenzie and his favored institution.

LECTURE COURSE GIBSON UNION HALL .- The seventh lecture of this course was delivered by the Rev. W. W. Lodge. of Salisbury, on "Mental Development." The subject was treated from a practical standpoint. The lecturer proceeded to show that man's superiority was to be seen in his "God stamped nature." and though having lost his primeval innocence and fallen low, yet he was possessed of those faculties which if developed would prove his lordship over creation, and be a refutation of the ape theory of Darwin. The well-timed and earnest advice given that we were not like the rustic, to wait for the river to run by, to wait for the good time coming, nor even to be bilious. ly complaining, but buckle to the work of to-day, and with indomitable perseverance overcome obstacles, and attain the gaol within our reach, was well received and applauded by the audience. The lecture was full of good, practical axioms, enlivening by apt and pleasing illustrations, and delivered with earnestness and fluency.

LOWER CAVEBHILL LECTURE COURSE. -An evenings entertainment was given in the School House on Monday evening. February 18th. Singing by the choir and a reading formed the opening part which was followed by a lecture by the Rev. R. Duncan, of Marysville, subject: "An evening with the Celestials, or China and the Chinese." In a very pleasant manner much useful and interesting information was given concerning the past history and position of the extraordinary people who

These entertainments are supplying a want felt in this community, and will be no doubta pleasant intellectual stimulus to the people who gather there from this and

Religious.-Quite a revival is going on at Billtown, Woodville and Grafton. Sixty persons have been baptised by Rev. Sydney Welton, Baptist; and several by Revs. I. E. Thurlow and C. Lockart.

POWNAL, P. E. I .- Our friends on this circuit intimated to us their intention of making a donation visit to the parsonage on the 13th of Feby. The night was stormy, but there was a large gathering nevertheless. The friends living farthest away from Pownal village, and who were hindered by the storm, not willing to submit to a defeat, appointed another night, E. E. E. fine toned organs into the parsonage for

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New Brunswick, Feb. 27. and also any of any official position. The Book was printed in the pay have been held, such as President, sailed from Aden Jan. 24th, for Callio,

off by \$52 in money, beside a good supply for pantry, cellar and barn, for which

we felt inexpressibly thankful. W. Editor-we are among exceedingly hind friends, our prospects both financialh and spiritually are brightening. WM. MAGGS.

HANTSPORT .- Since the year came in our services, regular and extra, have been more than usually interesting. There have been some conversions and some accessions to the church. The brethren Smith and Brecken of Windsor rendered us valned assistance, but our chief reliance. under God, was upon the hearty and united support of the members of the church. The annual " Donation" gathering was held on the 14th ult. The occasion was very pleasant and financially successful, the receipts for the evening being eightyseven dollars, (\$87). A. D. M.

" Evangelistic services" have been held daily for three weeks at Trinity, New- and also \$26, the result of a special effort foundland-under the direction of the among the young people, for the Labrador Meth dist minister and an "evangelist" recently arrived from England. Some few souls have been led to the Saviour.

At English Harbor also, services have been conducted daily for a week, and sixteen souls have been won for the Master. Similar meetings are now in progress at Catalina, and Bonavista will be visited next we understand. May many souls be won for the Master. J. H.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bonds.—Persons having Book Room Bonds which they wish to sell for cash, will please correspond with the Book Steward at once.

Two good hints are conveyed in the following letter, from a valued corresdendent. The first hint is to the Book Room, which we will seriously consider and profit by, the second to our Minispretty truthful.

I have been thinking of late whether something more could not be done to advertise and circulate our own literature among our people-on country circuits particularly. There must be large numbers of young people who would spend a dollar for a book, if they knew what to get and how to obtain it.

pastoral visits and called for again, thou-

I take in submitting to you these two of some 600 scholars and teachers. thoughts. We have, as a church, books and papers capable of improving the mind generally circulated.

church, and who develop the highest features of Christian character have their minds imbued with the spirit of our lite-

SMITH'S HISTORY.

DEAR BRO. NICOLSON,-We feel proud that such a well gotten up volume should be issued from our Book Room as the first Volume of Smith's "History of Methodism in Eastern British America; it speaks well of the good management and enterprise of the concern.

We think that all our brethren should Widows' Fund," so that it will be seen by lation we are helping a needy fund.

May we ask you, Mr. Editor, whether this is a true version of the case, or whether the item in the corner of the back of title-Page, "Printed and published for the pro-Prietor by A. W. Nicolson, 125 Granville rivate or a connexional concern?

Yours, &c.,

being over, we found ourselves the better not the first who has questioned whether mention. the Book was published in the Provinces.)—EDITOR.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F. 🗸

MR. EDITOR, DEAR BRO.,-Some brief items of news from this important circuit | next January.

may not be uninteresting. THE MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY

was held at the usual time and resulted most satisfactorily. The deputation con sisted of the President and ex-President of the Conference; whose appropriate sermons on the Sabbath, and advocacy of the Missionary enterprise, were highly appreciated by large audiences. The Hon, E. White presided at the meeting; which was one of the best attended and most profitable ever held in our city. The col lections were in advance of previous years, and amounted to \$275,000; which was supplemented by \$249, realized by the children with their Christmas collecting cards:

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES

were conducted for several weeks, mainly carried on by Messrs. Bromley and Hutchinson, two evangelists from Eng land, with whom the Nonconformist ministers and office-bearers of the city churches heartily co-operated. The two Methodist churches, and the Congregational church, were crowded to their fullest capacity night after night, by devout congregations, eager to hear the message of reconciliation; and to many the gospel proved the power of God to salvation. As a result of the services, there have been additions to the membership of the churches; an increased measure of zeal, philanthropy, and unanimity amongst professing christians; and the establishment of a " Young Men's Christian Association," which life and usefulness.

The evangelists since leaving St. John's, have laboured with wonderful earnestness ters, who may accept the conclusion as and success' at Harbor Grace and Carbonear; and are now at Brigus, where a most glorious revival of religion is in progress. From other parts of the Island. intelligence of spiritual prosperity strength. ens and gladdens our hearts.

CHURCH EXTENSION

attention of our energetic and liberal circuit officials. Our Gower St. Church, with I have thought that if the ministers had capacity for seating 950, and George St. some catalogues of your books, which | Church, with accommodation for 800 per could be left at the houses when making sons, are inadequate to meet the growing requirements of our cause. A third church sands would receive information they has become a necessity; and this our peodon't possess at present. The lists pub. | ple have set their heart upon accomplishlished in the WESLEYAN are admirable, ing. As preliminary steps, a very eligible but how many of our people never see site has been purchased, at a cost of \$2,400; and a movement is now in progress Then supposing you sent us a notice to liquidate the debt on George St. church, suitable to put up in some conspicuous toward which, despite the stringency of place in the Church, calling the attention | the times, and the abounding destitation, of the people to our paper, literature, &c., about \$4,000 have already been subscribed. and that they could be obtained through Our two Sunday Schools in the city have the minister. You will pardon the liberty a united attendance on Sal path afternoon

Our excellent Bro, Currie, Superintendent of the Island Cove Circuit, is comand heart, and I long to see them more pletely laid aside by illness; and, it is feared, may not recover. Our prayer is-if God I have observed that those who take the | willeth—that the life of this tellow laborer, liveliest interest in the institutions of our | so well qualified for our work in Nfld., may

be spared to His Church. A glance at our present status affords cause for unbounded thanksgiving-and the future is radiant with hope.

Yours truly,

CYCLOPŒDIA OF METHODISM IN CANADA.

(We bespeak attention to this letter. A postal card from each Minister would give all necessary details. The compilation would be of great benefit.)-EDITOR.

DEAR BROTHER NICOLSON,

Will you kindly allow me through the Peruse your editorial remarks (to which the columns of your excellent Wesleyan, you drew our attention), and take an in- to say to the members of the three Eastterest in the circulation of this History, ern Conferences, that I am preparing a not only on the ground of its own intrinsic volume bearing the above title which is value, but also from the fact that all profits to contain the name of every Methodist "connected with the Book and Printing Minister in Connection with the Me-Establishment, in the city of Halifax, thodist Church of Canada, showing the not required in the business,—shall be Circuits or Stations to which they have Pplied "exclusively for the benefit of the been appointed, the date of being received Supernumerary Ministers, and Ministers' on trial, the time of ordination and admission into full connection, &c.; also Putting our own publications into circu- who bave died, located or withdrawn from

1790 to 1878.-But knowing that "Hill's arrange. ment" does not give a correct exhibit of the men and their stations in E. B. A. and that changes in appointments are sometimes made during the Conference Street, Halifax, N. S." has reference to a vear. I shall be glad to receive from each minister and preacher in connection with the three Eastern Conferences a correct list of the circuits he has travelled, with the date of reception on trial, ordination, It has reference to the Connexional and also any of any official position that

the occasion. Every one appeared to be WESLEYAN OFFICE. We have no "pri- Secretary, Chairman, &c., with any other highly pleased with the programme. All vate concern." Our correspondent is fact that may be regarded as worthy of

> My effort is to give to Methodism a volume that will serve as a reliable book of reference in everything pertaining to Methodism in this Dominion. I expect to have the Manuscript all completed by the time of our next General Conference, and hope to have it published by the first of

> > GEO. H. CORNISH, Grimsby, Ontario.

THE INFANTS' HOME IN 1877.

The Third Annual Report of this Institution speaks of increasing usefulness The leading facts can be thus summarized. At the close of 1876 there were 36 infants in the Home. 52 were admitted in 1877. This made a total of 88 under the Committees' care. Of this number 17 died; 11 were adopted; 22 were placed again under the care of their parents, and the balance, 38, were in the Home at the close of 1877. The death-rate was but a fraction over 19 per cent., a wonderfully low rate considering that the Home had been visited by diphtheria and scarlet fever.

Concerning the "ways and means" the

We have an average of 40 babies in the Home during the year, and an average of 16 nurses and attendants; this formed 'family" of fifty six (56) to be cared for from day to day, and from month to month. This large "family" has been supported for twelve months at an expendi ture of \$2,894.60. The economy of the institution may be judged by any one who has experience of household affairs. The receipts for the year amounted to \$2.878, 29, this includes a grant of \$300 from the Legislature, but does not include the balance from the previous year, (107.39). The Subscriptions and Donations and the sums received for board, show a considerable increase, namely, on Subscriptions and Donations \$285.34, and on board \$286.73."

Among the contributions we are glad to see some from Methodist Churches and Sabbath Schools, as well as from many promises to become a centre of religious | leading members of our church. The Committee say:

"The mothers of the children have in many instances benefited greatly by their stay in the Home. Not a few have done their duty very faithfully while in the Home and have themselves been restored to homes and families as if brought back from the dead. We could quote letters expressive of the deepest gratitude to the Committee and the Matron. Thus the

The Committee appeal very earnestly for such liberal aid as will enable them to secure more adequate premises. They say:

"Our appeal now is to every man who has a man's heart in his bosom,-to every of infant life and the woes of infant suffering,-to every 'ooy and girl who wishes to do a Christlike deed. We ask immedidiate aid,-as liberal as you can give. The call is loud; it is the cry of neglected, murdered innocence; it is the cry of blood. P'aaraoh's daughter bad compassion on the tears of the weeping babe she saved; -will Christian ladies be less compassionate?-It is not the will of our Heavenly Father that one of these little ones should perish. In the name of that Father we ask your help to save those that are ready to perish near our very doors. Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only, verily I say unto you he shall in no wise lose his reward. Christ who took the little ones in his arms and laid his hands on them and blessed them will reward an hundred-fold the sacrifices you make in this Christ like

We rejoice to see the good that has been accomplished, and we trust that the institution will continue to be increasingly useful. At the recent annual meeting, an account of which is comprised in this Report, the Home was cordially endorsed by ministers and laymen of all denomina-

NEWS IN BRIEF.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Mr. G. T. Irving, of Maitland, states that on Monday, 18th ult., accompanied by Rev. A. D. Jamieson and Mr. Isaac Douglass, he visited a bird's nest which had been discovered about three miles from the village. It is built in a hemlock shrub about eight feet high, and contained a young bird and one egg. The old birds were about the size of a Nev cases are daily reported. sparrow, and appeared to be of the Finch

Reform has made such progress in Vale Colliery, near New Glasgow, that not a glass of intoxicating liquor can be got in the village. - John Macphee, a young miner, received severe injuries about the head on Monday, by coal being blown in his face from a shot that went off accidently. He is likely to re-

The first Mayflower has been plucked at Mill Village, Queen's Co., and is on exhibition at the Liverpool "Times" office. A. M. Hubly, who was arrested in Char-

lottetown for forgery, has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment. An attempt was made on Tuesday night week to set on fire the barn of Mr. John W. Forbes, New Glasgow. A quantity of paper

else. As a quantity of chaff was near the door, it seems a happy miracle that the vilwe can learn, rests upon any known party.

Several citizens of Truro announce that they have determined to go to Texas, and therefore they offer their properties for sale.

The suit brought by the Windsor and Annapolis Railway Company against the Western Counties Railway Company to recover possession of the Windsor branch, is now being argued in the Equity Court by Messrs. N. Ritchie and Hugh McD. Henry for plaintiffs, and Hon. J. McDonald, Mr. J. S. D. Thompson and Mr. N. H. Meagher for the

A patent for a skate has been granted to Mr. Samuel Horsford of this city.

Wm. Routledge, Esq., has leased the Victoria Mines, and it is probable operations at the colliery will be resumed at an early date. This will indeed be cheering to the many poor miners in that locality who have been so long out of employment; and who are at the present moment in destitute circumstances.

On the 20th January last, Allan Maginnis (probably McInnes), a native of Cape breton, was drowned on the Grand Banks by the upsetting of a dory, while hauling trawls, of the schr. Centennial. His companion, John McLeod, saved himself by holding on to the

The Ottawascorrespondent of the Charottetown "Patriot" says it is decided that the Northern Light is to make trips across the straits whenever practicable; meanwhile the mails will continue to be sent by the cape's, until regular communication by the steamer is possible between Georgetown and

Messrs Wyman Brothers' factory at Carleton, Yarmouth Co., and two other mills, were destroyed by fire last week. The factory was an extensive affair, and turned out large quantities of furniture, and it is said the whole loss is upwards of \$10,000.

A building owned by Mr. Joseph P. Mil ler, known as the Glasgow House, Bridge water, was destroyed by fire on the 26th ult. with its contents. There was no insurance. The fire was evidently the work of an incen-

A building owned by Mr. G. Reading Crowe, and occupied by Mr. Waddel Rutherford as a carpenter's shop, was, with its contents, totally destroyed by fire on Friday

NEW BRUNSWICK & P. E. ISLAND.

Mr. Frank Allison has received the appointment of Consul of the Kingdom of portugal, in place of his father, the late Edward

Shanklin's Way Office, near St. Martin's, weather. On Sunday last a caterpillar was found creeping around upon the snow, and seemed as active as if the atmosphere was that of a summer month instead of February. It was placed in a box, and has been received

by mail at the "Telegraph" office. The General Assembly of P. E. Island is summoned to meet on Thursday, 14th March, for the despatch of business.

Word has been received that the dwelling house of Captain George Sprague, at Port Elgin, parish of Botsford, was destroyed by benefits of the Institution extend much fire on Monday week, after the family were farther than even the saving of infant | asleep, and that a son of Wellington Sprague, 12 years old, perished in the flames. The origin of the fire is unknown. Captain Spra- Mrs. Eliza gue lost all he had in the house, including sails and running rigging belonging to his schooner, and the family are now very desti-

Captain McNeill, of the brig "Silas Alloving mother who knows the preciousness that on the 31st. January, during a south east the western part of Kansas and Nebraska, native of Mount Dessert, fell from the topsail yard and was drowned.

A cablegram to Messrs. F. Tufts & Co.. advises them of the abandonment at sea of and landed at Liverpool.

Lumber operations in Queen's county seem to be little if any retarded by our extremely open winter. T. Hetherington, Esq., has upwards of 50 teams in the woods, giving employment and food to a large number of men. Mr. Kingston and Mr. Smith are also actively engaged on the Canadian river.

Mr. E. Manning, late of St. John, and at present Superintendent of Education in P. E. Island, delivered a lecture in Charlottetown on Thursday week, on "The Spirit of the Age." The papers of that place speak very favorably of the lecture.

Mr. Wallace offered for sale the office and warerooms of the Sussex Boot and Shoe company, who are about to enlarge their premises. The sale was not made, the auctioneer not receiving large enough offers.

Large quantities of ice, of a very superior quality, are being taken from Robertson's Lake, about three quarters of a mile north of Rankin's mill, Indiantown. The work is being conducted by very energetic men-Messrs. Upton, Morrison and Niles-who have received several large orders.

At a special meeting of the Liverpool Local Marine Board, Feby. 1st, a presentation was rodite, of St. John, N. B., for services rendered to the crew of the French ship La Mas- 100 escaped. silla. D. M. Deans, one of the crew of the British M. and E. Cox, was afterwards presented with a bronze medal, the gift of the Board of Trade, for services rendered in the rescue of the crew of the ship Epaminonas.

The dreadful disease Diphtheria, is preva ent in Portland to a considerable extent.

Richard M. Record, 50 years of age, was killed at Upham, Klags Co., on Friday last, Tue-brigt, Lauretta, Capt. Gillat, from by a tree falling on him, while chopping logs. lel eaves a wife and ten children to mourn ening before Coroner Raymond, and a verict in accordance with the above facts wa-

have been remembered by their friends at her former commander. She was insured for Hopewell Hill and New Horton respectively. each being the better off thereby to the amount of between \$50 and \$60. The friends of the Rev. R. Wilson at the Hill, Harvey and Hopewell Corner, made him the recipient of 856, 845, and 885, making a total of \$186. An unusual amount of platform work has been done here of late. Rev. Mr. Ackman was put under the door and lighted, but it favored the Hillsboreans with "Our Age: burned away without setting fire to anything Rev. Mr. Hogg gave "Travels in Palestine to the Riversiders; Rev. Mr. Beattie talked to the Harvevites on the " Life of Daniel: lainous plot failed. No suspicion, as far as and Rev. Wm. Wilson spoke on the "East-The big ship W. D. Lawrence, Capt. Ellis, dress is highly spoken of, and the audiences force, sent out in case of war, with Major ern Question" in several places. Each adwere quite above the average.

UPPER PROVINCES.

A Montreal despatch states that a former citizen of that place nau ed Valiere, died at N. Orleans lately leaving at enormous fortune and that a trader at Montreal, of the same name, has put in claim for it, alleging near relationship. The amount is said to be fiteen

The Government have decided to grant the city of Toronto, on terms to be agreed upon, a lease of the land at the Garrison Common

required for Exhibition purposes. Mr. James English started for Manitoba last week with sixteen of the best horses that have been purchased in Kent county for a

number of years. The fishery regulation, fixing a close time for pickerel and maskinonge in Ontario, adopted by the Governor General in Council. April, 1875, has been suspended in so far as

it applies to the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers. It is possible that the Government will grant a subsidy to a line of steamers to run between Nova Scotia and Toronto in order develop and encourage trade between the Eastern and Western Provinces.

The Pembroke "Observer" mentions with pleasure that Andrew Irving, Registrar, on ie 4th ult., paid over to John Smith, Warden of the county, the sum of one thousand dollars, being the first instalment on account of deficit in the office of the late County Treasurer. Mr. Irving has paid this instalment some months before it was due, thus proving his desire as quickly as possible to discharge the load which has been so unhappily placed upon his shoulders.

Mr. Wm. Myles, of Toronto, who has purchased an interest in the Snowdon Iron Mines talks of putting up smelting works in Port Hope or Whitby. Port Hope talks of a 830,000 bonus, and the two railways are offering competing rates for the freight. Having a positive order for a large quantity of iron r a Cleveland firm, he is now getting out the timber for buildings at the mines.

The river-bed of the Niagara was dry for hundreds of yards towards the centre of the Horse-shoe or Canadian Falls recently, and there were icicles clinging to the high precipice where they had never been seen before. At the ferry the level of the river was twenty four feet below the usual water mark. This change of level is attributed to prevailing righ winds from the north east.

A fire took place last week, in the British Columbia School, Montgeal, containing 600 pupils, during school hours. By presence of mind the teachers and children escaped, and the fire was subdued without much damage being done.

The Dominion exports, exclusive of British must be favoured with extraordinary warm | Columbia, for January, were \$10,453,000 the imports for the same period \$4,607,752.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Galveston "News" says that Eulalia Perez, living in Los Angeles, California, is the oldest woman in the world. She is now 140, and still uses her needle, having sent a piece of embroidery to a church fair about two years ago. Her age is well authenticated, as it is on record that when the church of the Mission of St. Gabriel was built in 1771, she was a married woman and the mother of seve-

died in Pittsburg, Pa., gave away during her lifetime over \$1,000,000 to charitable institutions. Her estate is valued at \$6,000,000.

A proposition is being seriously considered to dam the Arkansas and Platte rivers and ward," at Havanna from St. John, reports thus turn the waters into the great desert in gale, Wm. M. Robinson, ordinary seaman, a whence, by tapping this artificial lake, streams could be secured for irrigating purposes.

St. Petersburg, March 5 .- The Sultan sent the following telegram to the Emperor:-"Constantinople—on the occasion of the anthe brig. Beauty, of St. John. Crew saved niversary of your Majesty's accession to the throne, I offer my congratulations with the desire of renewing our friendly relations." The Emperor in reply telegraphed as follows: -I thank your Majesty for congratulations which I received simultaneously with news of the signature of peace. I perceive in this coincidence a presage of good and lasting relations between us."

> The "North German Gazette" attacks the territorial waters jurisdiction bill now before the British Parijament, and charges the English Government with seeking to claim jurisdiction over foreign merchantmen passing the Straits of Dover, which the "Gazette " claims to be an international water way for the trade of the whole world.

> President Hayes' veto of the silver bill was read to Congress this afternoon and both branches subsequently passed the bill by the requisite two-thirds vote over the veto. The bill, therefore, becomes law.

> St. Petersburg "Golos" says typhus fever s increasing rapidly among the Russian troops in Roumania, and the Roumanian railway carriages are infected. It is absolutely necessary for the army in Turkey to return by sea and not through Roumania.

Advices from China relate a terrible disaster at Tientsin. The refuge house in which made on behalf of the French Government of the famine stricken refugees from the Northa binnocular glass to Capt. Bass, of ship Aph- ern Provinces assembled took fire, and of (nearly 3000 people in the building only about

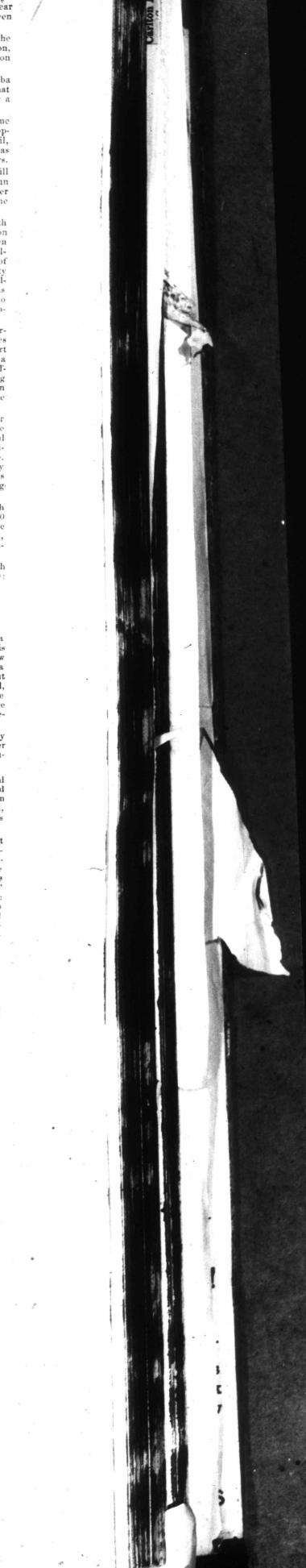
The extremely cold weather has had a fatal ffect on the refugees. Many have been frozen death, while thousands are suffering from sufficient accommodation and lack of food, which cannot be supplied in quantities to meet

e demand. Five of the crew of the British barque Grace were arrested for mutny in New York fatroor. They nearly murdered the mate.

South America to Liverpool, G. B., with cotten and sugar, was run down and sunk in the ir loss. An inquest was held on Saturday | Irish channel on the 27th ult., by the Inman somer City of New York. A seaman named datheson was drowned. The Lauretta was 513 tons, built at Scott's Bay in 1873, and The people of Albert are great on donations. owned by Mesers. Sheffield & Wickwire, J. The Baptist brethren, Beattie and Moore, Steele, E. M. Beckwith and Capt. Nickerson. \$4,000 in Windsor, and \$2,000 in Truro.

> Major Gen. Wolsley says that at no preious period has England been so strong. Vere war declared to morrow about 400,000 drifted men would fall into line if required, supported by 372 field guns, manned and horsed by Royal Artillery. These are exclusive of 10,000 yeomanry, available for Home

Lord Napier, Governor of Gibraltar, has arrived in England. It is announced that it has been decided to employ Lord Napier as commander-in-chief of an army expeditionary General Garnet Wolsley as chief of staff.



WE3LEYAN' ALMANAC MARCH, 1878.

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THE TIDES.—The column of the Moon's Southing rives the time of high water at Parrsboro, Cornvallis, Horton, Hantsport, Windsor, Newport and

High water at Pictou and Jape Tormentine, 2 hrs and 11 minutes LATER than at Halifax. At Annapolis, St. John, N.B., and Portland, Maine, 3 hours and 25 minutes LATER, and at St. John's, Newfoundland 20 minutes EARLIER than at Halifax. At Charlitte LATER, At Westport. 1 ottetown, 2 hours 54 minutes LATER. At Westport, 3 hours 54 minutes LATER. At Yarmouth, 2 hours

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

FOR THE LENGTH OF THE NIGHT.—Substract the time of the sun's setting from 12 hours, and to the remainder add the time of rising next morning

CANADA TO ENGLAND.

BY REV. M. RICHEY KNIGHT

The wire thrills beneath the sea The threatening of war; We hear that hostile billows beat On England's hallowed shore. We hear that alien avarice Is rending lands asunder; And crowns and principalities Watch for the English thunder. And, mother, we send home to thee, A vast Dominion's sympathy.

Qur hearts and hopes are all with thee, Our young life nestles in thy breast; And we will aid, whate'er it be. Endangers British interest. Our love is larger than our might, Yet weakness can do much for love-And few, for England and for right, Motives à world could never move, Would dread nor Russ nor Teuton host, And every arm that fights for thee Is nerved with heaven's sympathy, Who England help, God helps the most.

Glad were out hearts to learn of peace, From war, a Europe-wide release, O'erjoyed to learn of calm and rest, But, mother, do not vield an inch! We know the oak heart cannot flinch Guard sternly every interest; And, mother, we send home to thee, A vast Dominion's sympathy!

Let the great cable call for aid, And ere the next appeal is made Ten thousand warriors will reply, And speed to victory, or die. Call, mother, when thy cause demands! Call twice ten thousand hearts and hands And we will prove our sympathy With cavalry and infantry.

Think not Canadian valor gone, With Wiltshire, Mountain, Reade and Dunn : World wide shines glorious William's fame, And Inglis is a noble name. Brave Parker died at valor's van, And Welstord on the red Redan; All, all these heroes live again, Stamped on their fellow country men. The blood and sinew of the free, Are ours in richest store from thee.

And now, with India's swarthy host. And Oceanic's myriad coast, With every shore and every sea, Where floats the ensign of the free, Where'er thy standard is unfurled, We join, from all thy colonies, A universe of sympathy Sweeps homeward to thy mother heart. We send-'tis but a filial part-A love that wraps and rules the world.

Souris, P. E. Island.

EDUCATIONAL.

During the past year we have had seventy-nine young men in training for the ministry in our three Theological Schools, viz.: at Victoria College, Cobourg, forty-seven; at Wesley College, Sackville, seventeen; and at the Wesleyan Theological College, Montreal, fifteen. Of these, sixty-four have been received on trial in the various Conferences, and have travelled one to three years; the remaining fifteen have been received on trial in the various Conferences, and have travelled one to three years; the remaining fifteen have been licensed as exhorters or local preachers by a Quarterly Meeting. An analysis of the classes ordained in the Western Conferences this year presents the gratifying fact that out of a total of thirtytwo, nineteen have enjoyed the advan. tages of training in our colleges for a period varying from two to four years. Also, out of thirty six young men received on trial, eight have received preliminary training for a period of one or two years.

In addition to this work for the total Institutious are doing a great get the seathing logic, the piercing repar- quirer.

work for our Church and our country in the higher training of our youth of both sexes. A full fifth of the young men reported as passing University Matriculation examinations in Ontario have entered Victoria College both last year and the year previous; a fact which proves-first, that this Institution, (one of six possessing University powers in this Province,) does a full share of the University work of the country; secondly, that the Methodism of our church, numbering about onefifth of the entire population as its adherents, is quite abreast of this advancee Province in its appreciation of University culture. The prestige of our College in the Maratime Provinces is shown by three very gratifying facts; the President of that Institution has been appointed Chief Super intenden of Education for the Province of Nova Scotia; the Professor of Natural Science has been appointed Provincial Assayer for the Province of New Brunswick; and a member of the Freshman Class, who recived his entire preparation at the Institution, has carried off the Gilchrist Scholarship. We may confidently assure the supporters of the Methodist Church of Canada that the Institutions under her fostering care conducted with the most earnest zeal for the promotion of high culture, with painstaking fidelity to the moral and religious interests of the rising generation, and with every regard to economy

tatant a work. We are glad to say that in all our Institutions a deeply, earnest religious influence prevails; class-meetings and prayer-meetings are regularly and largely attended; the majority of students are members of our church, and to not a few the College has been the place of beginning a new life.—Second Ann. Report Educational Soctety M. C. of Canada ..

consistent with the success of so impor-

A GIANT FIGHTS WITH A GIGAN-TIC EVIL.

The facts of the case are these: Con-

necticut has a local option law. Under

that law, the good citizens of Stamford

legally decided at the polls, that no inons where purchased. Retailers laughed in their sleeves, and jeered at probibition and prohibitionists. But "the triumphing of the wicked is short." The citizens held a meeting to consider the situation, and approinted a committeee of nine to New York, he hired three detectives, who tican and the Quirinal. Under the new stomach aches-as the convicts chargesucceeded in purchasing sixty seven distinct drinks, of seventeen different rum. sellers. The latter then discovered that closed doors and secret passages were not absolute safeguards against detection, and rubbed their eyes with astonishment when arrested for violation of the law. Each of them suddenly became a positive professor of Christian ethics, and loudly insisted on the wickedness of the Methodist preacher, whose unexpected strategy had brought their hidden iniquities to light. The fellows manifestly know better than they do. With groans and maledictions, they disgorded the dollars justice demanded in the shape of fines, and swore vengence on the preacher and his employés who were subsequently arrested and held in bonds on the charge of conspiracy. The trial came off in a large public ball on Saturday, January 20th, and lasted from nine in the morning till nine at night. One of the convicted rumsellers was the justice before whom the case was tried. That worthy Dogberry could not see any impropriety in presiding at the trial. "If this court knows her own mind, and she thinks she do," as a Kansas justice once declared, that 'court" was fully persuaded of its ability to decide righteously. All Stamford was present at the issue. The State law vests the right to the closing speech in the deliver it. And verily they were not disapt two colored members of the Senate besides lawyers bearing the honored names of ordinary oratorical genius .- Richmond

tee, and the crushing force of their clerical antagonist. The conscience and the heart of the audience were with him, and against them. The justice acquitted Dr. Buckley, but held the detectives to answer the complaints of the irate dealers in New England rum.

Stamford was jubilant. The local newspaper sold 5,500 extras containing a report of the trial. Congratulations, cordial and sincere, poured in on the pastor. Stamford, we said, was jubilant. That is, sober Stamford was jubilant, but drunken Stamford was malignant, and paused in its potations long enough to trump up other charges akin to the first, on which Dr. B. was again arrested. The end is not yet. Nor will the end come in that goodly town. The venue will be changed, and so will the court. It hardly comports with the dignity of American citizenship to submit the arbitrament of such questions to the bibulous and spiteful unwisdom of illegal menpoisoners and family spoliators—even though they decide, when they cannot do otherwise, in favor of justice and law. Some higher tribunal must professionally decide them. Still it was altogether expedient to seize the opportunity of giving the people a temperance lecture they will always remember.

The Stamford case is a test controversy. If favourably concluded, other towns in "the land of steady babits" will be emboldened to lay hands on defiant law breakers and to compel obenience to the will of the people. Whether rum or right shall dominate, the state is the problem under solu-We much mistake the Yankees if rum achieves the victory.

Dr. Buckley is the representative of sober Stamford, which numbers among its population some hundreds of merchants and professional men who do business in New York. Hon. Oliver Hoyt, president of the Connecticut Senate, is one of the official members of his church—a church which lately took up, in an ordinary plate collection, \$2,850 in aid of the missionary society of the M. E. Church. The sinews of war are not wanting for the further prosecution of this campaign, and, if vigorously pushed, as it doubtless will be, not only will the enemy be put to the worse, but one of their number may find time to meditate on the crime of perjury within the walls of the State prison .-Zion Herald.

The new Pope was born in 1810, and is consequently in his sixty-eighth year. He has been a cardinal for nearly a quarter toxicating liquors should be sold in the of a century, and has filled that high oftown as beverages. Notwithstanding this fice with an acceptance which has won decision, the streets were disgraced by him universal respect. He is as far rereeling drunkards, who, when arrested moved from the extreme type as it is pos and sobered, invariably exhibited that sible to conceive, and being a good adminstrange inability—common to modern istrator is likely to prove a successful drunkards-to remember where the pois- spiritual ruler. He is a man of a vigorous practical mind, a man of action, and one who recognizes the difference between the nineteenth century and the ninth. Of tall and commanding presence he carries himself with a dignity which well becomes one who has attained such an eminence. enforce the law. That Committee ap- | He is a good man of business and skillful pointed a sub committee of three, includ- in his dealings with men. His election ing Dr. Buckley, who was elected chair- may be regarded as a great triumph for man. He, being a genius too, soon hit the moderate party, the party which deupon a plan of operation. Proceeding to sires to see a reconcilion between the Vasettled in Stamford, and by force of severe Pope there is reason to hope that peace will be made with the Italian Government and the status of the Papacy as a purely spiritual power definitely settled.—Tel.

A COLORED DEMOSTHENES.

The latest sensation in the Senate of Virginia is the speech of William N. Stevens, a colored repudiationist from Sussex County, delivered in that body today on the debt question. The sensation was not made by Steven's repudiation sentiments, for the debt-repudiators are about equal in numbers with the debtpayers; but it was carried by his splendid eloquence. There was nothing commonplace or stilted in the oration, and every thing that the speaker uttered was trenchant and profound. All of his brother Senators opened their eyes in astonishment as they sat spell-bound during the delivery.

Senator Bradley Johnson turned to Senator John W. Daniel, the foremost Republican in Virginia, and said: " I believe you wrote that." Daniel replied : "I never expect to write anything so fine." Johnson then turned to Senator Fulkerson and: "Fulkerson, you wrote that." Fulkerson replied: "I wish could write so splendid an address." Senator Johnson pronounced it the best of the session, and all agreed with him. Stevens is a full-blooded negro, and is fendant. The legal erudition, forensic about thirty years of age. He was born a eloquence, and sarcastic wit of the princi. slave, but has graduated at two collegespal accused, led the people to anticipate one a colored institution at Richmond. considerable "fun" when he came to de- and the other at Philadelphia. There are pointed. The counsel of the convicts- | Stevens, but neither possesses any extratraining of our ministry, our Educa- Barbour and Fessenden-will never for- despatch, February 7, to Cincinnati In

WHERE DID THE WRONG LAY?

ROSE GERANIUM.

There was my bright young friendmy frank, noble Earnest Austin. He was the son of talented parents from whom he inherited genius and ambi-But unfortunate associations surrounded him-the social glass excited its wily charm, and Earnest had taken the second step in a drunkard's

Aye, more than the second, for once and again he had turned homeward from his companions with burning face, reeling steps and confused head.

I first ignored, and then pleaded, in gentle remonstrance:

"You are making a grave error! You need decided action. To say nothing of personal respect, you have responsibilities far more grave. God has endowed you with rare gifts, and he will require much at your hands! With your nature and power you are calculated for a wide field of usefulness! The world needs just such aids-and remember, where much is given, there is much required."

Then the old spirit would assert itself, and Earnest would speak like a

"I know! I realize all you say, and accept it gratefully. I know the fascinations of brandy-and what are they' (scornfully), "save a bleared face and muddled mind !- I know they are gaining upon me with every concession I

"I have been with companions and in resorts I would blush to have you know! I have insulted my noble self and cast blurs upon my family name; and all for the sake of this demon!

"But I will amend! You never desert me, and I will not disappoint your faith. Earnest Austin will make you proud of him yet."

So he would go away strengthened and hopeful-always trusting in himself. and-always falling.

At last the crisis came, and he-my broad-browed and noble-hearted Earnest-he was carried home drunk !

Oh! how I shame to write it. Oh! what agony that cannot be written burned in the secret places of that mother's heart !

But a change came, and when, a few weeks later, I saw my protege with a new light upon his face, and heard him confess Christ in the presence of a little band of Christian believers, whom he had joined, I rejoiced. To my heart I whispered:

"It may all have been for the best. He has tested human power to the uttermost, and found its frailty. He has been driven to the Rock, the only sure source of refuge. Through Divine blessing he will abide !"

"I am safe now," he exclaimed, joyfully, when I next met him. "I always trusted in my own power, it was too weak. Now, God being my helper, I shall not stumble."

"God bless you, my boy! You are proving a solace to your noble father. I feel too that you will be a blessing to yourself and mankind!" said good old father S____, as he held Earnest's

hand, one day, standing in the vestry. "Indeed, sir, I will try!" was the fervent response.

For a season all went well. Then a change occurred, an absence and separation of several months. In the meantime some one had borne me the sorrowful tidings that Earnest had vield. ed again to temptation and had back.

Passing once more along the familiar old path, I perceived him approaching. " I am more than glad to meet you! How have you been prospering?" I asked with an assumed cheeriness, as

I grasped his hand. Little need to ask! The truthful, out-spoken countenance, betrayed it

"O, my friend," he cried, "I do not know what to say! I have shamefully failed, and cast reproach upon my profession. I am completely discouraged, and feel like giving up every effort."

"No, no-that will not do! Come and see me and we will talk it all over. will gather for you a perfect crown of gems from heavenly promise. You shall see there is no good reason for failure, and abundant promise unto all. You know One has said: 'I will be merciful unto their unrighteousness, in vain?

and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more!'

He came, but looking downcast and spiritless. I will let him tell the story.

"It was a hard struggle for me to give up drinking-harder than any one could guess. I tell you those who have never tried it can't imagine anything about the danger of tampering with liquor! For myself I had to avoid it -keep clean away-for a long time. But by and by the old flame seemed to die down, and I felt comparatively safe.

" One day we had a guest, old father Buckley, for dinner. Now, you know his position.

Alas, too well I knew. He was one of the pillars of Methodism who, in his little world, had done more to make tippling tolerable than any man I ever knew. His wealth, personal influence, staid dignity and warm Christian profession defined him at ouce as a man of importance. He reproved sin, he supported the ministry, he praised God with a loud voice in love feast-he bore about him all that mystical, reverent atmosphere which bespeaks the venerable saint-and he took his glasses daily!

If father Buckley had been a man of the comon herd-an obscure, illiterate creature-he would have been dubbed -" hypocritical old Mr. Buckley." It s almost certain he would have suffered dismissal from the church. But money and social distinction can exert an influence in very remarkable places! The most any one did was to bemoan this good man's "little weakness" openly and condemn it privately, and quote that paragraph of Scripture regarding the wheat and tares!

In fact, I think they regarded him a very superior, if not indispensible species of tare !

"Well," Earnest contined, "when dinner was announced, father Buckley's appetite failed. Finally he just told father that he never attempted to dine without his preluding glass of brandy. and the soup had to wait while I was dispatched with a bottle.

"I was ashamed to be seen going into the better class of saloons, so I sneaked round the alleys and dived into a low place. I got my bottle filled, resisting Pat's invitation to 'thry a shmall dhrop,' and turned to go out, when I met one of the old chums.

" My face burned, and he laughed a low triumph. Of course arguments sprung up in my mind. You know Satan is not going to lose an opportunity. I knew it was all wrong, and the grounds false, yet something would keep pleading: 'Where's the harm? What father Buckley can do, you can do. Why not?"

"I put it back again and again, but I couldn't put away the smell of the brandy. It was just like pouring oil upon a flame!

" Next day everybody had the news that I had been seen in Pat Mulligan's grogshop; then somebody heard I had been there twice; an indefinite number of times! Then some other personage discovered that I had been drunk, and finally-I was drunk.

"I can't help it. But if I am lost I will go before God and accuse father Buckley of bringing me down! If it had not been for his influence I know I could have held on! Oh! I am miserable beyond human description!"

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Years have passed. Father Buckley died suddenly, but from the testimony of his latter days the church believed he was borne triumphantly home, and passed a series of beautiful resolutions, commending his long and eventful life as one worthy of remembrance and emulation. The church wept over his dust, the church refused to be comforted, because the glory had departed from their Israel.

But who wept over the haggard, unshaven man, who stood apart with folded arms and grim, stolid visage? Who wept over the young girl, who, in a moment ot trustfulness, dared take upon her Earnest Austin's name, blindly, foolishly believing the silken chain her love could weave would be sufficient to draw him out from the fated current? Who wept over the blighted mind, the blasted career-

the ruined tower! I have not, for this story, the apology of fiction. It is one of those sorrowful truths which mar and deface the beauty of earth, the pleasure of life, the glory ol our visible church! It holds a lesson for which has been paid the terrible price of a human soul! Will it speak and at

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CHILDREN'S CORNER THE GIANT AND THE MISSING

CHILDREN.

Did our young readers ever hear the German story of the Giant and the missing Children? It tells what happened a long time ago in a village among mountains. One summer the children hegan to disappear one by one. It was certain that they were not kidnapped, and it was just as sure that they did not run away. The first that vanished was little Hans Stobbelt.

"Has anybody seen my Hans?" cried his granny, standing outside the door of her cottage. "I had just told him I wanted him to go to the miller's and he has disappeared, somehow, all at once, without knowing what the errand is. Hans! where are you?" she shouted. "Why, he was here not half a minute ago?"

But none of the neighbors could tell anything of Hans. What is more, Hans did not reappear. The night passed, and he did not come; the next morning nothing was to be seen of him. All the villagers were much excited, for, though Hans had not been a good boy, everybody was sorry at this having happened to him. While a group of them round about the grandmother were pitying her, a cry arose in one of the other cottages. Those who hurried there found Frau Hickelt standing near the hearth with her hands raised, gazing vacantly before

"My Gretchen is gone!" she said in a frightened voice. "I just bid her clean the hearth, and when I looked again she was not there. Where is she gone?" she asked, turning from one to another of them. They could only shake their heads. In fact, they thought Frau Hickelt had gone mad. But it was quite true that Gretchen was not to be found, though they looked everywhere for her both indoors and out.

That day three other children vanished. On the next day five went. All the village was in alarm, that is, the in the place. The grown up people had dusting and polishing. but to turn their backs, and he or she was gone in an instant.

At last a strange clew was got to the mystery. Little Augusta Hirsch vanished, when her aunt as well as her mother was in the kitchen.

The auct said: "I saw her go! At her mother's bidding she had just taken the broom to sweep behind the stove. when all at once she dis ppeared, just as she was speaking the words, 'I wish - But she hadn't time to finish. I heard nothing more. She was gone like a flash!"

That is very strange!" exclaimed Granny Stobbelt, who was one of the listeners. "Now you speak of it, the last words I heard Hans say behind my back were, 'I wish-

"Those very words my Gretchen said!" cried Erau Hickelt.

Indeed, nearly everybody who lost a child came forward, and each and all were able to confirm this. Two things could be made out-first, that the children only went when their elders set them to do some task; second, that in the act of vanishing, they all uttered the words, "I wish-" But in about a week's time, the thing was carried yet a step farther.

"My Gustave is gone!" cried William Neumark, appearing excitedly at the gate of his little garden. " My ears are quick," he added as the neighbors gathered around; " and I clearly heard all the words he said. I had bid him dig faster, and he answered, 'I wish there was no digging!"

"Why, our Hans did not want to go

"Nor, cried Frau Hicelt," did my Gretchen like to dust up the hearth?"

"It is so!" solemnly said William Neumark. "They are taken always for being discontented at there being any

All the hearers grew more afraid on hearing this, and looked one at another. Scarcely a minute passed before a woman in the group said,

upon the mountain yonder?"

Every head turned towards the Eagle Cliff, as it was called. It was a lofty rock some distance from the village, but looking right down the valley towards

it. The distance was too great for things on the rock to be clearly made out, but the woman declared that she could see the figure of a giant sitting there. She said he was clothed in a mantle, half blown back by the wind, and that he wore a hood on his head. No sooner did she say this than others saw it all. Then two or three voices cried out together.

"See, he is lifting his right arm and beckoning !"

At that instant a cry sounded from one of the houses. They knew it meant that a child had vanished. While they were looking in amazement, the giant again raised his arm beckoningly. As he did so there came a fresh cry-another child had been taken. The whole thing was now plain—the children dis appeared whenever the giant, on hearing their complaining wishes, signalled

The next morning his huge shape could be seen more distinctly, sitting on the rock, and, whenever, he beck oned. a child went. The white haired Lutheran minister, just as the sun was setting, came in front of the crowd and

" Let us each to-night by our bedside pray that the children may be forgiven and restored to us."

the next morning, some who were watching raised a cry, saling that the children were coming back. In a long procession, the little people were winding down the valley. Their fathers and mothers and all the inhabitants ran to meet them. They were astonished to see how meek the returning children

and girls' voices.

than the boys rushed into the gardens, olders were, for they tried to keep it snatching up spades began to dig from the children themselves. There while the girls, darting into the dwellwas no certainty about any boy or girl ings, instantly were busy, sweeping,

> The explanation they all gave was this: "While we were kept inside the mountain we were not allowed to do anything at all, and oh, it was so hard! The good giant said we could not have play without work also."

> All looked twards the rock, but the figure of the giaut was no longer to be seen. The boys and girls were much

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At the same time and place, by the same, Silas W. Rand, of Hantsport, to Mary A., also daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Sheridan, of Horton Bluff. At Windsor, on 26th inst., by Rev. R. Brecken Mr. James S. Ward, of Kentville, to Annie daugh-ter of Mr. Nelson Kilcup, of Windsor.

At the Methodist Church, Gabarus, C.B., Feby. 19th by the Rev. J. Astbury, William Joseph Stacey, to Francis Stacey, both of Gabarus. At the residence of the bride's brother, by Rev. E. C. Turner, on 7th inst., Miss Maggie McElroy, of Lower Woodstock to Lowell E. Chandler, of Houlton, Maine.

At the residence of the bride's father by the Rev. J. F. Betts, on the 4th inst., Miss Rebecca McArthur, to Mr. Alexander McNeil, all of Summerside, P.E.I.

On the 5th inst., at the parsonage, Summerside, by the same, Miss Mary McIsaac, to Mr. Alexan-der D. Milligan, both of Bray, Lot 9, P.E.I.

At Lynwood Cottage, St. Eleanors, P. E. I., on the 6th inst., by the same, A. E. Clark, Esq., of the P. E. I. Railway, to Mary A., eldest daughter of W. H. Brown, Esq. At the Methodist Parsonage, Pownal, P. E. I. on the 18th Feby.. by the Rev. Wm. Maggs, Mr. Isaac Jay. of Mount Stewart, to Miss Hannah Lane,

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