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**—Hindrances to an Efficient Ministry.**—Dr. L. W. Bacon refers to two of these in an article in the *Homiletic Review*. They are dread of saying commonplace and of repeating truth over and over. How true this is. The truth that is the most common is made so by its importance compelling its frequent utterance. The man who in all the time striving to give his people something new, must neglect the very marrow and fatness of the gospel. It must be remembered, also, that truth is not so common to the hearer as to the preacher, who has become more familiar with it by patient thought. The best preaching is that which puts the most common truth in the freshest way. This is what makes Spurgeon's preaching so effective. Then, too, preachers need not be too sensitive about repeating truth already spoken. To impress men, truth must be held before their attention continuously. The most sermons are soon forgotten. If a subject is spoken from but once, the impression on mind and heart is soon removed. It is not well to repeat old sermons to the same people, perhaps; but to state essentially the same truth from another standpoint, is the duty of all who would do most to mould heart and character for the everlasting.

**—GREAT CITIES.**—It is a fact, almost as true of the present as of the past, that the great cities are the governing factors of any country. These in this a message to the welfare of the United States, if not of all civilized countries. Statistics show that, in the United States, while only one-third of the people are of foreign birth, the average of this class in the great controlling centres is about seventy-five per cent. Thus, too, those who congregate in the cities usually contain a very large share of the lawless and the degraded. In the old world, the great cities is where the restless and lawless elements are most numerous. How can the great controlling centres be kept from the rule of the worst classes, is a problem that becomes more difficult every year. At least, the church has a great duty to perform in this direction. More vigorous efforts should be made to reach the lower strata of the cities, for their own sake and for the general welfare of the country.

**—SALVATION ARMY BRANCH.**—Some brethren among the Methodists are urging upon the denomination through the *Witness* and the *Guardian* the formation of a Salvation Army Branch of the Methodist church. While it is our opinion, as all our readers know, that the Army, in its moral, its absolute character, and in some of its doctrines, is not to be commended or condoned; at the same time, it is our opinion that the churches can afford to study the Army, and may find much that they can with profit adopt. Our churches must do more than open the doors of places of worship and invite people to come in. There are many who will not come, and means must be taken to reach them by carrying the gospel to them. The great thing we need is a general resurrection of personal obligation to follow the example of the Saviour, and seek to save the lost. If all professed believers would but speak to the neglected about their souls, and do their best to win them to the means of grace and to Christ, there would not be the multitudes who never darken a church door. This is the kind of work we need. Who will engage in it?

**—THE PUBLICATION SOCIETY.**—The Am-Baptist Publication Society is doing a great work. From the last report we learn the following facts: The receipts of the year have been: Business department, \$434,352; Missionary department, \$134,255; Bible department, \$27,492; making a grand total from all sources of \$596,099. There have been published during the year 761,800 copies of books, tracts and pamphlets, and 33,394,344 copies of the various periodicals of the Society. These are equal to 752,835,673 18mo. pages. Dr. Hargrave reports the work accomplished by the Armenian mission, which has aroused our Congregationalist friends not a little. He says:

In the year, we have printed 210,098 pages of books, and distributed 99,131 pages; made 47 addresses, preached 154 sermons, held 99 prayer meetings, conducted 69 Sunday schools, made 2,645 visits, organized 3 churches, baptized 19, received 7 others on profession of faith, collected \$215, and given gratuitous medical treatment to 552.

The summary of all the missionary work done makes the following showing: Seventy-nine Colporteurs, Sunday school Missionaries, District, and Bible Secretaries have been in commission during the year. Together they have laboured 23,393 days, travelled 374,870 miles, sold 6,353 Bibles and Testaments, given away 56,279 Bibles and Testaments. Books sold 26,371, books given away 1,319, pages of tracts distributed 1,247,116, sermons and addresses 15,046, prayer meetings held 4,132, families visited 27,332, persons baptized 1,293, churches constituted 37, Sunday schools organized 459, Sunday schools addressed 2,155, Sunday schools aided by grants through Colporteurs 530. Total value of sales of stock \$14,379.30.

**—RUSSIAN BAPTISTS.**—The Baptists in Russia have sprung from the German Baptists. Dr. Gordon, of Boston, in the *Watchman*, gives the following testimony of an evangelist from Russia:

"An" the Baptists, "they have indeed witnessed a good confession in that country; and though all dissent is crushed out with relentless severity, this humble and persecuted people have exhibited such fortitude under trials and imprisonments, and have lived such blameless lives, that even their enemies have been won to admiration for them, and they seem now to be enjoying a season of a quiet toleration."

—Mr. Schiewe, pastor of the Baptist church in St. Petersburg, is now in the U. S. collecting funds for a Baptist place of worship in the Russian capital. In a letter to the *London Freeman*, he describes what the Baptist of Russia have had to suffer. He says:

"In my opinion, we are fully justified in applying the words of the Prophet Isaiah. (And behold, darkness covered the earth, and gross darkness the people,) next to beatitude, in the great and dark land of Russia. Millions live there without the pure and saving Gospel, and die in their sins. Indeed, it bears the name of a Christian country, but that is all. The worship of images, blind fanaticism, and a dead ritual, constitute the whole of the Christian religion in Russia. But the Lord be praised that already the light from on high has appeared in this dark land. Our foes have done all in their power to quench the rising light, but the powers of darkness have not succeeded."

"I know a brother who has been in prison forty-one times for the Gospel's sake. An old man of seventy years of age, because he preached the Gospel, was put in chains and transported a distance of sixty English miles, all of which he had to walk, so that the blood ran from his wrists and ankles where the chains bound him.

"In one town a whole meeting and the preacher were imprisoned, not excepting the mothers who had infants at home; and a brother, on one occasion, was stretched out bound between two horses, and was thrice driven two miles. There are few preachers in Russia belonging to our denomination who have not already been in prison. Myself, also, have not been free from it, having been imprisoned seven times for the Gospel's sake, and was forbidden the country for the same reason. In the year 1859 I was imprisoned for the first time; during the year 1873 five times; and in the year 1877 I was taken away by the police from my brethren and from my wife and children, and together with five other brethren, was conducted over the frontier by guards armed with revolvers and side-arms, and banished into exile."

**—MISCELLANEOUS.**—The bundle of papers to Watville, last week, miscarried. We are very sorry that we are unable to duplicate the whole list.

**—OBITUARY NOTICES.**—We are sorry to be compelled to cut down so many of the obituary notices we receive. We hope the friends, when they write, will remember that we have so very many notices of this kind that we can give but brief mention to any of the departed except those who have occupied prominent positions. Obituaries are rarely read by those who are not immediately connected with the deceased. As they are of interest to so small a range of readers, we do not wish to occupy too much space with them. We only wish we could, consistently with the general good of all, give larger space to tributes of affection to the dear departed; but we are sure all will see how necessary it is to have them very short.

**—CATHOLIC.**—There is something going the rounds of the churches in St. John, very much like the small pox, so far as its being catching is concerned. First it was found in Brussels St., then Leinster St. caught it, next it spread to Germain St., and now it has crossed the harbor and Carleton has had an attack. It is not a bad thing, however, to have, and we can join with the pastors of these churches who are most exposed to it, in the wish that it may differ from the small pox in this particular, that it can be had more than once. It would not be bad at all if the churches should catch it once a year. The attack in Carleton made Bro. Cahill's purse heavier by over \$50, and his heart light in proportion. We expect soon to hear that the contagion has reached Portland and Fairville, and spread abroad generally among the churches.

**—A RELIGION FOR THIS WORLD.**—The *Witness* has again and again called attention to the narrowness of the field in which the commonly named evangelical churches do their religious work. Perhaps the narrowest approach to the ideal of the modern working parish is to be found in the Unitarian Society, of which Dr. Hale is the pastor. Here the present field of work is the great congregation, and what they need is to have their motives in this direction spiritualized and clarified, so that the higher meaning of life is not smothered in the process.

We always thought that religion had to do chiefly with God and the soul, rather than with man and his body. The truth is a man can never be best prepared to prosper

in this life, until he has the inspiration of motives drawn from the world to come, and the restraints and encouragements which come from the thought of God and eternity. While all true religion will take in the temporal interests of men as a part of that about which there must be solicitude, to leave out God and the hereafter reduces religion to mere humanitarianism, and makes it unworthy of the name. The people do care a great deal about future punishment, although there are some papers of the *Herald* stripe that would have them care much less. This doctrine is imbedded fast in that old book—the Bible—and it is not to be cast out of the thoughts of men, any more than the Bible itself, by the contemptuous references of papers that are at home only in the politics of this world.

**—HELD OVER.**—Considerable editorial matter and correspondence is held over for want of space.

**—BASIS OF UNION.**—The publication of the basis of union is delayed, because one of the members of the committee, to whom was entrusted the duty of putting in form for press, is prevented attending to the matter by a press of work.

**—Missionary Notes.**

Bro. E. W. Kelly, at one time pastor at Leinster St., St. John, writes from Mandalay, the capital of Upper Burma, to the *Missionary Magazine* that he has now a regular congregation of 24, which is steadily enlarging, and that three have asked for baptism.

Bro. Morrow, also a provincialist, reports the baptism of seven at Tavoy.

Bro. Denchfield says that the church and Sunday school never before were so moved by the Spirit of God. Seven have been received for baptism.

Two Burmese have been baptized at Tavoy, and Bro. Baker thinks harvest for the Burmese is drawing nigh.

Thirteen were received into the church at Sestow, and seven into that of Kinohwa, China, in September.

The Baptist church in Copenhagen, Denmark, has a membership of 425.

There is a great religious awakening among the Boers, or descendants of the Dutch who settled in South Africa. These people have hitherto been very low in their religious condition. The movement is said to be spreading to the natives.

In twenty-five years the number of Protestant missionaries in China has grown from 150 to 500, and of churches from 50 to 400. A quarter of a century ago there were no theological schools or students, and only four of the eighteen provinces were occupied with missionary posts. Now 300 students are found in twenty schools, and missionary labors are carried on in all the provinces but one.

**—British Columbia Correspondence.**

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 14, 1886.

I have just returned from New Westminster, where it was my privilege to participate in the dedication services of the Olivet Baptist church.

This beautiful brick structure, the second of our denomination in British Columbia, is centrally located overlooking the Fraser river. It is most refreshing to our spirits to be able to use the plural number, and speak of the Baptist churches in B. C. The architectural features of this edifice are in the main similar to the Calvary church of Victoria. It is 60 feet square, modern gothic in appearance, the pews being arranged in amphitheatrical form, coovering toward the pulpit, and the seating capacity is over 300. A superior chandelier with twenty jets will be suspended from the centre, the floor will be carpeted, and all the seats cushioned. A large basement, consisting of a main room and two class-rooms, fully finished and furnished, will be used for the Sunday school and social services. The entire cost of building, furnishing, and lot, is \$5,500, and when fully completed the church will be one of the very best in the province. On Sunday, the 13th inst., the day of dedication, the rain fell in torrents all the morning and afternoon, which prevented large congregations, but in the evening the storm abated, and a full house engaged in the services. The dedication sermon was presented in the morning by Rev. J. C. Baber, supt. of missions for the north Pacific coast. The writer addressed the afternoon meeting, and the preacher of the evening was Rev. A. B. Banks, our general missionary. In spite of the unfavorable weather the services were a grand success. The outstanding indebtedness of \$1,500 was reduced by cash and pledges to \$342, which amount was further reduced to \$150 by the proceeds of a concert given on the following evening, by the Victoria Baptist choir and others. This means practically, but of debt and out of danger! A success almost phenomenal in the history of our or any other denomination.

When their esteemed pastor, Rev. R. Lennie, came to New Westminster in Feb. 1885, the membership was four, and services were held in the dingy court house. Now, after a pastorate of twenty-two and a half months, the membership has increased tenfold and the gloomy room has been exchanged for a beautiful church home. Well may they exclaim, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

Just a closing word about Victoria. We are moving along and are praying for showers of reviving. We number just "sixty and nine," and are now looking for the one that is "out on the hills away." Spring Ridge Mission Chapel was commenced two weeks ago. The lot is paid for and the building is now ready for plastering. Pray for us. You are ever in our hearts and prayers.

W. BANKS.

**—Literary Notes.**

*Harper's Magazine* for January, 1887, contains: "A Crook's Belle" (Frontispiece); "The Navies of the Continent" (I. The French Navy), by Sir Edward J. Reed; "New Orleans," by Charles Dudley Warner; "Narks," Part I. (A Story of Russian Life), by Kathleen O'Meara; "Martha Reid's Lovers," by Richard Malcolm Johnston; "Campaigning with the Coosachs" (I. A Summer Campaign), by F. D. Millet; "Springhaven," Part IX and X, by R. D. Blackmore; "The House Acre," Part IX. (The Kitchen Garden concluded), by E. P. Roe; "A Note on Impressionist Painting," by Theodore Child. The most of the articles are copiously illustrated by the best artists. Poems: "At Midnight," by Louise C. Moulton; "Confession," by Dora Reed Goodale; "Victoria," Annie Fields; Editor's Easy Chair; Editor's Study, (Holiday Literature); Monthly Record of Current Events; Editor's Drawer.

The *Homiletic Review* for January is one of the most interesting numbers. This is the beginning of a new volume, and we can heartily commend it as one of the best, if not the best periodicals of the kind, published. It is open to the broadest discussions of questions of current interest in religion, theology and morals, and is very full of what pertains to the work of a preacher and pastor. The current number is a very fresh one. It is a monthly, containing over 90 closely packed pages of reading matter which is published at the extremely low rate of \$2.50 per year by Funk & Wagnalls, 10 and 12 Dry St., New York.

We have received a package of very neat little pamphlets from the American Baptist Publication Society, containing the Sunday School lesson and the golden texts for the year. It is nicely gotten up, and must be very convenient for the children.

The January number of the *Century* is freighted with its usual amount of instructive and entertaining reading. The installment of the "Life of Lincoln" is of great interest. "The Hundredth Man," by F. Stockham, is continued. There are articles on "French Sculptor's Comets and Meteors," "Cognella," "The Relative Strength and Weakness of Nations," Gen. Bancroft with two "War Papers," besides other less pretentious articles. The Departments, Topics of the Times, Open Letters, and Brio-a-brac, all are especially full and interesting. The number is profusely illustrated.

**—The Missing Bank-Note.**

Men decide questions sometimes according to evidence, and sometimes according to authority. They look to prominent and respectable men, hear what they say, and come to a decision. Often they thus do great injustice. The men who pronounce judgment may be ignorant of the facts in the case, or may be prejudiced and totally wrong in their decisions.

There are many dark-looking circumstances which only time can unravel. The Scripture tells us to "judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come;" and yet how frequently men make up their minds and pronounce judgment at once; and still more frequently they save themselves the trouble of making up their minds, and pronounce judgment by accepting the judgment of others who have already judged ignorantly or rashly.

Many a man is judged wrongly, falsely and unrighteously, both in church and in state, but there is no redress for him. The men who believe him will not acknowledge the truth; the men who condemned him will not take the trouble to ascertain the facts; and he has nothing to do but to appeal to God and wait till in his mysterious providence, he shall "bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and manifest the counsels of the heart." What strange surprises will then come to many who have judged unjustly, who have condemned the innocent, who have turned their backs upon those who were accused, and who have lent themselves to perpetrate the wrongdoings of which others have been guilty.

The following story is one of many which should lead thoughtful persons to hesitate before they accept the judgment of others in matters which ultimately concern their fellowmen.

"More than fifty years ago, a young man

lived in a Western city, and, as a druggist was accumulating property, possessing the respect and confidence of the community, as was proved by the fact that, as he was about starting to the East to lay in stock, the cashier of a bank handed him a package of money in bills to be handed to a bank officer in Philadelphia. Being very obliging, he received the package and promised to deliver it promptly on his arrival, which he did; the cashier of the bank to whom he delivered the bills looked them over and hastily placed them in a drawer, saying it was 'correct,' and went on with his writing.

"A month later the Western banker came to the young druggist, and informed him that a bill of large denomination was missing. The young man said he did not know how that could be, for he had delivered the package as he had received it; that the Eastern banker had looked it over, and pronounced it correct, and that he thought his responsibility ended there. The fact was, two prominent business men in responsible positions, on one side, and the unsupported 'say-so' of a young druggist on the other. The odds were too unequal, and the young man had to go to the wall; the community withdrew their patronage and their confidence, his business was broken up; he first attempted one thing, then another, but a cloud seemed to hang over him.

"Years rolled on. The story was handed down from one to another, and new corners imbibed the prejudices of the old; and twenty years later there was an odium attached to his character, so that at the mention of his name there was that falling of the countenance which meant, 'no confidence.' The young druggist became an old man, but never succeeded in regaining the social position he had lost. He died in 'Coventry.' After he was dead and buried the cashier's old desk was taken to a shop to be repaired. On removing the drawer, the missing bank-bill was found to have been lodged behind it."

The mystery was explained; and probably numbers of the dead man's neighbors who had distrusted and suspected and repelled him for years, were ready to say that they never really believed any harm of the poor man.

That victim of prejudice and suspicion is gone; others are living and dying! When they are good, some one will suddenly discover what good men they were, and regret that they did not know it sooner. Reader, who will it be?

**—Mortified.**

"Be ye careful to entertain strangers," was a wise command, teaching courtesy and hospitality, "for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." The woman of the following incident was unmindful of this obligation, and but little sympathy can be felt for her chagrin and discourtesy at the result. The Duke of Wellington once walked from Walmer Castle to Deal to attend Trinity church. Not finding the sexton to show him a seat, he entered a roomy looking pew in front of the pulpit, and sat down. Soon after a fashionable-dressed haughty woman entered, and by her manner and expression of face showed that she felt his presence an intrusion. As the stranger bore her indignant glances without moving, she said, bluntly:

"Sir, you will find free seats in the rear, and I beg you to find a seat there or in some other pew."

"If your pardon, madam, for intruding," said the duke, coldly, as he arose and left the pew.

At the close of the service a friend said to the woman, "My dear Madam—you were honored to-day; but why did the duke leave you so abruptly?"

Madam, construing the remark as a sarcasm on the impudence of the stranger, replied,

"The presumptuous fellow! Then you saw him in my pew? I had to tell him there were seats for strangers in—"

"Why surely," interrupted the friend, with almost horror in her tone, "you knew that the man was the Duke of Wellington!"

The woman's mortification over her rudeness to the man she would have honored, caused her a fit of sickness.

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begin at once to do what ever your Master commands. Begin to practice religion. All child would never learn to walk by a hundred talks about the law of gravitation; it must use its own feet, even at the risk of many a tumble. Wait not for more teaching, or more pungent observations, or for any that you read of in other people's experience. These are all snares and hindrances, if they keep you from doing at once the very first act that will please Christ. Have you never responded your lips to an unconverted friend, either to avow your own feelings or to do that friend some good? Then try it; you will strengthen yourself, and may bring an unexpected blessing to him or her. In short you must begin to obey a new Master; to serve a new Saviour; to strike out a new line of living; and rely on God's almighty help to do it. When you give yourself to Christ in this whole-hearted and practical fashion, he will give you a thousand fold richer gifts in return. Yes, he will give you himself! When you possess Christ you have everything.—*Rev. T. L. Caylor.*

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Mysteries Visited

AN ADDRESS TO AUNT SARAH AT THE CORNER OF TABLE AT MENTON BY H. H. HOBSON.

"Thou hast visited me in the night."

It is a theme for wonder that the glorious God should visit sinful man. "What is man that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?"

A divine visit is a joy to be treasured wherever we are favored with it. David speaks of it with great solemnity.

The Psalmist was not content merely to speak of it; but he wrote it down in plain terms, that it might be known throughout all generations: "Thou hast visited me in the night."

Beloved, if God has ever visited you, you also will marvel at it, will carry it in your memory, will record it in your diary as one of the notable events of your life.

When, first of all, the Lord draws nigh to the heart, the trembling soul perceives clearly the searching character of His visit.

"I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear, but now mine eye hath seen thee, therefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes."

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seek out our secret things. But it also remains us of the visits of the physician, who not only finds out our maladies, but also removes them.

Since those early days, I hope you and I have had some visits from the Lord. Some of us have had them, especially in the land of vines, and figs, and olives, and palms.

Heaven's gates open when this world is shut. The night is still; everybody is away—work is done; care is forgotten, and then the Lord himself draws near.

Believe me, there are such things as personal visits from Jesus to his people. He is not left utterly. Though he be not seen with the bodily eye by bush or brook, near the mountain, nor by the sea, yet doth he come and go observed only by the spirit.

"All play and no work, gives Tom a ragged shirt."

When stumblers over me roll, This image ever fills my thought, And charm my ravished soul.

Do you ask me to describe these manifestations of the Lord? It were hard to tell you in words; you must know them for yourselves.

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the beach, for he had resorted to the seashore. Commune with him amid the olive groves so dear to him in many a night of wrestling prayer.

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"Patience! why, 'tis the soul of peace; Of all the virtues, 'tis the nearest kin to heaven; It makes men look like gods. The least of men That seek more earth about him was a sufferer."

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Making "A Chance."

"It's no use trying; luck's against me!" said Big Terry, the father. So he said by his wife, she could afford one, and let his little Terry, the son, and little Terry, the daughter.

"It's hard when a man has no work!" he told the neighbors. He meant work outside of their poor home, of course; but not finding that, he meant at least to have done something, inside while his wife was toiling in the boot-binders. But he never thought of that.

There came a day when Jane Terry's busy fingers were idle. She lay on the bed very ill.

"If my luck to have a sick woman," groaned Terry. Eight-year-old little Terry, who was chief nurse, looked very anxious.

"Somebody else's got to earn the money now!" he said. "Got to!" growled big Terry. "We're all here and willing, if there was a chance, somebody's got to help us—that's the word, boy," he added, with great solemnity. "We wasn't put into this world to starve."

Coal being scarce, he went out and sneezed himself in a sheltered corner. Now, by "somebody" Terry meant himself—not his father, of whom he expected nothing. All day long Terry's eyes glowed with the light of a grand purpose, and when his mother went he said in his quaint, old-fashioned way, "Now don't you take on, ma, or we'll have you sick all winter. We're all right. I'm going to work."

"I'm going to work!" Terry said brightly. He pointed to the windows past which the snowflakes were whirling. "There it is, coming right out of the sky, ma—work for poor folks. Now, laughing at me, you say 'somebody'!" "Gee, I can find a sidewalk or two to clean."

"What with—your fingers?" asked big Terry, coming in. "I thought of that myself, but we haven't any shovels."

"Guess there's one somewhere," said Terry, brightly. He was digging his mittens with a huge needle—"stopping up air-holes," he called it. He had already arranged for the shovel. A kind friend, whom he often visited, was the "officer man," not the "maffin man," was going to lend him one—at first for nothing; then, since little Terry would pay, he said the boy might clear his bill sideways.

"Be sure and leave it for me; it's no fair for you to get up first," said little Terry, guessing rightly what his friend would do.

"That was why, early the next morning, big Terry called on the boy for the shovel under his window. It made him very cross. He threw up the sash and looked out. A small boy was below digging at the hard snow.

"Why do you disturb folks at this time of day?" he growled. "There's sickness here, and you're digging!" "That's what I'm doing—clearing out!" said the small boy, tugging away.

"Bless me! It's little Terry!" gasped Terry. "Has the officer man given you a chance?"

"This is to pay for the loan of his shovel," explained little Terry. "Then I'm going to work for each all day, except to get twenty-five cents for every job."

While Terry blinked at the little figure in the grey daybreak there was also a new dawn in his heart—the dawn of a new idea. He ran his fingers through his hair till it seemed to bristle with good resolves.

"Pa," said the childish voice below, "you look after me, won't you? The porridge is all made, it only wants to be hot."

For the first time little Terry paused to look up. Big Terry was growling and shaking his head fiercely.

"I thought maybe, long as I was out, you wouldn't mind," he said in apology. "But Biddy Twist will if I bring her coal up!"

Little Terry was not surprised at his father's refusal, but he did have a surprise very like a shock when he came back from Biddy Twist's. On the next sidewalk, in front of the new grocery store, was Terry, plying the shovel with a strength of arm that was grand to see.

"What are you staring at?" he asked gruffly, but his eyes were kind. "Didn't you never see me shovel afore?"

"No, Pa, I've shoveled snow afore you was born!"

Then, in a queer, choking voice: "You and me are taking a new start. Be a little try for your ma if we holds out—eh, Terry?"

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To this might be added an order for \$20 not yet cashed, to say nothing of all that is on the way, so that when you read this you may know that we are on the second thousand.

It will be seen that the ministers are beginning to send in the "fives." Several have done so before Bro. Morse's suggestion appeared.

The laymen are also heeding Dr. Day's suggestion. As will be noticed above, one has made his \$1, "fives," on account of this suggestion. Bro. Whidden, who has already contributed \$100, says, "I like that suggestion that 400 laymen in the Maritime Provinces would send you \$5 each and thus wipe out the debt. I would like to be one of them, and I know of a few others who would do likewise." So now, brethren, let them come.

The good that may result from a few words or a little effort is illustrated in the above contributions. Bro. Whidden suggested at a business meeting that a contribution be taken as a New Year's present, and \$90.50 is the result. Surely the little Antigonish church is doing nobly. Again Bro. Bleskay, after preaching to his people from the beautiful words, "They presented unto him gifts, gold," &c., says to them, "I have decided to give a dollar to Christ this morning as a Christmas gift, and would like to have as many of you as will join with me, and we will send it to the H. M. Board," and \$15 is the result. Are there not many more who will try what they can do?

There must be many lovers of Home Missions in Amherst. Almost every week brings something from Amherst. O. Travis and wife \$2.00; before reported from Meadow Bay should have been Amherst. Mrs. Thos. Whitman \$5 is the last, should have been Mrs. Thos. Whitman, Carleton, Yarmouth. A. Cuscor.

Cor. Sec'y H. M. Board. (Feb. 10, 1887.)

Religious Intelligence.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

ROCKLAND, Dec. 27.—Four weeks ago Bro. S. D. Irvine, of Ansover, made a visit to Carleton, a section of the Rockland field, and began special meetings. The Lord blessed our brother in his work. We were able to be with him a good part of the time. As a result of efforts put forth, five have been baptized. Others have professed conversion, but have not yet gone forward in that ordinance. The church here has been greatly revived, as well as the Free Baptist church, in whose house of worship our meetings were held, as it was kindly opened for us. We have met with a severe loss on the Aberdeen field, as our new house of worship, which was nearly completed on the outside, was blown down during the gale of Nov. 7. This was a great trial to the faith and patience of the few who were interested in the work. But it was determined to go on with the work, and put it up again in the spring, preparations to be made during the winter months. Any of our readers who may feel disposed to donate a dollar towards this purpose, it will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged. A. H. R.

LEINSTER STREET.—One young man was baptized last Sunday morning. CAMBARD, Dec. 27.—I baptized one on the 19th, and I baptized again yesterday, Dec. 26. One of the candidates was formerly a Romanist. He came to Canada to live less than two years ago. Up to that time he had never been to a Protestant meeting. He says, "Until I came to Canada I always prayed to the Virgin. Now I pray to Christ." We gladly receive him in the Lord. S. B. KEMPTON.

WOLFVILLE.—The annual meeting of the Sunday school was held on 23rd December. Addresses were given by Deacon Bars, who has been superintendent for 26 years, and by Rev. W. B. Boggs. The children brought in \$19 as a thankoffering. The contributions of the school for the year amounted to \$147.

ALMA, N. B., Dec. 26.—On the 22nd inst. the church here gave Bro. S. G. Morse a unanimous call to its pastorate. It was also unanimously resolved to adopt the weekly offering system. W. ROMBER.

NORFOLK SYDNEY.—This church has paid off \$1000 of the debt on their place of worship, cutting down the balance due to \$500. This is a grand lift in the hard times.

COW BAY.—Bro. M. B. Shaw is laboring with great energy on this wide field. He has over 25 services a week now closing. There is promise of a great work in the future in this region.

NEWCASTLE BRIDGES, QUEEN'S, N. B.—We are still holding the fort at Newcastle. While there is not that deep-toned feeling of fervent piety manifested in the lives of many of our church members that we would wish to see, yet the year now closing has not been without its impressions of saving truth upon the minds of some. God

has promised to bless his word, and through the foolishness of preaching to save those who believe. A few weeks ago two young ladies commenced canvassing for funds for an organ. Now we have a beautiful church organ, paid for, and a chandelier besides. Dr. Gardner delivered a lecture to aid the fund; subject, "The immortality of the soul from a scientific standpoint." I was a pathetic and soul-stirring address. The Doctor, as a scientific lecturer, has no peer, in this part of the Provinces at least. We are hoping and praying for saving grace. Dear brethren, pray for us.

LOCKPORT, N. S., Dec. 27.—Lockport is a compact little town of upwards of 1000 souls. Here I am comfortably located among a seemingly lovable people. Bro. Parry, who, from failing health, was compelled to resign this pastorate, has, I am pleased to state, a warm place in this people's heart. He has left to me good congregations, ranging from 250 to 350 persons; a Sabbath school, with a registered membership of 160, and two prayer meetings well attended. We are hoping that a time of refreshing is at hand. B. N. NOLAN.

MIDDLETON, N. S.—On New Year's eve an enjoyable sociable was held in the meeting house by the members of the Pine Grove Baptist church. An appropriate and pleasing programme was rendered, after which the ladies agreeably surprised the pastor with a present, consisting of an excellent fur overcoat and a pair of mittens. J. W. T.

FAIRVILLE.—Three were received into the fellowship of the church here on Sunday evening. At the close of the S. S. concert, the pastor was presented with an address, a very nice dressing gown, and other articles of all an expression of the church's goodwill and appreciation of his services. Dr. McFarlane, the efficient leader of the Bible class, also received an address and present from his class. Miss Stewart, the organist, was also remembered, and received a purse and \$40.

TABERNACLE, HALIFAX.—Last Sunday was Anniversary Sunday. Rev. H. Sanderson, D. D., took part, and delivered at the after meeting a warm and convincing address. It is now 12 years last Oct. 25th the Tabernacle work was commenced, the church being formed Dec. 20th, with 83 names on the roll, many of the subscribing names being away in the States and other places, and have never been actually present; but the work grew, and actually grew. Last year 23 were received by baptism; total baptized by pastor in Halifax, 287. Received by letter 12 last year; total by letter, 96, or by letter and baptism, 383 members. In the new church, during the twelve years, only 14 have been received by letter, and the good real growth and gain to the denomination. Duds and Blossoms commenced the 11th volume, starting with 300 copies per month; the issue is now over 3000. By the grace of God the work at the Tabernacle has so grown that it became imperative, in some way or other, to strengthen and have more help and help multiplied. Depending solely upon God and in faith, the work has opened, first to take into the home work a young lady, who assists in clerical and many other ways. Besides she is being trained for service in the foreign mission field. We know it is a rare thing to trust in the legs of a horse, but we asked help of our God, and received the present of a smart little pony, and God its legs save our legs, for which we are thankful. This expense was multiplied, but in faith we plied to go forward. J. H. AVERY.

BOYLSTON, GUYMONS.—Rev. W. L. Morrow writes: "Our church here has had showers of blessing lately, and the good work is still going on. To God's name be all the glory."

BATHURST, ONT., Dec. 22.—Some of money received towards the building fund of the Brighton Baptist church: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Shearer, New Annapolis, N. S., \$1; Rev. D. A. Steele, Amherst, N. S., \$1; S. W. Steele, do., \$1; Mrs. F. S. Jenks, Parrsboro, N. S., \$1; Rev. S. E. Kempton, Cornwallis, N. S., \$1; Rev. T. A. Higgins, D. D., Wolfville, N. S., \$1; Rev. J. A. McLean, Hantsport, N. S., \$1; Mr. and Mrs. N. Sutherland, River John, N. S., \$3; C. S. Searns, \$1; Mrs. H. Searns, \$1; Rev. Hon. Sir John Macdonald, K. C. B., \$1; Lady Macdonald, \$1; Hon. Mr. White, \$1; Hon. Mr. Foster, \$1; Hon. Mr. Powell, \$1; Rev. H. G. Fraser, \$1; Rev. J. B. Kennedy, \$1; Rev. E. J. Grant, Dartmouth, N. S., \$1. There are others who have given, and will appear in a subsequent list. Those names are to be painted in gold, on the most magnificent satin quilt of the style ever seen in Canada. We still need six hundred names, accompanied with one dollar each. Brethren, help us; we need you. The money sent goes to the building fund of the church. We are sadly in need of a new building in this place, and wish you to be partakers in the joy and satisfaction of helping the needy. O. S. STARRS.

WESTERN SHORES HOUSE.—Dollar after dollar comes in to pay off our debt above-mentioned. This week Mrs. S. has added a few names to our list of donors, which I will forward. A brother in California has also forwarded a promise of aid. Only \$25 or \$30 more needed to pay for the completion of the outside of the building, together with a fine stove and suitable lamps. Let me kindly ask those other brethren and friends who have been feeling that they ought to aid in this work, to forward their gifts at once, and we shall enter on the new year free from debt. Come, brethren; I will inform you as soon as the debt is paid. Donations to meeting houses: Mrs. W. J. Gates, Truro, \$1; Berwick, \$1; Mr. Harvey Lantz, Farmington, \$1; Mr. David Lantz, Farmington, \$1. J. F. KEMPTON.

MONROTON, N. B., Dec. 23.—The Rev. W. E. Hinson delivered a master lecture on "Infidelity," 2nd inst. The church was packed with an appreciative audience. Proceeds probably \$100, to be devoted to Scott Act prosecutions. The lecturer expounded the audience as a "jury," opened his case; carefully examined each plank in the platform; produced able witnesses on both sides; presented their evidence; placed a competent jury on their respective characters. He then brought to the surface the result of each system—Infidelity and Christianity—as seen in the past, as well as the present. After a careful scrutiny in the cross-examination, he ably addressed the "jury" on the closing of each system by our Society, and by asking them for an impartial "verdict." Without leaving their seats, the "jury" unanimously agreed, and rendered their verdict in favor of our Christianity, which the presiding officer presented in a rousing vote of thanks, ably spoken to by the Wesleyan minister of the town (the Presbyteryan minister in the chair). It is hoped the

rev. gentleman will permit this superior paper to appear before the public in some more general way. Your readers will also be interested in knowing that the residents of the liquor business, and are well backed up by their congregations. Their earnest unit prayers are ascending heavenward for aid to raze the town and our fair land of the blighting scourge of intemperance, which has wrecked Gladstone, in the parliament of Great Britain, said "is a greater evil, because of its continuance, than war, pestilence, and famine combined." Such efforts, coupled by united action, must sooner or later accomplish the desired object. Public opinion needs but to be properly aroused to bring a pressure on the "powers that be" to rid the country of the nuisance, and the sooner the better. W. J. G.

QUEEN'S CO., Dec. 28.—Within the last two or three years very much has been done in providing suitable accommodations in which to preach the gospel in Queen's, N. B. In many sections of the county new church buildings have been built, and in others old ones have been, at considerable cost, fully restored. At Cambridge, at Upper New-Castle, as the Range, and Union Settlement new and beautiful houses have been erected, and at Gasperaux, Salmon Creek, Lower River, and Cumberland Point the old ones have been made beautiful for the worship of God. This noble work of building and adorning the sanctuary has not been accomplished. The social gatherings of the Baptists, from which much of the needed help came, have all been largely attended by members of other denominations. There is a strong feeling of sympathy in Christian work in the county among many Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Methodists, Free Christian Baptists, and Baptists. We trust that this feeling may increase and continue, not only through the year on which we are about to enter, but through the years that are to come, and while the people of Queen's supply material good to them, may be given abundantly that good which is spiritual. J. COOMBS.

CENTREVILLE, AER. CO., N. S.—We have had a very pleasant temperance concert given by the young people connected with the Band of Hope in this place. Sunday evening last was chosen as a suitable time. A large and attentive audience was present. Excellent recitations, sacred songs, and suitable scripture quotations were given in a manner reflecting much credit upon the young people taking part. The band is pledged to abstain from profane language, from intoxicating drinks, and from tobacco. About seventy young persons have already pledged, and it is hoped that the number presenters to follow. The institution is an excellent one for not only the young, but the old as well, being well adapted to strengthen the safeguards of virtue, and to destroy the allurements of vice. Towards the close of the exercises one of the little girls stepped forward, and in a very neat manner presented the pastor, Rev. W. H. Warren, with an address, accompanied by a purse containing upwards of fifteen dollars. The pastor made a suitable reply, and a very pleasant evening's exercises came to a close.

BELFAIR, N. S.—Rev. G. E. Turp has completed his fifth year as pastor of the Baptist church in this place. He has been much blessed in his work. There have been added to the church over which he presides 64, 63 of those by baptism. PERSONAL.

Bro. F. O. Harrington's health is restored, and he would like to engage to supply some church till June next, when he hopes to go to Japan as a missionary. Any church desiring his services can address him at Wolfville.

Mrs. Howe was remembered by her many friends in Lower Aylesford Christmas eve. They came as masses to the parsonage and presented her with a beautiful silver cake basket, butter cooler, pickle jar, one dozen silver teaspoons, and other articles of great value. Sometime ago my good people presented me with a handsome set of carriage lamps. Mrs. Howe and myself feel very comfortable in the garden of Nova Scotia.

Bro. and Sister Boggs passed through St. John on Thursday last, on their way to New York, where they are starting for India. They take the three younger children with them. They are followed by many good wishes and prayers.

Bro. H. Morrow expects to start from Tavo, India, for home, some time in February. May he have a safe and pleasant passage.

Bro. A. A. McLeod has been made the happy recipient of a coat and a pair of trousers, a Red Point and Sourie. It was accompanied by an address full of respect and affection for their pastor.

Rev. R. R. Philip writes to express his thanks to all the brethren who, in the past, have shown him no small sympathy. Specially this Christmas has his heart been cheered. The pastor of the Greenville S. church brought from the brethren a donation of \$63.75. Some brother in New Brunswick sent \$200; another in P. E. Island sent a dollar. Others in Dartmouth and Halifax have not been unmindful to send Christmas greetings to him and his daughters.

NOTICES.

The P. E. I. quarterly meeting convenes with the Belmont church, Lot 16, on Tuesday, January 18th. Opening sermon by Rev. I. J. Skinner, at 7 o'clock p. m. A. A. McLEOD, Secy.

The next session of the Albert County quarterly meeting will be held with the 3rd Hillside church at Demoselle Creek, on the second Friday in Jan'y, 1887, commencing at 2 o'clock p. m. All the churches will please send delegates. A full attendance is very desirable. S. W. KURSTAD, Pres. M. GROSS, Secy.

The secretary of Convention desires us to state that the distribution of the Year Books is wholly in the hands of the publication committee, composed of Brethren J. Parsons, E. D. King, John Burgoyne, all of Halifax. If churches fail to receive their share, information should be given to the said committee.

The Carleton and Victoria Counties Quarterly meeting convenes with the Albert street, Woodstock, church, on Friday, Jan. 7th, at 7 o'clock, p. m. Opening sermon by Pastor Thos. McDonald, of Houlton, Me. Quarterly Sermon by Pastor Geo. A. Howard; Alternate, Pastor A. H. Hayward. It is especially requested that our pastorless churches in this Quarterly Meeting will send delegates to the meeting. Church officials shall be all our bring to this meeting a New Year's Gift for our Convention Fund! W. F. PARKER, Secy. Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 10.

Marriages.

BACHELOR—DEBRY.—At Gasperaux Mountain, N. S., on the 25th Dec., by Rev. M. P. Freeman, Mr. William I. Bachelor, of Black River, to Mrs. Hannah D-rby.

CHURCHILL-SERVANT.—On the 25th ult., at the parsonage, Chignecto, by the pastor, Rev. I. E. Bill, Jr., Mr. Fred J. Churchill, of Overton, to Miss Ella Servant, of South Chignecto.

BROWN-SPROUL.—At Clarendonport parsonage, Dec. 22, by Rev. E. N. Archibald, Mr. Herman Brown, of Spring Hill, Virginia, to Miss Lydia A. Sproul, of Clarendonville.

COOMBS-DIBB.—At the residence of Samuel Coombs, Fairfield, on 25th ult., by Rev. F. M. Young, Samuel F. Coombs, to Miss Florence B. Dinah, both of Fairfield.

MARRIAGE.—At the residence of the bride's father, on 25th ult., by Rev. F. D. Crawley, Mr. George Mable, of St. Marys, to Miss Edith R. Haines, of the same place.

ELLIOTT-KIRBY.—At Carleton, C. County, Dec. 24th, by Rev. A. H. Hayward, Mr. Solomon Elliott, of Carleton, and Miss I. Kirby, of Kent.

TORRANCE-HUTCH.—At the residence of the officiating minister, Rockland, Dec. 22, by Rev. A. H. Hayward, Bedford, W. Tompkins, of East Florenceville, and Miss Annie E. Hunter, of Charles Hunter, Esq., Lower Peel.

UPHAM-FROST.—At the residence of the bride's father, Norton, Kings Co., on the 21st ult., by the Rev. Thos. Todd, Mr. Albert H. Upton, of the parish of Upland, Kings Co., and Miss Anna M., second daughter of S. E. Frost, Esq.

VANHAAN-BROWN.—At the residence of the bride's father, parish of Brighton, Carleton Co., on the 22nd ult., by the Rev. Thos. Todd, Mr. C. S. Vaughan, of Woodstock, and Miss Martha A., only daughter of Jonathan Brown, Esq.

ALLEN-GILLESPIE.—At Springhill, Dec. 29, by pastor Joseph Murray, Mr. Rufus S. Allen, to Miss Annie Gillespie.

BRETTON-MCKEE.—At Elm Wood Cottage, Woodstock, by Rev. F. S. Todd, on the 29th ult., Mr. John Baxton, of Williamston, Carleton Co., and Miss Annie J. McKee, of Summersville, Carleton Co.

RAYMOND-MARSHALL.—At the residence of James Barrett, Lawrenceville, N. S., Dec. 29, by Rev. J. W. Tingley, B. A., Evelyn W. Raymond, of New York, to Clara V. Marshall, B. A., of Lawrenceville, N. S.

BURGAT-THOMPSON.—At the parsonage, Lockport, Dec. 11, by Rev. B. N. Nobles, Mr. James Bagay, of West Head, to Mrs. Melinda Thompson, of Sable River.

FARRINGTON-STUART.—At West Head, Dec. 22, by Rev. B. N. Nobles, Mr. Fred W. Farrington, to Miss Minnie Stuart, both of West Head.

WILSON-BELL.—At the residence of William Rye, Buctouche, Dec. 22, by Rev. N. Normandy, Mr. Warren Vincent, of Moultonville, to Miss Nina Bell, of Buctouche, Kent Co. N. B.

Deaths.

THOMPSON.—Theodore Parter Thompson, son of Benjamin Thompson, of Hammond Plains, Halifax, N. S., died at Minasville, on the 11th of Dec., in the 28th year of his age. Mr. Thompson united with the Baptist church at Hammond P. also during the pastorate of the Rev. M. P. King. His mother had passed to her eternal rest before him, but his father, two sisters, and a brother are left to mourn their loss.

PURDY.—At Karr, C. Co., on the 25th ult., Samuel Purdy, aged 46 years. His disease was of a lingering nature, which he bore with Christian fortitude. He died in perfect peace, leaving a sorrowful widow and two sons to mourn their loss.

GOLDWELL.—At Gasperaux, Dec. 25, Nina, second daughter of Mr. Andrew Goldwell.

GROSE.—At Hillsboro, Dec. 25, Edith Grose, aged 15 years. Miss Grose was the daughter of Mr. Fanny Grose. She died trusting in Christ her Saviour.

CAMERON.—At Hillsboro, Dec. 17, of apoplexy in the head, causing paralysis, Wm. Cameron, aged 42 years, leaving a wife, three children, and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. May God sustain all the mourning friends.

NOONAN.—At N. W. Cove, Lunenburg Co., N. S., Dec. 26, Miss Amanda E. Noonan, aged 24 years, 3 months, and 1 day. Although Miss Noonan was not a church member, she has lived a godly life, walking near her Saviour. In her long sickness, she had a desire to be baptized, but her strength failed and did not permit her to obey the command. She was the most patient sufferer I ever saw, to use her own words, "willing to suffer anything so to get to Heaven at last." She was a comfort to all around her; her way was pleasing and attractive. She has left many dear friends to mourn their loss; but they are confident that their loss is her gain. B. W. H.

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In the meantime a letter came back from Miss Banks saying she had been to see Mrs. Baine and found her no better, and the poor baby had a sad sight for any eyes.

It seemed to Olive the next afternoon that to receive the President of the United States would have been less formidable than to meet this company of unknown men.

"Don't you dread it, Alice?" she said, as she took her friend into her pretty parlor. "I do for to-morrow," answered Alice, with her usual hesitancy.

"Why, I don't know; would you care?" Olive thought in her heart that she would very much like to see the world.

"So delighted!" "How is everybody, Olive?" and "I'm glad to see you in Belhaven again," were all being said at once.

"Excuse me, please; there are some people there whom I must attend to," Olive exclaimed, breaking away from Mrs. Talbot's detaining hand and walking on.

"Oh, no, miss, exclaimed the younger woman quickly. "They're too dusty for you," added the older, shifting the baby to one arm and lifting the antiquated satchel with her disengaged hand.

"There is a carriage out here for you to go to your home in," Olive said. "If there's any water here so that I could wash baby's face first? I think it would make him feel better," said the mother.

"Come this way," answered Olive, entering the room and turning the fan over the marble basin. "What a poor, sick little fellow!" she said gently, as the woman laid the pitiful-looking child across her lap.

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"There is a carriage out here for you to go to your home in," Olive said. "If there's any water here so that I could wash baby's face first? I think it would make him feel better," said the mother.

"Come this way," answered Olive, entering the room and turning the fan over the marble basin. "What a poor, sick little fellow!" she said gently, as the woman laid the pitiful-looking child across her lap.

"You may speak," said a fond mother, "about people having strength of mind, but when it comes to strength of body I never know."

"Inquisitive party (to her carrier); "And do you get up the ladder all day long?" Pat: "No, sir; half of the time. O come down."

"So the missus is to be married, eh?" said the gardener to the cook. "Yes, and in illigent style, too. She's goin' for to have a dhrage thray yards long, and four pallbearers to carry it."

"A scene of introduction: "Gentlemen, this is my friend X, who is not quite so foolish as he looks." "That is precisely the difference, gentlemen, between my friend and me."

"A full-headed grandfather recently had his beard shaved off, showing a clean face for the first time for a number of years. At the dinner table his three-year-old granddaughter noticed it, gazed long, with wondering eyes, and finally ejaculated,—"Grandfather, whose head you got on?"

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TRAINS WILL LEAVE ST. JOHN. Day Express, 7.30 a.m. Accommodation, 11.30 a.m. Express from Sussex, 4.35 p.m. Express for Halifax and Quebec, 6.10 p.m. A Sleeping Car runs daily on the 6.10 p.m. train to Halifax.

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN. Express from Halifax and Quebec, 1.40 a.m. Express from Sussex, 4.35 a.m. Accommodation, 1.30 p.m. Day Express, 7.30 p.m.

TRAINS WILL LEAVE HALIFAX. Day Express, 7.15 a.m. Accommodation, 11.15 a.m. Express for St. John and Quebec, 1.30 p.m. Express Accommodation, 4.00 p.m. A Sleeping Car runs daily on the 1.30 p.m. train to St. John.

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AT HALIFAX. Truro Accommodation, 8.20 a.m. Express from St. John and Quebec, 11.25 a.m. Express Accommodation, 1.40 p.m. Day Express, 7.50 p.m.

Winter and Annapolis Railway.

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W. R. Trains are run on Eastern Standard Time. One train leaves St. John for Halifax, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday a.m. for Wolfville and Annapolis, returning on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday a.m. for Halifax.

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