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—HALIFAX has been disturbed of late by that species of miscegenation popularly known as "firebug." Early on Tuesday morning of last week four fires, started by incendiary origin, were visited in the city,—one at the Ladies College and Conservatory of music, another at the Grosvenor Hotel, a third at the lower end of Granville Street and the fourth in a building at the rear of the Halifax Hotel. In each case fortunately the fire was discovered and extinguished before much damage had been done.

—The London Freeman says: "There is a rumor that Dr. Clifford is contemplating a visit to the United States, and though nothing has yet been decided, it is possible that an arrangement may be made by which the pulpit in Westbourne Park will be occupied by Dr. Lorimer while Dr. Clifford is making the acquaintance of our brethren across the Atlantic." The same paper says that "the ministrations of Dr. Lorimer at the Presbyterian church, Marylebone, are obviously exciting a large amount of interest for the congregation is larger at each succeeding service."

—A Royal Commission which for three years has been sitting on the subject of Irish taxation has made its report. The commission is said to be composed mostly of Englishmen, and ten out of its thirteen members report that for the last fifty years there has been taken from Ireland each year about \$18,750,000 in taxes more than her proportion. According to this view, if Ireland should be repaid what is due to her, the country would have a very handsome sum at its disposal and Irishmen would be able to feel rich. But it certainly does not seem very easy to believe that Ireland can have been taxed to so great a degree in excess of the rest of the United Kingdom.

—The volume of American travel to Europe is stated to be much smaller this year than in some previous years, and those who have gone have regulated their expenditures according to a much more economical scale. Probably the falling off is due largely to the depressed condition of business in the United States, since there are fewer who find themselves financially in a position to indulge in a trans-Atlantic trip, than in years when business is more prosperous. It may be that the great prospective Paris Exposition is having some influence since many who otherwise would make their European tour—perhaps their only one—earlier will prefer to wait until 1900 and take in the great world's fair.

—In accordance with the request of a large number of the members, the bar of the House of Commons at Ottawa has been ordered closed, and it is said that the bar in connection with the Senate will probably be closed in like manner. If this means that the selling and drinking of intoxicating liquor within the Parliament buildings is to cease, the reform is a proper and praiseworthy one upon which both Parliament and country are to be congratulated. If it means only, as some say, that liquor will no longer be sold to be drunk at the bar, but that by sitting down to a table in the restaurant members can be supplied with all the liquor they may desire, nothing of importance will have been accomplished by the closing of the bar. It is to be hoped that the order to close means prohibition so far as the Parliament buildings are concerned.

—The managers of the Dominion and Atlantic lines have won the gratitude of the travelling public on account of the excellent steamboat service which they have provided between Digby and St. John. It is speedy and comfortable, at least as comfortable as the exigencies of wind and wave permit. The Prince Rupert is a finely equipped boat. The ability, courtesy and attentiveness of her officers and attendants seem to leave nothing to be desired in that respect. We should be pleased if it were unnecessary to add any unfavorable remark, but, in common with many, we have been with surprise and regret that the steamer is provided with a bar at which liquor is freely dispensed to passengers. This, as far as we have observed, is an innovation in steamers employed on this route. It seems to us most undesirable one. It is bad enough to have to allow place to the liquor business on land. It is worse still at sea. It seems wholly unnecessary and wrong that this temptation should be placed in the way of the travelling public and of the men employed on the steamer. The Convention at Barwick did well to enter its protest against this particular form of the liquor traffic, as well as against the whole miserable business—the great destroyer of property, health, happiness and virtue.

PASSING EVENTS.

THE Dominion Parliament has now been in session about three weeks, and as a matter of course a good deal of talking has been accomplished. According to the declared purpose of the government the session was to be a very brief one, but the length of a parliamentary session in Canada can never with any certainty be predicted except in the case (such as occurred last year) that the life of Parliament is about to expire by limitation. Among matters of special interest which have come before Parliament thus far during the session may be mentioned a correspondence between His Excellency, the Governor General, and his late chief adviser, Sir Charles Tupper, relative to certain appointments of the outgoing administration (in which were included appointments to the Senate and the Bench) from which the viceregal assent was withheld. The ground taken by the Governor General was that considering the peculiar circumstances under which the administration of Sir Charles Tupper was formed and its subsequent failure to secure the endorsement of the electorate, "the powers and authority possessed by the Government should be exercised in such directions only as are demanded by the exigencies of the public interest and so as to avoid all acts which might tend to embarrass the succeeding administration." On this principle His Excellency deemed it necessary to withhold approval from appointments of Senators and Judges and certain other appointments for which his endorsement was requested. On Sir Charles Tupper's side of the correspondence, surprise and regret are expressed on behalf of himself and his colleagues at the position taken by His Excellency in the matter, and Sir Charles proceeds to adduce precedents with the purpose of showing that such a position is not in harmony with recognized procedure in Great Britain and in other British Colonies, and that, as an instance especially applicable, Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, after his defeat in 1873, secured from Lord Dufferin, then Governor General of Canada, approval for a large number of appointments to office in which were included a Deputy Minister and several Judges. Whatever may be the merits of this controversy—if such it may be called—its occurrence is regrettable. Where government by party obtains, many matters of greater or less importance will necessarily come into the field of party politics and suffer the rough handling which seems inevitable in the heat of partisan discussion. It is, however, obviously to be desired that the acts or the policy of the Governor-General should not become the subject of such discussions.

ANOTHER matter which has been discussed quite freely both in Parliament and in the daily press is the case of civil servants who are politically opposed to the party in power. A party coming to assume the functions of government, and especially a party which has been for a long time in opposition is likely to be subjected to strong pressure in this matter. The leaders are of course told in many quarters that they are expected to help those who have helped them on to victory and leadership. The doctrine that any man is to be rewarded for having done his duty or what he conceived to be his duty as a citizen is certainly a vicious one. At the same time there are a great many men who will contend that they have a special right to consideration from a government; representing the party which they have rigorously supported. Not many perhaps would boldly advocate the Jacksonian doctrine that "to the victors belongs the spoils." The party in opposition, whichever it may be, is pretty likely to take high moral ground on this question. In politics as well as in other affairs it makes a vast difference whose ox is gored. But it seems rather a different question to decide to what degree a civil servant may be a political partisan without making himself justly liable to dismissal. The Hon. Minister of Marine and Fisheries has intimated that, if a man goes on the platform and abuses a party and its leaders, he has in justice forfeited his official head, if that party shall come into power. Mr. Laurier has intimated in his witty way that when a civil servant plays the part of a politician the government will relieve him of his duties as its servant that he may devote all his energies to politics. Still, it may be asked, has not a civil servant the rights of a citizen? Has he not a right to have and to express political convictions? It is certainly difficult to see how, without denying to its servants rights belonging to citizens in general, a government can call its officers to account for voting according to their convictions or for advancing its public

and in private the political principles in which they believe. Still, under present conditions, it seems as the part of wisdom and righteousness for a man who accepts a government position not to make himself offensively partisan, seeing that he is not compelled to become a member of the civil service. But if a man has declared his utter want of confidence in the leaders of a party, denouncing them as corrupt or dishonest and unfit to be entrusted with the duties of government, it would seem to be only his simple duty to decline to serve under a government so constituted. And if he failed to do so, he would seem to have little cause for complaint if his place were given to someone who believed the government to be of a character entitling it to his respect.

ON Thursday morning of last week, a large and notable delegation in the interests of Prohibition waited upon the Government at Ottawa. Among the delegates were such well-known men and women as Hon. J. C. Aikens, J. J. McLaren, Toronto; J. R. Dougall, and Walter Paul, Montreal; Dr. Christie, M. P., F. S. Spence, M. J. E. L. Bond, T. D. Craig, M. P., Rev. Dr. Saunders, Ottawa; Mr. Ganong, M. P., Mrs. A. D. Scott, Miss Mary Scott, and Mrs. Alexander, of Ottawa. Senator Vidal, president of the Dominion Alliance, presided at a preliminary meeting of the delegates, when the following three delegates, who were chosen to address the government: Messrs. J. P. McLaran and J. R. Dougall and Mrs. Alexander. The delegation was met by Premier Laurier, Hon. Sydney Fisher and Hon. Sir Oliver Mowatt, on behalf of the government. The delegation through its representatives presented a plea for prohibition and expressed their confidence that the policy to which the platform of the Liberal party pledged the government would be carried out. Mr. Laurier replied at some length. He agreed that the cause of temperance was, as Mrs. Alexander had said, perhaps the most important of any. He presented evidence to show that it was making progress and that prohibitory legislation had been adopted in considerable portions of Quebec province. There was, however, the Premier said, a difference of opinion as to what temperance meant. Prohibitionists believed it meant absolute abstinence from alcoholic drinks; others believed it meant moderation in the use of them. The party which he represented had thought it right that the question—whether prohibition was to be desired in Canada should be submitted by plebiscite to the country. "The plebiscite," Mr. Laurier said, "is part of the Liberal programme adopted at the convention of 1893. Our policy has been before the people who have pronounced upon it. It now becomes our duty to carry out our programme, and I say frankly it is our intention to do so. As to the time when it should be done, my answer is this:—It is the intention of the Liberal party to carry out the letter every article of its programme within the very shortest possible limit. There is no intention to delay. On the contrary, speaking even politically, it is perhaps the best policy of all to deal with the question within the shortest time. It is not our intention this session, but I have every hope that next session, and not later, we shall introduce the legislation we have promised. This is a question in which the women are, perhaps more than the men, interested. Mrs. Alexander has not the right of suffrage, but all will admit that she could not influence the government of this country more if she had a vote than she can do simply by speaking." The delegation was also addressed by Hon. Mr. Fisher and Hon. Sir Oliver Mowatt who supported the assurances given by the Premier. At a meeting of the Dominion Alliance held immediately afterwards the following resolution after some discussion, and apparently not without some difference of opinion, was adopted: "That this meeting having heard the statement of the Hon. Mr. Laurier, Premier of the Dominion, desires to express its satisfaction with his promise and calls upon temperance workers everywhere to get ready to give all the help possible that when a plebiscite is taken the temperance vote shall be successful."

THE result of the elections held on Tuesday last in Vermont has been to give great comfort to the Republicans and those Democrats who are supporting the cause of sound money against the nominees of the Chicago Convention. Mr. Bryan had been making a tour of New York, speaking in the interest of his candidacy and of free silver, and though the republican and anti-silver papers had declared that his oratory had fallen flat upon the ears of the Empire-State people, there was at least a suspicion in many quarters that Mr. Bryan was getting the popular ear and using his oratorical powers to much greater effect than the newspapers alluded to were willing to admit. But whatever may be the fact in New York, it appears that the people of Vermont have not to any very considerable extent accepted the gospel of free silver which Mr. Bryan so eloquently preaches. A fact that makes the Republican victory in Vermont the more significant is that it is the most distinctly agricultural state in New England, and it is among the farming population, if anywhere, that the free silver doctrine is expected to find acceptance. But though, apart from the main issue conditions were unfavorable to the Republicans, so that something less than an ordinary majority was to have been anticipated, yet the popular feeling against the currency doctrines for which the Bryanite Democrats stand was evidently so strong that many Democrats voted with the Republicans, and the verdict for sound money and national credit is so emphatic as to fix the attention of the whole country and to strengthen the confidence of those who believe that it would be a national disgrace and disaster if the United States should adopt legislation making debts payable on the basis of fifty-three cents worth of silver to the dollar.

THE great Irish Convention held last week in Dublin would appear to afford another striking illustration of the fact that the grand hindrance to the success of the Irish cause lies in the character and conduct of the Irish people, and not in the want of ability or patriotism. In too many instances Irish pugacity gets the better of its patriotism. Mr. Dillon, for instance, indicates his notion of the way to secure unity in the ranks of the Irish party by declaring that he will "fight to the last gasp" for unity. If Irishmen could cordially and intelligently unite under wise and constitutional leadership, nothing that might reasonably be demanded in the interests of Ireland and the Irish people could or would be long denied. It is just this that Irishmen appear to be wholly unable to do. Men who, if blessed with some measure of wisdom and modesty, might do good service as captains or lieutenants, insist on being generals and appear at the heads of factions as bitterly opposed to each other as they are to those whom they regard as the declared enemies of the Irish cause. The Dublin Convention was widely representative. Delegates were present from Canada, the United States, Australia and from all countries whether the sons of Erin have been scattered abroad. Among them were some very able and doubtless many truly patriotic men. But, opposed by the factions led by Redmond and Healy, it would seem that the Convention has been able to accomplish little that is of value. Some despatches from the Convention given of this affair were much exaggerated.

LI HUNG CHANG was naturally regarded as a bright and shining mark for the American interviewer. It would appear from the reports of the interviewers that the old man from the Celestial Empire is pretty able to hold his own with the Yankee newspaper man. When Li was asked if he had any comparisons to make between America and England, he replied: "I would not like to make any; whatever you do here you have learned from England. For that reason it would be indelicate to make comparisons." When questioned as to his reasons for making his journey homeward by way of Canada, he intimated that there were two reasons. First his countrymen had been denied in America the rights accorded to other peoples, and he did not care to pass through those States of the Union whose people had been most influential in securing anti-Chinese legislation; and secondly, being an old man, he wished to avail himself of the superior accommodations of the Canadian Pacific steamers sailing from Vancouver. The Chinese exclusion Act he declared to be most unfair. "Competition," said the Chinese statesman, "is good for any country, whether it is in the price of labor or of commodities." The Geny (anti-Chinese) Act, he said, was brought about by the Democrats under the influence of the Irish people, because the Chinese are rivals of the Irish laborers. "You boast of your liberty and freedom," he said, "but there is no freedom of labor. I cannot see the fruits and effects of this liberty." It was for lack of free competition in labor that United States machinery and agricultural implements, though the best in the world, could not compete with those of other countries in the world's markets. When asked whether his visit to the country had any political significance, Li declared that he had no more time to devote to news paper men, and the interview was closed.

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THE condition of the United States treasury bears evidence of the business depression from which that country is suffering. It is said that the deficit in the treasury for the month of August will exceed \$10,000,000, and this added to the deficit for the previous month makes a total of \$25,000,000 for the first two months of the fiscal year. The heavy deficit is in part accounted for by an extra expenditure of \$5,000,000 for old sugar bounty claims. But while the demands on the treasury have been unusually heavy, receipts have been remarkably small. Revenue has been declining both from customs and from internal taxes.

BRITISH investors in American securities are not as yet manifesting any very great anxiety to dispose of their investments. It would seem that they regard the election of Bryan and the introduction of free silver legislation as possibilities so remote as to be scarcely to be taken into practical account. It, however, it should appear as the presidential campaign progresses that the Silverites have a fair chance of winning, there will almost certainly be a rush of British investors to unload, and a consequent panic in American securities.

W. B. M. U.

NOTO FOR THE YEAR
"We are laborers together with God."
THANKS TOPIC FOR SEPTEMBER
Thanking to God for the success that has attended our work during the past year. Prayer for a still greater blessing on our efforts during the coming year. Ask that God's spirit may accompany our mission work efforts as they visit the churches and a great blessing attend their efforts to increase the mission interest.

A meeting of the W. B. M. U. of St. John and Fairville will be held in Brussels St. church on Friday, Sep. 13, at 3.30 o'clock. The lady missionaries elect, Miss Harrison and Miss Newcombe, will be present and give addresses. All the sisters are invited to be present. A social hour will be given when all will have an opportunity of becoming acquainted. Tea will then be served at 6 o'clock.

A public missionary meeting, under the auspices of the W. B. M. U., will be held at 7.30 in Brussels St. church, at which all the missionaries will speak. These meetings shall be seasons of great power and blessing. Pray for this and do not fail to be present.

Mrs. Margaret Cox, the Provincial Secretary for New Brunswick, has been engaged by the W. B. M. U. to undertake the work of organizing new Societies, re-organizing old ones and strengthening the weak and ready to fall. She has just sent the report of her first month's work, which is most satisfactory. The results may not be apparent just now, but time will reveal the benefits to be derived from this kind of work. We have been looking and praying for some one to engage in this service for a long time. The Lord has heard our prayers and sent us sister Cox. She is well fitted for the work. My sisters, let us sustain and help her all we can. Will those to whom she goes render her all the assistance in their power; will all remember her daily in their prayers. It is no easy task, no "holiday trip," anyone who thinks so has not conceived the faintest idea of the work. Mrs. Cox says of her report: "The amount of work accomplished looks small, though you have only the skeleton. The real life and soul of the work it is impossible to report. God knows it has been done with a desire for the extension of His kingdom. Pray that my 'faith fall out,' that my strength may be equal to the demands upon it; that 'weariness and faintness' may be 'wounded' for His sake. And pray with all the earnestness you can that His spirit may arouse women in our churches."

A note received from Miss Rita Richardson, Bedford, says: "The Lord led upon our hearts that we ought to be in the good cause of missions, so we organized an Aid Society on March 20th. Mrs. Jeremiah Daniels, President; Mrs. Joseph Archibald, Vice President; Miss Rita Richardson, Treasurer; Miss Louisa Richardson, Secretary. We send you five dollars, trusting the Lord will bless our gifts. There is no Baptist church at Bedford so we are rejoiced to welcome these sisters among our 'scattered helpers' and ask that as they work and pray for the salvation of the heathen a rich blessing may come upon them."

At our annual meeting in July reports were given and officers appointed, Mrs. F. M. Young being elected as our president. The attendance was small but the meeting earnest in expression. Our August meeting was one of the best and most enthusiastic of all. Sister Mrs. Wm. Chipman invited the Society to her pleasant home, where a number of the sisters gathered, bringing husbands or friends with them, thus adding to our numbers and enjoyment not a little. Tea was served in a most pleasing manner, after which the gathering was called to order by the Vice-President, Mrs. Geo. Dixon, who filled the chair most excellently, our President, Mrs. Young, being absent in British Columbia. After the usual opening exercises short addresses were given by Bros. William and Benjamin Miller, also sister Mrs. DeHois, of Wolfville, who encouraged us much, with kindly words, spoken to us in such a pleasing manner. Miss Finch, of Wolfville, and Mrs. Marshall, of Boston, were also visitors. Prayers were offered by several, and a spirit of deep earnestness prevailed. Our annual Home Mission collection was taken amounting to \$40. Some business matters were attended to, delegates were appointed for Convention, etc. The hour having come to adjourn all united in a hearty vote of thanks to our hosts and host, for the very enjoyable evening we had spent with them. As the president, Mrs. Dixon, presented the vote of thanks to Mrs. and Mrs. Chipman she returned feelingly to the parting so soon to come, when our sister and brother will take up their abode in our colleague town, Wolfville. Mr. Chipman, answering on behalf of Mrs. Chipman and self, thanked the Society for their kindly expressions of good feeling, closing his remarks with wishes for the prosperity of our Union and for the increased growth of missions as a whole.

E. A. KERR, Sec.

"I AM UNDER AUTHORITY."

BY C. H. SPURKINSON.

The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof...

Without any introduction, as we have just been reading Matthew's record of this notable miracle of our Lord, I shall come at once to the text, and, first, work out the incident itself.

A centurion, the commander of the detachment of Roman forces then placed at Capernaum, had a servant exceedingly ill. He was paralyzed, or palsy, but it was with that kind of paralysis which still leaves room for great pain. He was grievously tormented, and yet pained. This man of war was evidently a great master of thought, or policy, but it was when he heard that the great prophet, Jesus of Nazareth, had come to the town, he made the best of his way to him, and besought him to heal his servant.

You remember that, on another occasion, a certain nobleman went to Jesus, and besought him, saying, "Sir, come down ere my child die."

In this case, it was a servant, not a child, who was suffering; and, as if the fervour would pay the greatest attention where the rank was lower, he showed the condescension of his spirit by saying in this instance, "I will come and heal him."

Now see what the centurion does. He had requested the Lord to heal his servant; he is very grateful for the kindness of the Saviour in offering to come and heal him; but he is a true gentleman, so he will not put the Saviour to any personal inconvenience.

Let me then work out the incident in detail. Notice, first, that the centurion drew a parallel between himself and the Lord Jesus Christ. He said, "I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me."

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be thy servant, and will fly away at once if thy commandment. Thou hast only to put forth thy power upon my servant, and he will be healed."

Now observe that there was only one thing further which was in this centurion's mind, and that was this. He looked upon Jesus as a master of power, and when he heard that the great prophet, Jesus of Nazareth, had come to the town, he made the best of his way to him, and besought him to heal his servant.

I think that this is the principal thing which I have to do. When we think about our Lord Jesus Christ, we need not worry ourselves about how he will effect his purposes here, the degrees of God will be carried out, or how his promises will be fulfilled.

Remember that Omnipotence has servants everywhere. Thou cannot see them, but they are waiting for their Lord's orders, and he can see them. He knows where he has put them, and when he will call them to himself, and bid them do his work.

First, then, dear friends, it seems to me that the divine narrative should be used to urge us to believe the power of the Lord Jesus Christ, even if he does not speedily come in the glory of the Second Advent.

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all dequitted, as though his power could not be seen apart from his chosen agent. The power is given to him in heaven and in earth. Even now the name of Jesus is "high over all."

I want you next, dear friends, to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ's unseen servants. You look around, or you look ahead, and you find out men who shall proclaim the Gospel vigorously during the next twenty years, and you say you do not perceive them; no, nor do I.

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that he should believe in him, accept his great salvation, and bow before him. If you do so, dear friends, you shall be saved; but if you will not, it is not left as a matter of choice with you, but the Lord Jesus has himself declared, "He that believeth not shall be damned."

Our chief business just now is not so much to think of what Christ can do in the great battle of the present, or what he will do in the dread conflict of the future; but of what we have to do, and I think that what we have to do is to believe in Christ as to be his obedient servants.

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From that day I began to get better. The book, therefore, was read more than once. When the people argued with him and opposed him, I was grieved and always rejoiced in his victorious rejoinders...

Imagine the relief I found on the next page! "I rejoice in you, my son, because you are coming to the life again." My Saviour came back to me, I was as jubilant as if I had conquered death myself...

At the age of twenty years I was married. My wife was then fifteen years old, older than most brides are on their wedding day. The ceremony was held according to the Hindu custom...

When I was twenty-two years old, my first daughter was born. She had hardly seen the light of day, when my friends looked around me and wanted her to be engaged immediately to be married to their sons...

I was greatly grieved because my wife would not become a Christian. She kept promising me and putting me off, but she would not become a Christian until after her brother's marriage...

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rules. No matter which way I turned caste was in my way. Caste rose behind me and caste rose before me and caste bristled on both sides of me...

One day in Feb. 1893, we were out in the field threshing rice. Our threshing machine was six pots of iron, which were driven around and around upon the heap of grain until the kernels of rice were trampled out of the crushed straw...

The next day I went to their camp and asked the missionary to baptize me. He did not know what the Lord had been doing in my heart and asked me many questions...

After a few months and many struggles which no man could number, a day was appointed for my baptism. My wife was away visiting her mother. When she heard of my intention she sent me a stinging letter and my weak heart began to fail...

Shortly afterward, on Sunday morning Jan. 21st, 1894, I was baptized in the Bay of Bengal, in the presence of a large excited crowd. My relatives came running madly to the sea, with their nostrils dilated, their eyes blazing with rage...

Since that memorable occasion more than two years have passed away. God has been teaching me more and more of the unsearchable riches of Christ. He is to me a living monument of His love...

Truth is stranger than fiction. This is a true story. The narrative of the childhood days had to be filled up with what, for want of a better name may be called fictions. But all is true to life. I have rounded out some parts with my own knowledge of facts, and here and there have colored the story with my own imagination...

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BUROCCUS, KING CO., N. B.—Sunday, Aug. 30—a good time—three more united with us by baptism. More will follow. R. M. EYON.

CONCORD, N. B.—In the beautiful Baptist Church, the Atlantic coast, on Sunday, Aug. 30, we baptised a young brother, George T. Firth. Others have been converted and will soon follow the Lord in his appointed ways. N. B. DUNE.

REHOBOTH.—Three months have passed by since our coming to this field. The greatest success in the work, although we cannot report conversions we can report progress. Our congregations are increasing, the Master's interest is deepening, and we look for good days in the sunny days of the "High Noon."

REHOBOTH FIELD.—Since last report five have followed the Master in baptism. At Woods Harbor, Aug. 2, Mrs. Solomon Dixon; at Fort Clyde, Aug. 2, Mrs. Hiram Newell, Aug. 23 Mrs. Chloé Thomas, Aug. 27 Mrs. Hattie Reynolds, at Sea Point, Aug. 29 Annie W. Northen. Sister Dixon came to us from the Presbyterians. Sister Reynolds was not in a position to unite with us but wished me to baptize her, to which I consented.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, KING CO., N. B.—Last Friday I visited the Blue Mountain, a branch of the Third Horton Baptist church, and lingered there until the Sabbath on operating with my esteemed young brother, C. W. Rose, Lic., who is at present supplying this church. Our efforts were crowned with God's blessing. On the Sabbath morning it was my privilege to baptize three persons, viz: Thomas Walton, aged 65 years, whose coming forward gives especial joy and encouragement; Mrs. Maud Brown and Miss Ella Backhouse. At the close of the morning service brother Rose gave the benediction, and then the Lord's Supper was dispensed to 26 communicants. Brother R. is held in high esteem by the people and it is hoped there may be further enlargement at an early date. The Rev. J. J. McNeil, David Freeman is fragrant in these parts. He was accustomed to make self-denying missionary visits to these people and labored faithfully for their spiritual welfare; he now rests from his labors on operating with him on Sabbath, p. m., we came to South Alton, and in the evening to New Minas where we had a gracious meeting in which the result of the good work there last winter was apparent. ISA. WALLACE.

EAST FLORENCEVILLE, N. B.—Our work at East Florenceville and River Bank still goes on with good interest. Aug. 16 five candidates were baptized; Aug. 23 four more, and yesterday (30th) ten were in the water, since the baptism of the beautiful wife of the St. John Baptist, making 32 since the work began, July 1st. Rev. A. F. Baker spent two and one-half weeks with us, preaching with great acceptance to the large congregations that assembled. He bore the Word. The names of those baptized are as follows: Bertie Tompkins, Eva Banks, Maud Jones, Lily Jones, Ferny Lovely, Whitfield Greene, Sellie Tompkins, Maud Hartley, Gertrude Banks, Dora Brooks, Maud Tompkins, John Needles, John Ward, Frank Wal on, Samuel Cutliss, Joseph Weathers, Munson Tibbets, Annie Weathers, Maud Collins, Leslie Tompkins, Christopher Gigg, Moody Brooks, Mattie Weathers, Corill Weathers, Ada Scriver, Jennie Brooks, Mrs. Scriver, Mrs. Tompkins, Miss Tibbets, Mrs. Plerde. Licentiate O. R. Merfield has labored faithfully on this field during the summer. He has now gone to Wolfville, N. B., to attend the Convention, thus leaving me alone on this constantly widening field of twelve preaching stations in five parishes. May the Lord of the harvest guide us in the future in our heart-felt prayer. AUG. 21. A. H. STWARD.

WALTON, HANTS CO., N. S.—Since our last report, our pastor, Rev. F. E. Hoop, has baptised three young men from our Sabbath School, Jessie Greenough, Eva Shaw and Florence Sanford. We are hoping much good from these pure hearted, christian girls. Our pastor is entering on the fifth year of his service with us. Our former pastor, Rev. Geo. Weathers, was in many respects an ideal under shepherd. His sermons were full of the good things of the Word. His piety melted with long and deep experiences with the Lord. He bore his own burdens in a noble and manly way, leaning only on the Lord, and his heart was so large and full of sympathy so full of love that it took us all in, and all pertaining to us. When he prayed with us, we felt as if we were in a meeting place with Jesus, who heals either earthward or heavenward. When he buried our dead, his prayers were like benedictions on the hearts of the mourners. That's young minister, who has been followed such a pastorate, and have gotten safely and amicably past the adjusting stage, speaks volumes for that young man. There is a healthy interest in our church work. Our monthly conference is held on the 1st of the month. We have communion once a month. The outlook on the whole field is spiritually hopeful, though not financially so at present. E. A. BARCROFT, Church Clerk.

NOTICES. The next annual meeting of the Baptist Annual Association, located in New Brunswick, will be held with the New Brunswick Baptist Convention at Springfield, Kings Co., N. B., on Monday the 14th day of September, next, at 2 o'clock p. m. HALVICK COV., N. B. Sec'y.

P. E. Island Baptist Conference will convene at St. Peter's Bay, Monday evening and Tuesday, September 14th and 15th. Being that is expected the brethren at St. Peter's will be organized into a separate church, a large representation of the brethren is requested. DAVID PATER, Sec'y.

Carlton, Victoria and Madawaska Counties quarterly meeting will convene with the Rockland Baptist church on Tuesday the 22nd Sept., at 7:30 p. m. Quarterly sermon by Rev. J. H. McDonald; alternate, Rev. J. C. Blakely. As this will be the annual meeting, and officers will be elected for the ensuing year, a large attendance of delegates and ministers is requested. THOS. FORD, Aug. 22. Sec'y-Treas.

Will delegates intending to attend the N. B. Baptist convention to be held at Hatfield, Kings Co., Sept. 12th, please send their names to the undersigned, stating how they will come, i. e., whether they will drive, come by boat or by train. Those coming by train will be met on Friday evening at Norton station. Those by boat or river will change at Oak Point, taking the Springfield steamer at 12 o'clock. S. D. EYVINE, Hatfield Pt., N. B.

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PERSONAL. Rev. G. H. White has entered upon his duties as pastor of the church at Fairville, preaching to the people of his new charge for the first on Sunday last. Bro. White enters upon his work here with high prospects. He is a native of New Brunswick, and was born in a poor family, but with him the largest possible measure of success.

Rev. J. H. McDonald called at this office on Friday last on his way to Cape Breton for a month's rest before taking up the work at Amherst. Rev. J. L. Miner will remain in Amherst as Assistant Pastor. Mr. McDonald was made the recipient of kindly addresses and substantial tokens of regard, showing the high appreciation in which he was held by his late congregation and fellow townsmen of Woodstock.

The September session of the Yarmouth County quarterly meeting will be held with the Port Maitland church, on Tuesday, Sept. 22nd, beginning at 10 a. m. The forenoon will be occupied with business and reports from the churches; in the afternoon with a conference and social service led by Rev. P. R. Foster; and the evening with a missionary meeting, at which Rev. J. H. Foshat will speak on "The Home Mission Board," Rev. J. B. Thomas on "Grande Ligne," and Rev. P. R. Foster on "The Northwest." On Monday evening previous (Sept. 21) there will be a meeting under the auspices of the W. M. A. Societies of the county, at which Rev. R. E. and Mrs. Gullison, missionaries elect, will speak. Sept. 1. J. W. TINDLEY, Sec'y.

The annual meeting of the Kings Co. Baptist Sunday School Convention will meet in the Baptist church at Aylesford, Sept. 17th, 1896, at 10 a. m. The managing committee have arranged a program which cannot fail to interest all Sunday school workers giving their attendance. A paper on "The Relation of the Sunday School to the Community" will be read and discussed at the morning session, and in the afternoon a paper on "The Model Sunday School" followed by discussion, after which Prof. Oakes, taking the Convention for his class, will teach the lesson for Sept. 20th, Proverbs 16: 22-33. The evening session will be devoted to addresses bearing upon the subjects of papers read before the Convention. The above subjects have been placed in the hands of thoroughly competent writers and a good time may be expected. The D. A. R. has kindly consented to return delegates free if ten or more attend, and if under that number half fare will be charged. Delegates must procure standard certificate from starting station. W. WALLACE NIELL, Sec'y of Con.

The third annual session of the N. B. Baptist Convention will be held with the First Springfield church, at Hatfield, Point, Kings Co., beginning on Saturday, September 13th, at 10 a. m. The external organization of the B. Y. P. U. Societies of N. B. will be held on Saturday evening, at which addresses will be given by speakers invited for the occasion. On Sabbath at 11 a. m., Convention sermon by Rev. C. W. Townsend; alternate, Rev. Geo. Howard. At 3 p. m. meeting in the interest of the W. M. A. Societies, presided over by the Provincial Secretary, Mrs. M. S. Cox. Monday afternoon, annual meeting of the Baptist Antiquity Association. Monday evening will be given to the Sabbath School Convention. (See Minutes, p. 10). The Superintendents and teachers of every Baptist Sabbath School in New Brunswick are cordially invited to attend and take part in the proceedings. Traveling arrangements will be announced later. W. E. MCINTYRE, Sec'y.

To the Ministers and Brethren of the Maritime Baptist Convention: DEAR BROTHERS,—There were several of you who spoke to me about having the paper that I read at the Institute on the apocalypse, printed in pamphlet form. I expressed my willingness to have it printed, and on board the train on our way home suggested to some who talked with me about it the following plan, and they approved of it and advised me to insert a notice of it in the Messenger and Visitor. It is this: That if a number of brethren, say from forty to fifty, will send me a dollar each and take a dozen copies, which they can give to their friends, or sell at ten cents a piece, the time for receiving such subscriptions to run to the last of September, I will put the paper in the hands of the printer the first of October, and as soon as it is through the press will mail to each subscriber his order, and if I do not obtain a sufficient number of subscriptions to enable me to go on with the work of printing it, I will return to each subscriber his money. I do not feel able to venture this speculation without indemnity. Now, brethren, send along your orders and it will be all right. Ten members of any church might unite and make up the dollar and hand it to their pastor, yours in the faith and work of the Gospel, J. H. HUGHES, St. John, West Side, N. B.

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THE HOME.

A WORD FITLY SPOKE.

There is no habit more easily acquired and none more difficult to conquer than the habit of frivolous speech. As soon as a child learns to talk the first duty of his mother is to teach him to avoid rude or unseemly words, such as he is quite certain to hear from his parents. These are foolish mothers who look upon the first imperative word of a child as a clever exhibition of his spirit, and fail to check them. The danger of allowing a child to go with an unbridled tongue need not be dwelt on. What may be forgiven to the child will not be forgiven to the full grown girl, and the freedom of speech that was sprightliness in the little one becomes coarseness and impudence in the school girl, and cannot be lost friends and many advantages that might otherwise be hers. It matters little how kindly her heart, her brusqueness of speech will gain enemies. It is the duty of every mother to train her children that they shall be thoroughly equipped to meet the world and do their part in its battles in the most effective and useful manner. Nothing handicaps a man or woman so often as thoughtless words.

Fortunate, indeed, is she who is gifted with the power to speak the fit word at the fit season. It may be a needed word of encouragement to a weary sister who is ready to give up the hard struggle of life, or it may be the word of consolation to one in affliction, or the kindly word of caution that is so tactfully spoken that it has no sting of reproach. It takes the wisdom of years and a rare discernment of character to always do this, but it is a gift that is worth cultivating. No young person can afford to be thoughtless or hasty in speech when so much often depends upon words. On earth we cannot know certainly the thoughts of our friends except in their spoken or written words, and though these are but symbols of thought, our happiness depends largely upon them. "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Long years, weary, unkind words are remembered. Though it is the fashion of the world today to speak lightly of the spoken word and to look to the motive, the power of speech, even though the heart is not in it, cannot be too strongly dwelt on. We live in this material sphere where we must recognize the power of words. It is not the power of logic or reason that has most controlled the destinies of nations, but the power of impassioned speech, that fiery eloquence that appeals to the heart. It is therefore very foolish for a young person to despise instruction in gentle speech and tactful words. It is difficult to exaggerate the power for good which a young girl may exercise who is wise and tactful in her speech. She is a well-spring of joy to all who know her.—N. Y. Tribune.

HARDWOOD FLOORS.

There are few things in the household more aggravating than a hardwood floor that refuses to take on a polish and wears down to the raw wood. Those who flee from the inconvenience and dust can carp and expect to find peace with hardwood floors often discover they have only a new vexation. The truth seems to be that the best shells is apt to wear off in a short time, and a floor, however carefully treated in this way, must be covered with rugs wherever the footfall of mankind comes. Wax is the only coat that endures, and this lasts but a short time unless the coats are frequently renewed. No floor will be allowed to wear down to the raw wood or it will become permanently injured. When an old floor is to be treated scour it thoroughly, using plenty of ammonia. Then it is perfectly clean and dry apply a coat of shellac to it. Rub this coat down with sandpaper and oil. Then put on the wax and polish it down in the usual way with a weighted brush, or in the more laborious manner, with a brick wrapped in flannel. An authority on floors gives the following formula for waxing floors: Melt twenty-five ounces of yellow bees' wax and the same amount of yellow ceresin. They should be put in a vessel set in boiling water and stirred together in a warm but not hot part of the stove. Mix one ounce of yellow sassafras with one ounce of boiling linseed oil and add this to the wax. Mix it thoroughly; then remove the vessel containing the preparation from the fire and add about a quart turpentine. Yellow ceresin may be had of any large druggist. The burned sassafras is used to darken the wax. It may be omitted if this is not desirable. The best finish for a kitchen floor is oil. Use two parts raw oil to one part turpentine and rub this on thoroughly. This coat ought to be repeated at least once a month for nearly a year before the floor will acquire a polish. An old-fashioned rag carpet makes the very best rug that can be used on a kitchen floor. Its use helps to polish it and bring the wood to a surface. Before applying a new coat of oil wash the floor thoroughly and let it become thoroughly dry.

THE NASTURTIUM IN WATER.

I wonder if many of The Housekeeper readers know that nasturtiums can be grown in charcoal and water in the house during the winter season as successfully as the hyacinth or Chinese Lily? They who desire a cheap, pretty novelty for their window garden through the winter months can easily convert this old-time garden favorite into a winter-blooming house plant. By the manner of growth, as well as its wealth of bright-hued blossoms, will surprise and delight all those who chance to see it. The seed of the nasturtium will not germinate in water, but thrifty slips or branches can be broken from the plants growing in the garden late in the fall, or a few seeds can be planted in an ordinary flower pot, and the plants thus obtained transferred from soil to water when well started. As soon as the slips are broken off or the plants removed from the soil they should be placed in a large glass pitcher, jar or other receptacle that is filled with

pieces of charcoal and water. The ends of the slips should, of course, be far enough down among the charcoal to prevent their being too heavy, and falling out before the roots have formed to hold them in place.

Keep the glass in a warm sunny window and add more water when that already in the pitcher begins to evaporate and be drunk by the plants. In a few days roots will appear and new leaves will commence to form, and in a short time you will find it hard to decide which part of the plant is the most attractive and interesting. The upper part with its thrifty green leaves and bright glowing blossoms, or the lower, where the delicate white roots have worked their way among the pieces of charcoal and formed a dainty, lace-like net work, will be equally attractive. The tiny fibers have grown between the pieces of coal and the glass.—Housekeeper.

THE DINNER TABLE.

As surely as we are acquiring more intelligent and more refined methods of living as the years go by, so surely is the National fault of extravagance in matters of food giving place to reason in these matters. The beauty of loading down the table is coming to be widely appreciated. In ancient times any food was obtained under greater difficulties than now. And there was a chance of having guests at the table who suffered for want of a square meal. A superabundance of food then had an attraction, therefore. Today, however, the hostess must often cater to guests who prefer quality to quantity.

No one is to be faulted in various parts of the country can fall to note the immense improvement that has taken place in the preparation of food in the last generation. Soup was formerly an unknown article, except in the form of a thick broth of meat and vegetables. Today a well-made consommé or a delicious cream soup which would excite the admiration of a French chef is often served at the commencement of a dinner in unpretentious homes. No doubt some of the popular cookbooks of the day and the cooking schools that have been established all over the land are largely responsible for this change. We no longer have a demand for a dinner of vegetables, with one greasy piece of boiled salt meat. Vegetables still are used liberally, but intelligently. They are served in soups and occasionally as garnishes to meats, as well as by themselves. There is no longer limited to rich and somewhat indigestible preparations of lobster or chicken, dressed with what is known as a mayonnaise. Moreover, astonishing as it may seem to one who remembers the prejudice against the vegetable, with one greasy piece of boiled salt meat. Vegetables still are used liberally, but intelligently. They are served in soups and occasionally as garnishes to meats, as well as by themselves. There is no longer limited to rich and somewhat indigestible preparations of lobster or chicken, dressed with what is known as a mayonnaise. Moreover, astonishing as it may seem to one who remembers the prejudice against the vegetable, with one greasy piece of boiled salt meat. Vegetables still are used liberally, but intelligently. They are served in soups and occasionally as garnishes to meats, as well as by themselves. There is no longer limited to rich and somewhat indigestible preparations of lobster or chicken, dressed with what is known as a mayonnaise.

The art of dining is being studied by refined people in all stations of society. The dinner table, in these cases, according to the old rule, should be less than the nine Muses and more than the three Graces, is a daily affair today. The American woman is learning to dress as well as a French woman and cook as well also.

HEART DISEASE.

The changes which go to make up heart disease take place slowly, and few cases are known to the victim; and not in a few cases death occurs suddenly from such diseases without its existence having been suspected. On the other hand, there are persons who think they have heart disease when the constriction of that organ is perfectly healthy. They complain of bad feelings in the cardiac region, palpitation, irregular breathing, etc., and such symptoms would naturally suggest disease. In these cases, the disease is purely nervous in character; that is, the nerves which control the workings of the heart are somewhat deranged. And very generally, this derangement is the result of dyspeptic trouble. Those who exhibit the signs described should turn their attention to the stomach and try and overcome them by careful attention to diet. The quantity of food taken should be no greater than health and strength demand, and only such articles easily digested should be eaten. In some people, even with fairly strong digestive powers, tea and coffee cause palpitation of the heart, hence their use is forbidden. Tobacco, too, gives rise to the same symptoms. Of course, this habit, and all others which tend to produce nerve weakness, should be discontinued.—N. Y. Ledger.

One of the best ways in which to remove old wall paper is to dip a large and clean white wash brush in warm water, and to apply it evenly to the wall before scraping with a kitchen knife. Holes in the plaster should be filled with plaster of Paris, mixed with mortar. Bananas have been repeatedly used with gratifying success in cases of chronic diarrhoea. Some of the most troublesome forms of diarrhoea have been arrested by parching rice brown, then boiling and using in the ordinary way. It often cures when nothing else will.

Powdered red pepper, best to be had from a good druggist, under the name of "Cayenne," is a great promoter of a good digestion in cases of a weak stomach. It taken freely on meat and in soups, it has a stimulating power like alcohol, without any of its exciting or narcotic effects.

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THE FARM.
ECONOMICAL FEEDING.

In selecting rations for feeding due regard must be taken of their chemical composition. By chemical composition here is meant a consideration of the three important compounds found in all food, namely, protein, or the bone and muscle forming material; carbohydrates, or fat and energy making material; and fat, which, too is a fat and energy former, but which is worth in stock feeding two and a half times as much as carbohydrate. It has been conclusively proven that dairy cows will produce milk and butter more economically when fed upon foods where the protein comprises from one-fifth to one-seventh of the ratio, or in other words, when the ration has a nutritive ratio of five to five or one to seven. Foods containing a large amount of protein, as linseed meal, cottonseed meal, oats, etc., are comparatively expensive, while carbohydrates, which are very abundant in our corn fodder, as straw and corn cobs, are very cheap, but a dairy cow needs six or seven times as much carbohydrates as protein, and so the difference in cost is largely compensated for.

The digestibility of a food should also be known, and since the digestibility of different foods varies greatly, we should buy all our cattle food upon the basis of the cost of a pound of digestible matter. The value of foods, however, cannot always be estimated by their chemical composition. A food may be rich in digestible food elements and its percentage of digestibility be high, yet the results will be unsatisfactory owing to the deleterious effect upon the animal system. These peculiar characteristics cannot be ascertained except by actual trial, but when once known, can be overcome by feeding two or more foods in such proportion that their effects upon the system will be counteracted by each other. More satisfactory results can be obtained by feeding a mixed diet, since, as in our own foods, palatability and relish are obtained by variety.—Professor Hayward of the Pennsylvania Agricultural College.

A GREAT APPLE YEAR.

This year's apple crop promises to be prodigious. Most of the Western New York orchards hang heavy with fruit, branches almost breaking under their loads, and the ground beneath heaped with windfalls. The same conditions of plenty may be found in the orchards of the West. Illinois will produce a phenomenal apple crop. A grower of that State, writing to "The Chicago Inter Ocean," says some sensible things about marketing the harvest. "If you can let the consuming world know that your apples can be had as cheap as potatoes," he says, "you need not fear for the disposition of the crop, however large. In other words, apples should be advertised as dry goods. Let the people know that they can get bargains in apples, and they will make larger purchases. It is surprising how many people here in Buffalo watch in the newspapers for the bargain advertisements of certain grocers, and take advantage of every opportunity to buy. If, in years of extraordinary plenty in any fruit crop, there was extensive advertising of the fact among consumers, it might be, as 'The Inter Ocean' correspondent believes, that a great crop would melt away as readily as that producers and dealers would wonder where it had gone to, and the health and comfort of the people would be greatly advanced. Prices would be fair enough to make it worth while to market the crop and it should be saved the slight of fruit rotting on the ground in the country while the poor in the great cities go without.—Buffalo Courier.

A REGULAR CRIPPLE.

The Story of an Old Settler in Duferin County. Suffered Terribly with Rheumatism, and Had to Use Mechanical Appliances to Turn in his Friends Thought he Could Not Recover.

From the Economist, Shelburne, Ont. Almost everybody in the township of Melancthon, Duferin Co., knows Mr. Wm. August, J. P., postmaster of Auguston. Mr. August, now in his 77th year, came to Canada from England forty years ago, and for thirty-eight years has been a resident of Melancthon. During some thirty years of that time he has been a postmaster, and for eleven or twelve years has been a member of the township council, for some years holding the position of deputy reeve. He has also been a justice of the peace since the formation of the county. It will thus be seen that Mr. August stands high in the estimation of his neighbors. In the winter of 1894 Mr. August was laid up with an unusually severe attack of rheumatism, being confined to the house and to his bed for about three months. To a reporter of the Economist, Mr. August said: "I was in fact a regular cripple. Suspended from the ceiling over my bed was a rope which I



would seize with my hands, and thus change my position in bed or rise to a sitting posture. I suffered as only those racked with rheumatic pains could suffer and owing to my advanced age, my neighbors did not think it possible for me to recover. I had read much concerning Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and at last determined to give them a trial. I commenced taking the pills about the 1st of Feb, 1895, taking at the outset one after each meal and increasing to three at a time. Within a couple of weeks I could notice an improvement, and by the first of April I was able to about as usual, free from the pains, and with but very little of the stiffness left.



STRICTLY FOR FAMILY USE.

Invented in 1820 by the late Dr. A. Johnson, Family Physician, his extraordinary worth, merit, excellence have satisfied everybody for nearly a century. It is not merely a Liniment, it is the Universal Household Remedy. For Internal as well as External Use. It prevents and cures asthma, bronchitis, colds, coughs, croup, catarrh, colic, cramps, chills, dyspeptic pains, diphtheria, gout, hiccups, hoarseness, headache, hooping cough, influenza, neuralgia, rheumatism, sciatica, sore lips, sore throat or lungs, is grippe, chest pains, bowel pains and kidney pains. It is the sovereign cure for bites, burns, bruises, cuts, chafes, crabs, chilblains, lame back, lame side, muscle, twinges, stings, scalds, strains, sprains, soreness, stiffness and swellings. For Internal as well as External Use. 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