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SAINT JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 1896.

—Rev. H. F. LAFAMME, writing from Winchester, Ont., informs us that Mrs. Lafamme, who spent five weeks in a hospital in Montreal last fall, and underwent a very severe operation there, has spent the winter at Mr. Lafamme's home in Winchester, slowly gaining strength and making progress toward what her physician pronounces to be permanent recovery. "We are hopeful," Mr. Lafamme writes, "of returning to India this fall and are praying that several new families may go back with us from Ontario and the Maritime provinces, to dig with us in the rich mine, deep and dark, of the Telugu land."

—Rev. Dr. CAREY on his return from Nova Scotia, called to say that he was delighted with his visit. He lectured on St. Patrick, the Apostle of Ireland, to an appreciative audience in Annapolis, on the 17th inst., and next evening at Grandville Ferry, on John Bunyan's Life and Labors. It was very pleasant to meet the friends whom he had addressed for four consecutive winters before he went to England. Dr. Carey says that Rev. G. J. Coulter White and family, live in the affections of their people and are exercising a wide-spread influence for good. Pastor White preaches at Grandville Ferry in the morning, at Annapolis in the afternoon and at Round Hill in the evening. May the good seed he is sowing so diligently bring forth thirty, sixty, a hundred, rich sheaves of Christian experience to the glory of God.

—A meeting was held on Thursday evening last in St. David's (Presbyterian) church, St. John, with the purpose of stimulating practical sympathy on behalf of the suffering Armenians. The meeting was not so well attended as the importance of the subject and the ability of the speakers announced to address the meeting would have led one to anticipate. The meeting was called by the Evangelical Alliance. Sir Leonard Tilley presided. Very appropriate resolutions were moved, and the general subject in its various phases was discussed in interesting and excellent speeches by Rev. G. O. Gates, Rev. Dr. Brown, Rev. J. A. Gordon, H. A. McKewen, Esq., and Mayor Robertson. Revs. Messrs. De Soyres and Teasdale sent their regrets that other engagements made it impossible to attend. Rev. Dr. Macrae, President of the Alliance, and Rev. Dr. Daniel also took part in the meeting. Secretary Williams of the Y. M. C. A. is treasurer of the funds being raised in the city for the help of the Armenians.

—At a recent meeting in Philade Iphia, Geo. May Powell, speaking on the "Economics of Intoxicants," said that "the intoxicant trade, more than all other causes combined, was at the bottom of the 'hard times' now vexing capital and labor. He said no matter which side of silver and tariff questions was taken, the gross amount involved in them both together was not a quarter of the retail intoxicant trade of our country. Analysis of United States customs and internal revenue returns on malt, fermented and distilled liquor, showed \$900,000,000 to be a pretty fair figure. But this represents only the approximate pure liquor. Hardly a quarter of the liquor retailed, however, is pure. Therefore, if you throw out 200 million on the above pure liquor total, leaving it 700 million, and multiply it by four, we have a grand total of between two and three billion! This offer if put in legitimate channels of operations of our merchants and manufacturers, would set commercial and industrial interests of labor and capital moving to the tune of plenty of work and good pay. These facts and philosophies apply to the affairs of all who buy and sell, or earn or pay wages in honest business. When Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade see these things in their true light they will drive the liquor traffic from their organizations as the great robbers and pirates on all their equitable interests. It is folly to answer this by saying that bad business keeps money circulating, and so prevents instead of creates hard times. Its circulation is destructive of healthy business."

—We have received from our esteemed brother, Rev. E. J. Grant, another communication touching the position of the Massachusetts and Visitation in reference to the subjects of bribery, corruption and temperance reform. To publish this letter would make a reply on our part necessary and would be prolong a discussion, which we cannot suppose our readers regard as especially edifying. Mr. Grant thinks that if, instead of saying the paper "never touches these subjects," he had said it "very seldom touches them," his statement would have been correct. We can only say that we are quite willing that our readers should

interrogate their memories and form their own judgments in respect to this matter. We certainly think that the attitude maintained by the Massachusetts and Visitation towards these particular subjects and the interest which it has constantly shown in all moral reforms would justify a somewhat more generous recognition of its service in the good cause than Mr. Grant feels able to accord. But we can quite understand his feeling—engaged as he is in a special warfare against these evils—that organized Christianity is not, either through the religious press or other agencies, bringing to bear against them all the power that it could and should employ. It is the aim of this paper to promote all things which make for the best interests of its readers, and certainly evidence is not lacking that its efforts are appreciated. The kindly recognition received, especially of late, from many valued friends of the paper encourages us to do our best to be worthy of their good opinions. And while we are fully conscious that there is plenty of room for improvement, we shall hope by the friendly aid and counsel of Bro. Grant and of others who will lend a helping hand to make the paper more and more efficient as a promoter of every good cause.

—"It is better," says Phillips Brooks in his sermon on "Help from the Hills," "it is better to be restless and unsatisfied than to find rest and satisfaction in anything lower than the highest. But we need not be restless nor unsatisfied. There is a rest in expectation, a satisfaction in the assurance that the highest belongs to us, though we may have not reached it yet. That rest in expectation we may all have now if we believe in God and know we are his children. Every taste of Him that we have ever had becomes a prophecy of His perfect giving of Himself to us. It is as when a pool lies far up in the dry rocks and hears the tide and knows that her refreshment and re-plenishing is coming. How patient she is! The other pools nearer the shore catch the sea first and she hears them leaping and laughing, but she waits patiently. She knows the tide will not come back till it has reached her. And by and by the blessed moment comes. The last ridge of rock is over-washed. The stream pours in; at first a trickling thread sent only at the supreme effort of the largest wave; but by and by the great sea in its fullness is given the waiting pool itself and she is satisfied. So it will certainly be with us if we wait for the Lord, however He delays, and refuse to let ourselves be satisfied with any supply but Him."

—At the meeting of the New Brunswick Prohibition Association held a few weeks ago in Fredericton, Mr. J. R. Woodburn was appointed Vice-President for the County of St. John. In response to the call of Mr. Woodburn a meeting was held in St. John on Tuesday evening, 17th inst., for the purpose of organizing a County Association. In the absence of Mr. Woodburn, through illness, Mr. W. Frank Hatheway was called to the chair. The following Constitution was adopted:

Article 1. This organization shall be known as the St. John County Prohibition Association Auxiliary to the New Brunswick Association.

Article 2. Its object is to aid in the movement for the total prohibition of the liquor traffic in Canada by legislative enactment.

Article 3. All persons that are in agreement with its principles and aims and with its plan of political action may become members. Each member is required to pay into its funds not less than \$1.00 annually. The money raised from membership fees and from other sources to be used for the purposes of the association.

Article 4. The officers shall be a president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer and one vice-president from each parish, town, city and county. The officers shall be the executive committee of the association, three of whom, one being the president or vice-president, shall constitute a quorum. The officers shall be elected annually at the first regular meeting in October. The officers shall perform such duties as usually devolve upon such officers in similar organizations. The executive shall have the general management of the work of the association and shall call special meetings when necessary.

Article 5. The association shall hold regular annual meetings.

PASSING EVENTS

THE Liquor License Bill which we noted last week as being before the N. B. Legislature has been passed, and, as it comes immediately into force, is now the law of the province. Two or three amendments of some importance were made to the Bill. The privileges which it had been proposed to give to hotels to sell on Sundays to their guests in their rooms and at meals was withdrawn. By another amendment it is provided that one-third, instead of one-half, the fines collected under the law are to go into the provincial treasury and the balance to the municipalities. A license fee of \$800 is imposed on breweries, one-half of which goes to the province. So far as we have been able to observe the new law is not received with great favor in any quarter. Disapproval of some of its provisions has been expressed by representatives of the liquor business in this city, but it does not appear that any very strenuous opposition was offered to the bill from that quarter or that liquor men generally regard the law as, on the whole, very decidedly inimical to their interests. Temperance people are certainly not enthusiastic over the measure, although they recognize in it some valuable features, if only the law shall be enforced. One of the most valuable provisions of the new law is the barrier which it sets up against the introduction of saloons or licensed taverns in city wards or in parishes where none existed at the time the law was passed. The effect of the law in St. John will be to lessen somewhat the number of licensed places other than large hotels, fixing the maximum number at seventy-five. It also increases the license fees for wholesale licenses from \$300 to \$500; for retail licenses, other than hotel, from \$150 to \$300, and for hotels to \$400. The penalties for violation, especially for selling on Sunday, are also much heavier. The provision that a majority of the ratepayers in any ward or parish may, as the result of an election, prevent the granting of licenses in that ward or parish is valuable in itself, and as the Attorney General and other legal authorities have declared that this is doubtful, the question of constitutionality would probably have to be settled by the courts before this feature of the law could become effective. The Act is probably received with somewhat less favor in St. John than elsewhere, for the reason that it takes from the city authorities powers which they have long possessed and also because it provides that a large proportion of the license fees and fines derived from the liquor business in the city shall go into the provincial treasury instead of the city treasury. The value of the law as a restrictive measure will of course depend on the enforcement of it. If its full potential force shall be brought to bear upon the liquor business that evil trade will feel it keenly. But the same might have been said under the law which the Act just passed supersedes. If the present law is to render any real service to the cause of temperance reform, it is imperatively necessary that the Commissioners, and especially the Inspectors under the Act, shall be men of the most strictly incorruptible character, men who will do their whole duty in the enforcement of the law.

THE London correspondents of American newspapers have had a good deal to talk during the past few months of transactions between the British and French Governments with respect to territory in Asia. It has been made to appear that the advantage of these transactions was very largely on the side of France, indicating as was supposed an eager desire on the part of Britain to cultivate friendly relations with her neighbors across the channel. From the following sentences contained in a speech recently delivered by Mr. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty, it would appear that the newspaper reports above alluded to were not prepared with a great regard for truth than is usually found in such literature. Mr. Goschen said: "Three objects have been secured by our negotiations with France in Siam. One has been that we have secured the protection of British political and commercial interests in a country contiguous to British India, and already a flourishing arena of British trade. Secondly—and I call your attention to this—the putting away of a petty and vexatious source of irritation between ourselves and France which, as two great eastern powers, have got better things to do than to quarrel over a few square miles of disputed territory on a distant river. We have got rid of that, and thirdly, and by means of a territorial guarantee of the core and centre of the kingdom of Siam, we have

given to Siam that security and freedom from apprehension which are essential for her peaceful development and for her future. It is a mistake to suppose that Siam's rights have been abrogated or impaired by the agreement over any part of her existing dominions. They remain as they were. No new right has been created either in favor of England or France. There has been no partition and no creation of new or rival spheres of influence. What has been done is the erection of a genuine instead of a fictitious barrier state between England and France in the far east and the removal from the reach of either of what might have been a temptation and always was a peril. In the newly guaranteed watershed of the Menam, Siam will be able to develop her considerable resources and improve her administration in that which is the most populous, the most productive and the wealthiest part of her dominions."

THE Dominion House of Commons reached a vote on the second reading of the Remedial Bill on Friday morning, after a continuous session of 39 hours. Mr. Laurier's amendment for the six months' hiatus was defeated by a vote of 91 to 115, a majority of 24. In this division 15 Conservative members, including Messrs. McCarthy and O'Brien, voted with Mr. Laurier, and 7 Liberals voted against him. On the motion that the bill be read a second time 112 members voted yes and 94 nay, giving the government a majority of 18. The vote on the Bill, regarded according to provinces, was as follows:

	For.	Agnt.
Ontario.....	30	51
Quebec.....	21	30
New Brunswick.....	13	3
Nova Scotia.....	16	5
P. E. Island.....	2	4
Manitoba.....	4	1
British Columbia.....	6	1
Northwest Territories.....	4	1
Total.....	112	94

Dr. Weldon of Albert has the distinction of being the only Conservative member outside of Ontario who voted against the Bill. The Government has commissioned Mr. Dieckie, Minister of Justice, and Hon. Mr. Desjardins, Minister of Militia, to go to Winnipeg to hold a Conference with the Manitoba Government with a view to securing a settlement of the school question by the province. These gentlemen are to be accompanied by Winnipeg by Sir Donald Smith. The Manitoba Legislature stands adjourned until April 16, in order that it may be prepared to take action in reference to the results of the Conference if necessary. It had been supposed in some quarters that the Government, having secured from Parliament an affirmation of the principle of the Bill, would not push it to a third reading. But Sir Charles Tupper has assured the House that, pending the negotiations at Winnipeg, the Government will utilize all the time at its disposal to make progress with the Bill, so that it may become law in the event of the negotiations with Manitoba being without result. Mr. McCarthy has attacked the Bill as being unconstitutional, on the ground that it is not on the lines of the Remedial Order which the Government issued to Manitoba, and has moved that the Bill be referred to the Supreme Court for decision on that point.

THE declared intention of the British Government to send an armed force from Cairo in the direction of the Sudan has been the leading topic of discussion in European politics during the past week. In England the announcement has not been received with enthusiasm. "If the movement means anything more than a precautionary defensive measure to secure Upper Egypt against a possible or probable invasion of the dervishes the Government has not taken the public into its confidence in the matter. Apparently public sentiment in England is averse to an aggressive policy involving a war of conquest in the Sudan. Whatever the expedition to Dongola may mean, it evidently does not look toward England's speedy evacuation of Egypt, but quite in the opposite direction. It therefore stirs the jealousy of France and arouses emphatic remonstrance. France is displeased, but Italy, Austria and Germany are happy over the matter, especially Italy which recognizes the movement as an intentionally friendly one toward herself, as it is expected the Anglo-Egyptian demonstration on the Upper Nile will relieve the pressure on Italy's position in Abyssinia. Germany also is pleased, because what helps Italy helps the Triple Alliance. If this movement of Lord Salisbury's means that England will not permit the Dred-bud to be dissolved it has important bearings, especially as regards the position of France. With Great Britain supporting and re-

ceiving support from the Triple Alliance France will be powerless to interfere with whatever plans England may have as to Egypt, unless indeed Russia shall make common cause with France, which she is hardly likely to do. A late despatch from Cairo announces that the Khalifa has declared a holy war against Egypt, calling upon all dervishes capable of bearing arms to enrol themselves under the green banner. It is asserted that Osman Digna will quit Kassala and join the dervish forces around Dongola. If this is true, it would appear that the sending of an expedition to Dongola was not without justification, unless we are to suppose that it is this movement of the Anglo-Egyptian force that has provoked the wrath of the Khalifa.

IN experiments of photography by means of the X rays results are said to have been obtained by a New York physician, Dr. J. Mount Bleyer, which appear to indicate that Professor Roentgen's discovery may be capable of wider and more important application in therapeutics than had been supposed possible. Dr. Bleyer announces that he has taken photographs which show distinctly the cavities in the lungs of a patient suffering from tuberculosis. By similar means he has been able to locate a tumor in the throat below the larynx, which may be removed by an operation. Experiments made by Edison are said to indicate that it may yet be possible to see into the body of a patient and discern the nature of his disease. Mr. Edison is reported as saying that by the use of a fluorescent screen he had been able to see objects through all sorts of substances except bone and metal. The fluorescent screen is composed of two layers of mica between which are spread tiny crystals of platino-cyanide of barium. It is the property of phosphorescence in this eye, we are told, that makes it possible for the eye to see rays of light that otherwise would be invisible. Mr. Edison says that he held an eight-inch block of pine, the screen being fastened to the bottom of an empty pasteboard box covered with black paper. In the top of the box, above the screen, a hole was cut for the eye. When the eye was applied to this hole close to the tube, and the block placed behind the box, the movements of Mr. Edison's hand, held back of the block, were plainly visible.

THE Watchman of last week gave to its readers an illustrated historical article on Tremont Temple, written by Rev. Dr. Lorimer. The new Temple, which has cost about half a million dollars, is approaching completion. It is expected that it will be ready for occupation in April. Dr. Lorimer does not conceal the fact that the undertaking is causing himself and those who are laboring with him much anxiety. If he had not believed in bringing to pass the impossible, he says, he would not have continued at his post. If \$250,000 are raised by the time the building is ready for occupation those who have the enterprise in hand will breathe freely for the next generation. Dr. Lorimer thinks, will be able to pay off the remaining indebtedness, seeing that there will be quite a large income from the parts of the building that will be rented. The church will have raised about \$80,000 and Dr. Lorimer is hoping that some rich friend of the cause will relieve their anxiety by a \$100,000 contribution. We hope that "good brother or sister" whom the doctor is looking for may soon put in an appearance.

PERSONAL

Rev. R. M. Hunt, who has recently completed eight years of honorable service as pastor of the Jamaica Plain church, is, we believe, to be settled, the senior Baptist Pastor of Boston.

General sympathy will be felt for Mrs. Marsh (formerly Miss Kate McNeill) in India, whose mother's death is recorded in our obituary column this week. This, we believe, is the third break which has occurred in the family circle since our sister bade farewell to her friends at home. May the divine grace sustain her in these sad bereavements. We desire to extend to our brother, Rev. S. A. McNeill and the other members of the family our sympathy in their affliction.

Rev. L. W. Corey has resigned the pastorate of the Fairville church to accept a call to Kenosha, Wis. The latter is the church of which Mr. Corey was formerly pastor and he has yielded to earnest solicitation on the part of his friends there to return. We understand that the prospects presented to him for work and usefulness in Kenosha are very attractive. Mr. Corey will close his labors here about the first of May. Our brother has been richly blessed in his ministry in Fairville, and we know of no one who does not deeply regret that he is to cease to work here. The church we hope will be able without unnecessary delay to secure a worthy successor to Mr. Corey.

The New Jersey Methodist Episcopal Conference on Monday voted in favor of the admission of women as lay delegates to the general conference.

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We are laborers together with God.

Contributors to this column will please send Mrs. J. W. Manning, St. John West, N. B. FRANKLIN STREET FROM 12-12-96.

For Miss Wright, the salt water preachers, teachers, and preachers in Chocoma. For the officers of the W. B. M. U. that witness from on High be given them to place and direct the work.

Will all the sisters please remember March 29th, as a day of special prayer for God's blessing on our Mission work. That power from on High may come upon workers at home and on the foreign field. All the sermons preached or money contributed will avail but little except the prayers and alms come together before God. We are not praying earnestly enough. May the Lord lay upon each heart the burden of this work that untidily we may plead for His blessing.

I thought perhaps you would like to hear of our county meeting, held in connection with the quarterly meeting at the Narrows, March 18th, 2:30 p. m. There was a crowded house. The music was furnished by the church choir. Mrs. C. W. Pierce occupied the chair. Meeting opened by singing, "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Does his successive journey run. Introductory sermon from Matt. 28, 19: 30, by Bro. Geo. B. Baker. There are thirteen working societies in Queens. Eight reported by delegate, two by letter. The six "Aids" organized by Miss Norris are in this section of Queens, James, Mill Cove, Narrows, McDonald's Corner, Lower Cambridge, Lower Wickham. The first five reported and all are working. Many "charter members" were present and the memory of Miss Norris cherished. Mrs. Pierce, Co-Sec., has done much to encourage these societies. Mrs. M. McDonald, (Sr.), is secretary of the Narrows, has been its only secretary for twenty-five years. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. Pierce, followed by the Pror. Sec. for N. B. Meeting closed by singing "The morning light is breaking," and we departed resolved to do more for the cause of Christ. M. S. Cox. Cumberland Bay.

Bridgetown

March, 1896, being the seventh anniversary of the reorganization of the W. M. A. S. of Bridgetown, a fifteen tea was given by one of our esteemed sisters, Mrs. Thos. F. ster, at her pleasant home. Although the night was disagreeable, quite a number of the sisters, each with an invited guest, availed themselves of the privilege. After a very enjoyable tea, an interesting programme was successfully carried out. Amount raised by tea, \$5.50. Object, Foreign Missions. Our usual Home Mission collection was also taken. When we re-organized, our Society numbered six, all holding office. Now we have over forty names on our membership list. During these seven years our Society has seen changes, several sisters going from our midst to new homes and to other fields of usefulness. Among these we would mention our first president, Mrs. W. H. Warren. The death angel has entered the homes of others, and left hearts sad and lonely, but has kindly spared each sister, leaving us still an unbroken band of "workers together with Him." We have had our regular monthly meetings, and have been many times spiritually refreshed and strengthened by meeting together. Beside our dues a Home Mission collection is taken at each meeting. We have taken up lines of special work. Crusade day has been recognized; our pastor's wife made a life member. So in these and in other ways as a Society have been striving to assist in the Master's work; but in view of the appalling facts that come to us day by day, how small our greatest efforts seem. But amidst seeming discouragements come these words, "If God be for us, who can be against us."

"Let us each be up and doing
With a heart for any foe;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait."

The following is from an address recently delivered in Bombay by an educated Hindu who is not a Christian: "Cast your eyes around, and take a survey of the nations abroad! What has made England great? Christianity! What has made the other nations of Europe great? Christianity! What has started our present religious Somajis all over India? Contact with Christian missionaries! Who began female education in Bombay? The good old Dr. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, of beloved and honored memory, Christians again! Christianity has not only been the saviour of man's soul, but the regenerator of man's habitations on earth.

It is said that the heathen have not learned how to avoid contributing to the cause of religion. They know no better than to carry money with them to the place of worship, and to cast it in liberally even without solicitation. It is said that no heathen ever hides his face by a hymn or prayer book while the baskets are being passed, or closes his eyes in pious meditation; nor while others are giving is he "dodging."—Baptist Missionary Magazine.

Sabbath School.

BIBLE LESSONS.

Adapted from Feltner's Select Notes.

SECOND QUARTER.

Lesson I. April 5. Luke 13: 22-30.

FOR SEVEN LESSON AND LESSON XII.

WARNING AGAINST SIN.

Read the whole Chapter, Luke 13: 1-35. Commit Verses 24, 25.

GOLDEN TEXT.

"Strive to enter in at the straight gate."—LUKE 13: 24.

SUGGESTIONS TO TEACHERS.—SUBJECT: ACQUAINTING FOR ETERNAL LIFE.

"Read" the whole chapter and also the passages referred to under "Light from Other Scriptures," so as to gain and give the deep impression which they produce by reiterating the one truth in many ways, and from many sources. When one wishes to break a stone he strikes many successive blows upon the same spot. When a battery would break down a city wall, shot after shot is fired against the same place.

"The truth" of this lesson should make a deep impression on the minds of the young. It does not seem to be a determination to seek the kingdom of God now.

EXPLANATORY.

I. THE INDETERMINATE WORKER.—V. 22. "And he went through the cities and villages teaching, and journeying." Jesus was on a journey to Jerusalem. Though he knew he was to be crucified there, still he set his face steadily toward the place (8: 51). "I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how am I stretched till it be accomplished?" (12: 20). But all the time, regardless of his own sorrow, everywhere he was doing his work. Indeed, work for the Lord is one of the best comforts in sorrow. He did not cease because he was on a journey. The time was short. The work was great. And he kept at his father's business.

II. THE QUESTION.—V. 23. "Lord, are there few that be saved?" Literally, "that are being saved" from sin and everlasting death. It does not seem that this question was asked out of idle curiosity, of which there is no hint; but that it came from an earnest soul in view of what he had observed, and heard, and felt.

The question to-day is not mere idle curiosity. The earnest soul cannot help asking it. The larger part of mankind has not the heavenly character, and no outward glories, no golden streets, no jeweled crowns, no angels, harps, no gardens of paradise could make it a heaven where they dwell if they remained of the same character there as here.

ILLUSTRATION. There is a legend of a swan in her white purity soaring to the skies, and beholding in her glories, its radiant clouds, its stars, and returning to earth, and telling the hero in the swamp what she had seen. The hero in reply says, "And there any smaller there?" "No." "Then I do not wish to go." No one who has earnestly looked upon his fellow men, and has listened also to God's promises, can help asking the question which this man in Palestine asked of Jesus.

III. THE FIRST ANSWER.—Vs. 23-28. Compare Matthew 7: 13, 14. Jesus did not answer the question directly, because it was not best. It would almost certainly have led to misunderstanding and neglect. There was an answer a great deal more important to the man himself and for all with whom he had to do. Practically, Jesus gave two answers to the question. The first was to tell the man that his first duty was to answer the question himself, so far as he was concerned, by being saved and thus be prepared to save all over whom he had influence. The other answer was one of encouragement and hope.

24. "Strive to enter in at the straight gate," or narrow door of a palace or a city.

"From the eastern custom of receiving petitioners at the gate, the gates of the king" became a phrase, as we may say "The Sublime Porte," for the Turkish Government, and is used of the Persian court."

Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" describes the journey of one striving to go from the City of Destruction to the City of God, and shows the wicket gate and the many ways in which Christians had to "strive" to enter.

STRIVE. The word in the Greek is "agonize." Strive as an athlete in the great games puts forth every power to reach the goal or to overthrow his antagonists.

STRIVE TO ENTER YOURSELF. The first duty of a man is to enter the kingdom; that he may help others to enter; to strive to be worthy of eternal life, and then he can help others to enter; to be saved himself, that he may save others; to know the love of God, that he may teach others that love.

"Enter in at the straight gate." "The English word 'strait' is derived from the French from the Latin 'strictum,' and is thus a different word from straight, which is an old form of stretched. The two are especially confused in quoting Matt. 7: 13, 14, 'The straight and narrow way,' although it is not at all said that the way is straight. The word 'strait' is now little used except in geography (as the Straits of Gibraltar) and in such places as 'strait-laced and strait-jacket.' The gate is narrow and difficult to enter.

Why is the gate to heaven so narrow? Is it from the very nature of things. It cannot be otherwise. But now, the gate is open, wide open, and the whole world is invited to enter. In Revelation the City of God is pictured with twelve gates, four on each side, to express the wide welcome from every direction, for every race and condition. They are never shut, but each one of these gates is so narrow that "there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth; neither whatsoever worketh uncleanness, or maketh a lie; but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life" (Rev. 21: 27).

THIRD REASON MANY SHALL FAIL OF ENTERING.—Vs. 24, 25, 27. "Many will seek to enter, but none shall be able." Why? Because they come too late (v. 25). Because with the door wide open, and that our rest is to come, wait for our "gathering together unto Him."—Bishop Thorold.

over them without wings, but will not go in at the open door.

ILLUSTRATIONS. One trying to push a sixty-ton engine, but refusing to turn on the steam. One taking a wrong road, and exerting himself to go fast, but returning to the right road; one working hard in a garden, but refusing to put in good seed.

THE STORY in verses 1-5 shows that they cannot enter unless they repent.

THE PARABLE in verses 6-9 shows that they cannot enter unless they bear good fruit.

"26. 'We have eaten and drunk in thy presence.' They had been guests with him, when there was "the feast of reason and the flow of soul." They had been his companions, though not intimate, for they had listened respectfully while he "taught in their 'streets,' and knew about the gospel and their duty."

"27. And yet 'I shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence you are.' I do not recognize you as my disciples, or as children of God. I see into your hearts and know that you have not the heavenly spirit, the life and spirit of God. You do not belong to this kingdom, for you are 'workers of iniquity.' 'Depart from me,' for you do not belong with me. Go to your own place."

PRACTICAL. Listening to the gospel having an external connection with the church, giving to its support, attending meetings, even partaking of the Lord's supper, do not make us Christians, nor insure entrance into the kingdom of heaven, if we are workers of iniquity, and have not the faith that brings us to Christ in spirit will necessitate absence from his presence and his home.

FOURTH REASON, THERE IS A TOO LATE.—V. 20. "When once" the margin of the revised version makes a pause between this verse and the preceding, "ye shall not be able when once the master" etc. "Hath shut the door." The picture here is of a wedding feast; as in the parable of the ten virgins (Matt. 25), the invited guests have come in, the house is closed, and the feast is begun. It was the custom to close the doors and shut out the outside world. "Lift up unto us, as in the parable of the virgins, 'Do not open the door, for we have no room here, for you are strangers.' The invited guests had come in, or if they had remained away till it was so late it was an insult to the master of the feast. Therefore those without could be strangers who had no right to enter."

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CHARLES E. KNAPP, Dorchester, March 20.

P. E. I. Baptist Conference.

The P. E. I. Baptist Conference met in regular session with the little church at Belmont Monday evening and Tuesday, March 9th and 10th.

In the unavoidable, but regrettable absence of the chairman, the chair was occupied Monday evening by Pastor F. D. Davidson, and Tuesday by Pastor Warren.

After reading of scripture and prayer Monday evening the minutes of the last conference were read and approved, and the following programme was carried out.

An exceedingly interesting address by Pastor Warren; Pastor Higgins made us long to be more devoted to the cause of "Foreign Missions" than ever before; an address on "Manitoba and North West Territories" by Pastor F. D. Davidson; the interests of "Grande Lige" were ably presented by Pastor Robinson; the claims of "Home Missions" were strongly enforced by Pastor Spurr.

Meeting dismissed by prayer. Tuesday morning an hour was very profitably spent in prayer. Leader, Pastor Higgins. The reports from most of the churches were very encouraging, a number of them reporting conversions and baptisms during the past few months.

The Secretary was directed to correspond with the Home Mission Board in regard to the securing of pastors for the Type Valley and Dundas Annandale fields,—the need of pastors on these fields being very urgent. It was decided that the next conference be held at Belmont, the second Tuesday and Wednesday in June.

Meeting dismissed by prayer. Afternoon session opened with half an hour's devotional exercises, led by Pastor Warren. The remainder of the time was given up for prayers at the close. It was good to be there. The delegates were warmly and royally entertained in the homes of the Baptists of Belmont. May the Lord amply repay the work committed to their many sons and daughters. Collections taken for D. W., \$2.65.

DAVID FAIR, Sec'y-Treas.

Lunenburg County District Meeting.

The Lunenburg County District meeting convened at Merrill's Cove on Tuesday, March 10th.

The meeting was presided over by Rev. E. N. Archibald, New Canada, Rev. D. W. Cranall, New Ross, Rev. James Blakely, and Des. Lanco, Chester, Rev. H. N. Parry, and Des. Benson.

In the absence of the Rev. E. N. Archibald, Rev. H. N. Parry, secretary.

At session, Tuesday evening, 7 o'clock. As only two of the pastors who were to speak were present the arrangements were slightly changed. Instead of a platform missionary meeting, Rev. D. W. Cranall preached an excellent sermon, followed by Rev. E. N. Archibald in a vigorous speech, in which our duty to those out of Christ, both at home and in our own lands, was fully enforced. The meeting was then given to the people and many earnest testimonies to Christ's power and willingness to save were given. It was a meeting full of power and interest.

2nd session, Wednesday, 8 o'clock. The first half hour was devoted to earnest prayer. Reports were then heard from churches having representatives present. On the whole a hopeful condition of things was reported. Thankfulness was expressed for the success of the important pastorate in the county have been filled by the coming of Rev. J. E. Reed to New Germany and Rev. Wm. McGregor to Tanook. We hope to have the pleasure of their presence and encouragement at our next meeting.

3rd session, 2 o'clock p. m. This was a social meeting of great power, led by Rev. E. N. Archibald.

4th session, 8 o'clock p. m. The house was packed with an expectant congregation. Nor were they disappointed. Rev. James Blakely, of New Ross, preached a most tender and forceful sermon to the "careless ones," which was followed by an impressive service. It was a meeting of great interest. At its close a large number arose to testify to a new found hope in Jesus, and others to express a desire for salvation.

It may be said that meetings have been held in the new hall here for three weeks past, and quite a large number are pressing into the kingdom. The coming of our brethren just at this time was a great help.

The next meeting will be held at Pleasantville on the second Tuesday of April and extending over Wednesday, programs will be published later. The H. N. Parry, Sec'y-Treas.

The St. John Baptist ministers met in their usual session on Monday morning. The work in the churches is moving quietly. Pastor Gates reported one baptism on Sunday. Pastor Schurman had visited Sussex during the week and returned on Monday.

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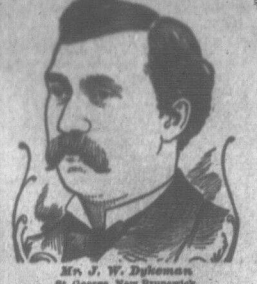
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ASTHMA CURES. For this day only the sale is on. So spend a smile or two...

Intercolonial Railway. ON AND AFTER MONDAY the 7th October...

Odorama IMPARTS. Beauty to the teeth, purity to the breath...

DIFFICULT BREATHING. CURES THE WORST PAINS in from one to twenty minutes...

Sea Foam. I am this Sea Foam. Made from the finest vegetable oils...

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Jackson's Wine of Oil. Herbine B. Doan's Kidney Pills. Manchester dition.

Sec. Emu. Has been endorsed by profession for two years...

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

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SUMMARY NEWS.

Manitoba Legislature on Thursday adjourned until April 16.

The death is reported in Hamilton, Ont., of Mrs. Mary Warren, aged 100. She never used spectacles, and her mind was bright to the day of her death.

In the Manitoba Legislature, a bill was introduced by a Patron member, to make it illegal for legislators to accept free railway passes, but it was voted down.

The Divisional Court, Toronto, has dismissed the appeal of the Adventists, convicted at Ridgeway, Ont., for building a church on Sabbath, in violation of the Lord's Day Act.

The local wholesale liquor dealers of Halifax, resist the payment of Local Government license, on the ground that the Government has no power over the wholesale trade.

An accident happened to the Toronto C. P. R. express Wednesday morning about five o'clock, when seven miles west of Ottawa. The driving rod of the locomotive broke. The engine was wrecked, but the engine and fireman stuck to their posts and brought the train to a standstill, thus averting a disaster.

Herbert Booth's Salvation Army command in Canada will expire on June 1. General Booth was welcomed by twenty thousand people in the Crystal Palace, London, on Monday, after his return from India. E. R. Mautz, who is in charge of the Salvation Army War Cry, in New York, resigned from the Army, on Saturday, and has joined Ballington Booth.

MARRIAGES.

BEST-THOMPSON.—At Summerside, P. E. I., Feb. 18, by Rev. W. H. Robinson, Thomas Best to Adeline Thompson.

BOWEN-BOWNESS.—At Summerside, Feb. 22, by the Rev. W. H. Robinson, R. S. Bowness to Alice Bowness, both of Summerside.

WAITE-HARKNESS.—At Summerside, March 2, by Rev. W. H. Robinson, Horatio Waite, of Travellers Rest, to Mary Harkness, of Lot 19.

LOUNES-CROUCH.—At Bridgewater, March 14, by Rev. H. Alfred Porter, James C. Lounes to Regina C. Crouch, both of Northfield.

JAMESON-O'NEAL.—On March 14th, by Rev. Isa Wallace, A. M., George C. Jameson to Elizabeth A. O'Neal, both of Cole Harbor, Guy's Co., N.S.

SAMUELS-HOOKER.—At the Baptist parsonage, Lockport, March 14, by Rev. Addison F. Browne, Henry Samuels to Annie Hogens, both of Lockport.

HILL-FLETCHER.—At the home of the bride, Upper Economy, N. S., March 18, by Rev. C. P. Wilson, Samuel Wilber Hill, of Upper Economy, to Lela Blanch Fletcher.

CLARK-SEWELL.—At Upper Brighton, Que. Co., at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. H. D. Warden, Arch. Clark to Lucretia Sewell, both of Upper Brighton.

MCCLURE-JORDAN.—At the residence of the bride's parents, High Bank, P. E. I., on the 12th ult., by Rev. J. E. Tiner, William McClure, of Murray Harbor, North, to Minnie Jordan.

BARONET-SPONNAGE.—At Guysboro, March 10th, by Rev. J. W. Gardner, Robt. H. S. Sangster, of New Harbor, to Laura F. L. Spottage, of Coddie's Harbor, Guysboro county.

BONNE-MONROE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Kara, Kings Co., March 11, by Rev. S. D. Ervine, William E. Edgar, of Springfield, to Lissie E. Morrell, of Kara, Kings Co., N. B.

DEATHS.

DAKES.—At Springhill, March 8, at the residence of her son-in-law, John Scott, Mrs. Mary Dakes, aged 85. Her end was peace.

FOSTER.—At West Scotch Settlement, Kings Co., N. B., Feb. 18, Burton D. aged six and a half months, only beloved child of William and Elmira Foster. May grace be imparted to the sadly bereft.

O'FARRELL.—At Springhill, March 5, after a short illness, Mrs. John O'Farrell, aged 49. Her sister was once a Roman Catholic. Since her conversion, some years ago, she has been a consistent member of the Baptist church, and died firmly trusting in Christ.

REBEEL.—At Cumberland Bay, Queens Co., on the 3rd inst., after a brief illness, Deacon Archibald Rebeel, aged 75 years, leaving a wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn his departure. Our brother was an esteemed member of 1st Grand Lake church for many years and walked worthy of his profession.

GAMSON.—At River John, Feb. 29th, James Gamson, aged 63 years. Though his last few days of life were days of severe suffering, yet pain seemed to be forgotten as he conversed freely of his future life. His last words to his pastor were, "The Lord is precious. God will receive me."

Bright's Disease CAN BE CURED WITH SAFE WARNER'S Cure.

McCORTY.—Lulu aged 4 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McCorty, died of meningitis, after only five days sickness, at Maryville, N. E., March 1st. Much sympathy is felt for the parents in this hour of great trial and large sorrow. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. F. D. Davidson, assisted by Revs. J. Parsons (Free Baptist) and W. W. Lodge, (Methodist).

TERRE.—At the Cove, Dartmouth, on Wednesday the 18th inst., Herbert E. Tufts, aged 52 years, leaving a wife and three children to mourn an irreparable loss. He was led to Christ under the ministry of Rev. A. S. Hunt and baptized by him into the fellowship of the Dartmouth Baptist church. He was a devout and active christian. His life was without blemish. The love of kindness governed him in all his intercourse with his fellowmen. He commanded the respect of all who knew him. As husband and father he was consistent, affectionate. His removal leaves a blank in the church of which he has been so long an esteemed member, not easily filled. His memory is precious.

LOWE.—At Mahone Bay, Lunenburg Co., N. S., Anna Lowe. Our sister was baptized by pastor Shilda, and lived a most humble, devoted christian life. For many years she was at times a great sufferer, but ever bore her heavy affliction with heroic fortitude and unwavering trust in God. For the last six months previous to her death our beloved sister, by her beautiful testimony in the prayer meeting and unusual activity in church work, gave unmistakable evidence of approaching maturity. Death came unexpectedly, but was gladly welcomed. She was much missed in the large circle to which she had endeared herself by extreme kindness of heart and an unselfish life.

MCGREGOR.—At French Fort, P. E. I., Jan. 24th, Christina Stewart, relict of the late Alexander McGregor, in the 88th year of her age. Our sister was baptized sixty-three years ago; by Elder John Scott of precious memory, and united with the St. Peter's Road Baptist church, of which she continued to be a faithful member until called to the home above. She always greatly enjoyed the services of the house of the Lord, and had words of cheer for his servants. During her last years her faith was strong. Her last sight of Jesus became a life of joy and happiness and a full life she gladly went to with Christ. She was held in high esteem by all who knew her, as was manifested by the large number who attended the funeral.

VANWART.—At Woodstock, N. B., March 7, Margaret Maude, youngest daughter of Deacon Jacob and Elizabeth VanWart, aged 21 years and eight months. Sister VanWart united with the Albert St. Baptist church during the pastorate of Rev. A. F. Baker. She was a young lady of most amiable disposition and exemplary character, and a devoted worker in the church and Young People's Union. The funeral services were conducted by pastor J. H. Macdonald, assisted by Revs. Todd, Bleakney and Rhinps. The large attendance testified to the universal esteem in which our sister was held by all classes in the community. The sorrowing family have the blessed assurance that their loved one is not dead but "only gone before."

HEWITT.—At Sonora, Guysboro Co., N. S., Feb. 2nd, of pneumonia, Ben. B. Hewitt, in the 31st year of his age. The last three years of his life were years of suffering, caused by asthma, but all were born with christian fortitude and patience. His last illness was of but ten days duration. Every possible thing was done to alleviate his sufferings and prolong his days, but all was in vain. The Master had need of him beyond his work on earth was over. In the removal of our brother, the Sonora church, of which he was clerk, loses one of its staunchest members, and the community an honest, upright, christian citizen, one who was beloved by all who knew him. A wife, two children, five brothers and three sisters survive him. They have the deepest sympathies of all their friends in this dark hour of trial, especially the young wife and children who mourn the loss of a devoted, thoughtful husband and an affectionate father.

MCNALLY.—On the 8th inst., at the residence of Byron McNally, Esq., Queensbury, Mrs. McNally, widow of the late Moses McNally, Esq., in the eightieth year of her age. Our sister was for many years a faithful member of the Baptist church at Upper Kingsclear. She valued the privileges of God's house. Our sister was spared the suffering of a protracted illness, so quickly and so quietly did she pass away that the angel of the shadow had come and gone almost before his presence was suspected. Our sister had a loving and helpful spirit. As an affectionate wife and mother, a kind neighbor, a true friend, her memory will be gratefully cherished. She was twice married, Dr. Hagerman of Florenceville was a son of her first marriage, and Byron McNally and Frank McNally were sons of her second marriage. Her funeral was largely attended. An appropriate sermon was preached from Rev. 14:13.

KELLY.—Deacon Henry Kelley, of Upper Kingsclear, departed this life, Feb. 28, aged 77 years and 10 months, after a protracted and severe illness. Bro. Kelly possessed religion in 1859 and was baptized by the late Rev. George Campbell, (who was then laboring in this place) and joined the church there. In August, 1865, he was chosen deacon and held that office until called up high-ways. Bro. Kelly's life corresponded with the profession and he has been much missed in the church since he has been laid by, by disease. He bore his severe sufferings with christian resignation and died in the consciousness of faith. Bro. Kelly leaves a lovely partner, five daughters and one son, who is an active deacon of the church. The funeral sermon was

preached by the writer, by the personal request of the deceased two years previous to his death. Rev. Mr. Goodwin was present who also took part in the service. May the Lord console the mourners by His grace.—[Christian Intelligence news copy.]

MACNEILL.—From her home, Kensington, P. E. I., March 10th, Mrs. Catherine MacNeill went home to be with Jesus. She was 94 years of age. She leaves a family of nine children, who will cherish the memory of a devoted, christian mother, the remainder of their days. Mrs. MacNeill lived a quiet life, unknown to the great world, but in many another instance, the influence of her christian life are widely extended and multiplied in her children. Among her nine children—six sons and three daughters—one is a minister of the gospel, Rev. N. A. MacNeill, of Havelock, N. B., another, Mrs. March—formerly Miss Kate MacNeill—a mission. India. Of the others, one is a farmer, another a physician, two are teachers and a third is preparing for that work. In these her influence lives, and may that which was most dear and best in her life and counsels bear fruit in all.

BURNABY.—At Wolfville, on March 19, Thomas McGill Burnaby, aged 59 years. Our departed brother was a native of Milton, Queens Co. Thirty-two years ago living there he was brought to a knowledge of the Saviour and was baptized by the Rev. Mr. Durkee. He was by nature a man of very even temperament and kindly disposition. Grace ennobled and beautified these features of his character, and made his companionship very precious to those who knew him intimately. Three years ago last August he came with Mrs. Burnaby to Wolfville to serve in the capacity of steward at the Seminary. His services with those of Mrs. Burnaby, were much valued. Two years ago last December he was stricken with pneumonia, and shortly after he was again attacked with la grippe. After partially recovering he suffered a relapse, and passed into a state of chronic illness, which ended in his death last Thursday. During his long sickness he enjoyed the presence of his Saviour, and was enabled by grace to exhibit a beautiful christian patience.

He was much missed in the large circle to which he had endeared himself by extreme kindness of heart and an unselfish life. On Friday morning a brief service was held in the chapel of the Seminary, in which the pastor, Rev. T. Trotter, and Dr. Sawyer took part. Appropriate hymns were sung by a quartet composed of two members of the Seminary staff and two of the College students. The kind sympathy and consideration of the teachers and students, which has been so grateful to Mrs. Burnaby during her long trial, marked all the arrangements of the funeral. The body was taken to Milton for interment, the sympathy of all following Mrs. Burnaby on her sorrowful journey thither.

BAZANAW.—On Friday the 13th inst., Joseph Bazanaw, of Beauce, P. E. I., passed away to the spirit land. He had reached his 86th year, and though his physical powers were very feeble, his intellect was clear and vigorous and his faith in God strong and unwavering. Our departed brother had been connected with the Beauce Baptist church for more than half a century, during which time he was ever true to his christian profession, consistent in life, faithful in

effort and exemplary in conduct. His home was a Baptist home, and nearly every member of his large family has become a member of some Baptist church. Two sons preach the gospel, one as a missionary in China, and the other as a pastor in Kansas. The aged patriarch lost the companion of his life a few months ago. It was not his desire long to outlive her. The anticipation of meeting loved ones, gave him great comfort, but the brightest hope of his soul was to see Him who had redeemed his immortal spirit and given him eternal life. His piety was of that genuine and thorough type which marked the earlier membership of our churches. There was no compromise with the world, no outside show, but a life of humble and complete consecration to the service of his Master. In his lifetime Bro. Bazanaw had witnessed the rise and growth of Baptist effort on P. E. Island. He had listened to Theodore Harding, Joseph Crandall, Charles Tupper, and other pioneer missionaries, and was one of the early converts to the gospel proclaimed by these faithful men. He never lost his interest in church work, but till the close of his life manifested earnest solicitude for the welfare of his brethren. His loss is deeply felt, but the influence of his devoted life will long be felt in this community.

Memorials received by the Treasurer of the W. B. M. U.

From 4th to March 18th. Centerville, Annapolis Co., F M \$3.70, Reports \$30; Amherst, Mrs McCully, N W M \$5; Amherst, Mrs Chubbuck, N W M \$1; Fairville, F M \$9.49, Sunday School, F M \$3.17, H M \$2.17; Truro, Prince St., F M \$9.40, H M \$1.1; Rapertown, Tidings \$5; Second St. Margaret St., F M \$3.50; H M \$1.50, Woodstock, H M \$5.90; Woodstock, Mrs D L Pitt, F M \$10, Mrs Horseman, F M \$2, Mrs Pickett, F M \$1; Gabarouse, F M \$4.58; Wolfville, Reports 70c, Tidings 70c, Salisbury, F M \$11; Mrs Cole, Sackville, Tidings 25c; Port Maitland, Bay View ch., F M \$6, Mission Band, F M \$3; Florenceville, F M \$11; Yarmouth, Temple ch., F M \$11.82; Upper Beulah, F M \$5, Report 6c; Sonney River via, Tidings 25c; "from a friend," F M \$10.

Amherst, Mr Nelson Forest, to constitute Mrs Gehring, wife of Rev B F Gehring, a life member, F M \$25; Amherst, Mr Nelson Forest, for W. R. M. U.'s work in India, \$25.

MARY SMITH, Treas. W. B. M. U. Amherst, P. O. Box 513.

The last two items were reported in the acknowledgements which appeared in the issue of March 11, but through a misprint they were given somewhat incorrectly.—Ed.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

Permit me to express our appreciation of the kindness of those of our friends in the Ohio church whose warm hearts prompted them to present to Mrs. Bishop a shawl which combines in a marked degree the grace of beauty and utility, also a beautiful veil. These expressions of thoughtful regard coming now and again are most cheering in their effect upon the recipients. God bless the donors. TRUMAN BISHOP. Ohio, March 19.

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