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#### LETTER FROM MONTREAL

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—One of your con-

stant readers was deeply affected by tid-

ings of the death of the Rev. W. Sargent,

and by your reminding them of the decease not long ago in Newfoundland of Rev. Mr. Dickson. He also was young, deeply pious and greatly devoted to the ministry. Hopes were entertained that both these brethren would rise by the grace of God, to a high position in the noble army who are conquering the world for Christ. But how soon, yet how safely, have they fallen in the battle. In his sorrow and solicitude the reader referred to above looked for something to read in harmony with his sad thoughts and fraternal grief. He found it in a sermon by Dr. Doddridge, preached on the death of a pupil of his at the age of twenty-two, who had just accepted a unanimous call to become the pastor of a numerous congregation. The text is John 13.7," What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." It were well if the relatives of our recently departed brethren would read this excellent discourse. The topics illustrated therein are these: Some things in the conduct of the Redeemer towards his people they may not now fully understand—the time will wever come when they shall have clearer views of the reasons of his dispensations -and, therefore it is highly fit they should acquiesce in what he does. The good doctor remarks, "We may then perhaps see that there was a certain post of service to be filled above which required just such a one as'divine grace had made this or that young person, who might indeed have been very fit to have served the church below, but for whom God meant much higher and better things." All the loving survivors of the dear deceased may well be comforted by these words, and their yet unfallen comrades will address themselves with renewed ardor to the conflict. They may be assured of an ample reward in the final eulogy of the Captain

perfect through sufferings. THE SUPREME COURT

of our salvation, who was himself made

by one of its late judgments in an appeal case has rendered a most welcome service to the country. That court has declared that the civil law of the Dominion is superior to all other laws so called, and that every citizen is amenable to it. Clerical influence had been unduly employed to secure the election of a candidate in the county of Charlevoix to the House of Commons. His defeated opponent sought the protection of the law. The local judge decided against him, and laid it down that priests were to be called in question for their conduct by their enclesiastical superiors. The Supreme Court has reversed this judgment. It has unseated the priests' favourite candidate, and declared that all clergymen as well as laics being citizens must conform to the civil law. The value of this decision in the Province of Quebec is incalculable. It is an effectual curb to the party who have shown themselves of late to be first Catholics, and only after that to be British Canadians.

THE REV. MR. BRAY is a Congregationalist, a native of Cornwall, England, where he was once a Methodist local preacher, but now pastor of Zion church in this city. In a series of lectures on the churches of Christendom. he gave one on the Church of Rome. Nothing can exceed his eloquent and beautiful description of that church as it was in the early ages. Catholics never before heard so exalted a panegyric of their church. With corresponding truth and believed sent Mr. Bray a letter threatening him with assassination if he repeated this proceeding. The top of the letter is made horrible by a death's head and crossed bones, by the outline of a coffin bearing the name "J. Bray"-and a sketch of a grave with headstone inscribed "J. Bray died 1877." This missile is well adapted to produce alarm in a community like Montreal. The document, a fac simile of which has been published, is unmistakeably the work of a highly educated individual. Hitherto the fearful threat has not been executed, and perhaps will not be. But is it not intolerable that a minister in his own pulpit should summarise history for the instruction of those who chose to hear him, at the hazard of his life? It is said that in the Jesuit's church here, Protestants are often declare ed to be in a state of damnation, and remaining Protestants their perdition is inevitable. Yet no pen is moved to suppr ess these inhumane, profane utterances, even publicly to complain of them. But if the undeniable facts of the Church of Rome are discussed, some of its people threaten to kill the eloquent scholar who oves the truth more than he fears wicked Their having recourse to such means for repressing enquiry is a proclamation that many of the deeds and doctrines sanctioned by their church, if read in the light of the present century, will not redound to its honor nor facilitate its aggressions. Against these the lovers of a pure Christianity should every-

where and always be on their guard. REDEMPTORIST FATHERS

missionary order of the Catholic church having their head-quarters in Baltimore, Maryland. They are mostly of the German race, but were born in America, hence they speak the English language fluently, and with great impressiveness. Their rules oblige them to engage in a special mission in any place only | fifty and three," when sent for by the bishop of the diocese. The Irish Roman Catholics bave been moved by their sermons as never before since the days of Father of Matthew. Like him the Redemptorists are unflinching champions of temperance principles. Their efforts are directed as well to the doing away of the traffic in intoxicating drinks, as their ordinary use. During the past few weeks their congregations were very large. After their sermons instead of having an enquiry meeting for the spirtually awakened, they administered the pledge. In one church alone, it is reported as many as three hundred women and twice that number of men engaged to abstain entirely from the use of intoxicating liquors. It is to be hoped their services will have a lasting benefit. The laboring class of Catholics become better men and better citizens by abstaining. If enrolled under leaders of ability, and respectability, acquired by talent, industry and prudence, they will be less inclined to mischief, and have less power to do harm, than otherwise. Ultimately they may be raised into rank with those who appreciate, adorn and strive to ex tend Christian civilization.

SCANDINAVIANS

from Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finand, of whom there is a little colony in and around this city, have been objects of benevolent care to the Rev. Mr. Masseywho is a Presbyterian. He learned some of his first and best lessons from one of their countrymen. Hence in part his laudable activity for their welfare. They have now regular weekly meetings in which they worship God in their own tongue. A tea meeting. The chairman addressed them in their own language, on the importance of union and the manifestation of a kind and brotherly spirit towards each other. Then, in this country, the climate of which is not unlike their own, they may be happy and prosperous. The Consuls for Sweden and the united kingdoms of Norway and Sweden addressed them also in their mother tongue. As many as thirty of the party could play well on musical instruments. Of course they played their sweet national airs, and gave some of their songs. The company were only less happy than if they were assembled in Fatherland. A beautiful poem fidelity he denounced the spirit and much was read composed by a Swedish young of the teaching of the Church of Rome lady who was present. Of all the conin later times. This aroused the ire of certs of the winter none has been more insome of its adherents, one of whom it is teresting, pleasant and profitable than

be raised of their far off native homethe picturesque landscape where the wonderous light was first beheld, pleasure was first tasted, and hope, though deferred first imparted impulse and direction to their energies!

THE METHODIST FRENCH MISSION in Montreal is doing well. Some time ago it was thought a new church for the xclusive use of the mission ought to be built forthwith. The "times" have been hitherto unfavorable for erecting so cost. ly a convenience. A hall in St. Lawrence suburb. in which the Methodists have for many years held a Sabbath school has been taken for the French work. The edifice has been repaired and improved so as to be not unsuitable in reference to comfort and situation as the principal station of the evangelistic enterprise. Revival services have been held there in the French tongue for those who speak it only. The results are pronounced to be most satisfactory, even beyond sanguinary anticipations. Plain discourses are daily given on the saving truths of the Gospel with no attempt to provoke controversy but to lead sinners to Jesus alone for salnation. The spiritual interest is still rising, so that the special services will be continued there for some days longer. In

ST. JAMES STREET CHURCH daily afternoon and evening meetings have been held for two weeks, and are yet continued. The burden of these falls chiefly on the Rev. L. Gaetz, but he is well supported by his colleague and the leaders of classes. They are not laboring for nought. The attendance is often large and the influence sanctifying and joyous. When the number of conversions shall be ascertained, it is hoped, they will exceed the miraculous draft of fishes recorded in John xxi. 11, " An hundred and

CONCLUSION. If Mr. Editor you will please publish this letter in the WESLEYAN of the thirty-first inst., it will appear on the day between Good Friday and Easter Sunday On the former Christians will have sympathised with the divine Sufferer whose shame, torture, anguish, death, no less than his offices and two-fold nature make him over all preëminent. Thus he gave his life a ranson for many. On the latter his people will triumph because of his exaltation, which began as soon as his humiliation had reached its deepest abyss, and continued until he was glorified-by being set down at the right hand of God and made head over all things to his church. Almighty Saviour thy people wait for the full accomplishment of thy predictive promise, "And, I, if I be lifted up from the earth" to the cross, to the throne of heaven, " will draw all men unto Mr. Editor,

I am yours truly, March, 1877. E. B.

LEE, THE MORMON MURDERER John D. Lee, who led the Mormon company against the "Gentile" emigrants in the horrible Mountain Meadow massacre twenty years ago, and at last was condemned to be shot, has made a full confession of his crime. What the public has long believed to be true, that Brigham Young and his chiefs instigated the massacre. has now its fullest confirmation. His journal, soon to be published, is likely few evenings since they held a concert and to produce a great sensation in Mormondon. It seems that while the Mormons were endeavouring to make the places. public believe they were not concerned in the crime, they were secretly giving Lee the most positive encouragement

Brigham always recognised Lee durng his Southern trips, and on at least one occasion rode publicly by his side. When Lee's most faithful old wife. Lee, Brigham Young's answer was. Tell brother Lee not a hair of his

What touching recollections would | the cross which stood at the head of the pit wherein the emigrants bones were buried. Lee's confession now renders the quotation pertinent: 'Vengeance is mine; I will repay?"

### MURRAY AND MOODY.

To his persistent criticism of other

churches is the Rev. W. H. H. Murray

indebted, more than to anything else, for his notoriety. We do not remember to have read or heard a sermon of his from which this element was absent. The manner and matter of preaching and the methods of church work have been the targets at which he has been firing with a monotonous regularity for years. But that upon which he has most persistently rung the changes is doctrinal or theological preaching. He has professed the most utter abhorrence for all didactic statements of doctrine and has insisted on applied or practical truth. Thus far well; only it was not observable that his preaching had in it a more predominant element of the practical, than that of those whom he criticized. What he chose to call applied or practical as opposed to the doctrinal or theological, see med to many to be rather a nerveless sentimentality. Besides it has long been understood that with Mr. Murray it is not a mere matter of method, but that the reason why he would keep the doctrines in the back ground is because they have no strong hold upon him. His position has been at some undefinable point between the orthodox faith and the camp of the theological independents. But destructive criticism is his favorite instrument and he never seems perfectly happy except when using it. And that this habit has its origin not in any profound convictions of right but in the fact that its exercises adds to his public prominence has long seemed evident. If new proof of this were needed he furnished it last Sabbath. It was not to be expected that he could look on quietly at the work of the evangelists and restrain his chronic impulse to find fault! He must oppose something, for that is his mission in the world. So we find this same man, the burden of whose prophecy for years has been against hair splitting in religious teaching, arraigning Mr. Moody for his practical way of explaining faith. In order to show the distinction between mere intellectual belief, or assent, and saving faith, Mr. Moody has been insisting that to have faith in Christ is to trust Christ. Whereupon the theological interrogation point of Music Hall stands up and says, " If this man was not ignorant of letters he would know better than to make such an assertion.' And he proves it by a geographical argument, that must be considered decisive. Let us hear and be silent. The words " faith " and " trust" were born a thousand miles apart, the one coming from the Latin the other from the Norse language-therefore, ye logicians and philologists take notice, they cannot have the same meaning! Henceforth we shall know that the difference in meaning between words is in proportion to the distance between their birth-And Mr. Murray has made his stric-

tures in the name of orthodoxy. He expressed himself as surprised that he should find it necessary to come to the rescue of an orthodox doctrine from the abuse of its friends. Greater surprise will be occasioned to others by the complete tailure on his part to understand plenty of work near at hand. Some Rachel, asked him at Beaver regarding what evangelical faith is, as it has been society will be glad to endorse him, taught by the church and as it has and send him forth on a work of mercy. been set forth by Mr. Moody. Indeed Do not give a chance for lunatics or head shall be harmed." Nearly twen- however it seems scarcely possible that clowns, or men whose only virtue is ty years ago the massacre was commit- any one could misapprehend Mr. Moody that of total abstinence, to display their ted. "but," as writes a correspondent, on this point, as Mr. Murray seems to gifts of speech, and then to pass thank God ! it is not too late for the have done last Sabbath, "Trust," says basket among the wondering hearers. fulfilment of the quotation placed on Mr. Murray, is a word that is without -The Methodist.

wings or legs. It means simply to lie still and be carried." And this he gives us what he understands to be Mr. Moody's conception of faith, a conception that excludes all activity of man and co-operation with divine grace. This is simply a half statement of what is taught, and taken thus alone is equivalent to a misrepresentation.-Boston Cor. Cent. Advocate.

#### A RARE INSTANCE OF SELF-DENIAL.

Translated from Rotron by F. S. A.

In the last German war, a captain of eavalry was commanded to go foraging. He set out at the head of his company. going to that section which was assigned him. It was a secluded valley, where nothing could be seen save woods. He perceived at the door of an humble cabin an old hermit, with white beard. My father," said the officer, "show me a field where I can forage my horses?"

" Directly," said the hermit.

This good old man, placing himself t their head, recrossed the valley. After a quarter of an hour's march, they found a beautiful field of barley. This is what I want," said the captain. Wait a moment," said his conductor; you shall be satisfied." They continued to march, and arrived, about a quarter of a mile further, at another field of barley, The troops immediately dismounted, reaped the grain, placed it upon their croups, and remounted. The cavalry officer then said to his guide: "My father, you have made us go too far unnecessarily; the first field was better than this." "This is true, sir," replied the old man, " but it was

### PUBLIC OPINION

There is a class of temperance talkers, who excite our profoundest contempt. They are men and women-we believe few in number-whose tongues are longer than their consciences, and a thousand-fold more active. They can neither preach nor keep quiet, but they can talk on temperance. Their stock in trade is a scrap-book of anecdotes, mainly of the comic order. They scour the country, and worry the ministers to open the churches for them. Such people are not responsibly connected with any temperance organization. They work, they say, for pure love. They ask for no fee-very wisely, for they are not worthy of it-but they always take up for their benefit a collection. Above all things, they are anxious for letters of recommendation, which they sorely need.

They are not persons of deeply religious character; that can be seen at a glance. They love to talk, and they can tell a good story. Boasting of the good which they have done elsewhere seems to be their favorite occupation. They love money and notoriety, and think that they can gain both in the temperance cause more easily than in any other way. It is a great relief to those who live in the same house with them to see them leave on one of their grand oratorical tours through the land. Sad is the hour of their return.

When the "Great Temperance War Horse" comes, find out who he is, and what society or church he represents. Do not be imposed upon by written recommendations, no matter whose name appears to them. If a temperance speaker is acceptable, he can find

Behold they hasten from us, The beautiful and true: Whose lives were full of promise, The vineyard's toil in view. The workers homeward going. In triumph pass away; The Church's tears are flowing, Because they cannot stay.

Of late an aged brother, And then, one in his prime And now we mourn another. Cut off midst hope sublime, A gentle loving spirit, At home with kindred now, Prepared by Jesus' merit, With blood washed throngs to bow.

How warm his adoration! What fervency of praise! What holy exultation! What views of saving grace! By parents greeted gladly, Their dear but absent one While we are weeping sadly, They greet at home the Son!

Our pulpits miss his fervour. His brilliant heavenly mind, His calm and fixed endeavour. To benefit mankind. We do not murmur. Jesus, Submissively we cry Unto thy church be gracious, And labourers supply.

March, 1877.

### METHODISM IN BERMUDA.

BY PROF. JOHN JOHNSON, LL.D. Methodism was introduced into Bermuda in 1779, by Rev. John Stephenson, a missionary sent by the British Weslevan Conference to labor among the colored population, who were then mostly held as slaves. The real nature of that institution, and the malignant spirit it invariably begets in its supporters, were not then as well understood as they are now; and Mr. Stephenson, feeling in his heart that in coming to the place he was on an errand of love and mercy, was probably greatly disappointed to find that he was not to be received in the same kindly spirit. Instead of this, great opposition was made by the slaveholders and their friends, and at once great excitement prevailed. The people were indignant that a systematic attempt should be made to tamper with their slaves, as they supposed, and claiming that their "craft was in danger," they called the attention of the governor of the colony to the subject. This office was then filled by Hon. George Beckwith, who was pleased to take the matter into consideration; and forthwith by special message called to it the solemn attentian of the colonial parliament. It was not long before Mr. Stephenson was arrested and imprisoned; and thus commenced a contest which continued with some intermissions, and with more or less violence, until 1834, when, by act of the British Parliament, slavery was abolished in all the British colo-

There is in this town (Hamilton) but one Wesleyan Church, which, it is said, was erected early in the present century. It is of the early Wesleyan order of architecture, and is still in use but an effort is in progress to put up a new structure more in accordance with the spirit of the times, and the foundation is already laid.

I am told that there are now nine Weslevan Methodist Churches in the island; but beside this, service is held regularly at the Dockyard, which is the name of an immense naval establishment of Great Britain for the West Indies and the whole Atlantic coast. For these ten charges there are only four preachers, who, it is plain, if they do their work faithfully, cannot have much leisure. I have heard there are several locals preachers here, but I have not met with any of them, nor heard of any one officiating in the pulpit. Perhaps this may be because I have traveled so little on the island; but I apprehend that the order of local preachers here is preserved chiefly for ornament. - Zion's

## MOODY IN BOSTON.

The general course of the meetings has gone on without special incident. The attendance continues about the same, but the number of those who go into the inquiry meetings and present themselves for prayer in the other the churches in the city, and we have reports of extensive revivals in many of time comes for summing up results it will be found that the greatest harvest is being gathered in that has been known in the history of this country.

Mr. Moody manifests characteristic good sense in maintaining utter silence as to all attacks. The papers abound in open letters addressed to him; proposing discussion with him, asking the privilege of speaking in the Tabernacle; from Unitarians and Universalists asking why they are excluded from the work. Not long ago however Mr. Moody had occasion to speak to this latter class. A Universalist minister remained to the Ministers' Conference meeting. In speaking he expressed doubt as to whether he was welcome in the meeting, but stated that his heart was in full sympathy with the work. When he had concluded Mr. Moody said. "You know what kind of doctrine I preach, and I am certain that if you can stand me I can you!"-- Central Ad-

The Rev. G. R. Leavitt says in the N. Y. Independent:-Mr. Moody has wonderful tact. The following incident is an illustration of it:

After a recent meeting, he was speaking with an old Chicago friend, now settled in Cambridge, when he was approached and abruptly addressed by a powerfully-built, rough-looking man. with a book under his arm. "Here is something that will show you how to preach," he said, holding out his book. 'What is it?" said Mr. Moody. He put the book in his hand. It was the works of Tom Paine. Mr. Moody held up his Bible. "All the time I have." he pleasantly but earnestly said, "I give to this Book." The stranger made a savage and blasphemous rejoinder. Fixing his eyes upon him, the fearless preacher quickly exclaimed, in a stern voice: "You are a very wicked man!" The infidel was cowed for a moment: but, summoning hardihood, asked, "How do you know?" "I see it in your face," said Mr. Moody-" in your eyes. Your life is written out there. Look in the glass and see for yourself." The man changed his manner instantly. 'Will you pray for me?" he asked. Yes," was the ready reply. "Let us kneel right here." They knelt. A fervent prayer went up for the infidel. He rose, put his book once more under his arm, and said: "I'm coming here every night while you preach. to know about this thing."

### HOW TO DEAL WITH EN-QUIRERS.

BY D. L. MOODY.

If I could get just a few hundred Christians that were striving for souls, and looking out for them, and with their open Bibles ready to point them to the way of life after every service here, I haven't any doubt about the work being permanent. You remember I was telling you a short time ago about a lady whom we met in London, who laid herself out for the work, and when I left London of how she wrote me that she had 150 souls led to Christ. You hear a great many talk about the work not being permanent. Now I haven't been able to correspond with that lady, but this afternoon I got a letter from her that will stir up Christiaus to go do likewise. This lady left ber beautiful residence, just a little way out of London, and took lodgings near the Agricultural Hall, so that she might be near the meetings, and she was pre sent just to lead some poor souls to Christ. And when the hall was crowded and she thought that her seat could be occupied by some one else better. she stayed outside and tried to find somebody to lead to Jesus. She says in her letter :- " I must now take the opportunity of telling you that of all the dear converts who were left under my eye not one is lost. I am thankful to say that they are not only saved, but are earnest, working Christians, of whom no minister need be ashamed.' Now if we have workers like that in Boston, not only willing to labor but lead others to Christ, but who are looking after them (and this lady correspondent has looked after them over two years-it is two years next month since we went to London, and from that time she has been looking after the meetings, is constantly increasing. The lambs and gathered them into the revival spirit is working in nearly all fold), if we had a few hundred such workers in Boston, eternity would show us results. We have come not so the surrounding towns. When the to the work of striving to save souls.

## OBITUARY.

MANCHESTER, 16th MARCH, 1877.

MR. EDITOR.—Shortly after my coming to this Circuit two elect ladies passed from it to the realms above. It was supposed that other hands than mine would have furnished you with fitting memorials for insertion in the WESLEYAN. These having failed, the duty falls upon me.

J. R. HART.

MRS. RICHARD ROSS,

was the daughter of George Bears, Esq. who died many years ago, in the triumphs of faith. Her aged mother is yet waiting till her change come. Our late sister was born at New Harbor, Guysboro' Co., Feby. 15th 1808. Shortly after her birth the family moved to the river side in the same county, and here, under the ministry of the Rev. W. Webb, at 21 years of age, Miss Bears was converted. About two years after this happy change, she joined the Methodist Chuch, of which she remained a consistent member till her death. In 1833 she was married. Her husband was one like minded with herself. During many years they journeyed together toward heaven and saw sons and daughters gather around them and then God took Brother Ross home. He was a good man, quiet, earnest, conscientions. and adorned the doctrine of God his Sav. iour. Sister R's piety was bright unwearied, practical. It was impossible to be acquainted with her, and not to feel that she was an Israelite indeed. Her sun shone in a clear sky and her heart sang for joy. Though living at a distance of five or six miles from the chapel at Grysboro', for many years, she was rarely absent on Sabbath at either morning or evening service. Her pastor found her a helper in Christ. Her house was regularly opened for the preaching of the gospel and it always contained a prophets chamber. As collector, leader, Sabbatu school teacher, she did good service for God. Religion was the business of her life. When the Guysboro' Circuit was divided some years ago, she became connected with the new- Manchester) Circuit. Here her help was invaluable. The brethren who had proceeded me could tell of much counsel and assistance received from her, but her record is on high Toward the close of life a very painful nervous depression caused times of spiritual conflict, but her trust was in God On the 19th of June, 1876, she slept in Jesus, aged 68 years,

### MRS. JAMES BANDALL.

iigious life I have nothing to relate, save, that she lived without a knowledge of sins forgiven. On her marriage to James Randall, Esq., of Little River. (New Bay field,) Antigonish Co., she moved thither. A few years after marriage, she, with her husband, paid a visit to Guysbaro'. A powerful revival of religion was then in progress there, the Ray. Matthew Crans . wick being the minister in charge. Her sister, the late Mrs. Jost, met her on her arrival with the exclamation, "Oh Mary, I am so glad that you have come. Now you'll be converted." At the first meeting she attended she was found among the seekers of salvation and soon she could say,

"Now I have found the ground wherein Sure my soul's anchor may remain.'

My mother, who was converted about the same time, says that she can never forget the joy manifested by Mrs. Randall when she had found the peril of great price. Her husband soon joined her in her songs of praise, having been made partaker of like precious faith. On their return from this ever to be remembered visit, the family altar was raised up, and during a long life they strove for the faith once delivered to the saints. Mr. Randall died some years ago gathered as a shock of corn fully ripe.

Immediately after their conversion, Mr. and Mrs. Randall joined "the people called Methodists." In order to attend the regular services of the church of their choice they were obliged to travel nearly side by side," for a little-but now we're (30) miles, and this they frequently did. ecling themselves well repaid for their toil. I think that it was while the Rev. J. R. Narraway was Superintendent of the Guysboro' Circuit that regular appointments for preaching by Methodist ministers were first made at Bayfield. Since that time they have been continued and now one of our most flourshing ocieties is found there.

I remember Mrs. Randall as a tender. loving, cheerful Christian lady. A disposition naturally amiable sanctified through the truth gave her a winsomness which all who came within her influence to the Church of God.

Though her last illness was brief she was a great sufferer, but she possessed her much to preach as to stir the people up having the strongest confidence in God. and noble, how disinterested and benefic. meet us. May God bless the bereaved.

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that ere she was called away. He had permitted her to know of the conversion of her only living child and members of his family. Nothing could exceed the kind. ness of these. Beside doing all they could to alleviate her bodily sufferings, they exerted themselves to cheer her passing soul. Her son read from the word of God to her seven or eight times during each day, and the family often gathered around her bed to sing her favorite bymns. Just before her death she joined them in onea special favorite, entitled "Safe in the arms of Jesus."-My brother was absent during her illness attending Conference. but the Rev. J. McDonald the Episcepal minister of Bayfield, kindly visited her frequently. These visits she greatly appreciated. On the 4th of July, 1876, she exchanged worlds, aged 78 years and 5

As an indication of the general esteem in which she was held, a very large concourse gathered at her funeral and after appropriate religious services at the house led by Rev. T. D. Hart, who had just returned from Conference, her body was laid beside that of her late husband, in the church-yand adjourning the Episcopal church at Ba field there to await the voice of the arch-ingel and the trump of God.

VIN MEMORIAM.

And so Bro. Sargent has left us! Dead and laid quietly in the silent grave—the only place of undisturbed repose on earth Gone from the sight and the hearing and the embrace, of the loved, the loving an d the weeping to the presence and joy of the Master. Gone from the cares and sorrows and sufferings, the incomprehensibilities, questionings and shadows of this life, to the cloud and shadow land-rather to the grand realities of that world where all the unknown shall be known, and the wrongs shall be right.

And my eyes are dim as I write, but my pen moves on and on, as thoughts of tender affection and loving admiration an back over other days. Well I knew ter, and also as a successful class-leader. him, and it was well for any that knew He still remains to lend his aid and to him; the power and influence of his pure give his countenance to every good work. and peerless life are with me still. Ble ss Mrs. Heckman has just departed from God for the few we meet, and of whom we our midst. Her conversion which occurrsay when parting-"Good bye! I shall be the better for having met you." Of a truth a prince has fallen in Israel. The son of a prince, and a queen mother in

I knew his family well, having visited often there when he and I were schoolboys together. And those were the hap py days that "fixed our choice." Together with many otners, we started on a pil-Mary Cook was born at Guysboro', grimage to the city. Bro. Lockhart was was rich and scriptural. She knew in January 23rd, 1798. Of her early re- the evangelist that called us. Many have whom she had believed, experienced the seems only a few days since, yet oh what a number Barrington has given since then, to the "pilgrim band, that has pass. Christian deportment were emirently coned over." Bro. Sargent's entire family, sistent and uniform. As was said where, and I think his own, in fact our teacher of that winter. J. H. Doane, a man of noble spirit, well worthy of being connected viour with a holy life. Although living with the Sargent family; Bro. Theodore Crowell, who was converted also that win- yet her attendance thereat whenever poster, and became a F. Baptist minister, I think rests in Massachusetts soil; having be expected her end was peace. When gone there to see his friends and recover the summons came, then shalt die, she his health. Some one who knew him-for he was of like noble spirit with Bro. S. will plant a willow on his grave. Some ious experience at last than her entire acsailed away, under the influence of that quiesence in the Divine will. Willing to revival, and returned not again.

> With the Captain of their salvation they have entered the haven of rest, and are safe from all the storms now. And others at subsequent periods; amongst them, the lovely Janet Crowell, and I think husband and babe-and Jimmie Cox, with his wite and little ones, all sleep quietly, till the sea gives up its dead. And my own sister, Kate Coffin, rests where the billows of the Indian seas chant her requiem on India's golden shores. O she was so noble and great, but she is greater now, and will be still more noble, when shall see her by and bye. Those dear ones of blessed memories, are scattered abroad and rest or toil, from India's wave to the Pacific slope-some are in California, some in Vancouver. "We grew togeth er

> > "Scattered far and wide, O'er hill and mount and sea."

And last of all. Bro. Sargent steps out of the ranks and lays his armour away; well worn and bright. If memory serves me well Bro. Sargent grew up, fearing God. As he has often told me, " the fear of God was ever before my eyes, if I had not his love in my heart." And he never departed from the way of the Lord. I believe this was the case with the whole family. Fathers and mothers stop and think of this! It became evident in these early days also that his father's mantle would felt. Such a life as her's is a rich legacy fall on him. Inheriting a double portion of his spirit, it moved him betimes to Hopewell, A. County, when suddenly callspeak in the public assemblies. But why ed to exchange time for a glorious etersay more? Does not everybody know nity. Truly it says to us be ye also ready. soul in patience. Sheexpressed herself as how good he was? How pure minded and We know not when or where death may

most strangely faultless.

By letters received from him while teaching in the public schools, studying at Sackville, and following the Lord Jesus preaching the Gospel, I know that with faith unwavering and a single mind, he went forward to the mark of his high call. ing; glorying only in the cross of Christ and knowing nothing amongst men but Christ and him crucified. Standing today in the shadow of the cross and in the shadow of the departed we pray, let me live the life of the righteous, and " Let my last ned be like his."

J. B. HEMMEON.

P. S. This is not to take the place of an obituary from some better hand-only a little wreath from the garden of loving memories cast on the fresh grave.

MRS. GEORGE HECKMAN. Died at Petite Reviere, on Feb. 24th,

Mrs. George Heckman, aged 69 years. It

is a very encouraging thing to us that our people die so well, and leave a triumphant witness to the power of the Gospel and faithfulness of our covenant keeping God. Our departed sister alluded to above furnished another of those bright and encouraging examples of the power and sufficiency of Divine grace. Mrs. Heckman was born at Margaret's Bay, N. S., in the year 1808. Her maiden name was Charlotte Hornish. After removng to Lunen. burg, she was united in marriage to Mr. George Heckman in the year 1831. Three years afterwards in 1834 they removed to Petite Riviere. Under the useful ministry of the Rev. John Webb, who laboured on this circuit at the time they were both savingly converted to God, and at once united with the Methodist Church. Mr: Heckman who is bordering on his 80th year has long been usefully serving the Church of God in this circuit, particularly as a prayer-leader in the church at Petite Reviere in the absence of the minis-

ed about 34 years ago was remarkably clear. She said that she seemed to have entered a new world, and like the Psalmist wished all created things to help her to praise the Lord. This genuine conversion was the ground work of her religious life that developed itself in such fair and goodly proportions. From this time she was spiritually minded which was life and peace. Her experience of Divine things God's countenance. Had an inward and abiding peace. Her religious life and she went she carried her religion with her and adorned the doctrine of God her Sata some distance from the house of God sible was regular and devout. As might was ready and willing to obey. Nothing was more prominent in her religlive and willing to die, just as it might please God, and on this point she never seemed to waver. She was very gaacious. ly favoured with the Divine presence during the five or six months of her illness that preceded her death-Divine comforts delighted and sustained her soul. The writer will not soon forget the blessed influence there was when shortly before she died we sang the first part of the 404th hymn of our hymn book, "O glorious hope of perfect love," &c. It did seem as though the Divine presence filled the room where the dying saint was being prepared for the apper sanctuary. A mother in our Israel has been removed to the church triumphant. Her funeral took place on Feb. 27, which was numerously attended. After the service at the grave our spacious church was filled with a large congregation who doubtless attended to show their sincere respect for departed worth and Christian life, and to listen to a sermon on Phil. i. 17, which text seemed so suited to her who had just entered into rest.

March 15, 1877.

MRS. NANCY OULTON.

Nancy, the beloved wife of Edward S. Oulton, of Point de Bute, Westmorland County, N. B., fell asleep in Jesus, Sabbath, the 25th of Feb., 1877, aged 57 years. Our brother and sister were on a visit to her brother, Mr. Thomas Atchinson, Again and again she gave thanks to God sent, how self-eacrificing and sealous—al- famliy. The argused the ire of such of the winter nobe has been more in |" thank God Lit is not been done in the hortest been more in thank God Lit is not been done in the hortest and the more in the more in the hortest been more in the more in the hortest been and the hortest been more in the more in the hortest been more in the hortest been more in the mo

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FIFTH YEAR, 1877. APRIL. FIRST QUARTER: STUDIES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF ISBAEL.

B. C. 894. LESSON II. THE SHUNAM-MITE'S SON; or, The Power of Persistent Faith. 2 Kings 4, 25-37. April 8.

EXPLANATORY.

CARMEL. From verse 23 it seems that Elisha had a place on Carmel where on the new moons, and on the Sabbaths, the people came for worship and instruction. Afar off. She would come across the plain of Jezreel-overlooked by Carmel. Gehazi First mentioned in this story. Of his origin nothing is known. Shunammite. Resident of Shunem, a city in the tribe of Issachar, situated on the northern slope of little Hermon. (Josh 19, 18.)

RUN..... TO MEET HER. Evidence of Elisha's great esteem for her. Is it well? Hebrew, Shalom, peace. Her unexpected visit is evidence of some trouble or sorrow, which Elisha's sympathetic heart would anticipate. Her answer with the same word is an evasion, see verse 23. She would unburden her heart's sorrow only to one who can sympathize and help.

THE FEET. Great grief shrinks from speech. The action was one of supplication. Let her alone. So would the disciples drive loving mothers from Jesus, (Mark 10, 13, 14,) and the officious multi. tude would have repulsed the blind men. (Matt. 20, 30, 31.) Vexed. Heb. bitter. Hath bid it from me. Prophets were far from infallible either in knowledge or judgment. See 2 Sam. 7,3.

DID I DESIRE. She would remind the prophet that her son was a free gift, and it were better never given if to be so soon taken. See verse 16.

TAKE MY STEP. The badge of his prophetic office. Elisha may have thought he could thus confer the prophetic power upon Gehazi. If so, the result showed his error. Not even the church can confer the gift of the Spirit. Salute him not Oriental salutations take time. Haste was the object of the embassy, as in that climate decomposition must set in speed-

I WILL NOT LEAVE THEE. Peristence is characteristic of strong faith and strong desire. The mother's heart will take no denial, and thus should we pray. (Luke

had failed, and returning met Elisha and the mother on their way. Child is not awaked. No evidence that he supposed him not dead, as the term sleep was commonly used for death. (1 Kings 1, 2L) The symbol is of no use where the spirit and power are absent. Mistake not the sign for the thing signified, nor outward form for inward grace.

DEAD. Both here and in verse 20 it is expressly stated that the child was dead there is, therefore, no com for supposing it a case of suspended animation, or a trance. His bed. Not the child's bed but Elisha's. (See verse 21.)

PRAYED UNTO THE LORD. Thus bac Elijah done; (1 Kings 17, 21,) and thus did Peter, (Act. 9, 40.) But Christ spake the word and it was done. (Mark 5, 41 Luke 7, 14; John 11, 43.) God alone giveth life, temporal or spiritual, but he is pleased to give it in answer to prayer

LAY UPON THE CHILD. The prayer of faith will be supplemented by personal effort; and it is frequently through the personal contact of soul-with soul that God works in bringing to life those who are "dead in trespasses and in sins."

WALKED TO AND FRO. Intense emo. tion is frequently thus exhibited. The recovery seems to have been gradualfirst the warmth, then the sneezing, showing restored respiration—then opening the eyes. But life was there to produce the warmth.

TAKE UP THY SON. Elijah delivered the risen son to his mother, (1 Kings 17, 23,) as did Jesus, (Luke 7, 17,) who also charged the parents of the damsel (Mark 5, 43,) to give her something to eat. And thus he commits to our care those whom he has quickenened to life, that we may

nourish and feed them. (John 21, 15.) FELL AT HIS FEET. A grateful acknowledgement of the priceless favor. The thankful heart bows itself in praise before it takes to itself the blessing it has sought.

We once saw a young man bravely turning up the glass. He was a freehearted, glorious fellow; he was, as he said, "sowing his wild oats." We afterward saw the constable hauling a miserable drunkard from the gutter to the jail. It occurred to us that the wild oats were being dragged in. A glorious crop! The bar-room and gutter are exhaustless in their fertility.

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" Ma, when I get to be a man, ] won't have to pray, will I?"

"Yes, dear," said the mother; "you will always have to pray to God, for he loves you."

"Well, father does n't pray, and he is

The above is a true incident. I give it just as it was related to me by the child's mother. I need not add that the father has a family altar in that home now. I hope that the eve of some other Christian parent who never prays with his family, may fall on it. Fathers, see to it. Little eyes are watching you, and if your father don't do it, " little," ask them to do it.

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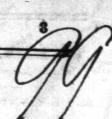
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### PASSION WEEK

has come to us in the economy of time every city where church-bells call worshippers to adore the goodness which gave the world a Saviour. The twofold emotion of sympathy with suffering and with victory is stirring many souls as they look upon the cross and rity, the verity of this foundation. How rather than a necessity. It is a most much of sceptical thought on the one hand, and of trustful, thankful thought on the other, has been awakened by the mysteries of those three days in the been brought out of obscurity and into history of Jesus Christ! Blessed are they who read and meditate religiously in this week's suggestive lessons without waiting to doubt. May Christ Jesus become more and more a reality and an abiding presence with all our readers!

#### A NEW DIFFICULTY IN METHO. DISM; AND ITS CAUSES.

### SECOND ARTICLE.

Twenty years ago it was nothing uncommon to find the principal pulpits in England occupied occasionally by local preachers. In times anterior to that much of the zest of anniversary seasons was furnished by unordained men. The system created these men, and the men nourished the system. The exhorter's calling was the way to promotion. If capable as a speaker, the first congregations in the connexion were prepared to listen to that man, though his profession might be exclusively secular for six days in the week. A village blacksmith became one of the most famous | in another column of this paper, they men in the United Kingdom. A far mer in homely garb was interrupted for ornament. We imagine this might frequently among his sheep-shearing or grain-sowing employments, by deputations who called him to central Missionary gatherings, as a principal ornament among the speakers. Bankers closed their counting-house doors on Saturday, to prepare a Sabbath sermon for City Road Chapel on Sunday. There may have been prejudices. Doubtless some worshippers, educated to sacerdotal habits of thought, heard to less profit where the speaker was unordained. But against such inclinations the connexional strength was persistently brought to bear. John Wes- ominous facts. A minister who is reley had lived long enough to thank God for having opened his eyes to see may stand higher with the same conthe truth of words spoken of a layman, gregation next year, simply because he and applicable to a large class, by his will have passed through the process observant and saintly mother-" He is of ordination. It is considered a slight as much called of God to preach as -an evidence that a congregation is you are." His preachers caught up his held in lower estimation than its neighmantle in this respect. They would not | bours-when an unordained man is aplisten to supercilious ladies who might | pointed to its pulpit in lieu of a "reguprefer a regularity which would crowd lar minister." This is the old objecgifted laymen out of the pulpits, nor tion which met the local preacher and study how to please a millionaire's, crowded him, out. Talent is not the whims at the cost of serious loss to the chief consideration; piety is not the Church of God. The day came, how- first pre-requisite in a preacher-it is ever, when prejudice bore fruit. Fa- regular standing. Admit that only a mous local preachers became a greater few in any congregation are thus inrarity than ever. Inducements to make fluenced, yet there is the old leaven, sacrifice for local preacher's work were and it will work if not hindered. partly removed, and, as a natural consequence, the office began to suffer. cation. Beginning at the lowest point Toe more fashionable and populous our system of keeping the entire church centres came to be supplied exclusively at work must be continued with vigour. by the ordained ministers, while the The education which inculcates a genlocal preachers were crowded out into eral and individual responsibility in remote places. Long walks, small God's service should never be allowed churches, uncertain attendance, became to drop out of our economy. Prejudices their share of the connexional toil, against addresses from young disciples, When misfortune befell a regular ought to be met promptly but kindly reacher, and some "local" supply was as an injury to the entire Methodistic substituted, even this became distaste- structure, if not a sin against the order ful, the unchecked disposition gaining increasing strength all the time. What is the consequence? Circuits are included in the ministry should be kept wide open. Our Theological Halls and college classes should be made so accessible to sufficiently manned with this most young men that the poorest student valuable lay element; while (more hu- with a pure aim may thread his way

The moral of all this comes closely home to our own Provinces. To the writer, who entered the ministry, in common with others, through the exhorter's ranks; and who has watched the growing antipathy against local preachers in all the colonies, and through all its phases, for twenty years, this subject assumes a character intensely interesting and important. Revivals of considerable number and strength have produced marked changes in those localities towards which young men have been attracted, which ought to have brought in abundant supplies for the ministry, had the material been properly nurtured and educated. True. there have been discouragements in the once more. The air is full of sound in | way of aspirants to the ministry,-hard work, scant allowances, all the deprivations of a sparsely settled country. But these would have been overcome had the hand of solemn authority been laid on our young men, leading them into ways of usefulness, and developthe sepulchre. All the structure of ing their gifts in a direction where Christian doctrine rests upon the secu- preaching would have become a choice cheering feature to the writer, of his ministerial work, that several candidates for the ministerial office have very useful if not honourable positions by his instrumentality. Yet he cannot recollect an instance in which a young man was waiting to be invited. On the contrary, they became local preachers against their will; and subsequently, having preached to some purpose, offered themselves exclusively for the ministry as their highest privilege. They met, unquestionably, fastidious hearers during those earlier days. Had they listened and winced, their voices might have been lost to us. They turned rather to to the patient, hopeful few, for words of kindness.

Twenty years ago we esteemed it a rare privilege to drive hurriedly from country appointments to hear some gifted layman in a city pulpit. If we would enjoy this treat to-day we must drive far and and meet-disappointment. The supply of our pulpits has become more exclusively "regular;" but, of course, we have paid for it in other ways than gold and silver. In Bermuda, if we may believe a Professor have local preachers whom they keep be said of other Provinces. And it is surely something new in, and not very consonant with the spirit of Methodism, to carry useless, pretty appendages in its ecclesiastical economy.

This prejudice is making its way. moreover, into circles where it may be felt even more seriously.

Are our ministers and people aware that it is affecting the position and acceptability of our preachers on trial-our regular ministers in all but ordination !

Let them examine keenly beneath the surface, and they will find certain garded with some disfavour this year.

Our subject scarcely needs an applias well as services from local preachers. METHODIST MATTERS. Jubilee," and "Home Returning," in a

NOVA SCOTIA.

Over fifty persons have connected themselves with the Church at Aylesford West, under the pastoral care of Rev. A. S. Tuttle. There has been a wonderful change for good in the com-

In all the Halifax Churches good is being done by special services. No very marked movement is apparent in any one congregation; but quietly and steadily evidences are presented of a determination on the part of some to seek Christ. Grafton street has been at no special effort, yet its classes are constantly gaining accessions.

A very spirited Temperance meeting has been held in the Dartmouth Church. the commencement, we hope, of a succession of such services, and the forerunner of much good. This is a good method of reaching the masses; better than by talking in small circles.

NEW BRUNSWICK & P. E. ISLAND.

Sixteen members were received into the Methodist Church, South Richmond, Jacksonville Circuit, on Sunday last, by Rev. Mr. Dobson.

Rev. W. J. Kirby, has just closed a series of revival services at Tay Creek. with very encouraging results. Hitherto there have been no classes on that circuit, but they are now enabled to commence two, with an average of about 12 in each.

A purse of \$44 has been presented to Rev. J. K. King, of Salisbury. At Donegal much good has resulted from special services. At Pleasant Vale also a good work has begun.

Young Mr. Venning, of St. John, in jured by the fire, died last week. Cen tenary congregation suffered much by the disastrous accident. Mr. Venning's funeral was very largely attended.

The Bazaar, for which the ladies of the Centenary Church have been preparing for several weeks, was to have opened on Wednesday afternoon. It is said that the display of handiwork and fancy goods would be very large.

Judge Wilmot, on Sunday last, presented each of the young ladies attending the Training School, who were members of the Methodist Sunday School, with a neat copy of the Scriptures as a souvenir of Honor's interest in his Sunday School though it has grown with his growth and strengthened with his strength, still deepens as his years decline. Says the Morning News of Monday,

Rev. Mr. Sprague preached another of nis Decalogue series of sermons last eve-ning, profanity being the theme. He condemned the refusal of the Quakers to take the judicial oath, pointed out the evil of making the ceremony so common by requiring invoices to be sworn to at the Custom House, and made a forcible appeal to his profane hearers to show respect for their Maker, by ceasing to take his name in vain.

Rev. Geo. Steel of Sackville, N. B. we regret to learn, has suffered bereavement twice during the past few months. His father died recently, and now his brother, as will be seen by our obituary notices, has been suddenly removed by consumption.

MARYSVILLE, March 22. An entertainment under the auspices of "The Marvs. ville Young People's Institute," a society recently organized, was given in the hall of Alex. Gibson, Esq., on Tuesday evening. Rev. R. Duncan, to whom the society indebted for its existence, ably presided and delivered an opening address suitable for the occasion. Miss Jennie Gibson presided at the organ in her usual efficient manner. The programme consisted of music, recitations, essays and readings, most of which were creditably delivered and highly applauded by the audience. An essay on "The River St. John and its tributaries," by Mr. H. Duncan, was especially interesting and instructive. A solo by Miss Jennie Gibson was much appreciated, and it was generally conceded to be the best of the evening. When part of the programme had been disposed of an intermission of twenty minutes was given, that all might have an oppertunity of attending to the wants of the "inner man" at a large table sumptously spread with refreshments pravided by the young ladies of the society. At 10 o'clock the exercises of the evening were brought to a close by singing the National Anthem, and all went home satisfied with the performance. The proceeds, which must have been quite respectable, will, we understand, be given to the Sabbath School of this place. The Young People's Institute is in a flourshing condition, with membership of over fifty, and has for its object the mental and moral improvement of its members.—News.

PORTLAND METHODIST CHURCH EN-TERTAINMENT.—The Portland Methodists have every reason to congratulate themselves upon the excellence of the choir of the Church. At the entertainment given miliating consequence still) there are through them into the very highest no reserves from which to draw for the ministry.

the Church. At the entertainment given in Portland Temperance Hall, last night —Rev. Mr. Teed presiding—the choir sang the hymn "Sunrise," and the Choruse.

The Church At the entertainment given in Portland Temperance," at St. Louis, had spoken on the subject 5,686 prosper us, and there shall be no lack of labourers for the Lord's vineyard.

manner that called forth the hearty applause of the audience. The choir was under the superintendence of Mr. J. L. Woodworth, Miss Maxwell presiding at the piano. The readings of Alex. Baird, Esq., were favourably received, the comic ones creating much laughter. The singing and instrumental performances of Maynard and Hatton added much to the evening's enjoyment. Early in the even-ing and at the close of the entertaiment. Rev. Mr. Teed addressed the audience, his speeches as usual being witty and instructive. Miss Woodworth's solo was sweetly rendered.—St John News.

Portland congregation under the enthusiastic leadership of it Pastor Rev. S. T. Teed, has paid off \$1000 of its church debt during the year.

On the evening of the 15th inst., under the suspices of the Eurhetorian Society, the Rev. J. A. Rogers, of Truro, delivered his celebrated lecture on the "Old lamp and New lights." The lecture was written in a logical and scholarly, yet pleasing style, and delivered in a forcible and eloquent manner. The evening being unpropitious, Lingley Hall was not crowded to excess. The members of the different institutions turned out in good numbers, and the characteristic intellectuality, the keen appreciation of crystalized truth, shown by the young ladies on the occasion, was, to say the least, very noticable.-

#### BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

DR. CROOK'S LIFE OF DR MCCLINTOCK. It was cause for wonder when Dr. Crooks gave up the management of the New York Methodist;" but now we can see his object. He has written a fine volume upon a noble subject. Intimately acquainted with the illustrious man whose biography he has given to the world, he was in that sense well qualified to convey a good impression of Dr. McClintock's rare character. But Dr. Crooks will win admiration particularly by the literary skill with which he has portrayed his learned and saintly friend. Seldom have we been so enamoured of a volume of biography as in this instance. Living in stirring times and always helping greatly himself to-ward the very best kinds of agitation, Dr. McClintock's genius and education presented themselves to excellent advantage. It is sufficient commendation of the volume that it does its subject justice.

MR. POPE'S "DRAUGHTS FROM THE LIVING FOUNTAIN," are, we are glad to learn, having a good sale. During recent travels we have found the volumes in many homes, and not as mere ornaments, but treasured and perused to edification. The expression of these volumns is clear, chaste, often very eloquent. We would have been disappointed if the doctrine had varied in any particular from the or-thodox standard; but even beyond our expectations have we found the gifted preacher's views and sentiments partake so much of charity and love that the wide evangelical church may claim him and his books as its general property. Very cheerfully and confidently do we re-

MORE HALF HOURS is the title of a lit. tle volume of poems, by Rev. J. A. Richey, which has been sent to the newspaper offices for notice. From a literary standpoint there is much in the book upon which we could write not only with approval but admiration. The poems, however, differ so far in sentiment from our opinions of what constitute truth and common sense in religious belief and practice, that the best service we can render Mr. Richey is to leave his productions without comment.

THE HALIFAX Y. M. C. ASSOCIATION appear, by their Report just issued, to be doing excellent work. The good resulting from a benevolent and vigilant institution like this in the heart of a dense population, cannot readily be estimated.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOLS IN NOVA SCOTIA we have also received. It is to be regretted that the tone of Inspectors, in making their returns, is tinged with so much sadness. A good educa-tional system requires much vigour and watchfulness in carrying out its opera-tions. Still, Nova Scotia is better off with this system than when it had next

In the Argosy for March there are several meritorious articles. An Essay by M. Richey Knight, A.B., on "Alfred Tennyson," is especially deserving of notice. It affords evidence not only that the writer possesses a fine, discriminating taste for the beautiful and subtle in poetry, but also that his mind has, for a youth ful reader, taken a wide range in other studies. The Argosy ought to be handsomely supported.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGMENT .- Sums of money, varying from \$1 to \$10, have been sent in to us to be forwarded to Mr. Blackwell, whose letter, from Balmoral, N.B., appeared in our columns three weeks ago. The amounts, however, are not yet all that we could desire, and that the circumstances really deserve. It may be that help has reached our good brother through other channels; but in any case, Christians with any heart and means ought not to refuse an appeal like this. Since writing the above we learn that New Brunswick is at work heartily in this matter. Particulars will soon reach us, no doubt. Next week we will publish the several amounts, without names, as in all instances we are prohibited from men-

JOHN B. GOUGH, in his recent address on "Temperance," at St. Louis, said he had spoken on the subject 5,680 times. He remarked in conclusion that this was

tioning the donors.

SACRED CONCERT.-Mr. Doane's choir are to give a Musical Entertainment in Music Hall next Tuesday (Easter Tues. day) evening. This will afford a good opportunity to hear a favourite combina. tion of talented artists, as well as to see the Hall, which is a fine architectural

## UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNS.

At a meeting of the Senate recently held, the following Minutes and Resolution proposed by the President for consideration were adopted and passed by the

That students in Theology may find within the Province the means of instruction in Theology, and the tenets of their respective Churches; and that the ties which after their Arts course, bind them to the University be not weakened by their attendance at an institution entirely unconnected therewith, it is desirable to encourage the formation of Theological Halls or Colleges, and affiliate the same with the University; be it therefore,

Resolved, that until a separate building can be erected, and maintained at the cost of the several religious bodies concerned, the use of a Lecture-room in the University be granted, on the afternoons during Term-time, to any Church or denomination with a suitable Professor or Professors for giving Theological Instruction to the Students belonging to the said Church or denomination.

IT is comparatively easy to doubt. Any active mind may find, if disposed, a score of difficulties and seeming contradictions as regards religion, the means of grace, the Saviour, salvation and all else. But doubting is not profitable. It may be a sign of independence to some persons: yet it leaves unhappiness, and, especially, does it interfere with usefulness. There are men who stagger and make little progress; there are others who do not stop to doubt, and go on gaining fresh strength themselves while they bring many to Christ. We have evidences that religion saves men from evil lives, unholy dispositions, the fear of death. What else do we need? Every additional demand is pre-

A delegation from Montreal waited on Mr. Moody, hoping to have him for a season in that city. Here is the report :-

Mr. George Young gave an exhaustive and eloquent account of his and Mr. Gordon's experiences and proceedings while in Boston, and was followed by the Rev. Mr. Gordon, whose report was also exceedingly interesting. Their reports were to the effect that Messrs. Moody and Sankey would not close their meeting in Boston until June ; that they would not consider any proposals or invitations to go elsewhere until after the summer holidays; that from all that could be learned, it was thought that they might go to San Francisco in the autumn, and that there was a bare possibility of their being induced to come this way en route to the latter place. The deputation stated that they were better received than the great number of other applicants to Mr. Moody, as it was reported that in one day he refused audience to as many as six delegations who sought an interview with him with a similar purpose. Mr. Moody was found not to be the sharp, brusque man pretty generally supposed to be, but on the contrary he received and treated them with great kindness and cordiality. They were aided in urging the claims of Montreal upon him by the Rev. Dr. Lorimer, Captain Dutton and others, and they themselves improved every opportunity of persistently pressing the matter upon his attention. Mr. Gordon advised that another deputation should by and by be sent-that Mr. Claxton himself should go, and again present their case before Mr. Moody. The last words the latter said to him (Rev. Mr. Gordon) were : " I will think about it."

The St. John School difficulty, it is hoped, is at an end. By concessions which do not compromise the principle of Free Schools, the Roman Catholic Bishop will fall into line. This is better on his part than submitting to annual sale of his livery Stock for the payment of taxes; and will be decidedly preferable to the Province at large.

Bishop Haven has been in Africa. He writes from Liberia, to the N.Y. Advocate, making an extraordinary admission. He has found a River exceeding anything in America! This puts America in a second rank, and subjects the Bishop to the necessity of taking the oath of allegiance on his return. But his letters are excellent. He says but little about miscegena-

A little six-year-old girl has asked her mother this question .- " Ma, if the people had all listened to Noah, it would have been no use ;-was not the Ark too small to hold them all?" There is a solution of this problem—a very reasonable one. Will some of our young readers try to solve it and send us the answer. But, is not the youthful mind more acute, and more doubtful too, than we generally imagine; and more and the second

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perintendent of the Industrial at the North West Arm. It is ething worthy of a Christian people that houses of this kind are provided for the preservation of youth who otherwise would go to ruin. The School deserves liberal support. Out of condemned boys it is making good citizens.

The power of a life fully devoted to God is grandly illustrated in the case of Carvosso the Wesleyan Methodist Class Leader. In an excellent article on beginning our work just where we are and pressing · forward in it trusting in God, the Western Christian Advocate gives him as an illustration, and says:

"He was the son of a sailor; was an obscure fisherman; could barely read, and could not write until he was above sixty years old, when he learned the art in order to be useful to his scattered converts. He would fish by day and hold meetings by night; first in a small room in a fisher's hut; then in a fish drying cellar; then in a large upper room 'so frail that it fell, a heap of ruins, on the assembly.' But his converts multiplied, and they built a fine chapel. 'The whole place was transformed." He removed, and began again in his new neighbourhood. Soon he had three flourishing 'classes.' He now had calls in every direction. At Cambuslang he went praying, singing and exhorting from house to house through the day and holding classes at night; more than 700 souls were converted. Carvosso became the evangelist, the apostle of Cornwall. For sixty years he kept much of the country astir with his humble labors. When sixty five years old the letter 'P.' marking the presence of his class-members, was all be could write. He then mastered the art of writing as a means of doing further good. 'Comment,' says a Presbyterian clergyman writing out these facts, 'Comment is unnecessary.'

We hope all moderate people will frown down the not very edifying spectacle of a Temperance fraternity tearing itself into shreds. The compliments which are being bandyied between officials of the "Sons" and "Templars," and the exhibition presented through the columns of different papers in Nova Scotia, are humiliating in the extreme. there be fighting for Temperance men, it ought to be outside of their own ranks. But the guns seem now double-shotted for the destruction of the reformers themselves. Let us have done with this. The limits of true reform are too narrow for duelling. If there be danger to others, fighting, men should step down and out.

### CORRES PONDENCE.

SABBATH SCHOOL SCHEDULES.

Supplies of blank forms, for returns of Sabbath School statistibs, for Districts and Circuits, have been sent for all the Conferences to the Secretaries of the Sabbath School Committees for their respective Conferences, as follows :-

To Rev. W. W. Percival, Milltown, for N. B. Conf. J. Strothard, Avondale, for N. S. Conf. J. Goodison, Carbonear, for Nfld. Conf. E. Barrass, Darlington, for Toronto Conf. J. R. Gundy, Canisville, for London Conf. J. Wilson, Montreal, for Montreal Conf.

Before this notice appears, probably all will have been forwarded to the various circuits. Should any fail, from any cause, to receive a supply within a week or fortnight, let him write to the S. S. Secretary of this Conference, or it may save time to address me by card, and blan; will be forwarded by return mail.

ALFRED ANDREWS, Sec'y. S. S. Board. Metuodist Church of Canada Tilsonburg, Ont.

LUNENBURG CIPCUIT.

MR. EDITOR.—We hope you may not object to receiving a few lines from Lunenburg. With reluctance we left our many kind friends at Petite Rivere and began work on this large Circuit. We soon found it earnest work, for we were expected to follow in the wake of many devoted and energetic laborers. Our immediate predecessors kept things at a white heat. advancing the Circuit very much in spiritual and financial matters during their periods of incumbency. On our arrival we found everything in good working order. The past six years has certainly been a period of revival on this circuit. and who are now a comfort and support Some souls, however, were brought into to their pastor in his labors. If some of the liberty of God's children and are now the "penitent bench exposers" in this country, would only sit at the feet of those persons, the fruits of so-called spurious revivals, they might perhaps learn more about experimental religion than they have ever dreamed of. Our enemies are lively and strong, but of the meanest type we have yet known. They have not the courage to come out into the daylight : but devote their energies to printing and circulating bastard pamphlets, bogus

Circulars, &c. We have received several species of this spawn since the beginning of the present year, but have paid little attention to them. The object evidently is, to ridicule Methodism, and hinder her ministers in their soul-saving work. We labor and pray that the designs of wicked men may be frustrated, and that the gospel may continue to be the power of God unto salvation.

The ladies of the Lunenburg congregation held a bazaar of useful and fancy articles in connexion with a tea meeting on January 1st for the purpose of raising funds for the improvement of the Church and parsonage. After all expenses were paid, three hundred and seventy-six dollars remained, as the result of their united and earnest labours. Though we have held no special services this year, yet Bro. Davis and myself find more work than we can perform. There is an abundance of work for a third man on this circuit, yet our Quarterly Official Board very properly refuse to ask for one to be appointed until they can see their way clear to pay his salary. Had all our circuits been equally careful, many of our brethren would not now be suffering such large deficiencies, and the Missionary Society would not be in debt some thirty thousand dollars. Our circuit has been singularly free from disease and death. We have only attended one funeral for the last nine months. Several of our families have been called to mourn the loss of friends who have perished at sea. The schooner "Excelsior" of Ritcey's Cove left for the West Indies about a year ago, and never was heard from afterwards. Her crew have long ago been given up for lost. They consisted of Capt. John Cook, John Risser, and William Ritcey, of Ritcey's Cove, Thos. Gaetz of New Germany, and two foreigners. Capt. Cook and John Risser were married men, each leaving a wife and child. This loss is keenly felt. A vacancy has been caused in the community which time can but slowly fill. We deeply sympathize with the suffering

THOS. ROGERS. March 24th, 1877. CHURCH DEDICATION.

SALISBURY CIRCUIT. MR. EDITOR,-The new church at Fredericton Road, three and a half miles from Salisbury, was opened for Divine Service on Sunday, March, 4th.

The dedicatory services were conductchap. of Genisis-" This is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." In the afternoon the Rev. H. R. Baker, A. B., preached from the words-' If any man serve me, him will my Father honor." A sermon from Dr. Stewart in the evening again closed the services of the day. The congregations were large, morning and afternoon, especially, when many more were present than could get into the house.—The church is neatly finished and comfortably furnished; presents a very pleasing appearance, and is entirely free from debt. For this beautiful place of worship, we are indebted to the indefatigable efforts of a few individuals. whose noble heartedness can scarcely be over-estimated. May it indeed be to them and their children, while they live. " None other but the house of God, and the gate of heaven."

It is very natural, so near the close of the three years of my incumbency on this Circuit, to take a retrospect of the work and in doing so there comes a mingled feeling of joy and sorrow, of gratitude and humility, seeing as I do both success and failure. The work of the Lord has prospered in our hands, yet oh! how much is still needed! Financially we have made advancements. Though the Circuit has been lessened in extent by divisions into two, yet we have kept up our contributions to minister's salary and connexional funds, and have added \$3,000 to our church property.

Our congregations have increased, and we have been blessed with revival blessing on almost every part of the Circuit. Our special services at Salisbury this winter were seasons of grace to many professors of religion, but being frequently inter-There were scores of devoted men and wo- rupted by storms and having strong outmen brought to God during those years side influences to overcome did not prowho retain their religion and usefulness, duce the apparent results looked for.

walking in the fear of the Lord. Yours, &c., JOHN F. BEITS. Salisbury, N. B., March 20, '77. RIVER JOHN.

March 19, 1877.

Special services held on the River John Circuit during the Winter in the Tarbot, Forest, and Tatamagouche Road school notices of special carrices, scurrilious sections, have resulted in the addition of Antigus (46 days round passage) reports; pieces of doggerel, comments on passages thirty five persons to our numbers on Clark, of Bear River, while walking on the

Hart is acquiting himself admirably of Scripture got up in the form of printed trial, amongst them ten husbands and their wives, and in the formation of two new classes, and the revival of one that only met when the minister was able to lead it. There are about fifteen persons who have given evidence of a change of heart who have not yet united with any branch of the Christian Church. We are holding special meetings for the salvation of souls from sin now in the village of River John three times a week. God's voice in Providence has been speaking to us very loudly. On the 16th of Feb., one of our neighbours, Mr. Levi Bigney, died very suddenly. During the day he had been about his usual employment, on his way home from his work he called at a neighbour's house, and asking for water, he drank quite a quantity, and immediately after complained of an unusual fluttering of the heart. Although feeling unwell be did not apprehend any danger, but performed family worship, and then retired to rest. About 11 o'clock his wife was awakened by hearing a strange sound in his throat. She endeavored to raise him up, but to her consternation she found his spirit had fled. He has left a widow and three children, an aged father and mother, three sisters and four brothers, one of them the Rev. J. G. Bigney, of Canso, to mourn his loss,

On the day of the interment a large number of persons assembled to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed, The Revds. Hector McKay, and McCann. and the writer, took part in the funeral

service s. We were startled by the news in circulation on Tuesday last that a young man by the name of John Heighton, who had returned home to Cape John from the sea about three weeks ago, was sick with the small pox; but still more so on Thursday when we heard that he was dead. The Board of Health took the case in hand at once, and are doing all in their power to prevent the spread of the disease. But there are great fears that the seeds of the disease are widely scattered. May the Lord deliver us from the threatened evil, and lead the people to see their need of being delivered from the more dreadful plague of sin.

Yours in Christ,

DAVID B. SCOTT.

### NEWS IN BRIEF.

NOVA SCOTIA.

There are good prospects for a revival of business in Windsor with the coming spring. ed by Rev. Dr. Stewart, who preached All the plaster on the wharves have been sold from a part of the 17th verse or the 28th it is said. Quite a number of new buildings will be erected, and the several factories ap-

There has been a fatal case of Small-pox at Cape John, Pictou Co. Precautions have been taken to prevent the spread of the

A Halifax company is working copper mines at Waugh's River, Tatamagouche and at River John. Already about ten or twelve tons of ore has been sent to Wentworth station, thence by rail to Halifax and by steamer to England. The ore is put up in kerosene casks, each one weighing when full nearly

A sad accident at River John resulting in the death of a little girl aged six years, daughter of Mr. J. Bauld Salisbury, occurred about noon on Monday, 12th inst. The mother had placed a tub containing boiling lye outside the house near the door, propping is up with a billet of wood. The child followed the mother out, and in its play pulled the prop away, spilling the contents of the tub over its head and Back. Medical aid was called, but proved of no avail. The little

The Berwick "Star" says : "All the manuactories at this place are now in full operation. McNell's Shingle and Lumber Co's mill has been running several days, and the Berwick Steam Mill Co's mill was started resterday. The Berwick Iron Foundry has een in operation all winter, except about three week's during and after the holidays.

Capt. Latter, of the schr. May Queen. which arrived at Halifax from the Western banks last week, reports that a seaman named McDougall fell overboard from the main and was drowned. McDougall leaves a wife and child in Halifax.

Last week a fire occured at Pugwash in Levi Borden's store above the post office, re-sulting in the loss of five buildings—Levi Borden's store, Peter McDonald's store, and warehouse; a store belonging to Mr. Wilson and occupied by G. C. Carter as a harness shop; the woodhouse adjoining the Palmerston building. Levi Borden's loss is about four housand dollars; stock and store insured for two thousand dollars. P. McDonald's loss about thirteen hundred dollars, store insured for four hundred. Rain prevailed during the whole time, which greatly aided in suppressing the fire. The loss sustained by Mr. Wilson is not known. Considerable damage was done to his goods in removing them to the

The " Eastern Chronicle" says of the Eastern Extension: "On the New Glasgow end of this railway work is progressing rapidly under the superintence of Mr. Wm. Smith, contractor. At Sutherland's River there is a large force of men and horses engaged in filling up the river bed with brush and earth. Messers. Fraser and Archibald have the contract of fencing from Pine Tree to New Glasgow. On other sections, we understand. work is progressing favourably.

The Danish steamer Svend arrived at Digby Monday-week from England, with a cargo of steel rails for the Western Counties Rail-

Capt. Merritt, of the Bear River brigt. Annie Bogart, which arrived at Digby from house, was thrown overboard by a lurch of vessel and drowned. The vessel was heaving heavily at the time, and he had been warned against walking on the house by the second mate. Every effort was made, un-

A few nights ago the shop of Mr. J. A Elliot, Pugwash, was burglariously entered and relieved of goods to the value of about \$300. A sled track was followed to the house of George Amoor, where the goods, together with a quan ity taken some time ago from the shop of Mr. A. Wilson, were found.

A short time ago Halifax Policeman Edmonds arrested a corporal of the 97th for being drunk and disorderly on the street. He was tried by court martial and reduced to the ranks, and four soldiers, who had sworn that he was not drunk, were tried by a general court martial for perjury, their statements having been proved untrue. They were convicted, and on Saturday were sentenced to one years imprisonment each.

### N. B., & P. E. ISLAND.

Shortly after the fire on Prince William St., St. John, it was reported on the streets that a man had said that Sergt. Briggs appropriated a piece of cloth from some of the rescued goods. The chief of police had that man before him, and he denied having circulated such a report. It is announced that Sergt. Briggs intends to take the matter into the Circuit Court.

As the Shediac freight train was approach ing Dorchester Road, on Thursday-week, it was brought to a standstill by a danger signal, in the hands of a man who was on the track. A short distance from where the train stopped a broken rail was found.

The St. John Stevedores have decided to charge \$1.00 per standard for stowing deals, and to pay their workmen \$2.00 per day. The rate for stowage and for wages is to be uniform for the season.

Last Sunday morning a girl, 17 years old, named Margaret Carrol, was found hanging by the neck in an outbuilding near her father's house, on Hanover street, St. John. No cause is assigned for the suicide.

The schr. Abbot Lawrence, from Bostor for St. John, N. B., was sunk by collision on Saturday night. The crew was picked up in a boat after 16 hours exposure and lande at Portland.

The barque sunny region, of and for St John, N B., from St. Thomas, in ballast, was totally wrecked on Sunday-week, near Isle Haughte. The crew were saved severa being frostbitten.

The barque Transit, at Fortress Monroe. reports seeing a vessel named the Champion, of Prince Edwards Island, with decks under water, dismasted and her bowsprit gone about two hundred miles East of Bermuda, March 14th.

The schr. Nettie, of St. Andrew's, hence for St. John's, N. B., is ashore on Ward's Island, full of Water.

The Rev. J. E. Carr, rector of Kingsclear, has been presented with an address and handsome purse of money from the people of all denominations in Upper Kingsclear.

About a week ago, Capt. Wellington, of the schr. G. Jewett, had the body of Maury, the mate of the ill-fated Castalia, brought to this city from Swan Island, after which it was interred at Westfield. There were two others of the crew buried at Swan Island, but the body of Capt. Colwell's brother was never found. Maury, the mate, was an old friend of Capt. Wellington's.

eisle Creek, one near the property of Joseph Gillis, the other not far from M. C. F. Mc Leod's, have both been carried off by recent freshets. The loss of both is estimated at

Several losses occurred in King's and Queen's Co., during the late storm. Mr. Thomas Hetherington had a large lot of lumber swept out of stream into a meadow. In the East Scotch settlement the end was blown out of a barn. Mr. George Cromwell had his barn blown down, killing five sheep. A blacksmith's shop and barn belonging to Mr. Lawson was carried some distance out of their place, and several other buildings on Washademoak met with the same fate. Mr. Albert Watts, of Queens, lost a valuable horse by drowning. This loss he can ill bear, much sympathy is expressed for him.

Messrs. Stevenson & McGibbon, of Point Wolfe, have got out this winter 6,000,000 ft. of logs, in addition to 3,000,000 already on hand, and their dam is now full. The mills have a capacity of 7,000,000 feet per annum. Mr. N. H. Foster is building a new barque of 600 or 700 tons for Steeves Bres.

As the Spring approaches, the times at Fairville appear to be awakening from the lethargy into which they had sunk during the winter season. Messrs. S. T. Ring & Son's mill has resumed operation, is doing good work, and gives active employment to all its former hands. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon the spirit of enterprise which characterizes the people of Spurr and Mosquito Cove, who are now engaged in erecting a Temperance Hall, in which also to hold meetings, Sabbath school, etc. The want of a building for these purposes has long been felt in this community, and it is to be hoped that all who may feel interested in a good cause will gladly lend their support. The respective mill owners have contributed to the work, and, judging from the efficient committee who are carrying it on, there is every reason to predict, that, before summer is far advanced, this commodious buildir g will be near completion.

A girl about 17 years of age asked to stop city station, St. John, one night last week. She told the officer on duty that she had left her home in New York, and came on here to visit an uncle, against the wishes of her parents. She did not know where her relative lived, and being out of funds, was obliged to seek shelter wherever an opportunity was afforded. She was cared for by the chief, who will send her home again should she fail to find her uncle.

### UPPER PROVINCES.

Old St. Andrew's, Church, Toronto, was offered for sale recently at Coate's Auction Mart, but the sum bid was too low, and the property was withdrawn.

Intelligence has been received at Ottawa, that the British Board of trade have rescinded their obnoxious regulations respecting sur geons on Board Canadian steamers. rgeons are now at liberty to qualify on their Canadian diplomas. This is owing to to the prompt act of the Canadian Government in asserting the rights of Canadian surgeons to be put upon the same equality with surgeons holding diplomas in the United Kingdom.

The licence commissioners at Ottawa, have decided to issue but fifty-four licenses.

There is plenty of snow up the Ottawa River, and the lumbermen will have no diffculty in getting their lumber to market.

A deputation has been to Boston to invite Moody and Sankey to come to Montreal and returned, bringing a rather indefinite report. While Mr. Moody did not positively decline appeals until he shall have finished his work in Boston.

London gaslight has improved of late, and the cause is said to be the use of petroleum in

A man named Shrimpton has been arrested for the outrage committed about three months ago on the storekeeper Dymond, of London

At a meeting of the hotel keepers of Napanee, it was unanimously agreed that in case the Dunkin Bill was enforced on the first of May they would close their houses to the pub-

It is stated that larger importations than ever will be made by Manitoba merchants the coming Spring.

Railway ties are being got out by the thousand in the vicinity of Lake Winnipeg ..

The French Canadians, who emigrated from Massachusetts to Manitoba last summer, according to "Le Metis," are highly satisfied with their new home near Dufferin. They expect a large reinforcement of com-

patriots from the States in the spring. The North Grey Temperance Board have advertised a reward of \$100 for the conviction of the miscreant who placed the stick of firewood loaded with gunpowder amongst the wood in the yard of the License Inspector, which trick resulted in the blowing up of his

Robt. Kelly, lot 15, concession 17, Hullet went to the woods to chop. Some parties called to see him. Not finding him at home they want to the woods, where they found him lying in the snow almost lifeless, with a large wound in his head. From his position it is supposed a splinter from a falling tree had struck him.

The Georgian Bay has only been frozen over once this winter as yet.

Wages along the lines of railway from Thunder Bay have advanced from \$1,25 to \$1,50 per day, and there is plenty of work for all industrious men. This winter has been very favourable for work, and business has been pushed ahead with energy.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Turkey persists in refusing Montenegro's emands, especially the cession of Nitsic.

The armistice between Montenegro and the Porte is prolonged until April 13th.

The "Daily News" St. Petersburg corespondent asserts that if peace is not signed between Turkey and Montenegro before the middle of April the Russian army will cross the Pruth.

The "Post" believe that the alterations Russia desires in the protocal are of no great moment, but says, "If we are correctly in-formed, Russia cannot demobilize until three events have happened, first, the signature of the protocol; second, conclusion of peace be tween Turkey and Montenegro; third, a preliminary demobilization of the Sultan's

The "Post" points out that if England signs the protocol, her first duty will be to the Porte to disarm; the Turks would certainly refuse, while Russian troops remain on the frontier; and England would thus be placed in a painfully ridiculous position.

The Pesth correspondent of the "News" says: "I hear by telegraph from Constantinople that the Porte is determined not to accept the international protocol in any form whatever.'

The decision of peace or war really rests with Montenegro and Turkey The Russian Government cannot influence the Prince of Montenegro beyond a certain point, because he can appeal to a greater power than the Government-namely, the Russian people.

Captain-General Jovellar has assessed the German merchants at Havana a thirty per cent. war tax, with the alternative of embargoing their property if not paid in three days. The German Consul refers the matter

to Berlin. A. Oakey Hall, ex-Mayor of New York, is nissing, and it is feared he has committed

The Princess of Wales visits Athens soon. Her sons, Albert and George, will go in naval training shortly.

A Berlin despatch says the industrial crisis in Germany grows worse. Destitution is spreading and an actual famine is impending in portions of the Empire. A writer in the Paris " Debats" asserts that

the relations between France and Germany were never better than now. An English steamship with arms and ammunition, from New Haven for Constanti-

nople, has been lost. No particulars. Three vessels of the Russian fleet, including the flag-ship, have arrived at New York, receiving and returning the usual salutes.

One hundred live cattle, two hundred and fifty sheep and six hundred quarters of beef were shipped at New York, per steamship Holland 23rd inst., for London.

John D. Lee, the Mormon, recently convicted and sentenced to death, has made a confession, implicating Brigham Young and other leading Mormons with himself, in the Mountain Meadow massacre, in which a large party of immigrants were slaughtered. The massacre occurred upwards of twenty years Brigham Young denies Lee's statement implicating him in the Mountain Meadow massacre. Lee was shot on the 20th at Mount Meadow, the scene of the massacre.

The Duke of Connaught, with the Lord Lieutenant and Vice-Regal Court, reviewed the troops in Dublin on St. Patrick's day.

The Irish Catholic Bishops are vigorously agitating for a plan of national education, which will place the training of the whole Catholic youth of the country completely under their control.

The steamer Rusland, Red Star Line, from Antwerp for New York, went ashore at Long Branch on Saturday night; the passengers and crew, about 250, were saved by boats and a life car from the shore. The vessel is probably a total wreck.

The "Times'" despatch from Beigrade says dead lock is in the way of the final conmation of the treaty of peace between Servia and Turkey.

The Servian Government declines to receive Imperial firman until the Turks have completed their evacuation.

Last Quarter, 5 day, 0h, 15m, Afternoon on, 13 day, 1h, 36m, Afternoon. First Quarter, 20day, 3h, 23m, Afternoon Full Moon, 27 day, 0h, 82m, Afternoon.

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High water at Pictou and Jape Tormentine, 2 hrs and 11 minutes LATER than at Halifax. At Annapolis, St. John, N.B., and Pertland, Maine, 3 hours and 25 minutes LATER, and at St. John's, Newfeundland 20 minutes EARLIER than at Halifax. At Charlottetown, 2 hours 54 minutes LATER. At Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes ATER. At Yarmouth, 2 hours 29 minutes LATER.

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

#### GETHSEMANE.

BY REV. DWIGHT WILLIAMS.

Down from the slopes of Olivet A weeper goeth; The sun behind the hills is set; The low brook floweth, And with the dews the night is wet.

He enters dark Gethsemane For lonely pleading; Asleep he leaves the loving three, His great heart bleeding As low he falls on bended knee,

The winds are bushed : one voice alone With mingled sobbing Breaks like a sea wave's monotone; It is the throbbing Of a great anguish all unknown.

Ah, 'tis a lonely battle-ground : One soul, deep, heaving, Contends with heights and depths profound :

And from its grieving There comes at last a Victor crowned. "Thy will be done"-thrice-spoken words, Too great for sorrow; Come on, ye hosts, with staves and

s,vords! Come fie ge to morrow!" And lo! a great calm undergirds. Like Him who came and conquered there

In that low garden, So rise we victors from our prayer; Christ is our warden. And holdeth crowns for us to wear.

A battle raging, Where, like a lone ship on the sea, With storm engaging. Self rises victor strong and free. Thy will be done," we bow and say

Each hath his own Gethsemane-

What cometh after Is but the day; If tear or laughter God's will and ours move but one way. Gethsemane! Gethsemane! Hence to our crosses;

For ah! with angel belpers we. Through tears and losses, Go dauntless to our victory.

## WHO IS JOSEPH COOK?

BY THE REV. EDWARD ABBOT.

In answer to this often repeated enquiry, let it be said first, that Joseph Cook is just now, with Moody and Sankey, the engrossing sensation of Boston. For fifteen years at least, and old residents say for a much longer period, no such times have been known here as are now passing. And for this culminating movement against certain ideas of which Boston has long been the citadel, Mr. Cook's work has been confessedly the chief one of preparation.

The main points in his life so far are something as follows: Born in New York State, in the vicinity of Lake Champlain; about 1838; graduated at Harvard College in 1865; at Andover Theological Seminary in 1868; a temporary supply of Congregational churches at East Abington, Mass., Middlebury, Vt., and Malden, Mass., from 1868, to 1870; and then for a short time pastor of the First Church, Lynn, where the whole city came to be deeply moved by his powerful assault upon laboring city.

At this point it was I believe, that he went abroad to go into training in the German Universities. His calibre,

most distinguished men: and now his whole matter of discourse is full of his minglings with uppermost thinkers and writers there among those whom the world has delighted to honour.

In due time he was back in the United States again, armed and equipped for such service as might call him. A little more than a year ago, by virtue of some arrangement with the Boston Young Men's Christian Association, he began a course of Monday lectures at the Meionaon, a gloomy cellar apartment of the Tremont Temple. The subject was the very general one of " Modern Scepticism." The hour was at noon, so as just to catch the ministers of the several denominations as they sallied forth from their several Monday morning meetings, with the rest of the day before them and ready for anything that was going on. Now and then a lay. man ventured to slip in among the ministers, and, little by little, as it became noised abroad who was talking, a lady or two; until by the time the course was finished, the "Joseph Cook's Monday Lecture" was an established intellectual feature of the time. This was toward the spring of 1876; and arrangements were at once entered upon to perpetuate the lecture on a firm foundation. Mr. Cook had found his parish, and the call was obvious. Last fall, with the re-assembling of the city from summer dispersions, the lectures were resumed, but only for once or twice in the Meionaon, which now proved quite too strait for the purpose. Nor did spacious Park Street Church more than once or twice accomodate the growing throng. It became necessary to adjourn to the Tremont Temple itself; and as, in the course of the present winter, the lecturer has emerged from the by-ways of scientific controversy and come out upon the heights of the loftiest metaphysical and theological discourse, even the Temple with its seats and standing-room for twentyfive hundred or three thousand people, has not been able to contain all who would like to hear. As early as eleven those who are bent on securing good seats are on hand; and when the bour of twelve is struck, not a foothold, from doorways to the very edges of the lecturer's chair upon the platform, remains unoccupied. In character as well as in size no such audiences, probably, have ever been assembled so statedly in this country.

What is the magnetism capable of drawing such an audience at such an hour, on such a day, for consideration of such themes?

First, that of a noble manhood. Mr. Cook is blessed with a massive and athletic frame. Sandy hair, ruddy cheeks, a blue eye, and an intense manner, not only betoken a highly nervoussanguine temperament, but actually enframe immense vitality of thought and feeling. In every aspect he is a man of power, body-power, brain-power, heart-power. And all this makes an impression of its own.

The immediate impression is deepened by the qualities of thought and speech which become apparent as soon as the man gets into action. Punctually at the moment appointed he steps upon the platform. The first fifeeen minutes of his hour are devoted to a conversation-if "conversation" it can be called, when he alone is the participant in it. He holds this conversation sitting in his chair, and with more vehemence and spirit thus than most public speakers show when upon their legs. The theme of the introductory passage is never, unless very remotely, related to the lecture which is to follow; but always some independent topic of the moment it may be political, or religious, or social; generally one that has been made uppermost by the papers of the morning, or the incidents of the Sabbath preceding, or the events of the previous fying fullness? week; one on which he touches with Christian thoughts, using the sword of the Spirit (which is the Word of God) for the dividing asunder between any manner of right and wrong in human life. The preface ended, the lecture is begun. To this he stands up. He some of the labor abuses of that much handles brief notes, wherein his important propositions are accurately written, but he is essentially an ex-

sense that he makes men hear his message, and often persuades them of its truth. In theology a moderate Calvanist, in philosophy an eclectic, in learning affluent, full of sympathies for all who are in any sense oppressed, a hater of cant in all its forms, familiar with the best thought of the best minds of all times, a brilliant rhetorician, and yet never allowing the clearness and precision of his logical processes to be obscured by the play of his marvellous fancy; with all these and many more qualities which might be mentioned, it may readily be imagined that he is a speaker to whom men love to listen. This description will sound extravagant to those who have never heard him: but it lies wholly within the lines of sober truth.

When such a man grapples with Theodore Parker and his teachings, shall not Boston gather around to hear! S. S. Times.

### LOOKING FORWARD.

BY JENNIE M. DRINKWATER. "We are not sure of anything in this changing world," exclaimed a fretful Christian: "I have to live by the day; it is so dreary to look forward."

A voice came from the chimney corner-a voice as warm and cheery as the chimney corner itself-" I am sure of everything that I want to be sure of."

"Well, I'm not," jerked out the first speaker, "and I never expect to be." The firelight played on the withered

old hands and sweet old face. "We are sure," said the cheerful speaker, "that we are in His hand, John, and that is the only safe place in the universe. No power can pluck us out of his hand; we have Christ's word for that. O, how few of us are growing strong with the hope assured of future | man who would go to destruction withgood! How few live because of this

The compressed lips of John did not move. He was undeniably discouraged this evening. The old lady went on, as if speaking to herself: "Will it not be a blessed thing to sav that we know in all our hearts and all our souls, that not one thing has failed of all the good things that the Lord our God has spoken concerning us? Can we not say it now? Even so far on our way the promises have proved true. If any good thing has failed, it is because our sins have come between our souls and him, or because we do not stretch out our hands to take the promised good! Every day of the future we so dread is laid up for us in His loving heart. He will open his band to satisfy us as soon as we are ready to be satisfied. He made our human hearts, and he knows all that they are longing to

look forward to !" "Hum!" ejaculated John."

" If we look forward trustingly, our joy will be full. Every morning we sir;" the man pertly answered. "Do you shall open our eyes upon a new daya day as fresh and full of promise as believe any such stuff as that." "Do you the first new day; for God's giving believe Webster's Dictionary ?" "O, yes." has no limit; all his gift are as free as his air, his sunshine, and his drops of that." "Well, my friend," said the dewater."

"And we have only to stretch out our hands," muttered John, so low that the words were not audible.

"What he has for us, and how much we cannot even think-no more than a babe just born can think of all the glories of this world. As if all his love were not enough to look forward to ' My God shall supply all your need. Paul was not afraid to look forward, nor Stephen, when he saw who was on the right hand of God. 'Look unto Me'-there is no one else to look to. No wonder it is dreary to look ahead and and not see him; no wander that heart been in many strange places, in prisons, and flesh fail with looking down, and in hospitals, and have seen many strange not up. Who would not grow weary with looking into emptiness or unsatis-

"But troubles and disappointments | Herald.

-" began John, confusedly. "There is no cross if our self-will is subdued. When we desire only His will, there is nothing to disappoint, for shut. Some people live sixty years his will must be done on earth. There are no fears or foes that Jesus has not conquered for us. We have no fear. for it is our Father's good pleasure to give us the kingdom-not then, but temporaneous speaker; an orator of the now, the righteousness and peace and

but eloquent, grandly eloquent, in the and peace, but as we can bear, he will give, I wonder if you and I, John, to-day ?"

John did not speak, but as he passed his mother he laid his hand upon her shoulder very tenderly .- Sunday-School Times.

GREAT RIVER FROM A LIT-TLE RILL.

A Welsh clergyman asked a little girl for the text of his last sermon. The child gave no answer; she only wept. He ascertained that she had no Bible in which to look for the text. And this led him to inquire whether her parents and neighbors had Bibles : and this led to that meeting in London, in 1804, of a few devoted Christians, to devise means to supply the poor of Wales with the Bible, the grand issue of which was the formation of the British and Foreign Bible Society-a society which has already distributed more than fifteen million copies of the Bible, its issues now reaching nearly one million five hundred thousand annually. And this, in turn, led to the formation of the American Bible Society, and to the whole beautiful cluster of sister institutions throughout the world, which are so many trees of life, scattering the golden fruits of immortality among all nations of the earth. This mighty river, so deep, so broad, so far-reaching in its mighty branches, we may trace back to the tears of that little girl. " Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth !" -Read's Hand of God in History. 

### MIND WHOM YOU MARRY.

In marrying make your own match; do not marry a man to get rid of him : or to oblige him, or to save him. The out you will quite as likely go with you and perhaps drag you along. Do not marry in haste, lest you repent at leisure. Do not marry for a home and a living. Do not let aunts, fathers, or mothers, sell you for money or position in bondage, tears, and life-long misery, which you must endure. Place not yourself habitually in the hands of any suitor until you have decided the ques- course of his experiments he introduced until it is too late. Get away from their influence, settle your head, and make up your mind alone. Do not trust your happiness in the keeping of one who has no heart, no head, no health. Shun the man who ever gets intoxicated. Do not rush thoughtlessly into wedded life, contrary to the counsel of friends. Love can wait; that which cannot wait is of a very different character.

"Are you a Christian?" said Mr. Moody, to a gentleman whose appearance was much too cheerful for the enquiryroom if he were a penitent. "Ob, yes, believe the Bible ?" " Oh, no! no! I don't "The Unabridged?" "O yes, I believe voted but quick-witted evangelist," "Webster says an infidel is one who does not believe the Bible. You had better read it more faithfully and call yourself by Irish editor that exclaimed, when speakyour right name." This reminds us of a quaint member, formerly of the New York Conference, of whom many very amusing traditions have been preserved. In a season of revival he asked a person whom he met, who said he was not a Christian, if he did not desire to have his soul saved? The man, in response, assured him that he did not beleive he had a soul! "Have you any objection to my praying for you?" "O no!" was the answer. Down upon his knees went Bro. F--. "O God," he said, "We have men and wonderful sights; but we never saw a man without a soul before. Be pleased to bless this poor wretched creature, with only a gizzard !"--Zion's

A HAPPY MAN.—Blessed is the man who knows enough to keep his mouth without learning the art. Indeed, the older they grow, the wider their mouths open. A man or a woman who is a gabbler at forty-five is a dreadful affliction to a house, a Church, or a community. There are two things this age needs to learn-when to say nothing, and when mertally speaking, brought him then at once into immediate relations with the actions with the critics of the schools would call faults, the righteousness and peace and joy of it. Why should we look for ward to what we may have now, to-day? gious, and bridleth not his tongue, that when the critics of the schools would call faults, we cannot bear too much of the joy.

LAST week's New York Evangelist says: "The Methodist Churches on the East side of this city held a Conference have all that he is willing to give us on Tuesday last in regard to the financial condition of several of their num. ber. Things were found to be much better than they had been reported. But they dermined to make common cause and put them all out of danger. This is the true spirit. It is what we would expect the Methodists to do, and it would be well if all the other denominations would go and do likewise. A long pull, a strong pull, and a pull al together, is wnat is wanted in these trying times."

> Some time since a fine, tall young man was convicted of willful murder, and lay under sentence of death. When his mother visited him in his cell, he turned around and said to her, "If it had not been for you I never should have been here."

She replied, "I'm sure I never told you to do any harm." With awful emphasis he rejoined

"I'm sure you never told me to do any

#### PLEASANTRIES.

An old lady thinks that a good many of our modern "songs" thoroughly de serve to be "strains."

"Now then," said the school inspector, "where did the Cyclops live?" Pupil: "Please sir, they lived in Cyclo-

A Western editor met a well-educated farmer recently, and informed him that he would like to have something from his pen. The farmer sent him a a pig, and charged him 9 dol, 75 cents

"My dear," said a gentleman to his wife, "our new club is going to have all the home comforts," "Indeed," sneered the wife; "and when, pray is our home to have all the club comforts.'

A COLORED preacher in Alabama puts his foot on excessive bribery at elections and crushes it. " Dis ting," he says, "ob gittin \$100 for a vote is all wrong, \$10 is as much as it's

THE first time Jerrold saw a celebrated song-writer, the latter said to him, "Youngster, have you sufficient confidence in me to lend me a guinea ?" "O, yes," said Jerrold, "I've all the confidence, but I haven't the guinea."

THE POWER OF ATTRACTION ... Professor Smythe was lecturing in Ossipee on Natural Philosophy, and in the tion of marriage; human wills are weak, and people often become bewildered and do not know their error one of Carrington's most powerful magnets, with which he attracted a block of iron from a distance of two feet. 'Can any of you conceive a greater attractive power?" the lecturer demanded. "I ken," answered a voice from the audience. "Not a natural terrestial object, I opine." "Yaas, sir !" The professor challenged the man who had spoken to name the thing. Then up rose old Seth Wimlet. He was a genius in his way, and original. Said he: "I ken give ye the facts, squire, an' ye ken judge for yourself. When I were a young man, thar were a little piece of nateral magnet, done up in kaliker an' dimity, as was called Betsy Jane. She could draw me fourteen miles every Sunday. Snakes alive, it were jest as nateral as slidin' down hill! Thar wan't no resistin' her. That 'ere magnet o' yourn is pooty good, but 'taint a circumstance to the one 'at draw'd me. No. sir!"-Am. Paper.

IRISH BULLS .- The Irish, rightly or wrongly, get credit for almost all the bulls that go the rounds of the papers. It was an Irishman who wanted to find a place where there was no death, that he might end his days there. It was an ing of the wrongs of Ireland, "Her cup of misery has been for ages overflowing, and is not yet full." It was an Irish newspaper that said of Robespierre that "he left no children behind him except a brother, who was killed at the same time." It was an Irish hand-bill that announced, with boundless liberalityin reference to a great political demon, stration in the Rotunda, that ladies without distinction of sex would be welcome. Sir Boyle Roche said-" Single misfortunes never come alone, and the greatest of all possible misfortunes is generally followed by a much greater." An eminent spirit-merchant in Dublin announces in an Irish paper, that he has still a small quantity of the whiskey on hand which was drunk by George IV. when in Dublin.

Punch, some time ago, published the following as a tea-song sung by a Chinese lady to Queen Victoria. It looks rather difficult at first, but if closely studied, the reader will find Chinese quite easy to read. We are inclined to think that a great deal of what passes for learning owes its dignity only to the obscurity of its words:

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WE may things wo God does to believe child-Go about fifty miles.

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der of solid wrought iron. The rest is

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The first trip of the Northern Light

demonstrated her ability to overcome

the heavy ice flows of Northumberland

Strait, and to make good progress

through continuous fields of unbroken

ice nearly a foot thick. The only ac-

cident occurred in a narrow channel

near Pictou Island, crowded with heavy

floes: in charging an unusually heavy

mass of ice, the iron cutwater was torn

from its bolts by the shock but no other

damage was done. A correspondent of

the Tribune reports the incidents of the

first trip at considerable length, and is

"We had done what no man has

done before. We had sailed in mid-

winter across the Straight of Northum-

land, and shown that with proper ap-

pliances men may defy the ice blockade

which for nearly two centuries has shut

out Prince Edward's Island from trafic

with the outer world. And if the nar-

row strait can be crossed, it follows

that the wider waters of the Gulf can

be more easily penetrated to ports like

Gaspé, Richibucto and Miramichi.

With these connected with Halifax,

Cape Breton, or Newfoundland, by a

line of powerful ironclad steamers, the

present isolation of Canada will be ex-

changed for an uninterrupted and pro-

fitable, although limited, winter com-

merce. Who can say that Louisburg's

deserted harbor, or Placentia's squalid

haven may not yet become of renewed

importance as the depot of the win-

ter exports of the Dominion-Scientific

An extraordinary story is related con-

cerning a butcher living in Franklin,

Mass. Early one morning he went to

inspect his ice-chest, but suddenly the

door swung to and the spring-lock

fastened. The man found himself a

prisoner in a very small room, of icy

temperature, and with to means of

escape. All efforts to make himself

heard were in vain. Strange to say-

so the story goes—the butcher's son

dreamed a dream during impressed

with it. He dreamed that his father

had been suffocated in the ice-chest.

Not finding his father in the morning,

he immediately went to the ice-chest,

unlocked it, and discovered the appear-

ently dead body of his father. Some

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hours elapsed before the unfortunate prisoner was restored to consciousness. WE may not be able to see how " all things work together for our good. God does not require us to see it, but to believe. The mother sees for her child-God for her,

A LESSON IN ARCTIC NAVIGAings suffers no abatement. Large deleor a number of years an enterprisgations have continued to come from adjoining towns. The noon meetings Canadian, Mr. E. W. Sewell, of fill about two-thirds of the chairs and Levis, has maintained the possibility of safely and profitably navigating the icebound waters of the St. Lawrence river the great hall is crowded to its utmost and gulf in the winter, thus practically capacity. The best work is perhaps acovercoming the hitherto unbroken complished at the separate afternoons meetings for men and women, blockade of Canadian ports during half of each year. After long and strenuous and for boys. Miss Willard is doing excellent work leading the devotions and efforts, he succeeded last year in persuading the Dominion Parliament to labors among the women. The most subsidize a line of mail steamers for striking services are those held in behalf of the intemperate. A protracted winter service, and proceeded to build effort in this direction was held on Friand equip a vessel for the arduous day last. A breakfast and a lunch work. The steamer was completed, were provided at the Tabernacle for and her first trip successfully made about the middle of January, between Pictou, Nova Scotia, and Georgetown, Prince Edward's Island, a distance of

THE interest in the Tabernacle meet-

this class, and between one and two hundred sat down to them, a delegation of the characteristic North End vagabonds among them. Rev. L. B. Bates led the speaking on the occasion. The "Northern Light," as the pion A meeting of several hours' duration eer navigator of Canadian ice floes has was held in the afternoon, and very afbeen named, is a small but powerful fecting experiences were related in propeller of 400 tons register, 145 feel rough but significant language by inin length, and 25 feet beam. She is temperate men who had commenced a driven by a pair of compound engines life of prayer. There is no questioning of 700 horse power, and is immensely as to the value and blessedness of the strong, her horse power per foot of diswork that is now done in this direction placement being greater, it is said, than by the Tabernacle workers. " Do you that of any other vessel of the kind. see that man?" said one of the regular Her screw is twelve feet in diameter, leaders of the meetings, directing our nineteen and a half feet pitch, and well eyes to a quiet, cleanly person, intently submerged, it being intended, as a prolistening at the praise meeting. "It tection against ice, that at least four was as much as four of us could do, a feet of water shall in all cases cover the week or two since, to carry him out of upper blades. Her draught varies the Tabernacle, howling and cursing, from eight forward to sixteen feet aft, perfectly insane with liquor. New he to enable her to ride upon and break is eager to do all in his power to save down the ice floes as well as crush them others, and bear his constant testimony by her momentum. Very little iron in the meetings for men." This week was used in her construction, except a the convention for the consideration of planking four and a half inches thick topics of immediate and practical interfor fourteen feet abaft her stern, a two

BLUE GLASS IN A NUT SHELL.

the part of Christians. For this, ear-

nest prayer is constantly offered .-

paper. In the evenings, Mr. Moody

will preach as usual. There is no ques-

as to the influence of the work upon

the surrounding towns. A revival spir-

it is everywhere announced, and con-

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General Pleasonton's blue glass theory is assailed by the Scientific American. His idea that electricity is generated by the passage of light though the glass is declared to be absurd. Nor have colored rays any beneficial effects on life, the reverse rather being the truth, as a pure, white light is best The only good that can possibly come of blue glass is in its use as a shade for decreasing the intensity of solar light .- New York Sun.

Make the bridge from the eradle to manhood just as long as you can. Leave your child a child as long as you canespecially if you live in a city. Be not in haste to force your child into premature development by intelligence, or by any thing else. Let it be a child, and not a little ape of a man running about the town.—Spurgeon.

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### THEOLOGY.

Jope's Theology, Watson's Institutes Fernley Lectures, Treffry's Sonship of Christ, Butler's Analogy, Chalmer's Natural Theology, Fairbairn's Typology of the Scriptures, McCesh on the Method of est among Christian workers is held the Divine Government, Rawlinson's Historical Evidences, Liddon's Bampton Lec-Wednesday and Thursday, forenoon tures on the Divinity of Christ, Farrar's History of Free Thought, Bushnell's Naand afternoon, as announced in our last ture and Supernatural, Young's Christ of History, R. Payne Smith's Prophecy a Preparation for Christ, Ecce Deus.

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#### MARRIED.

On the 28th February, at the Parish Church Ashton-on-Mersey, England, by the Rev. Joseph Ray, Assisted by the Rev. Arthur Jones, Samuel M. Brookfield, of Halifax, N.S., to Annic, youngest daughter of George Waites, Esq., of Manchester.

#### DIED.

On the 10th inst,, at Arcadia, Mrs. Moulton aged 89 years. Sister Moulton was for many years a consistent and respectable member of the Metho-dist Church, and died in "sure and certain hope of a resurrection unto eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

At Granville, on the 5th inst., after a protracted illness, which he bore with great resignation to the Divine will, Mr. Major Remson, aged 45 years. By the death of Bro. Remson, the Methodist Church at Granville Ferry has lost a consistent and useful

At Darlington, England, on the 25th ult., James Steel, aged 23, brother of the Rev. George Steel. At the "Home of the Aged," on Saturday, the 24th inst., after a short illness, Mrs. Margaret Welsh, of Guysboro', in the 80th year of her age.

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