

We give insertion, with much pleasure to a brief communication from our esteemed brother J. W. Barss, Esq., on the subject of Home Missions, and are glad to see something like a feasible plan put before our churches for their consideration.

Whether the precise programme given in his letter should be adopted, need not be the question at present. Those suggestions certainly contain, however, the leading principles on which any efficient organization for enlarging and sustaining our Domestic Missions must be formed.

It is very shortly approaching when the means of travelling and communication between all parts of the province by steam, will be vastly accelerated. It certainly greatly concerns, not only the best interests of our own denomination, but of the whole community, that we as well as others should place ourselves in a position to take every advantage of such facilities in our efforts to enlarge the bounds of gospel truth; especially in the destitute parts of the Province.

Great efforts are being made, and numerous meetings held in London and other parts of England, to compel the ministry to modify or reduce the Income Tax, which notwithstanding the cessation of the war, for the support of which it was originally imposed, is still continued, bearing most heavily on many of the middling and industrial classes, to an extent very unequal and injurious.

By recent accounts from China it appears that a Scotch Missionary, a Mr. Burns, had been arrested while distributing the Scriptures and tracts in the interior.

having been put to death. The insurrection in that vast Empire is still subsisting, although not in a very active form at present, both parties appearing to have become exhausted.

The American Congress, now in Session, have by a large majority passed a Resolution declaring their abhorrence of any attempted renewal of the Slave trade. The contest which is most likely to engross the chief attention of the Session, springing out of the Kansas question has not yet come on.

There have been very destructive gales on the coast of England with large loss of shipping.

Telegraphic Despatch.

Merchant's Reading Room, January 12, 1857. Steamship Asia arrived at New York this afternoon. She brings dates from Liverpool to 27th ult. Cotton market buoyant. Breadstuffs firm. Flour market—prices have an upward tendency.

General Intelligence.

Foreign and Domestic.

ANOTHER RIOT on the Windsor railway took place, on New Year's Day, between one small party of Irishmen and another of Scotchmen, in which the former were worsted. As there was a prospect of hostilities being renewed on a large scale, the contractor under whom all the beholders were employed, discharged the whole of them.

The Recorder says:—We learn that order has been restored, and that Mr. Cameron, the contractor under whom the rioters were employed has taken them all back to work again at an abatement of sixpence a day upon their wages. A masterly stroke of financial policy.

Hon. Attorney General delivered his address to the Jury on the trial of Hill vs. the British Government, on Monday and Tuesday. Hon. Mr. Johnston commenced his address on Tuesday afternoon, and is expected to occupy the whole of this day.

The City Council has voted £100 to the soldiers who assisted at the late fire.

A Barn belonging to Widow McNab, Eastern Passage, Dartmouth, was burned to the ground on Tuesday last. Loss about £400. No insurance.

Melvern Square, Wilmet.

A PUBLIC MEETING was held, pursuant to notice previously given in a section of Upper Wilmet, on the 3rd inst., for the purpose of naming the District. Rev. Charles Tupper was chosen Chairman, and Bro. H. Boyd Magee, Secretary.

On Motion of Mr. Enoch Gates, seconded by Mr. Wm. Nichols, Resolved—That the bounds of the District be determined.

On Motion of Mr. Wells Condon, seconded by Mr. Nathaniel Parker. Resolved—That the bounds be as follows:—Commencing at the Walker Bridge, on the County line, and running North by said line to the North Eastern corner of the Farm owned and occupied by John ———, Esq., thence Westward the course of the lines to the new Road on the West side of the Vault; thence South along said Road; thence East to the place of commencement.

On Motion of Mr. H. Boyd Magee, seconded by Mr. Wm. Gates. Resolved—That this District of Wilmet be named, and henceforth designated, Melvern Square.

On Motion of Beniah Spinney, Esq., duly seconded, Resolved—That copies of the proceedings of this Meeting be forwarded for insertion in the Christian Messenger, and the Wesleyan, with request that other Papers will please copy.

(Signed) CHARLES TUPPER—Chairman. H. BOYD MAGEE—Secretary.

Melvern Square, Wilmet, Jan. 3rd, 1857.

P. S.—It will be perceived from the above authentic statement, that the notice recently given, of the naming of this locality, by an anonymous writer, was not correct.

A Gentleman at Voglers Cove, has for this some time past been selling Rum without any legal authority to do so, to the great annoyance of many of his neighbours.

East Port Medway, Dec. 30th, 1856. RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—A number of laborers, on the railway, near Windsor, were on Tuesday last, burned or partly so, by the falling in of a bank of earth.

There was also a report of a Jesuit Missionary

Letters Received.

J. W. Hart, Esq. E. Dodge, 22nd. Rev. W. G. Goucher, 16th. Rev. R. W. Cunningham, 23rd, 2 subs. £2. J. W. Barss, Esq. 27th and 3rd. Rev. C. Tupper, Dec. 26th, 2 subs. £3; 2nd Inst. £3. and 7th £1. G. V. Rand, 29th, £1. Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, 30th. Rev. Jas. Stevens, 30th and 5th, 12s. 6d. J. Whitman, 27s. 6d. A. Chipman, 27th. H. N. Paint, 26th, 1 sub. 10s. H. Starratt, 27th. Rev. W. Burton, 8th, 20s. Rev. J. Chase, 30s. 6d. &c. N. T. Harris, 5th. Rev. H. Angell, 2nd. A. Whitman, 2nd, 20s.—old bal. against S. T. appears to be 18s. 6d.—Is that right? G. B. Muir, Esq. 2nd, 10s. Rev. J. C. Hurd, 2nd,—all right. J. Madir, 2nd, 20s. Rev. J. Newcomb, 2nd, 20s. Rev. O. Chute, 5th. Rev. A. Martell. S. Hunt, 5th, 25s. Rev. Obed Parker, £2. Joseph Marsters, 2nd, £2. Rev. J. C. Morse, 16th, 35s. and 2nd, 20s. S. Webb. G. Harpell. W. H. Everett, 1st, £3. B. B. Moses, 29th. W. Churchill, Esq. 31st, 20s. A. Marshall, 2 subs. 2nd, £3. and 5th, £2. Rev. A. Shiels, C. E. Slocomb, 29th, 10s. I. Thurber, 2nd, 45s. W. F. Cutten, Esq. Dec. 20th, and 3rd, Inst., 10 subs. 25s. C. D. Randall, 3rd. C. Jost, Esq. Dec. 12th, £4, and 20th, £2. J. Margeson, 27th, 12s. 6d. Rev. S. T. Rand, 5th, 20s. J. Foster, 2nd, 1 sub. Rev. N. Vidito, 5th. W. Eaton, Esq. 6th, £2. D. Palfrey, 3rd, 10s. 3d. C. Longille, 1st, 20s. J. Gammon, 5th, 12s. 6d. A. Davidson, 3rd, 20s. P. Corkum, Esq. 29th, 32s. 6d. W. S. Raymond, 5th, 20s. Rev. S. W. DeBlow, 7th. W. Johnson, Esq. 2nd, £5. A. Woodworth, 5th.—All right. S. Wheelock, 2nd, 1 sub. Z. P. Armstrong, Dec. 30th. Rev. A. W. Barss, 1st. M. Ross, 24th, £2.

We would gladly add to the above, that, as usual, "all the directions therein given have been attended to," but having been surrounded with the debris of furniture, books, &c., &c., saved from the fire, we have been able only to open these very welcome communications, ascertain their contents, and add the new subscribers to our list.

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NOTICES.

DOMESTIC, GAELIC, FRENCH, MICMAC, AND FOREIGN MISSION.

Received for the above object, from Mrs. Susan Blair Dimock, £5 0 0 The above is a bride's gift—consecrated on the evening of her marriage to the cause of God—a good example. Also from Mrs. A. Blair, £1 0 0

Onslow, Dec. 30th, 1856. D. W. C. DIMOCK.

At a meeting of the Western Home Mission Board held at Hebron Dec. 9th, the following appointments were made, viz.—Rev. R. S. Morton, 10 weeks mission to Port George, and from Chute's Cove along the shore to Digby. Brother S. B. Kempton, Licentiate 4 weeks to Barrington and Wood's Harbour.

HENRY ANGELL, Sec. There will be an adjourned meeting of the Governors of Acadia College in the College Library on Wednesday the 11th day of February next at 11 o'clock a. m. A full attendance is earnestly requested.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec. Wolfville, Jan 7th, 1857.

Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. CORRECTED FOR THE WEEK ENDING JAN. 13. Bread, Navy, per cwt. 22s. 6d. a 30s. Flour, per bbl. 40s. Beef, Prime, Ca. 40s. Butter, Canada, per lb. 1s. Coffee, Laguira, 9d. a 10d. Sugar, Bright P. R., per cwt. 27s. 6d.

PRICES AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, JAN. 14.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Fresh Beef, per cwt. 35s. a 45s. Oatmeal, 17s. 6d. a 18s. Pork, Fresh, per lb. 5 1/2. Lamb, 3d. a 4d. Butter, 1s. 2d. a 1s. 3d. Eggs, per dozen, 1s. 8d. Potatoes, per bushel, 2s. 6d.

NO FAMILY SHOULD BE WITHOUT THEM.

We speak of M'Lane's Liver Pills, prepared by Fleming Bros., Pittsburgh, Pa., which have become an indispensable Family Medicine. The frightful symptoms which arise from a diseased Liver manifest themselves, more or less, in every family; dyspepsia, sick headache, obstruction of the menses, ague and fever, pains in the side, with dry, hacking cough, are all the results of hepatic derangement—and for these Dr. M'Lane's Pills are a sovereign remedy. They have never been known to fail, and they should be kept at all times by families.

DIRECTIONS.—Take two or three going to bed, every second or third night. If they do not purge two or threetimes by next morning, take one or two more. A slight breakfast should invariably follow their use. The Liver Pills may also be used where purging is simply necessary. As an anti-bilious purgative, they are inferior to none. And in doses of two or three, they give astonishing relief to sick headache; also in slight derangements of the stomach.

Purchasers will be careful to ask for DR. M'LANE'S CELEBRATED LIVER PILLS, manufactured by FLEMING BROS., of PITTSBURGH, PA. There are other Pills purporting to be Liver Pills, now before the public. Dr. M'Lane's genuine Liver Pills, also his celebrated Vermifuge, can now be had at all respectable drug stores. None genuine without the signature of FLEMING BROS.

Sold in Halifax, by JOHN NALYON, and WILLIAM LANGLEY.

THE DEAD RESTORED TO LIFE.—A few years ago it was generally supposed that gray hair could not be restored to its original color, or made to grow on bald heads; but since the advent of Professor Wood's Hair Restorative, many persons who dyed years ago are now seen daily in the various walks of life, appearing in all the vigor of youth, wearing their own dark flowing locks, simply from having used this great Restorative. —[Louisville times.]

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Another astonishing cure of an Ulcerated Ankle by these Remedies.—Henry Todd, of St. Andrews, suffered from an ulcerated ankle for 14 years, he was a complete cripple with it, and was considered beyond human help; however finding none of his medical advisers could benefit him, he determined to see what Holloway's Ointment and Pills would do, and instead of spending any more of his fortune in consulting medical men he purchased a few pots of Holloway's Ointment, and a few boxes of Holloway's Pills, and these two remedies in seven weeks made him a thoroughly healthy man, his ankle was completely cured, and he now can walk better than ever he has been able for the last fifteen years.

Married.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 1st, by the Rev. S. N. Beatty, Mr. Lewis Estano, to Mary Catharine, daughter of Mr. Joseph Hutchins all of this city.

At Halifax on the 27th Nov., by the Rev. Archdeacon Willis, Mr. William Graham, to Marcelina Mabony, both of Antigonish.

At the Mission house, Dec. 11th, by Rev. O. Chute, Mr. Hiram Roberts, to Miss Martha Nickerson, both of Argyle.

At Hantsport, at the residence of the bride's father, by W. Burton, Jan. 1, 1857, Mr. George W. Churchill, Merchant, eldest son of E. Churchill Esq., M. P. F. to Miss Susannah, second daughter of Capt. Robert Davison.

At Buckfield on 25th inst., by Rev. A. Martell, Mr. Thomas A. Turner, to Miss Mary Ann Wynough. Also Mr. Cyrus Wynough, to Miss Elizabeth Noggler, all of Buckfield Queens Co.

At Yarmouth, by the Rev Henry Angell, Nov. 27th, Mr. Joseph W. Crowell, to Jane, youngest daughter of Mr. Thomas Brown, both of Yarmouth. Also Dec. 23, Mr. Zebina S. Goudey, of Yarmouth, to Miss Almira A. Welch, of Westport.

By Rev. C. Tupper, at the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 25th, Mr. Benjamin Phinney, to Miss Mary Ann, second daughter of Mr. George Burns, all of Upper Wilmet.

By Rev. C. Tupper, at the residence of the bride's father, in Tremont, on the 1st inst., Mr. Joseph Dimock Goucher of Upper Wilmet, to Miss Martha Saunders, daughter of Mr. David Saunders, of Aylesford.

On the 24th inst., by the Rev. Obed Parker, Capt. Henry Cosby, to Miss Catharine Cosby, both of Hillsburgh.

By the Rev. N. Vidito, at Wilmet, on the 25th Dec. Mr. Asa Morse, to Henrietta, daughter of Mr. George Bishop, of Annapolis.

By the Rev. A. W. Barss, on the 23rd Dec., at the house of the bride's father, Mr. Elkannah Freeman, to Miss Rocksianna Harlow, both of Kempt. By the same, on the same evening, at the house of Mrs. Luther Ledbetter, Mr. Allen Harlow, to Miss Aaroneth Johnston, both of North Brookfield. By the same, on the 24th Dec., at the house of the bride's father, Mr. Thomas Hunt, to Miss Sarah Ann Christopher, both of South Brookfield.

On the 10th of Dec., by the Rev. J. C. Morse, Mr. Allen Cornwell, of Digby Neck, to Miss Maria Buckman, of Long Island. Also, by the same, at Prince William on Nov. 1st, Mr. Charles Taylor, of Digby, to Miss Sarah Ann Bishop, of the same place. By the same, on Dec. 25th, Capt. Samuel Saunders, to Miss Adelaide second daughter of John Eldridge, Esq., of P. Wm. At Front Cove, on Dec. 31st, by the same, Mr. Willoughby Sabean, of Weymouth, to Miss Thira Homes, of Digby Neck. At Prince William on Jan. 1st, Mr. William Burns, to Miss Paulina, daughter of William Saunders, Esq., all of Prince William.

Died.

On Wednesday morning, 7th inst., James N. Shan non, Esq., of this city in the 69th year of his age. At Clarence, on the 31st of Dec., of malignant sore throat, Margaret Ann, consort of Mr. Robert Marshall, a nd daughter of Mr. John Shaffer, in the 33th year of her age.—(Obituary Notice shall appear.)

At Clarence, on the 11th ult., Sarah, the beloved wife of William Marshall, Esq., aged 69 years. She leaves a large number of relatives to mourn their loss.

At Boston, Mass., on the 15th ult., Howard D. Marshall, eldest son of Mr. Asaph Marshall, of Paradise Annapolis Co., aged 25 years. In full assurance of a blessed immortality.

At Clarence, on the 31st ult., after a few days sickness, Margaret Ann, wife of Mr. Robert Marshall. She leaves a kind husband, and six small children to mourn their loss. Since that period she has evinced by her life, a strong attachment to the cause of God. Religion with her was the one thing needful. This she proved by her daily walk, and her constant attendance on the means of Grace. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

At Aylesford on the 11th ult., Anna Jane, only child of Remben and Catharine Hillard, aged 17 months. At Givan Wharf, Cornwallis, Dec. 20th, Mrs. Hannah, wife of Mr. Wesley Milbury, in the 66th year of her age, leaving a husband and 6 children to mourn their loss.