He could tell them of a plot, formed at Washnosed it, since it became the organ of a new

will betray you. You cannot trust to politicians. They are all alike. From his experience, he would, if he might presume to advise, counsel

The motion was then taken, and it passed We extract the following items of information

MAINE.-The following, from the Portland Journal and Enquirer, of the 4th of December, is a sample of the sad effects of the repeal of the Prohibitory Law :-

"Under the present free rum law, Intemperance flows on apace. For years, Portland has not seen so much drinking and intemperance. It is truly startling, and still there is nothing done by our city authorities to prevent it."

When urged to enforce the License Law, the Mayor said he could do nothing. The Temperance men would do nothing to assist in enforcing the present law.

The responsibility which rests upon the present administration is awful and vast. But the same will rest upon the friends of Temperance, if as to be enacted a law of downright Prohibition.

VERMONT.—The legislature of this State, at its late session, " tightened its screws" on the quor traffic. They added three important sections to their already stringent Prohibitory Law. The first makes any officer who refuses to perform his duty in the way of executing the law, indictable in a sum from \$20 to \$100. The second makes a State's Attorney indictable in a sum from \$300 to \$500; the third makes any milroad or express agent, or other carrier, indictable for carrying liquor to be sold contrary to the statute, indictable in the sum of \$20 and eosts, for the first offence, and \$50 and costs, and from 3 to 10 months' imprisonment for the second offence. These are all admirable improvements in the law, and will greatly increase

NEW JERSEY .- At the annual session of the Sons of Temperance, 22nd October, the G. W. P. said :

That the cause of Prohibition is receding or becoming unpopular we most emphatically deny, but we declare confidently, that in our candid

Liquor Law."

4. Stacy, Grand Scribe of Canada West

and good man; zealous and upright.

I am so busy that I scarce know what to commence first; but I feel thankful that our noble

NEW BRUNSWICK .- Of the restored litense law, the Fredericton Reporter says :-

The records of the St. John Police Court, espective of Postland, exhibit a list of 32 cases of drunkenness, in 7 days! Is it too much to sumate that 5,000 persons were restectably drunk in Saint John during the same period? What a beautiful examplification of the MORAL-

Correspondence.

For the Christian Messenger.

Privileges of Life Members and Directors of the American and Foreign Bible

year current the value of one dollar, and each life Director the value of two dollars and a half

ington, by leading politicians, to crush out the nate circulation of the Sacred Scriptures. The Temperance reform. Some of our former thing we believe leads directly to a disregard of shich used to advocate Prohibition, but has op- facts upon this point that we cannot mistake. There are however many persons within the party. It made the heart of many a good man circle of the friends of this society,—such as orphans, apprentices, servants, boatmen, stage-As soon as a man becomes a party leader he drivers, and the like, not to mention scholars and teachers in Sabbath-schools and Bible-classes, who would appreciate the Bible all the more because bestowed as a gift. It was with this this Society to press that fourth Resolution, if no benevolent and charitable object in view that the society adopted the above rule.

The Board however have met with embarrasswithout more than one, if any, dissentient voice. ment in their endeavors to carry out their benevolent object. Those wishing to avail themselves of the privilege of the above rule were found in many cases to reside remotely from the Depository. The Board therefore in this exigency made the temporary experiment of creating local depositories for this object, but found it to be attended with confusion and considerable additional expence, while it made provision, after all, but for only the few, comparatively in the immediate vicinity where such depositories were located. They have therefore been under the necessity of making arrangements for this matter through our collecting agents, who, at stated times, are found in all parts of their respective fields, and with whom a supply of scriptures is deposited for this purpose. Life Members and Directors therefore of the American and Foreign soon as the Legislature meets, they do not cause Bible Society can hereafter receive their annual quota of Scriptures according to the above rule by personal application, or better by written House, 117 Nassau Street, New York, or to any of our collecting Agents.

HORACE T. LOVE, Cor. Sec'y.

For the Christian Messenger. Revival at Ohio, Yarmouth.

DEAR BROTHER,

I am happy to inform you, that the Lord has been pleased once more to visit my church with a gracious effusion of his Holy Spirit. During the last two months, we had lively meetings and some indications that the coming of the Lord was drawing nigh. At the same time, my mind was much depressed, on account of the low state of religion, and the perishing condition of my fellow-men. Having concluded tohold a series of religious meetings, we obtained the aid of our ministering brethren Delong, Stubbert and Angel. They came to our assistance "in the fullness of belief, it is in reality taking a deeper hold on the blessing of the gospel of Christ," and their the hearts and consciences of the people than preaching was attended with much spiritual unction and power. Brethren from other church-CANADA .- The annual session of the Grand es, my own people likewise, came up willingly, Division of the Sons of Temperance, Canada and gave very profitable words of exhortation, West was held on the 22d October; sixty or warning and encouragement. As a consequence eventy representatives present, representing of this united effort, the Lord poured out of his 359 subordinate Divisions, and a mempership of | Spirit upon us and made a willing people in his 10,065. The Division has money in hand, in- day of power. A Divine influence rested upon cluding investments to the amount of twenty-five our assembly. The hearts of believers were thousand dollars. They resolved to send no made glad. Many of our young people were more petitions to the present Parliament; but deeply convinced of sin. Thirteen persons gave at the next election they " will labor head and themselves to the Lord and followed him in the leart to return the candidates whom we believe ordinance of Baptism, two of whom are above firm in principle as well as firm in profession to sixty years of age. There are many more, who, be in favor of the enactment of a Prohibitory | we hope, will shortly take up the Saviour's easy yoke and find rest to their souls.

May the Lord continue to bless us, and may he be pleased to visit all the churches with a simi-We had a spirited and unanimous meeting. lar blessing. I write this notice, shiefly, to en-Our G. W. P. elect is a devoted Temperance courage my fellow-servants in the gospel. Let no faithful minister of Christ be discouraged. The Lord is still in Zion, and does most certainly Order in Canada West exhibits such vitality and bless the labours of those who seek his glory and the salvation of their fellow-men.

> I remain, Dear Brother, Yours in Christ, JAMES REID.

Ohio, Yarmouth, Jan. 20th, 1857.

For the Christian Messenger.

OBITUARY NOTICES. PRISCILLA CHURCHILL.

MR. EDITOR,

The Village Grave Yard on this little Ocean

bend over our low graves.

four weeks ago preceded her to this last and warm attachment to the church of Christ, and quiet resting place, (a notice of which appears though no doubt darkness often covered his mind, tives and friends, over whose graves, stand wiles, yet that hope, "sure and steadfast," reblocks of marble, as so many sentinels, to warn mained as an anchor to the soul. But behold,

introducing a brief portion of the history of our and He took him home. Sister, which had a deep influence on her after- About midnight Dec. 21st, 1856, the spirit gently life—even to the verge of death.

and eight children. Mr. C. for many years moon to shine on it: for the glory of God lightens had been engaged in mercantile pursuits, and if, and the Lamb is the light thereof." had acquired a competence for himself and fami- Deceased was happy in the prespect of death, entered that domicile, and the father fell a vic- earth. Methinks it was that peace in the soul,-Clerk of this Church) was called to follow, in up in stere. two beloved sisters are lying side by side in that you to come: Grieve not the Hely Spirit.

Our Sister whose name stands at the head of this memoir, was early in life brought under the influence of Divine grace, whilst the glow of childhood and beauty was yet upon her cheek, and the future of earth full of golden promises, our gentle friend forsook the vanity so natural to her years, to become a disciple of the Saviour, through the agency of the Rev. S. Bently, whilst on a Mission to this Island; and shortly and united with the Church, of which she con- relatives to mourn their loss.

tinued a worthy member till death. king of terrors, she was enabled, to say,

> "Let sickness, blast, and death devour, If heaven may recompence my pain, Perish the grass and fade the flower If firm the word of God remain."

She was wonderfully sustained during her whole illness, and frequently spoke of her exit contending with the king of terrors, requested has gone to be forever with the Lord. her friends to sing that favourite melody,

" Joyfully, joyfully, onward we go, Bound for the land of bright spirits above, Pilgrim and stranger no longer I roam, Joyfully, joyfully, shall I go home."

As they were not able to sing she commenced and sang herself,

"Friends foudly cherished have passed on before, Waiting they wa ch me approaching the shore, Singing to cheer me through death's chilly gloom, Joyfully, joyfully, shall I go home."

She gave directions concerning her funeral, requesting the Choir from Lewis Head Church, to sing at her funeral, which request was acceded to by them.. The mournful occasion was improved by the writer, from the 2 Peter, 3, 14. "Beloved seeing ye look for such things be deligent"-to a very large and solemn congregation, the new chapel being quite full. The Rev. Benjamin Scott was present and took part do otherwise, for it is my nature and property, in the services. Thus died Priscilla in the 23rd but this my property, and the light I give, year of her age. "Let me die the death of the of myself, and I do not call it mine" So likerighteous."

WILLIAM HOBBS.

WILLIAM E. SMITH, AGED 22.

"The grass withereth and the flower fadeth." Isle, is not without its loveliness. A little re- In the bright spring time of youth we strew the moved from the noise and the bustle of the vil- the long life path with fairy flowers; our ever lage, contigious to the New Chapel-both of soaring imagination brings to us, health, happiwhich are surrounded by a beautiful grove of ness and joys untold; whilst wealth and fame are evergreens, which seem to be so many guardians to wreathe their mystic laurels around our brow. asked by a rough clerk from the Emerald Isle, Society.

Bach Life Member of this Society is allowed

But, alas! the pale horse and his rider has received the wide commission—"spare not," neither youth sleeps when its inhabitant is gone. The eye of nor beauty stays the fatal dart; the Almighty annually to receive from the Depository for the Omnipotence will never lose sight of it, and the fiat has gone forth—"dust thou art to dust thou carman then distinctly replied—and his answer

This society does not engage in the indiscrimi- pleasure in the thought that the body to which out hope." In the winter of 1854, God in his we have become attached by long communion, infinite love was pleased to send his reviving thing we believe leads directly to a disregard of friends, and a party to it. He spoke of the disfriends, and a party to it. He spoke strous course of a leading paper in New York, among Catholics, to its destruction. We have common grave-pit, but by the side of those we mountain top. The deceased was among those loved, under the shade of the trees where we who felt the exceeding sinfulness of sin, and rested walked and talked, and sat in life-time, and not until the still small voice whispered to his where the living will walk and talk of us, as they heart " peace be still." On the 5th March, 1854, he with twenty one others, was led down into the Thus sleeps our gentle sister, Priscilla, by the liquid wave, and baptized in the likeness of their side of a beloved parent and sister, who only great Redeemer. He ever after manifested a in your last issue) surrounded by dear rela- and the charms of the world spread their alluring the survivors that this must ultimately be their | "my ways are not as your ways" saith the Lord. resting place. "O that men were wise, that Last spring, too, certain symptoms of that dreadthey would consider their latter end." | ful disease, consumption, the slight hacking The remark is often made, and too frequently cough, the bright hectic flush, spoke plainly to without any idea of its truthfulness, that we are those who loved him, of the opening tomb. And the creatures of circumstances. In almost every so it was: as the summer flowers faded and passcharacter we may trace the effects of incidents in ed away, he gradually faded too. Hope somepast life, and many inexplicible traits would be times whispered, "he is better"; but all a mother's easily explained by their past history. Characters | tender care, a sister's undying love, a physician's are often wholly formed by the incidents of early skill, was of no avail. His Master had better days. This remark is made for the purpose of employment for him in the heavenly mansions

passed to its home in the skies. To "the city The family consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Churchill, where there is no need of the sun, neither of the

ly. But the destroyer, pulmonary consumption why was this? he had many ties to bind him to tim. Again his partner in business, and brother- those abundant promises left on record for the in-law, our dear and much lamented Brother child of God, -a foretaste of those joys which Bradford Locke, Esq. of precious memory, (the "eye hath not seen nor ear heard" with God laid

the 46th year of his age. Again consumption | Yes, he was prepared to die! Youthful reader enters, and a beloved son, Winslow, in his 21st let me ask-are you? The swift winged messenyear, is called to follow. Scarcely has the earth ger may already have received his commission to been laid over his grave, when Edmund, a thee! This night the solemn truth that thou younger son, aged 18 years, is called to meet a must die, may fall on thine ear! Are you living order, either to the Depository Agent, Bible watery grave, with all the crew of the ill-fated in readiness? If not, Oh delay not, haste to the brig Winslow Locke, and now in one short month | Saviour; with outstretched arms he is inviting

Sinner, it was a heavenly voice: It was the Spirit's gracious call; It bade thee make the better choice, And haste to seek in Christ thine all.

Nictaux, Dec. 29th, 1856.

MRS. ANDREW KNIFFEN,

Died, at New Albany, on the 26th ult., in the 79th year of her age, leaving an aged husband, a after was baptized by the Rev. James Parker, large family of children, grand-children, and other

Mrs. K. in her youth professed religion and The friends of her childhood remember her united with the Baptist Church at Nictaux, then devotion to Christ. A bright sky overspread we believe under the pastoral care of Rev. T. H. her childhood and youth; for no cloud lingered Chipman, and has ever adorned that profession there which affection could dispel. All that she by an upright walk and conversation. For many required of earth was hers, and in view of her years she had great difficulty in conversing with eternal home well might she have asked, "What, others, having lost her hearing. It was still a all this and Heaven besides?" But alas, con- great satisfaction to converse with her on the sumption, that insidious destroyer, during the subject of religion. She was always ready when last summer, seized her as its victim also, and asked to give a reason of the hope within her speedily made those inroads upon her slender with meekness and fear. Religion was the theme frame which in a few weeks has brought her to on which she loved to dwell. Christians could the tomb. Well does the writer remember the not be in her company long without being confirst indications of the disease becoming apparent vinced that she lived near to God in prayer and by a discharge of blood from the mouth, and meditation. She was often seen apparently holdwhilst her friends were all consternation and ing communion with her Saviour, without noticalarm, she alone was calm and placid; it gave ing those around her. The writer has often her no unnecessary alarm, although she was per- listened with great satisfaction to her heavenly feetly aware that it was the precursor of the conversation. The word of God was to her a sweet solace and comfort. Often, while plying her needles would she draw refreshment from that Divine source, and could say it was meat and drink for her soul. For some menths previous to her dissolution her mental faculties were much impaired, and her body wasted with lingering and distressing illness; but she has left all as the consummation of all her hopes, and whilst her sufferings behind, and her ransomed spirit

There in her home of sweet repose, Where storms assail no more ; The stream of endless pleasure flows On that celestial shore.

Her mortal remains were conveyed to the narrow house appointed for all living on the 28th, there to wait the morning of the resurrection, when soul and body will again be reunited, and stand among those who shall hear that welcome plaudit, "Come ye children of my father inherit the kingdom prepared for you."

The solemn occasion was improved by Rev. W. G. Parker, the present pastor of the church.

—Communicated by Mr. John Whitman, Dec. 25th,

Goodness its own End.

If thou wast to ask the sun, "Why shinest thou" he would sav: " I must shine and cannot wise it is with God and Christ, and all who are godly and belong unto God. In them is no willing, nor working, nor desiring, but has for its end, goodness as goodness, for the sake of goodness, and they have no other wherefore than

A Good Reply.

A carman engaged in loading furniture was whether he was a Catholic? "Yes," replied the carman, "I am a Catholic ?" "What father do you confess to?" asked the Irishman. The is worthy of consideration-" I am a Catholie; blast of the Archangel's trump, will not fail to shalt return." I am a Catholie; reach it; whether it be laid away on the shelf of . William Edward Smith, the subject of these but I confess to God without the help of any a vault, or whether it rests in the vast Catacombs lines, was the eldest son of Mr. W. B. Smith, ot other priest than the great high priest, our a vault, or whether it rests in the vast Catacombs lines, was the eidest son of Br. W. B. Saviour. I am too much of a Catholic to be a such a quiet shady spot as this. Still there is a period is too often passed, "without God and with-

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