

THE principle of Life Assurance and the desirability of adopting it in all ordinary cases is now so fully admitted, that it is quite unnecessary for us to recommend it. Of all the companies which present their claims to the public, there is none, we believe, more entitled to general confidence than the "Colonial Life Assurance Company," an advertisement of which will be found in another column. To those of our readers who wish to secure the advantages for their families, we recommend that office to their attention.

We are informed by a friend who arrived in the steamer from England last week, that the Rev. C. H. Spurgeon has recovered from his slight attack of illness. He is still preaching in the Surrey Gardens Music Hall. Several thousands of eager listeners, among whom are many of the nobility and public men, compose his audience. We are assured that it is his intention to visit America during the coming year, and that he may be confidently expected to pass through Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the Canadas.

General Intelligence.

Foreign and Domestic.

An examination of the pupils of the Liverpool Female Seminary took place at their Rooms on Friday afternoon last, in presence of a number of ladies and gentlemen both from town and Milton. The exercises in Latin, geography, mathematics, physiology, calisthenics, music and other branches passed off with considerable credit and gave evidence of great improvement since our last visit.—Liverpool Trans.

[The following letter we regret to find, has been overlooked for two or three weeks.]

YARMOUTH Feb. 7, 1857.

DEAR BROTHER,

The Annual Meeting of the Yarmouth and Argyle Auxiliary to the American and Foreign Bible Society, was held pursuant to notice at the Central Meeting-house, South Yarmouth on New Year's day last.

Meeting opened with singing—prayer by Rev. J. V. Tabor.

The President being absent, Rev. Mr. Tabor was appointed Chairman, who after a few preliminary remarks upon the nature and object of the Society, called upon the Secretary to read the Report.

The Report of the Treasurer was presented and adopted.

The Meeting then proceeded to the choice of Officers for the ensuing year.

President, Rev. H. Angell.

Vice Presidents, J. V. Tabor, B. B. Moses, Capt. Joseph Rogers, and A. H. Scott.

Secretary, Samuel Brown.

Treasurer & Depositary, Wm. Churchill Esq. Committee of last year re-appointed.

Resolved, that this Meeting adjourn to meet at Hebron, on Thursday the 8th. January, to consult with Brethren respecting the future working of this Society with the friends of the Bible Union. Meeting adjourned.

Ninth Annual Report.

Since the last Annual Meeting of this Society your Committee have remitted to the Parent Society the sum of \$66, and have ordered Bibles and Testaments to the amount of \$45, the balance being a donation to that Society.

The last Annual Report of the Parent Society after detailing their usual Foreign and domestic operations, speak with peculiar pleasure of the success of the Colportage system as one of their most successful agencies for accomplishing good.

—It is the privilege of this Auxiliary to aid in sending the Bible to the destitute at home and abroad. Your Committee would earnestly request enlarged and continued contributions for that object.

We notice with pleasure an increase in the amount collected in a number of districts—this result is chiefly owing to the unassuming and persevering labours of Female collectors, some of whom have consecrated themselves to the cause of Christ during the past year.

An increasing interest is being manifested by the friends of the Bible Union, and to avoid as far as possible conflicting interests, it was resolved, (at the Annual Meeting in 1854) that the collectors should receive subscriptions for either or both Societies as the donors might direct, the amount received for the past year is as follows:

A. & F. B. S. B. U.

From Collectors, £16 3 0

For Books sold, 4 5 3

Life Membership, 1 0 0

Donation, £1 0 0

Books on hand, 21 13 3

Do ordered, 14 6 0

Do ordered, 11 11 9

In conclusion your Committee from what has already been done would call upon the Society to thank God and take courage, and, while engaged in this department of Bible circulation, would bid God-speed to the various Bible organizations in this country in their efforts to circulate the Inspired volume.

Please insert the above in the Messenger and oblige

SAMUEL BROWN, Secretary.

P.S.—The amount collected for the Bible Union, I have not been able to ascertain but I have reason to believe it will amount to several pounds.

A letter from Berlin, states that Frederick William will proceed to London in May for the ceremony of betrothal to the Princess Royal. The marriage is fixed to take place on the 21st of the following November.

Horton Academy.

MR. EDITOR,

Last evening I had the pleasure of attending a very interesting Rhetorical Exhibition at Horton Academy. The exercises, as usual, consisted of Essays prepared by the more advanced students, delivered Memoriter, and of Dialogues and other pieces selected from various sources. The audience was admitted by paying a small fee—the proceeds to be appropriated to the enlargement of the Academy Library. The following I copy from the Programme:—

"Prologue, by Master Herbert McMann, St. John, N. B.

"The Ocean Telegraph," Essay, by Mr. J. M. Parker, Nictaux, N. S.

"New Brunswick," Essay, by Mr. Geo. Calhoun, Albert Co., N. B.

"The wrongs of the African," Essay, by Mr. J. Kempton, Kempt, Q. C.

"Fireside Angels," Essay, by Mr. M. P. Freeman, Harmony, Q. C.

Epilogue, by Master David Vaughan, St. John, N. B."

The dialogues were five in number. All present seemed greatly delighted with the natural and spirited manner in which the various parts were recited. There was no lack of applause. Much praise is due to the excellent Choir that so kindly lent their assistance, and contributed so materially to the pleasure of the Entertainment.

At the request of the Principal, the Rev. Dr. Cramp gave an address at the close, expressive of his gratification at what he had witnessed, and fraught with great encouragement both to Teachers and pupils. Information was given that showed the Academy to be in a very healthy and prosperous condition.

The Announcement recently made by the Principal, that a class in Pencil and Crayon Drawing would be formed next quarter, commencing March 30th, was highly gratifying. It is to be hoped that this important art will be duly appropriated, and that a large number will avail themselves of the opportunity now afforded for its acquisition.

Yours &c., ERGATES.

March 27, 1857.

Canada.

In the Canadian Parliament the subject of Seat of Government which has so long been matter of discussion, and has caused so much difficulty is again brought forward by the Hon. J. A. McDonald, Attorney General for Canada West. He has introduced three resolutions as follows:

1. Resolved—That the interests of Canada require that the Seat of the Provincial Government should be fixed at some certain place.

2. That the sum not exceeding the sum of £225,000 be appropriated for the purpose of providing for the necessary buildings and accommodations for the Government and the Legislature at that certain place.

3. That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that she may be graciously pleased to exercise the Royal Prerogative by the selection of some one place as the permanent Seat of Government in Canada.

Several amendments were made endeavouring to fix the place. The claims of Quebec, Montreal, Kingston and Ottawa were urged but without effect, and the above resolutions were passed by both the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council.

Notice has been given by Mr. Rankin that he will move for the consideration of the Union of the Colonies of British North America.

We understand that the Baptist denomination in this city, with a view of soon commencing the erection of a meeting-house in the neighborhood of the Marsh Bridge, have leased an eligible lot of land for the purpose from Henry Gilbert, Esq.—St. John Courier.

EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM BALTIMORE, Feb. 19.—The Newton University of Baltimore conferred the degree of Doctor in Divinity upon the Rev. C. DEWOLFE, A. M., of Yarmouth, N. S. "We are happy to give publicity to the above intelligence, and hope our dear Brother Dewolfe may long live to enjoy the honor thus conferred upon him.—Westleyan.

FROM THE ARMY

The following communication, from Captain Joseph S. Pitman of the 9th regiment of infantry, United States Army, proves the efficacy and invaluable properties of Dyer's Healing Embrocation:—

CITY OF PUEBLA, MEXICO, July 20, 1847.

DEAR SIR: It gives me great pleasure to congratulate you on your success in preparing an article so valuable in my case, as your Healing Embrocation. The box of that article which you so kindly gave me on my departure for the Rio Grande, in March last, were of great service to me and the men belonging to my company. In cases of cramp in the stomach relief was almost instantaneously afforded by the use of the Embrocation, internally and externally applied. In cases where a soldier had been exhausted by exposure to the sun I saw its efficacy, not only when applied to men of my own company, but also to some of the men belonging to the 11th regiment of infantry, who were with me encamped at Camp Palo Alto. I gave some bottles of the Healing Embrocation to Captains Carr and Irwin of the 11th infantry, who found it of great service, and afterwards spoke of it to me in terms of great praise. If you deem it of any advantage to you, you are at liberty to make such use of this as you please. I am confident, in cases such as I have mentioned, the Embrocation will always be found in the highest degree efficacious. I am, very respectfully your obedient servant,

JOSEPH S. PITMAN.

For sale by G. E. MORTON & CO., and Druggists everywhere.

Letters Received.

Rev. C. Tupper, 19th, £5. Rev. O. Parker, 25s. came all right. S. Brown, 23rd. O. Parker, 24th, 2 subs., £5. John McLearn, 25th, 1 sub., 20s. W. Johnson, Esq., 23rd, £5. R. Wallace, 23rd. A. Davison, 23rd.—Quite right.—Send us word when you find any missing. A. Whitman, 19th, £2. Rev. C. Randall, 25th, 20s. Isaiah Thurber, 25th, 22s. 6d. Rev. J. C. Morse, 25th, 21s. 10d. Rev. J. V. Tabor, 23rd, 20s. H. E. Payson, 24th, £2.

The "Recantation" came too late for the present number. It shall appear next week.

NOTICES.

Dear Brother.—Please announce that the next Quarterly Meeting will take place April sixth, 7 o'clock P. M., at the Bethel, Sackville N. B. We hope for a large attendance of Ministers. GEO. F. MILES. Sackville, N. B., March 16th, 1857.

Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

Table listing market prices for various goods like Bread, Navy, per cwt., Coffee, Laguna, Tea, Congo, etc.

PRICES AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, MARCH 31.

Table listing prices for fresh beef, pork, lamb, butter, eggs, etc.

A LADY OF OUR ACQUAINTANCE, MRS. POWELL, No. 18 STANTON STREET, NEW YORK.

Was troubled with liver complaint for a long time, and after trying many remedies, was advised to try Dr. M'LANE'S Celebrated Liver Pills, prepared by Fleming Bros., of Pittsburgh. She did so, and says that with one box she was effectually cured.

Indigestion, stoppage of the bowels, costiveness, and general irregularity of the bowels, are all diseases originating in the same prolific cause, as is also that dreadful scourge, DYSPEPSIA. Those who are afflicted with any of the above enumerated diseases, may rest assured that the source of all their maladies is in the liver, and for its correction the best remedy ever offered to the public is Dr. M'LANE'S Celebrated Liver Pills. Try them. The money refunded if not satisfactory.

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 NAYLOR and WILLIAM LANGLEY.

CO-PARTNERSHIP. It may interest our brethren of the press to know that Dr. J. C. AYER of Lowell, (Cherry Pectoral and Cathartic Pills), has associated with him, his brother Frederick Ayer, Esq., long and favorably known as a leading merchant of the West. Mr. Ayer will conduct the widely extended business of the firm, which now reaches to the commercial nations of both hemispheres, while the Doctor will devote himself to his scientific investigations and pursuits.—Lowell paper.

Married.

On Thursday evening last, by the Rev. John Scott, William Henry Goreham, Esq., to Miss Louisa Hesson. At Port Medway, on the 14th ult., by the Rev. E. Sullivan, Captain William Peters, of the County of Digby, to Miss Ellowina Williamson, of Port Medway. At Warren, Rhode Island, on the 22nd ult., at the residence of James Turner, Esq., by the Rev. Eaton W. Maxey, Mr. John Forbes, to Miss Henrietta J. Scott, both of Halifax, N. S. On the 12th March, at Lower Stewiacke, by the Rev. P. Dunn, Mr. James Warner, of Halifax, to Mrs. Ann Gibbon, of the former place.

Died.

On Sunday, 22nd ult, William Henry, youngest son of Mr. Patrick Donohoe, aged 15 months. On Wednesday morning, Mr. Alexander Grant, aged 76 years.

At the South East Passage, on the 27th March, with Christian resignation to the Divine Will, Mrs. Anna Barbara, relict of the late Ludwick Himeiman, aged 89 years.

At East Port Medway, on the 4th of Feb., of Consumption, Margret Jane, only daughter of Mr. Benjamin Cahoon, in the 18th year of her age. Her end was peace.

Of Consumption, at Digby, on the 15th ult., Mr. Charles Aymar, a respectable Mechanic of that place, aged 38 years, leaving a widow, two small children, and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. His end was peace.

At Chester, on the 25th ult., Alice Jane, infant daughter of Joseph and Jessie Bezonson, aged 7 months and nine days.

Thus fall the little flowers around the stem, Where youth and beauty, both alike decay, Not riches, love, nor prayers can bring again, They leave us here, but pass to brightest day.

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The most important discovery ever made in Medical Science, being a compound of Barks and Roots which forms the most powerful, safe and agreeable Physic ever offered to the public.

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REDDING'S RUSSIA SALVE—Scalds it heals rapidly, Reduces inflammation,—Severe chilblains, frost bite,—Sores, old and recent,—It cures burns, bruises,—shingles, corns, bunions, sore eyes,—It heals bites, felons, piles,—Sore nipples, swelled breasts.—Also all cuts, bruises, sprains,—Scald head, eruptions, and scurvy,—Even salt rheum ulcers,—Erysipelas. Sold by all country stores.

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BITTER things, though seldom relished by those who seek only the sweets of existence, are nevertheless fraught with results the most wholesome. Thus it is that Abbott's Bitters, by removing all derangements of the digestive functions, costiveness, flatulency, and loss of appetite, impart renewed energy to the human frame, and demonstrate the fact that the best way to enjoy life's sweets is by contrast and the use of biters—the Bitters of old Dr. Abbott.

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THE WONDER OF THE AGE—Dr. Metcalf's Tusilago.—A compound of simple remedies, harmless in their nature, but wonderful in effect, by timely use, coughs are instantly relieved; sore throat and colds soon cured. It is efficacious in Asthma, Hooping Cough, Bronchitis, diseases of the lungs and chest; is so pleasant to taste that children cry for it; so convenient to use, that it can be carried in the pocket and always at hand. Trial packages can be had for a York shilling.

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Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, March 24th.—Schrs Laura, Leblane, Arichat, 2 days; Esther, do.

FRIDAY, 27th.—R. M. Steamers America, Lang, Boston, 38 hours—64 passengers, 20 for Halifax; Europa, Leitch, Liverpool, 13 days—87 passengers, 10 for Halifax; brig Boston, O'Brien, Boston, 2 days—Young & Hart; Morden, Fowler, New York, 9 days; Velocity, Atwood, Porto Rico, 14 ds—N. L. & J. T. West; schrs Isabella Maria, Phillips, Philadelphia, 9 days—Wm. Pryor & Sons; Blue Nose, Murphy, Boston—J. & M. Tobin; Wave, New York, 8 days—J. Tobin & Co; Idalia, do—T. C. Kinnear & Co.

SATURDAY, 28th.—Schr Three Brothers, Nearing, Newfoundland, 6 days—Allison & Co.

MONDAY, 30th.—Brig Clyde, Whipple, Baltimore, 8 ds—J. A. Moren; schrs Camella, Ritscy, New York, 8 days—J. Tobin & Co; Catherine, Robbins, Pabuco, 4 days—Oxley & Co; Augusta Parker, Roche, Chesapeake Bay, 6 ds—E. G. Fuller & Co; Reward, Discouse, C. B.—D. Gouchy; Rival, Dunlap, Liverpool, N. S.; Scotia, Arichat.

Cleared.

TUESDAY, 24th.—Brig Velocity, Mann, Porto Rico; brig Ornate, Fonton, F. W. Indies; schrs Cora Linn, Portland, Me.; Good Hope, Alexander, do; Inkerman, King, Fortune Bay, N. F.

WEDNESDAY, 25th.—Brig Palermo, Patterson, Demerara; schrs Volant, Newall, Philadelphia; Sandwich, Full, Boston.

FRIDAY, 27th.—R. M. Steamers America, Lang, Liverpool; Merlin, Corbin, St. John's, N.F.; Europa, Leitch, Boston.

SATURDAY, 28th.—Ospray, Kendrick, Falmouth, Ja; Spanish Main, Decker, Br. W. Indies; Forward, Ceal-fleet, do.

MONDAY, 30th.—John Wallace, Cameron, Boston; Kaloolah, Hayes, Br. West Indies; Ranger, Paynter, do; Milo, Anderson, Kingston, Ja.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Windsor Sail-Loft.

THE Subscriber having lately dissolved Partnership with Mr. William Harrison in the business for some time past carried on at Windsor, begs to inform the Merchants, Traders, and Ship-masters of the County of Hants that he will continue the business at the same place on his own account, in T. S. Harding, Esq's, Sail-Loft, where he hopes by strict attention and moderate charges to merit a liberal share of public patronage.

All persons indebted to the late Firm will please make immediate payment to the subscriber, who is alone authorised to grant discharges therefor.

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April 1. 6m.

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