

with many of his Christian brethren and of the community, a large number attended his funeral, when a discourse was delivered by the Pastor, from Heb. xii. 23rd, adapted to console mourners who have reason to trust that their departed friend is received into the blissful state of "the spirits of just men made perfect."—Com. by Rev. C. Tupper.

JOHN L. CORKUM

Departed this life Oct. 18th, 1858, in the 41st year of his age. For several years of his life he was a consistent, active, and useful member of the Baptist church in this place. Amongst all classes of the community he was highly and deservedly esteemed. It is but giving tribute to whom tribute is due to affirm that "in no situation of life was he ashamed or afraid to perform his duty, or to act his part with firmness and constancy: true to God whom he worshiped, and true to the faith in which he professed to believe; full of affection to his brethren of mankind; faithful to his friends, generous to his enemies, warm with compassion to the unfortunate; self-denying to little private interests and pleasures, but zealous for public interests and happiness; magnanimous, without being proud; humble, without being mean; just, without being harsh; simple in his manners, but manly in his feelings; on his word you could entirely rely; his countenance never deceived you, for his professions of kindness were the effusions of his heart. He was one, in short, whom, independent of any views of advantage, you could choose as an associate, trust as a friend, and love as a brother."

His illness was protracted and severe, but borne throughout with the utmost patience and resignation to the Divine will. He has left a sorrowing widow and four small children to mourn their irreparable loss.

"Dearest brother, thou hast left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel;
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal."

J. C. HURD.

Chester, Nov. 14th, '58.

MISS REBECCA C. DANIELS,

Second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Daniels, died at Annapolis on the 29th of Sept., in the 19th year of her age.

During a gracious revival in 1854 the subject of this notice united with the church at Nictaux. She manifested a warm attachment to all the means of grace, not only during the revival season, but until death. Her health had been delicate for a long time, but in the early part of September she was suddenly brought to the gate of death. She felt that her days on earth were numbered, and that her Father in heaven was calling to her as his child to come home. Her strong attachment to earth appeared to be that deep sympathy for her sorrowing parents; but the love of God triumphed in a remarkable degree. Her sufferings were very great—her joys still greater. Although her countenance was a striking emblem of death, yet at the moment of her departure it seemed as if heaven had begun below to a degree I have seldom before witnessed. In the most affectionate and impressive manner she urged her unconverted young friends to make no delay in securing an inheritance in heaven, where she longed to greet them. Her funeral was attended by her beloved Pastor, the Rev. W. G. Parker.—Her sorrowing parents have been greatly sustained by the strong assurance their dear child left behind of going to be forever with the Lord, and that after a few short days of sorrow and labour they shall join with her in singing those sweet songs that now dwell upon her tongue.—Com. by Rev. N. Vidito.

Paradise, Oct 13th, 1858.

Religious Intelligence.

For the Christian Messenger.

Mission to Dalhousie East and Sherbrooke.

DEAR BRETHREN,

I left home the last of August on my mission to Dalhousie East and Sherbrooke. I spent one week in Dalhousie, where the Lord added to his little church seven precious souls. The brethren could not do much for the mission cause at present, but I think they will. They have the labours of brother Goucher with them occasionally, whose labours have been blest. Brother Joseph Kempton's labours have proved a blessing to the church. I went to Sherbrooke East, and spent four weeks in preaching, praying, and visiting among the people. Found the young people a good deal aroused by brother Kempton's visit to them; still I found them labouring hard for the bread that perisheth. The Lord is good to his church, and his seedeth them with the bread of heaven. There were seven added to the church by baptism. If I could have stayed longer I think there would have been more. The people are without ministerial labour most of the time. They have not the means to do a great deal for the mission cause. I received in aid £1 5s. They have two interesting Sabbath Schools in Sherbrooke. The Baptist interest is increasing in that place, and I doubt not it would continue to grow could they have constant preaching. The people of different denominations came out while I was there, and tears were often seen falling

from their eyes. I hope some good has been done in the cause of Christ our Lord. One man, 93 years of age, frequently walked out to meeting,—once the distance of five miles from his house. I hope the Lord will continue to bless his cause in that place.

ROBERT WALKER.

Nov. 11th, 1858.

For the Christian Messenger.

Yarmouth, N. S.

DEAR EDITOR,

The work of the Lord is greatly progressing in the west part of this highly favoured town. The waters of eternal life are refreshing Zion, and, by the grace of God, scores are bowing to the mild sceptre of Prince Immanuel. The cloud of mercy that watered the second (Hebron) Church during the spring and summer has spread itself over the third (Chegogan) Church, and is daily changing the hearts of men. Meetings of greater solemnity, and converting and subduing power I have never witnessed. We feel that this great work is especially of the Lord. True, He is employing human instrumentality, but all feel "Not unto us, O Lord, but unto thy name be all the glory."

That dear young man, whose letter I sent you from the deep, is owned of God in his visits and labours among the people, and the general impression is, that the Lord will yet put him, and another of equal promise, into the ministry.

Since my last, we have had four seasons of baptism,—burying with Christ two, nine, five, and ten persons, more than half of whom are young men.

I have not time now to forward the particulars, owing to the immense labours in the Church, protracted sickness at home, and much in the community.

The Lord is doing his pleasure among us, and hundreds are saying, Amen.

E. N. HARRIS.

Nov. 12th, 1858.

P.S. Although we learn of nothing specially interesting among the neighbouring churches, we trust it may not be so long, for, with their pastors, they are, doubtless, waiting; "O Lord, for thy salvation."

E. N. H.

For the Christian Messenger.

Letter from the Rev. Charles Randall.

FRENCH MISSION.

Our missionary, Mr. Normandy, has made three excursions through these regions since he came to the Province, and his labours have not been in vain in the Lord. Three individuals through his instrumentality have renounced Romanism, and are rejoicing in the one Mediator, the Man Christ Jesus, and others appear to be disturbed, and are full of inquiries. Brother Normandy appears to be well adapted to the work, and especially for this reason, he is of the people, and with the people; he is a Frenchman in habits and language, and was himself converted from Romanism to God when he was 27 years of age, some 8 or 9 years since. His wife, he informs me, is also a convert, having struggled some two years longer with the man of sin before she yielded to the power of Bible truth.

The friends of the mission within the compass of my circuit are greatly encouraged: as will appear from the fact, that our contributions in September, notwithstanding the extreme scarcity of money, was more than double of any former year, being as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Location and Amount. At St. Mary's Bay, £1 19 8; Weymouth, 2 6 10; New Tusket, 6 2 0; Total, £10 8 6d.

which I have forwarded to the Treasurer. May God bless the Mission!

TEMPERANCE.

We have been favoured with two stirring Lectures in this place, in the two last weeks, upon the subject of Temperance in general, and on the question of a Prohibitory Liquor Law in particular, from the Rev. Mr. Christie, of Yarmouth, one of the Agents of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance.

DEATH.

There have been several deaths in this place recently, among them I will name that of Capt. John P. Dahlgren, an old and respectable inhabitant of Weymouth, aged 77 years. No doubt a Christian, and for the last 27 years of his life a firm and active friend of the cause of Temperance, and Senior P. W. P. of Columbia Division. He died suddenly at his own residence about 9 o'clock on Wednesday evening, the 3rd inst. He had just returned in company with his daughter from the Methodist Chapel, in which he had listened to a lecture on Temperance from Rev. Mr. Christie, of Yarmouth, in which he was deeply interested, and, seating

himself in his easy-chair, commenced telling his wife about the lecture, at the same time taking a pamphlet from his pocket, which the lecturer had given him, containing the Maine Liquor Law. After adjusting his spectacles, he was awaiting the return of his daughter, who had taken the candle to her room for the purpose of laying away her bonnet, &c., which she thinks could not have occupied more than three minutes; but before she returned, without a struggle, and it is likely without a sensation of pain, he had ceased to breathe. He has left a widow, three children, and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss. Truly, in the midst of life we are in death.

Yours as ever,
CHAS. RANDALL.

Weymouth, Nov. 16th, 1858.

Mrs. Kincaid, before she sailed for Burmah, received about \$100 from Rev. A. S. Patton, author of the Hero Missionary, as a donation from the proceeds of that work.

PROGRESS IN TEXAS.—The Texas Baptist says, "Six years ago there were but two Baptist preachers from LaGrange up to the head of the Colorado. Out of a portion of this territory, the Austin Association has been organized, and it has sixteen preachers. It has nineteen churches, only two of which existed six years ago."

The American Tract Society at Boston, have voted to issue immediately four tracts on the subject of Slavery.

The New-York Freeman's Journal contradicts as "a foolish story," the report that the Pope had forbidden, by a decree, the further application of the sacred name of MARY to the unimmaculate progeny of ordinary mortals.

A new body of religious enthusiasts, called "Congregrezites," have established themselves about seventy miles north of Council Bluffs, Iowa. The society comprises about 800 members, and all their property is held in common. Their sect profess to believe in the Bible as the Word of God, but also that it is in a measure done away with by new revelations, made since the year 1848, by "the voice of Baneemy, through the medium of the Chief Apostolical Bishop." The new revelations are styled "the Law and Covenants of Israel."

LITERARY PREMIUMS.—Messrs. Sheldon, Blake-man & Co., of New York, propose to give the following premiums:—

\$100 for the best book, suitable for their Sabbath School Series, and adapted to the capacities of the older children in Sabbath Schools, exhibiting the leading distinctive features of the Baptist system of doctrine and practice: illustrating and defending them, and commending them to the understanding, conscience and affections of the young. The book should be from one hundred to two hundred pages in length, narrative or didactic, at the pleasure of the writer.

\$30 for the best tract of 20 or 24 pages in defense of the practice of restricted communion.

\$20 for the best tract of 8 or 12 pages adapted to awaken the impenitent sinner.

\$25 for the best tract, of from 12 to 20 pages, to guide the inquirer to the Saviour. The manuscripts should be sent in by the first day of February next, with the author's name in a sealed envelop attached; they will be examined, and the decision made by Rev. Messrs. William Hague, D.D., Edward Lathrop, D.D., and Elisha E. L. Taylor, D.D.

Why should not Nova Scotians join in this competition?

THE BIBLE UNION REPORTER, September—November No. has come to hand. The illness of the reviser prevented the issue for September and October. It contains the revision of the Gospel by Luke as far as Chap. 6.

PERSECUTION AND DEATH.—The Rev. Frederick Crowe, the well-known missionary, whose persecution and imprisonment in the Spanish-American States, and final expulsion from San Salvador by mob violence and priestly intrigues, have been noticed in our columns, died on Sunday morning at the Westchester House in this city, from illness brought on by his sufferings and exposure. The funeral solemnities were observed on Monday, in the First Baptist church of this city.—Ex.

The Rev. A. K. Nott, the Pastor of the church, gave an address to the congregation at his funeral, at the close of which he said:—

"His life gave the gospel to thousands, his death shall send it to tens of thousands. From those silent lips shall go forth a voice—from those clasped hands a power—from that clogged heart an impulse that shall not die, until every son and daughter of the dark land to which he gave his life, shall hold in their hands the Word of Life."

The coffin bore on its plate this inscription: "FREDERICK CROWE, A MARTYR MISSIONARY, BANISHED FROM CENTRAL SPANISH AMERICA, FOR CIRCULATING THE HOLY SCRIPTURES. DIED IN NEW YORK, NOV. 7TH, 1858. AGED 39 YEARS, 8 MONTHS."

The N. Y. Examiner, in a review of the new translation of the New Testament by the Rev. L. A. Sawyer, a Presbyterian minister, says:—

"It is certain that the received version is incomparably more literal and exact, as a whole, than this which puts forth, as its leading claim,

to be the attainment of a closer rendering of the original." "When Mr. Sawyer makes Peter say, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here, if you please, let us make three tabernacles,' &c., he illustrates our point by a piece of ridiculous commonplace, in a solemn connection, which was inevitable to his plan. He writes in a vulgarized and hackneyed and conventionalized dialect, which cannot possibly have the gravity and simple dignity of original English, and is unsuited to the sacred use in which this sweet and homely tongue has descended to us."

A few of the benevolent friends of the American Baptist Publication Society have advanced \$10,000 on their subscriptions, for the endowment of that institution.

DEAR AT THAT.—The Universalist Trumpet states that clergymen of all denominations will receive that paper without charge, if they desire it—especially Baptists, Methodists, and Orthodox Congregationalists."

PHILADELPHIA.—The churches of the leading denominations in Philadelphia are as follows:—Presbyterian, of the various branches, 70; Methodist, 60; Episcopalian, 54; Baptist, 33; Lutheran, 15. The Roman Catholics have 28. The "Friends," who once had the predominance in the Philadelphia population, now have but 13 "meeting-houses." The total number of churches of every description in Philadelphia is 307.

The Christian Intelligencer says at a late Fulton Street prayer-meeting, Rev. George Duffield, Jr., of Philadelphia, communicated some interesting facts. He had been employed, as one of a committee, to compile, after ascertaining the facts of the revival, as pertaining to that city. He had found that 3,010 had been added by profession to one denomination, 1,800 to another, 1,500 to another, 1,200 to another, and so on, till the aggregate was above 9,000, and over 10,000 conversions, all within the current year. The Lord is reviving his work anew, and conversions are almost daily heard from, and sinners are flocking to Christ.

ILLNESS OF MR. SPURGEON.—From inquiries we have made this morning, we are gratified to be enabled to state that Mr. Spurgeon though still weak, is recovering as fast as could be expected. His illness has never been of that alarming character which paragraphs in some papers asserted, and as he has already been abroad for air and change, his friends hope that by the first Sunday in November he may be able to preach again, at least one part of the day. The money for the site of his new place of worship, 5,400l., was invested the day before he became unwell.—London paper, 27th ult.

Colonial & Foreign News.

New Brunswick.

The Church Witness of the 17 inst. says the St. John River is enclosed by ice for some distance below Gagetown.

The whole line of Railway between St. John and Moncton is now under contracts of four miles each. The work is to be completed in four years.

The Hon. CHAS. CONNELL was re-elected for Carleton County by a majority of 1029 votes, against 598 for his opponent, Mr. HARDING.

United States.

NEW YORK.—THE ELECTION last week was attended with less than the usual amount of excitement and rowdiness. In this city the Democrats succeeded, while the Republicans carried the State. The Democratic majority in the city was about 7,000, and the Republican majority in the State 20,000.

JUSTICE FOR THE RED MAN.—A meeting was held in the large hall of the Cooper Institution, New York, on Monday evening, under the auspices of a large number of distinguished citizens, for the purpose of giving expression to the moral sentiment of the country in relation to the proper treatment of the Indian tribes on our Western borders. The general idea of the speakers was, that if justice were done to the red man, there would be no necessity for fighting or killing him.—Life Ill.

ESCAPE.—John P. Macomber, first mate of the ship Haidee, indicted for piracy and being engaged in the slave trade, has escaped from the Eldridge Street jail. It is supposed that he had some outside assistance.—New York Life.

Halifax, it appears, is not alone in losing its prisoners occasionally.

The ladies of New Bedford have hit upon the novel plan of forming visiting societies for the purpose of waiting on those engaged in the liquor traffic, and holding personal interviews with the proprietors, to persuade them to abandon the business.

Two of the best police officers of Baltimore, Benton and Rigdon, have been murdered in succession, for being witnesses against members of a gang of desperadoes who infest that city. The later was murdered in the midst of his family, being shot with five balls, by two wretches named Corrie and Cropps. Both are in prison and will be tried without delay.

A TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.—At about one o'clock on Saturday afternoon, the little steam tug Petrel exploded on the North River, killing all on board except one, out of four. The boiler had seventy pounds of steam on, which was twenty more than it was capable of bearing.