

The great leading principle which should influence us in matters of government, and especially when using our electoral rights, is *Justice to all, at the expense of none.* Any violation of this rule must be detrimental to the state, and is unworthy of free men. Sole responsibility rests on every man in the country to use his privilege in an independent, fearless manner. Let christian men, especially Baptists, weigh well the consequences of their acts and so govern themselves and give their votes that they may not violate their obligations to their principles, their brethren, or their country.

RETURN OF MRS. A. R. R. CRAWLEY FROM BURMAH.—We learn from a private letter from the Rev. R. R. Crawley dated Maulmain, January 5th, that Mrs. Crawley may shortly be expected to visit her native province for a while. Mr. C. says in reference to Mrs. C. and their three children "they with a large party of returning missionary folk will (D. V.) leave in the ship *Aliquis* Capt. Paine on the 20th inst. They have a fine ship, good captain and abundant accommodations. They will probably stop long enough at the Cape to have washing done and will just touch at St. Helena. The end of May will, I presume, find them in London." "Mr. Crawley remarks concerning the health of Mrs. C.—"If L. looks as she does now on arriving in America, I am sure you will be astonished to see her so thin and pale. The change might be deferred for a year or so but only at a risk which I can't think it my duty to encounter."

The **PROHIBITORY LIQUOR BILL** was thrown out of the Council on Tuesday, the 12th, by a motion to defer its consideration for three months. *Fourteen* voted for and *four* against it. We shall have something further to say about this soon. The tide is only driven back to gather strength.

The state of political affairs appears unchanged since our last, but we are waiting anxiously for our expected London mails, by which we shall probably learn more decisively what are the chances of peace or war in Europe.

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor came down to the Council Chamber on Friday at 2 o'clock, and prorogued the Legislature, after assenting to a number of Bills. Since then it has been dissolved by Proclamation, and a new House of Assembly is to be forthwith elected. The 12th of May is named for the General Election to take place, the 5th of May being the day for nomination of candidates. It is doubtless judicious to have the elections over as soon as possible. They must under any circumstances very considerably interfere with agricultural labours at this season of the year.

The British Parliament have granted a subsidy of £78,000 sterling per annum for several years in aid of the New line of steamers from Galway in Ireland to Boston and New York. This measure will, we fear, seriously interfere with the speedy commencement of the Great Inter-Colonial Railway. The policy of the Home Government in showing indifference to this measure, so vitally important to the future interests of the whole British American Colonies, may well be questioned.

The United States Government have got into a somewhat unpleasant broil with Paraguay, one of the lesser South American Republics. It would be a small matter were it not that their opponent is situated a long distance up the great river La Plata, and consequently so inaccessible to attack, as to induce them to defy the power of the Great Republic.

NOTICES OF NEW BOOKS.

FIRST THINGS; or, the Development of Church Life. By Baron Stow, author of "Christian Brotherhood," &c.; pp. 282. Gould & Lincoln: Boston.

These sketches of incidents narrated in the Acts of the Apostles have an originality and freshness thrown into them by Dr. Stow which retains the narrative in all its beauty, and teaches in a most lively and forcible manner the principles and practices of the primitive Christian Church.

The titles of the several sections are:—The first prayer meeting; the first election; the first effusion of the Holy Spirit; the first sermon; the first revival; the first converts; the first persecution; the first hypocrites; the first confession; the first deacons; the first martyr; the first dispersion; the first persecutor converted; the first gentile converts; the first foreign mission; the first council.

The article on our first page,—"The First Council," is a fair specimen of the other "First Things."

We have marked some other passages, and believe that none will read them without pleasure and profit. The book will doubtless soon find its way into the hands of large numbers

who, at the present day, are enquiring for *first things* in the constitution and government of the Church of Christ.

AGNES HOPETOWN'S SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DAYS. by Mrs. Oliphant, pp. 300. Gould & Lincoln: Boston.

A new story book! The fair authoress has an amount of naturalness in all her writings which renders them highly attractive to young people. In this charming volume lessons of kindness and consideration for the feelings of others, are woven into a pleasing story; which will make the book highly acceptable to young people.

Protestant Alliance Lectures:

Fifth Lecture.—THE RULE OF FAITH. By Rev. W. Somerville: Cornwallis.

Sixth Lecture.—REVIEW OF E. MATURIN'S LETTER. By Rev. John Hunter: Halifax.

Seventh Lecture.—THE RISE AND PROGRESS OF ERROR IN THE CHURCH OF ROME. By Rev. Jas. Robertson, L. L. D.: Wilmot.

Mr. Somerville's is a respectable discourse. We like its firm, uncompromising tone and spirit. It is not to be expected that we should agree with every thing that is said about the Covenanters, or about political rulers. But that is of little consequence. The Lecture is well adapted to be useful.

The Review of Mr. Maturin's pamphlet, by Mr. Hunter, takes up the most prominent positions, examines them, exposes fallacies, rebukes presumption, and furnishes Protestants with facts and arguments, with which they ought to be well acquainted. In the event of a second edition, we recommend a revision of pp. 10, 11.

Dr. Robertson's Lecture is not so satisfactory as we could desire. He has not done justice to himself, nor shewn us what he can do in this great controversy. We should have been better pleased if he had favoured us, at much greater length, with the results of his reading and reflection.

There is an unfortunate slip of the pen at p. 9. Dr. Robertson speaks of the "pontificate of Gregory VII., in the eleventh century, when Henry V., Emperor of Germany, and John, King of England, were humbled to the very dust by the agents and minions of that ambitious and unprincipled Pope." It was not Henry V., but Henry IV., whom Pope Gregory VII. treated so insolently. The humiliation of King John occurred in the *thirteenth* century, under Pope Innocent III.

ERRORS REVIEWED AND FALLACIES EXPOSED. Being a Protestant's Answer to E. Maturin's "Catholic Claims." By John G. Marshall: Halifax.

This is a treatise on Popery. After a few remarks on Mr. Maturin's personal narrative, Judge Marshall discusses the rule of faith, both Roman Catholic and Protestant;—the asserted infallibility of the Roman Church;—the doctrines, dogmas, and practices of the said Church, including the number of Sacraments—Baptism—the Eucharist—the Mass—Invocation of Angels and Saints, veneration of pictures, &c.—Penance—Indulgences—Service in an unknown tongue—Celibacy—Extreme Unction—Purgatory—and Apocryphal Books;—the primacy and supremacy of the Pope;—the origin and progress of the Protestant Reformation;—the right of private judgment;—and the assumed holiness of the Roman Catholic Church. On all these topics the testimony of Scripture is adduced, whenever required, and illustrations drawn from the pages of history are plentifully interspersed. The pamphlet will be serviceable to all who read it with care and attention.

Speaking of baptism, the author says,—"The water alone, coming directly from the great Creator, is to be used, without any human admixture or addition. In that primitive and pure state it is most significantly expressive of entire consecration to the love and service of that Holy Redeemer who has bought us for himself." There is some mistiness about these expressions, but we suppose the author to mean that the candidate avows what the ordinance represents, that is, "entire consecration" to the Lord. Such avowal and profession can only be made by a person who has arrived at years of understanding. Thus interpreted, the passage quoted above contains good Baptist doctrine.

We are sorry to observe so many typographical errors.

Mr. Maturin has now been answered by a Presbyterian, a Wesleyan Methodist, and a Baptist. When will the *Episcopalian* reply appear? There are learned men of that denomination in this Province. Which of them is to be the champion?

General Intelligence.

Domestic and Foreign.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, April 13th, 1859.

APPOINTMENTS.

To be one of the Justices of the Peace for Kings county—John Parker, in place of Abel Parker, resigned.

To be Commissioners of Sewers for the Fox River Marsh, Parrsborough, County of Cumberland—John Lockman Hatfield, Charles Smith.

APRIL 15th, 1859.—His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to appoint the Honorable William A. Henry to be her Majesty's Solicitor General for the Province of Nova-Scotia, (provisionally until the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure.)

Latest European Intelligence.

The steamship *Europa*, arrived at New York on Monday 18th. Dates from Liverpool to the 2nd inst. Cotton Market quiet. Breadstuffs market dull—sales limited. Sugar market firm. Coffee boyant. Tea market steady at previous quotations.

The British Ministry have been defeated on the Reform Bill by two hundred and thirty against two hundred and ninety; and it was expected would resign.

Austria objects to meet Peace Conference at Baden.

The Nominations.

On Tuesday last 12 inst. a meeting of the Conservatives took place in Temperance Hall for the purpose of nominating three candidates for Western Halifax. It is said 2000 persons were present. The utmost order and unanimity prevailed throughout. William Lawson Esq. in the chair. W. H. Tully, Secretary.

JOHN TOBIN Esq. was proposed by W. B. Fairbanks Esq.; seconded by Archibald Scott Esq.

S. L. SHANNON Esq., was proposed by T. A. S. DeWolfe Esq., seconded by Thos. Kenny Esq., and supported by John W. Ritchie Esq.

HENRY PRYOR Esq. was proposed by Mr. W. C. Silver, seconded by Alderman Morrissy and supported by Mr. Jas. Crosskill. The meeting was addressed by each of those gentlemen and by those nominated, also by the Hon. Attorney General and the Hon. Provincial Secretary at some length.

Three cheers were given for the members of the government present, and three for the QUEEN and the meeting dispersed quietly at a somewhat late hour.

WESTERN DISTRICT OF HALIFAX.—We learn from the *Journal* that Messrs Kaye Romans and Bryne are to be the Opposition Candidates to oppose Messrs Tobin, Shannon and Pryor. A meeting is called for this evening.

Messrs Falconer and Gladwin are the Conservative candidates and Messrs Esson and Annand for the Opposition in the **EASTERN DISTRICT OF HALIFAX.**

INVERNESS C. B.—The following gentlemen were nominated at Mabou on Thursday 7th inst. as candidates for this county:—viz: Peter Smyth, Hugh McDonald, Donald McLellan, Hiram Blanchard, J. Lewis Tremain, Alex. Gillies, John McEachern, and Laughlan McDougall, Esqrs. Three members are required. We shall give a complete list of the candidates next week. It is not quite perfected yet from all the counties and as our space was all occupied this week we have thought better to defer it.

DR. HOBBS.—The Hygie Therapeutic College of Surgeons and Physicians of New York, have conferred the degree of M. D. on the Rev. William Hobbs of Locke's Islands, Nova Scotia.—*Religious Intelligencer.*

New Brunswick.

The Legislature at Fredericton was closed on Wednesday last, His Excellency's speech does not refer to one single measure which has been passed.

The principal Bill during the session is the Attorney General's College Bill which converts Kings College at Fredrickton into the University of New Brunswick.

The Fredericton *Head Quarters* considers the passing this Bill the redeeming feature of the session.

But the *Christian Visitor*, whilst it does not pass judgement on the Bill as a whole, is "opposed to the continuance of this Institution in its present location where it is of no use to the Province; where its funds are wasted upon a few boys for no other object than to prop up the decaying system of Church and State, which has so long ruled over Fredericton as to involve all its inhabitants of every denomination and class."

The *Religious Intelligencer* says:—

The following inventory of estimate present value of property held in connection with the College has been furnished us by a member of the Legislature:

Land say	£7,000
Buildings, upwards of	15,000
Library.	3,200
Telescope of high power cost, say	600
Museum, and apparatus,	3,000
Collegiate School house, Site and Teacher's House,	1,000
Douglas Donation, £10 annually, say	170
Telescope Buildings, &c., &c., &c.,	150
Nett value,	£20,120

Annual interest on above at 6 per cent. 1,807
Civil list allowance, 1,100
Legislative Grant, 1,100

Total annual expenditure, £4,007

To this the *Christian Visitor* says £1,500 should be added for Legislating—say the present year—giving the nice little sum of £5,507 expended for the education of a few boys at Fredericton.

The *Church Witness* remarks that "it passed the Lower House by a vote of 24 to 9. It establishes a New Brunswick University on a purely secular basis. The corporation is to consist of eight layman and there is to be no Professor of Theology or any religious test whatever required of, or to be imposed upon, any member of the Corporation, professor, teacher, student, or other persons in any way connected with King's College or with the Collegiate School." "Portions of the Holy Scriptures are to be read daily."

We learn that the St. John river is clear of ice, and that a steamer left Indiantown for Fredericton yesterday.—*Religious Intelligencer.*

Died.

April 11th, Johanna, daughter of the late James Connelly, aged 15 years.

April 12th, of scarlet fever, Mary, infant daughter of Mr. Charles McLean, aged 1 year and 10 months.

April 13th, Thomas Grassie Lawson, in his 19th year.

April 14th, William Cogswell, son of Edwd. Maturin, Esq. in the 7th year of his age.

April 14th, Elizabeth, beloved wife of Michael Hutt, in the 94th year of her age.

April 15th, William Rufus, second son of Joseph and Emma N. Serton, aged 6 years and 7 months.

April 15th, Mr. Maurice Bowler, aged 38 years.

April 16th, William Hay, second son of William and Margaret Kandiek, aged 8 years and 4 months.

April 16th, Ann Taylor, a native of Inverness, Scotland, in the 89th year of her age.

April 17th, the Widow Fitzhenry, a native of Ireland, in the 53rd year of her age.

April 18th, after a short illness, John, eldest son of Andrew Hunter, aged 31 years.

At the Poor's Asylum, April 2nd, Robert Robinson, aged 28 years.

At Dartmouth, April 13th, Robert Cooper, aged 26 years.

At Sackville, Windsor Road, April 15th, of ulcerated sore throat, Helen Matilda, only child of Nathaniel and Emma Delorica, aged 1 year and 11 months.

At Musquodoboit, March 8th, Mrs. Abigail Scott, in the 84th year of her age, widow of the late John Scott, of Cole Harbour.

At Berwick, Western Cornwallis, April 6th, Silena, wife of Gilford D. Woodworth, Esq., and daughter of Mr. John Corbett, of Annapolis Co.

On Annapolis Road, Cornwallis, March 17th, of scarlet fever, John Augustine, only son of Samuel W. and Sophia Pineo, aged 3 years and 3 months.

On Stronach Mountain, Wilmot, March 28th, of scarlet fever, Margaret Lavinia, daughter of Issachar and Ammonilla Harris, aged 6 years and 7 months.

Also, April 9th, of the same disease, Roxana, daughter of William and Susannah Downey, aged 5 years and 9 months.

At Yarmouth, March 16th, Mrs. Sarah Maria, the beloved wife of Captain George Clements, and eldest daughter of Captain Handal Holmes, aged 22 years.

Mrs. Clements possessed remarkable amiableness of disposition and sweetness of temper, combined with a well cultivated mind. A few months since she found the Christian's hope, which shone with increasing brightness to the last.

At Arichat, March 15th, Mrs. Ann Laundry, wife of Baloney Bouchey, aged 51 years.

Washed overboard and drowned from the ship *Lillies*, on her passage from St. John, N. B., to Liverpool, in February last, Charles J. Owen, eldest son of C. B. Owen, Esq., of Yarmouth, N. S., a young man of much promise and deeply regretted by a large circle of relatives and friends.

At Clarence, of scarlet fever, February 23rd, William Chipman, eldest son of Edward and Matilda Marshall, aged 5 years and 10 months.—March 28th, Lahlia Elizabeth, third daughter, aged 6 years and 6 months; March 31st, John Shaffner, third son, aged 2 years and 3 months; and on the same day, Howard Ingles, fourth son, aged 10 months; and on April 1st, William Burpee, eldest son of Mr. Robert Marshall, aged 11 years and 3 months. Thus in one short week were our dear brother and sister called to part with four of their beloved children. Their three sons lay dead in the same room at once. Such a sight I never before witnessed. Another child is still quite low, with hopes of recovery.—April 10th, of consumption, Diadama, second daughter of Mr. William Sprowl. For ten years she has walked with God and his people on earth, and now we trust she walks with saints in glory.—*Communicated by Rev. N. Vidito.*

At Paradise, April 11th, the widow of Ruben Balcom, aged 82 years. She appeared to be one of those who for many years walked about Zion, but feared to enter; but in her last days her evidence became brighter, and she longed to depart and be with Christ.—*Id.*

BOYS' AND GIRLS' NUMBER OF THE FAMILY HERALD.—The Boys' Number containing 170 out-door games and in-door amusements for the year round; the Girls' Number containing 150 recreations and pastimes for winter evenings and summer days. To be had in Halifax at the News Agency of G. E. Morton & Co.

Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, April 12th.—Brigt Victoria Ursula, Lenoir, New York, 5 days—bound to Arichat.

WEDNESDAY, 13th.—Schr Abigail, Arichat.

THURSDAY, 14th.—Brigs Standard, Card, N. York, 7 days; Mary Ann, Balcom, Sheet Harbour.

FRIDAY, 15th.—Ship Roseneath, Auld, Glasgow, 20 days—Wm Stairs, Son & Morrow—5 passengers; schrs Lunenburg Packet, Westhaver, Lunenburg—J. M. Watson; Sylvia, Young, do; Thomas Bagley, Norfolk—B Wier & Co; Mary Ann, Vincent, Fortane Bay; Helena, Roberts, New York—bound to P E Island; John Gilpin, Curry, Sheet Harbour; Matilda, Cape Breton.

SATURDAY, 16th.—Brigt Time, McDougall, St John's, N. F.—J A Johnston; Steamer Ospray, Gulfport, do, 3½ days; schrs Oronoque, Gautier, St. Pierre; Mountaineer, Sterling, Newfoundland, 4 days.

SUNDAY, 17th.—Brigs Brisk, Nickerson, St. John, P. R., 16 days—N L & J West; Lucretia, Maxwell, New Orleans, 20 days—J & M Tobin; schrs Susan, Lang, Richmond, Va.—do; Peerless, Bruce, Trinidad, 20 days—H Lyle; Hiram, Cohoon, St. John, P. R., 18 days—Esson, Boak & Co.

MONDAY, 18th.—Brigt Rover, Morrison, Cuba, via Portland—G & A Mitchell & Co; schr Lilla, Campbell, St. Thomas 18 days—J A Moren.

Cleared.

SATURDAY, April 9th.—Schr Ocean Star, Jenkins, Ponce; Clyde, Davidson, Char ottetown and Tignish; Amazon, O'Brien, United States; Lady Mulgrave, Nickerson, Barrington; Rachel Roach, Lingan; Lady Sale, Smith, St. Pierre.

MONDAY 11th.—Brigt Bo ton, O'Brien, Boston; schrs Beverly, Blanch, St. John's, Nfld.; Jobogue, Redding, Yarmouth; Mary, Allan, Ragged Islands.

TUESDAY, 12th.—Steamer Eastern State, Killam, Yarmouth and Boston; schrs Catherine, Hall, Cape Breton; Cordelia, Nichforth, Magdalen Isles.

WEDNESDAY, 13th.—Schr Davt, Conrad, Br. West Indies; barkentine Sarah A. Bell, Willet, Liverpool; schrs Lily of the West, Getson, Magdalen Isles; Blue Nose, Martin, do; Petrel, Fougere, Arichat.

THURSDAY, 14th.—Schr Delhi, Cleveland, Sheet Harbour; Coquette, do; Mary Grant, Cape Canso; Elizabeth, Cunningham, Barrington; Magnet, Pyc, Newfoundland; brigt Rosalie, Holmes, Windsor.

FRIDAY, 15th.—Schr Margaret, Bennett, Placentia Bay, Nfld.

SATURDAY, 16th.—Union, Savach, Canso; Time, McDougall, Lahave; Candidate, Mack, Magdalen Isles; Martha, Doyle, Labrador; Sunbeam, Dillon, Sydney, C. B.; Mary Ann, Redman, Magdalen Isles; Triumph, D'Entremont, Pubnico; Medway Belle, Morin, United States; Hound, Jost, Kingston, Ja; Blue Belle, Embree, Strait of Canso.