

must soon quit the stage, respectfully and affectionately entreat my junior Brethren to improve the season of youthful vigor in active services for God's glory and man's good.

May all of us, whether old or young, who are intrusted with the momentous charge of the pastorate, or missionary labor, be suitably impressed with a deep and abiding sense of our solemn and awful responsibility, as indicated by the inspired statement, (Heb. xiii. 17.) "They watch for your souls, as they that must give account!"

Yours in gospel bonds, CHARLES TUPPER.

Aylesford, Jan. 2, 1860.

For the Christian Messenger.

Opening of the New Meeting House, Wolfville.

Last Lord's-day was a "high day" to our friends at Wolfville. Their new Meeting-house was opened for worship. In the morning, Dr. Cramp preached to a crowded congregation from Ephes. iv. 14.

There is only time this week for a brief notice. It is hoped that some one who is acquainted with all the facts will furnish a more lengthened account. I will just say, that the building is in all respects, both as to plan and execution, highly creditable to the parties concerned.

The dimensions are 70 feet by 44. There are three galleries. The pews are arranged in the circular form, and are very commodious. The vestry is underneath, in the basement, that is, on the level of the street.

As this meeting-house is not encumbered with debt, the pews will not be sold. The building belongs to the Church. The rental of the pews will constitute, it is believed, an important portion of the Pastor's salary.

I wish all our churches were as favourably situated with regard to their Meeting-houses.

WATCHMAN.

For the Christian Messenger.

Obituary Notices.

JOHN FERGUSON DAVISON.

Dear Mr. Editor,—Will you permit me to record the death of another young person, lately taken away from us, by Him who doeth all things well. Though many beloved young ones have been called away in this place, nearly every one gave evidence of having experienced a change of heart.

he entered into the rest that remaineth for the people of God. May the Lord comfort his mourning relatives, and may his death be sanctified to the spiritual welfare of the youth in this place.

Yours truly, JAMES REID.

General Intelligence.

Domestic and Foreign.

Mr. W. B. SMELLIE has been dismissed from the Railway office on a charge of fraud by incorrect entries in favor of Mr. Cameron, a railway contractor. A prosecution is to be commenced against him we understand.

The following gentlemen were elected on Wednesday last Directors of the Telegraph Company for the ensuing year:—B. Wier, Donald Murray, T. C. Kinnear, Charles Twining and E. D. Meynell, Esquires.

The Chebucto Division, Sons of Temperance, intend holding a Soiree in the Division Room, to-morrow evening.

The Annapolis river has been frozen lately, more than has been known for upwards of twenty years.

The Steamer Emperor recently got into thick ice in the Bay of Funday, and with much difficulty managed to get through.

SMALL-POX, we regret to learn is spreading in the neighbourhood of Londonderry.

SOIREE AT DIGBY.—A grand Soiree was given at Temperance Hall, on Friday the 6th. Mr. J. Hutchinson ably filled the chair. Speeches were made by Mr. A. M. Gidney, Rev. Mr. Gray, Capt. Charles Pinkney and Mr. Kerr.

The ship Peerless is now on her voyage for Liverpool, England; having sailed from this port on Thursday.

The amount of duties collected at the port of Yarmouth for the quarter ended Dec. 31, was £1,838 2s. For the corresponding quarter of 1858 was £1,177 11s. 2d.

FIRE!—We regret exceedingly to announce the destruction of the New Glasgow Foundry by fire, on the morning of Monday, 2nd inst. The establishment consisted of three buildings. The origin of the fire is unknown.

This certifies that I have for several years used Davis' Pain Killer in my family in several of those cases for which it is recommended, and find it very useful family medicine.

New Brunswick.

The New Brunswick Legislature is summoned to meet for the despatch of business on Thursday, February the 9th. The Church Witness hopes "that the urgent and important matters" to be disposed of will include a measure for the establishment of a Registry of Births and Deaths.

Fifty new cases of small-pox were reported at St. John N.B., for the week ending January 7th.

The Courier suggests the desirableness of commencing a united Provincial Navy, by building and fitting out six or more gun-boats for the protection of our shores on the Bay of Funday.

Boston harbor was kept open during the cold weather by means of a steamer constantly running. Baltimore harbor was covered with a coat of ice. How did Halifax fare?—St. John Freeman.

All serene! No ice in our peerless Port. On an average, Halifax Harbor is frozen over, to a greater or less extent, once in twelve years. We have, therefore, a good many years to run before it comes to our turn to be frozen up again.—Journal.

Canada.

Last week a train going East on the G. W. R. ran over an Indian man and woman, who were lying on the track in a state of helpless intoxication. The man was dashed to pieces, and the woman expired after a few hours of suffering.

In Leeds and surrounding country, floods have led to several disasters—bridges and mills floated away.

BEAUREGARDE, the St. Hyacinth murderer, was executed at the jail in Montreal on Friday morning, 16th inst. We are informed that the crowd was immense. The convict appeared to die without a struggle.

THE JAIL TO LET!—The Stratford jail was without an occupant, except the gaoler! Send on your friends, Mr. Sparling.—Stratford Beacon.

It is said that the revenue of Canada will exceed the estimate by some £40,000. It was estimated at £130,000 but will realize about £170,000.

WARNING TO POLITICIANS.—Mr. LOUX has been returned to a seat in Parliament by a vast majority of the electors of Russell, and his opponent, Mr. Fellowes, languishes among felons in L'Original jail. What a lesson to ambitious, unprincipled politicians! Mr. Fellowes, in aspiring to eminence by ignoble means, stepped into a gulf, out of which to extricate himself is impossible.

United States.

Terrible Calamity in Lawrence—Falling of the Pemberton Mills. 200 to 300 lives lost.

LAWRENCE, (Mass.) Jan. 10, 9 P. M.—One of the most terrible catastrophes on record occurred in this city this afternoon. The Pemberton Mills fell with a terrible crash about 5 o'clock, while some 600 or 700 operatives were at work. The mills are a complete wreck, and 200 or 300 people are still supposed to be buried in the ruins.

At present it is impossible to give anything like a correct account of the loss of life, but, from the best authority, it is believed that at least two hundred are dead in the ruins. Eighteen dead bodies have already been taken out, and some 25 mortally wounded, besides some 50 in different stages of mutilation.

The agent of the mills, Mr. Chase, and the Treasurer, Mr. Howe, escaped by running from the falling building. It is impossible as yet to tell the cause of the disaster.

Our reporter has just come from the ruins, and the scenes there beggar all description. Some two or more acres of ground are piled up with every description of machinery, and the fallen building.

Huge bonfires are burning, to light some two or three thousand persons who are working for their lives to rescue the unfortunate persons, many of whom are still crying and begging to be released from their tortures. Every few minutes some poor wretch is dragged from his or her prison, and it is heart-rending to hear their cries as they are drawn out, with legs or arms crushed or torn out. One man shockingly mangled, and partly buried under the bricks, deliberately cut his throat to end his agony.

The whole city seems in mourning. Many people are running through the streets, and with frantic cries are searching the ruins, frigid with despair. Often a tremendous crash, caused by the clearing away, threatens death to all those who may still be alive in the ruins. Temporary hospitals have been arranged for those who have been taken from the ruins.

Gen. H. K. Oliver is active and conspicuous in directing parties who are endeavouring to rescue the victims of the disaster. Gangs of men with ropes below, are constantly dragging out huge pieces of the wreck which imprison so many. Some of the rescuers are killed in their humane efforts.

Since we left the scene of disaster, reports are constantly coming to us of more dead and dying.

Surgeons are coming in from every quarter, and everything that can be done at such a painful moment, is being done for the suffering victims of the fearful calamity, the mystery of which will have to be cleared up by an inquest.

SECOND DESPATCH.

Eleven, P. M.—About 10 minutes to 5 o'clock this afternoon, our citizens were alarmed by the cry of fire, which proceeded from the Pemberton Mills, about four fifths of which had fallen, a shapeless mass, without the slightest warning to nearly 800 human beings who were then at work therein. The building had never been considered as staunch as it ought to have been. It was built about seven years since, and was then thought a sham; indeed, before the machinery was put in, the walls spread to such a degree that some 22 tons of iron stays were put in to save the building from falling by its own weight. The building appeared, from the best information that can now be gathered, to crumble and fall from the eastern corner, or end, towards the Duck Mill. It fell inwards, as if powerfully drawn that way. The fire companies at once repaired to the spot, but there being no fire, they at once set to work with a will to remove the rubbish. They very soon reached some of the rooms, so that the dead and wounded were taken out as fast as they could be reached. Mr. Charles Batchelder helped to remove some 26, in various conditions, some still living, others dead and terribly mutilated.

MIDNIGHT.—Calamity succeeds calamity!—Within the past ten minutes the whole mass of ruins has become one sheet of flame!

The screams and moans of the poor, buried, burning and suffocating creatures can be distinctly heard, but no power on earth can save them.

THIRD DESPATCH.

Half-past One, A. M.—The Pemberton Mills are now a flat, smoking mass. Brick, mortar and human bones are promiscuously mingled. Probably not less than two hundred human beings perished in the flames. The fire made quick work, burning not only

the main buildings, as they lay flat, but spreading to the material that had in kindness been removed.

The fire caught, without doubt, from a lantern containing fluid, which was accidentally dropped.

One fireman dropped dead in the street, probably from overheating.

LATEST—3 o'clock—It is utterly impossible to get fuller particulars to-night, everything and everybody being in the utmost confusion, and apparently appalled and confounded by this night of unparalleled horrors.

The amount of suffering cannot be imagined; and the exact number of killed and wounded it is utterly impossible to ascertain with any degree of certainty.—Boston Daily Advertiser.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE is as usual a voluminous document.

The acquisition of Cuba is one of the prominent topics.

It is suggested to Congress to create a Military force, and to enter Mexican territory for the purpose of obtaining Indemnity for the past, and security for the future.

The President thinks the Pacific Railroad should be built by incorporated companies, and not by Government.

The President apprehends a deficiency in the Treasury Department and to cover it, he recommends an increase of the present duty on imports.

The receipts of the Treasury, from all sources during the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1859, were \$81,692,471 01, which, with the balance on hand at the commencement of that year, make an aggregate for the service of Government of \$88,090,737 11.

The public expenditures for the same period were \$83,751,511 57, of which \$17,405,285 45 were appropriated to payment of interest on the Public Debt.

FALL OF BUILDING AND LOSS OF LIFE.—On Tuesday last a double store Nos. 54 & 56, Broad Street, New York, fell in consequence of the great weight of merchandise in the upper stories. About 5000 barrels of flour were stored in them. Mr. Wm Ely, a merchant of Brooklyn, was afterwards standing in the street front, and on the front of the building falling, was crushed in a horrible manner by one of the granite columns. Several other persons were severely injured.

The slave yacht Wanderer, whose escape from the United States Marshal in October last will be remembered, has re-appeared in charge of the mate, who has a strange story to tell of wanderings and adventures upon the high seas. The Capt. Lincoln P. Patten, of Bath, Me., had pursued several merchantmen with a design of plundering them; and while boarding a French vessel with his piratical design, his crew ran off with the stolen yacht, and made sail for America. The vessel is in the custody of the U. S. Marshal.

A large fire occurred in New York on the 29th ult. The loss is estimated to be about \$800,000.

Boston harbour was kept open during the cold weather by means of a steamer constantly running. Baltimore harbour was covered with a coat of ice.

The New-England Society celebrated the 238th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims, with the accustomed dinner at the Astor House, last Thursday evening. About two hundred persons participated in the festivities.

George Woodhouse, a colored man, died in Norfolk, on the 10th, at the advanced age of one hundred and twenty years. He was formerly a slave but purchased his freedom some time ago.

A new kind of cotton is being grown in South Carolina. The fibre is nearly two inches in length, and is as fine and glossy as floss silk.—The plant is said to grow from six to eight feet in height, and will produce one thousand pounds of clean lint to the acre.

European News.

FRANCE.

THE POPE AND THE IMPERIAL PAMPHLET.

A telegram received from Paris this morning says:—

"The Papal Nuncio has intimated to Count Walewski the impossibility for the Pope to be represented at the congress, if an official denial was not given to the rumoured authorship of the pamphlet 'Le Pape et le Congres.'"

From Rome also a telegram has been received, which says:—

"It is positively stated that the Duke of Grammont had been officially informed by the Cardinal Antonelli that, in consequence of the publication of the pamphlet 'Le Pape et le Congres,' the departure of the first plenipotentiary of the States of the Church for Paris to be present at the Congress had been suspended."

The French cabinet has, by telegraph, informed the Powers concerned that the opening of the Congress will not take place before the 19th January next.

The Independent of Turin announces as official the nomination of the Count de Cavour as first Plenipotentiary for Sardinia at the Congress.

A pamphlet entitled "The Pope and the Congress" has just been published at Paris from the pen of M. de la Gueronniere, the author of the pamphlet "Napoleon III. et l'Italie," which heralded the late war. The misgovernment of the Papal dominions is treated as something inveterate and inevitable, arising from causes much deeper than the good or evil disposition