

to the claims presented by Acadia College, in particular, at the present time. The blessing has to some extent already come. The position occupied by the professors, and their standing as men and christians, calls for no ordinary amount of thanksgiving and prayer. The denomination generally may regard them as raised up and specially prepared for the peculiar office they are called to fill. Learning is not to be compared with the most valuable of earth's possessions—being of greater worth than them all; and to know that we can offer to our young men a course of education second to no denomination in this province, not only without the smallest sacrifice of religious principle, but in connection with the fullest enjoyment of religious privilege, is a boon which demands the most profound gratitude to Almighty God. In how many places are the highest attainments of literary and scientific research associated with scepticism and infidelity, and surrounded by temptation and folly. Although we are aware that no place is free from its evil influences, yet we believe that the position and circumstances of Acadia are happily more exempt than a vast majority of similar institutions. The responsibility resting on the professors, call for their being relieved from anxieties which would interfere with their devoting their whole thought to the various subjects they have to prepare from day to day and present to their classes. Where prayer is heartily engaged in, there will be a remembrance of what may be done on behalf of the institution. We, as christians, live for the purpose of perpetuating the kingdom of Christ in the world, and whilst we pray, "Thy kingdom come," we should not forget the means placed in our hands to assist in accomplishing that great object.

NEWS SUMMARY.

The evacuation and capture of Charleston has been the principal article of important news from the South during the week. This event is no doubt of great consequence to the Federal cause, as it will release the blockading squadron, the besieging land forces, and Sherman's army, and leave them at liberty to act upon other points. The latter, in all probability, will proceed northward to cooperate with Grant before Richmond. Frequent reports have been lately abroad of the evacuation of the Virginia capital. They seem as yet, however, premature, although the chances of holding out any great length of time, almost surrounded as the Confederate armies now are, would seem more than doubtful. Wilmington having been captured, Mobile is now the only port of importance on the Southern coast, still retained by the Confederates. A resolution introduced into the Confederate Legislature to arm two hundred thousand negroes, has been lost, it is said, by a majority of one. This will be one of their last resources, but if enabled to prosecute the war much longer, is one which there is little doubt will finally be resorted to. The state of the weather, at this period of the year in Virginia paralyzes all active movements in the contending armies at Richmond. Our own Legislature have done little as yet, nor are we aware that we have anything beyond certain routine matters before them or likely to occupy their attention for some time to come. Except the production of certain documents, bearing on the subject, nothing has been done in the Confederation question. Much difference of opinion, we understand, exists among the members of the Assembly. If the measure is sound and a desirable one, as we believe it is, it can suffer nothing from being thoroughly canvassed. Besides this, as the New Brunswick Legislature will meet immediately after their new elections, it is also best that the two Provinces should proceed in the matter as simultaneously as possible. In Prince Edward Island a pretty strong diversity of opinion on the subject, among their leading men, as we gather from the papers, appears to exist.

Notices, &c.

**Associated Alumni of Acadia College.**  
There will be a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Associated Alumni of Acadia College, in the Vestry of the Granville Street Church, on Saturday evening next, at 8 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of making arrangements for the celebration of the centennial Anniversary.  
J. S. PAYEANT, Secretary.

**New Scotia Baptist Education Society.**  
FEMALE EDUCATION.  
The members and friends of the Society, and the friends of Female Education generally, are requested to meet in the Library of Acadia College on Wednesday, March 8, at 2 o'clock, P. M., in order to take into consideration measures which will then be proposed in regard to the interests of the Female Seminary, Wolfville.  
A. S. HUNT, Secretary.  
Cornwallis, Feb. 18th, 1865.

**Annapolis Co. Ministerial Conference.**  
The next Meeting of the Annapolis County Conference of Baptist Ministers, will be held D. V., at Stony Beach, Lower Granville, on Tuesday the 7th day of March, at 9 o'clock, A. M. Preaching on the previous evening.  
W. H. PORTER, Secretary.  
Pine Grove, 14th Feb., 1865.

**Protracted Meetings at Margarets Bay.**  
There will be a protracted meeting held at Indian Harbour, Margarets Bay, beginning on Tuesday 7th March, commencing at half past six o'clock in the evening.  
Dear Brethren, Ministers and others, you that can, we invite to come and help us. Those who cannot come, pray that God may revive his work amongst us.  
THOMAS C. DELOSS, Pastor.

**Colchester County S. School Convention.**  
The Convention will hold its next Quarterly Meeting at DeBert River, on Friday, March 31st, at 2 o'clock, p. m.  
It is earnestly requested that Superintendents, Teachers, and other friends of Sabbath Schools, will endeavour to be present.  
T. B. LAYTON, Secretary.  
February 8th, 1865.

Letters Received.

G. W. Freeman, 6th, \$20, 1 sub. J. F. Marsters Esq. 9th, \$4. W. Milbury, 9th, \$1. 1 sub. Rev. Dr. Lupper, 10th and 17th, \$4. W. A. Morse, 10th, 1 sub. Rev. Geo. Armstrong, 14th. Rev. A. Weaver, 13th. Rev. L. B. Gates, 13th, \$1. A. Strong, 11th, \$4. D. H. Jenks, 11th. Rev. E. M. Saunders, 14th, \$7.75. D. Mosher, 17th, \$8. J. F. Nash, 6th, \$2. Moses Hunt, 9th. J. H. Cahoon, 14th. Rev. W. H. Richan, 13th. J. C. Anderson, Esq. 11th. Suppose ordered discontinued. Sent on again. Rev. S. T. Rand, 3rd. J. Oakes, 1st. O. H. Cogswell, 31st, \$4. W. S. Parker, 31st. J. Moser, 31st. M. Kinsman, 2nd, \$4. 1 sub. J. P. Saunders, 3rd, \$15.65. Rev. A. W. Basse, 2nd. H. C. Creed, 26th. J. McLean, Esq. 1 sub. H. E. Payson, Esq. 4th, \$20. W. Hall, Esq. 2nd, \$24. J. M. Parker, Esq. 7th, \$8. J. Welch, 8th, \$2. C. Bill, Esq., 8th, \$6.50. H. Harris, Esq. 11th, \$8. W. J. Gates, 9th, \$9.50, and 16th, \$20. W. Churchill, 7th, \$32. Rev. James Stevens, 7th, \$5. A. N. Whitman, 18th. Rev. D. Freeman, 13th, \$4. Jas. Lantz, 10th, \$9. Rev. Chas. Randall, 10th, \$1. A. Marshall, Esq., 17th, \$8. Jas. Desbrisay, Esq., 18th, \$9, 2 subs. A. Davison, Esq., 18th, \$2. Rev. A. Chipman, 20th. G. V. Rand, 24th, 1 sub. Rev. H. Achilles, 20th, \$5. W. H. Chipman, Esq., 20th, \$10.

C. H. H.—Have sent for a fresh supply of REVISED NEW TESTAMENTS. Will send soon as they arrive.

ERRATA.—In the Communication "The sorrowful New Year," C. M., Feb. 15th, 5th line for "respectfully" read respectively; 24th line for "many" read many years; 34th line for "sadness" read suddenness.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

**DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.**—The Wesleyan Methodist body have placed before the two Houses of Legislature their protest against the present position of this Institution.

In the Legislative Council, on Wednesday, Feb. 22, Hon. Mr. Anderson presented the petition of the Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Eastern British America stating that they "view with much dissatisfaction the operation of the act for the regulation and support of Dalhousie College, by which a Provincial Institution has been transferred to the Presbyterian denomination; thereby constituting it, in effect, a Presbyterian College." They pray the House to "adopt such measures for the removal of this objection of complaint as in the wisdom of your Honorable Council may be consistent with a due regard to the claims of all denominations."

The petition was read and ordered to be laid on the table.

The petitions of the Committees of the Baptist Convention have also been presented. Other denominations sympathize with these bodies on this question, and may possibly give similar expression to their views. It will be advisable, we think, for the Legislature to revise the action of past sessions on this question.

On Friday some discussion arose in the Council on a request of Hon. Mr. Almon for private despatches of the Lieutenant Governor. The Solicitor General denied the right of honorable gentlemen to ask for private despatches or the private opinion of His Excellency. On Mr. A. making some reflections on the conduct of the Delegates, the Hon. Messrs. Dickey and McCully replied.

On Saturday the Council met and passed several coal mining and railway acts.

We might make a number of interesting paragraphs from the facts contained in our reports of Parliamentary proceedings, but we prefer that the facts should appear in their proper places. We commend that department to the attention of our readers. We shall endeavour to furnish as full a summary as possible of what is done by the peoples' representatives in parliament throughout the session.

**FATAL AFFRAY.**—An affray, ending in the death of an industrious and respectable inhabitant of Cornwallis, occurred on the 22nd inst. Two men, Patrick Howton and James Scoff, had some words of disagreement in a house, which they shortly after left. Outside Howton procured a heavy stake and struck Scoff on the head, causing almost instantaneous death. It is not known that there had previously been any disagreement between the two parties, and the unfortunate affair is attributed to excessive indulgence in strong drink. Howton has been arrested. Scoff leaves a wife and six children, who were dependant upon him for support.—Recorder.

**STABBING.**—Two seamen one named Cook the other Jackson had a quarrel in their boarding house on Friday night last, when Cook stabbed Jackson over the left eye and in the side. The wounds are not dangerous. Cook is awaiting trial.

**FATAL ACCIDENT.**—A man named John Fogarty while painting a chimney for Mr. Forrestal on Wednesday last, was turning round when the bricks by which he held gave way and he fell to the ground. He lived but four hours after the occurrence.

We learn from the best authority that since the first of March last thirty soldiers have deserted from this garrison.—Chronicle.

**SMUGGLING.**—Some cases of champagne were recently seized on board the French schr. *Mere de Famille*. It was said they were intended for the captain's own private use.

A more extensive seizure was made on Saturday. Some ninety cases of gin were seized, duty not having been paid on the same.

**MILTON.**—A friend at Milton has furnished us with a continuation of the lectures now in course of delivery at that place. "Rev. Amos Weaver lectures this evening on "Intellectual Culture." Thursday, March 2d. "Lessons from the Career of Cortez, the Conqueror of Mexico," by the Rev. Joseph Hart. Thursday, March 9th; E. N. Harris, lectures on "Female Education."—Transcript.

**ACCIDENT.**—Mr. Edward Ford, of Milton, while engaged in felling a tree last week, was accidentally struck and thrown about forty feet, and we regret to learn was very much injured, but is now considered out of danger.—Id.

Mrs. Godfrey Rudolf, the lady of Capt. Rudolf, has presented Mr. A. Downs, with a fine specimen of the Albatross. It may be seen at his Aviary.

Messrs. Silver have contracted with Mr. H. Peters, for the erection of a four-story free stone building on the site of the present store, corner of George and Hollis streets.—Sun.

**ASSAULT.**—Dr. Jennings acting in the capacity of Sheriff on behalf of Sheriff Sawyer was levying on some property belonging to Mr. Thomas Hayden at the Market wharf on Saturday the 18th ult., when the latter struck Dr. Jennings several severe blows in the head and face, and when fallen, again struck him several times. An investigation took place on Saturday last, when Mr. Hayden was fully committed for trial before the Supreme Court.

The following is a list of Nova Scotian Medical Students at Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass. U. S.

William B. Buckley, Halifax N. S.; James S. Calder, Pictou, N. S.; Robert H. Carey, Halifax N. S.; Albert DeWolf, Wolfville, N. S.; Somerville Dickie, Cornwallis, N. S.; Branch K. Evars, Pictou, N. S.; Alex. F. Falconer, Pictou N. S.; John B. Fulton, Londonderry, N. S.; Thomas P. Fullerton, Pictou N. S.; David Fulton, Truro, N. S.; Charles W. F. Hamilton, Cornwallis, N. S.; George Jameson, Tangier, N. S.; George P. McLellan, Antigonish, C. B.; James M. McNeill, C. B. John McIntosh, Pictou, N. S.; Andrew McLaren, Halifax, N. S.; Robert W. McKeagney, Sydney, C. B.; William Norris, Pictou, N. S.; Milledge Oaks, Bridgewater, N. S.; John L. Peppard, Hebert River N. S.; John A. Purney, Shelburne, N. S.

Of the twenty-two in College, five passed a special examination, and proceeded to Virginia on the 6th inst., having taken service in the Federal army. Among those who have proceeded to the seat of war, we notice the names of W. B. Buckley, M. D., of Halifax, N. S., and C. W. F. Hamilton, of Cornwallis.

**AYLESFORD.**—On Sunday the 19th inst., the store of Mr. W. Daly, in Kingston Village, was destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$3000. Building and stock insured for \$4000.

**MUSQUODBOIT.**—Accidents.—On Wednesday, 15th of February, Mr. John Brown, about 22 years of age, was cutting logs in the woods, when the tree lodged, slid back, struck him, and caught him under it. A party went to search, and found him under the butt of the tree quite dead.

Also, on Thursday, the 16th, Mr. Francis Parker was chopping fire-wood, when a tree fell and struck and killed him. Mr. Parker is about 50 years of age, and leaves a widow and six children to mourn their loss.—Com. by Mr. Edward McCabe.

New Brunswick.

**IS THE INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY PART OF THE FEDERATION SCHEME?**—The following telegram was received by the Hon. S. L. Tilley, from the Hon. J. A. McDonald:—

Quebec, February 20th.  
Your letter received.  
Mr. remark was, that our agreement to build a Railroad could not be portion of a Constitution. In our case it was one of the conditions on which the Constitution was adopted; SUCH CONDITION WILL OF COURSE BE INSERTED IN THE IMPERIAL ACT. (Signed) JOHN A. McDONALD.

To the Hon. S. L. Tilley.  
A fire at Fredericton on the 14th inst., resulted in the destruction of four large three-story buildings, and a number of outhouses and sheds. During the progress of the fire one young man was seriously injured by the falling of a wall that doubts were entertained of his recovery.

**THE ELECTIONS** supply the topics of news from the neighboring province. The contest is professedly between Federation and Antifederation, and in the case of some of the leading men it will doubtless be so but in others it will be on local considerations. Two papers have been started for the purpose of influencing the elections. One the UNION in Fredericton, in favor of the Confederation Scheme; the other the PATRIOT on the Anti-Federation ticket in St. John. It is said that 3000 copies were insufficient of the first number to supply the demand. The papers—religious and secular alike—seem in a great measure given up to political matters.

Hon. Mr. Tilley is one of the candidates for St. John. The New Brunswickers have not yet advanced to simultaneous polling. The following are the dates for the elections to take place, as far as we have yet seen:

Carleton, Wednesday, March 1.  
York, Thursday, March 2.  
St. John County, Friday, March 3.  
City, Saturday, March 4.  
Gloucester, " " March 4.  
Albert, " " March 4.  
Sunbury, Monday, March 6.  
King's, Tuesday, March 14.  
Charlotte, Thursday, March 16.

Canada.

**THE CONFEDERATION QUESTION** is before the Provincial Parliament. The form of the resolution submitted will be found under our parliamentary intelligence.

No alteration is to be allowed in the several legislatures of the resolutions of the Conference, but the modifications are to be introduced in the Imperial Parliament, when the question comes before them. The vote in the Canadian Legislative Council was three-fourths in favor of the resolution—45 to 15.

**THE ALIEN BILL** which has been passed by the three branches of the Canadian Legislature will we presume, fully satisfy the Washington Cabinet.

There are a large number of poor persons in the city of Montreal, who this winter, are in a suffering condition. One day week before last, a medical gentleman visited 52 families, 30 of whom were lying on the cold floor. Out of the 52 families visited, but 3 showed signs of the parents being addicted to the use of strong drink. The Herald of that city in referring to this state of affairs says:—"Many dwellings are untenable, yet if they were condemned, neither our goals, asylums, nor houses of refuge could shelter one-fourth of the poor of our city."

**QUEBEC.**—A petition to Parliament was recently in circulation, praying that the City Corporation be replaced, for five years, by two or three Commissioners, to be appointed by the Crown, who, not owing their election to individuals interested in augmenting the civil expenditure to the fullest possible extent, might by energetic and well directed measures, re-establish the equilibrium between outlay and revenue, without calling upon the citizens of Quebec to make any further sacrifices.

A train on the Grand Trunk railway recently ran off the track, and twelve passengers, among them the Hon. M. Foley, were injured.

A farmer named Cherry while dancing a Scotch reel at a ball in a tavern in Pictou, C. W., dropped dead from heart disease.

A young Indian, grandson of the Chief of the Mississugas, at Hiawathan, Rice Lake, C. W., was kidnapped with three others of his tribe some months ago, and sold for a few hundred dollars each into the American army. The other day he was sent home from Washington—a corpse.

**A TRAINING SHIP FOR CANADA.**—The Toronto Globe's special correspondence from Quebec on the 3rd, says:—"When Dr. Rees was at Halifax, last summer, he suggested to Admiral Hope a plan for establishing at Quebec a nautical school and training ship. The Admiral forwarded it to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. Dr. Rees received here to-day a letter from Admiral Hope, enclosing the reply of the Admiralty. They approve of the plan, and offer the *Chichester*, a fifty-gun frigate, for the purpose, but express the opinion that the expense would be much greater than fitting up an ordinary vessel here. Admiral Hope thinks likewise, that for beginning school, a vessel could be fitted up here at a trifling expense."

**THE CHAUDIERS GOLD DIGGINGS.**—A Quebec paper states that the yield of this Gold Field from the 15th November to the end of December was 100 oz.

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