

Provinces, but here, as you may have noticed in my letter to the Visitor, we much need an outpouring of the Holy Spirit; and such a visitation is yet to be experienced. The wrestling Jacobs are at the mercy seat in many of our Churches. Their faith is being sorely strained by the delay of His coming, but God cannot fail. He has been working by terrible things in righteousness in this nation. We think we see the end of this dispensation of judgment, and beyond, the glorious dispensation of grace. Let us patiently wait, for we shall reap if we faint not. There is a sad, sad state of piety in our Churches. The mighty hand of God has got to fear down strongholds before He can build up His Kingdom. This tearing down process will impose a heavy tax on the fidelity of the ministry in this country. Settlements, living, human sympathy, fame, comfort, all that is earthly, must be held by them as of no moment. Who shall abide the day of his coming? Who shall stand when He appeareth? During the long, deep slumbers of the christian church, the enemy has been industriously sowing tares, and the harvest is a frightful sight. Were you on the ground you, I am sure, would see it. But Christ is master of the position. He is stronger than the strong man armed, oh, how firm, and sweet, and comforting, and joyful, is my trust in Christ. I can trust all in his hands.

You have planted your feet on the Rock of Millers trust. Well done! You can't fail, it is indeed, your feet are on that Rock. But I shall wear your patience out. Let me hear from you again, the next time I hope in answer to your prayer for help. I am now expecting to visit Nova Scotia in the month of August. I am yet a British subject. My love to sister Rand.

Yours in Christ,
W. S. MCKENZIE.

For the Christian Messenger.

DEAR BROTHER,

Please allow me to acknowledge in the Messenger, the receipt of the enclosed note on the 22nd inst., with its valuable accompaniment, and oblige,

Yours truly,
S. T. RAND.

Hantsport, August 26th.

REV. S. T. RAND,—

Please accept the enclosed sum of Five Pounds, to be spent in whatever way you deem best for the Indians.

"He that goeth forth and weepeth bearing precious seed shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

"For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater; so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I send it."

Religious Intelligence.

TURKEY.—There is no cessation of persecution in Turkey. On the contrary, it appears to be more widely assuming a systematic form. Thus another outbreak has occurred at Istanos, an Armenian town not many miles from the city of Angora. The Armenian and Protestant community were both summoned before the agent of the Armenian bishop, and the latter required to unite with the former in their confession of faith and practice. On their refusal, the Vartabed declared them to be "as heathen and publicans, and cut off from the people." Afterwards it was ordered that all work should be taken away from these eighteen Protestants. Most of them were weavers. The half-finished webs of cloth were taken from their looms, and the men turned out of the shops. All shopkeepers were forbidden to sell them food or anything else. Cowherds were forbidden to pasture their cows. Millers were not permitted to grind their wheat." A day or two later the Protestants were all driven from the town into the mountains, where it was feared that they would die of hunger. The Pasha seems disposed to allow things to take their course. The Constantinople correspondent of Evangelical Christendom gives other illustrations:—"At Marash, for example there is a large and flourishing Protestant community, with two churches. From the first it has been very common for Turks to attend the services in these places of worship, but now strict orders have come from Constantinople forbidding this. A few Sabbaths ago, a Turkish gentleman, unknown to the missionaries, attended one of these services, apparently from mere curiosity, but on leaving he was seized by the guards, taken to the kouak, beaten, and afterwards thrown into prison. By another order from Constantinople, all the Arabo-Turkish books of the American Mission at Marash, and several other places, have been seized by the Pasha. These books, without exception, were printed at Constantinople and approved by the Government censorship. At Adabazar, where there has been a flourishing Protestant community for many years, the public sale not only of these but of all other Protestant books, has been prohibited. In Constantinople itself a color fear has, within a few weeks, been arrested several times and imprisoned for selling a little tract in Turkish, issued by the American Mission, which is nothing more than a commentary on the last verses of the 25th chapter of Matthew, extracted from a commentary on the

Gospel just published here with the approval of the censorship.

THE GOSPEL AMONGST THE WOMEN OF INDIA.—A widening field of usefulness is also found among the women of India. Thus, Mrs. Cooper, of Nagpore, gives an interesting account of a tour in which she accompanied her husband, and of the manner in which she addressed herself to that work. The following is a characteristic extract from her journal:—"Arrived at a very large and populous place. No sooner had my husband begun to preach, and the crowd increasing very much around him, than I slipped aside, and seeing a lot of high-caste women peering from a corner, I went towards them, and told them if they would come quietly to a shady place I would read to them good news from my book. Immediately I was conducted to the shady verandah of a respectable-looking house, a carpet was brought out, and I sat for me, and they all gathered round. Then I told them of the living God, and exposed the folly of idolatry. How telling upon them is the 115th Psalm. At once they acknowledged the uselessness of idols, but never before had they heard of the true Saviour. Many expressed their contrition for sin, and their need of a Saviour, and when I told them of the great love of God in sending His Son to suffer and die in our room and stead, great was their wonder, great seemed their joy. 'Oh, stay among us! Oh, teach us more of the true Saviour!' some of them said, 'we never heard of this before.' I asked if any of them could read. Not one could read. I then asked if their husbands could read, or if their boys went to the Government schools, and tried to press on them the great benefit of being able to read, and then for themselves they would be able to read God's Word. I left with them a number of tracts, and advised them to get a school-boy who could read for them, placing him in the midst of them, and ask God to open their hearts to receive the message. When I left them, many of the women, pressing round me, and kissing my hands, with tears in their eyes, thanked me for coming to them."

Colonial and American News.

Prince Edward Island.

The Government of P. E. Island have contracted for the erection of a new military barracks in the neighborhood of Charlottetown for the sum of £3,500, Island currency.

Some of the Island papers are consoling themselves that the presence of the military in their metropolis is reviving the noble game of cricket and consequently "it is an ill-wind that blows nobody good."

The crops throughout the Island have not been more abundant for many years.

The Charlottetown Islander states that the Administrator of the Government of Prince Edward Island has received a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, approving of the course pursued by the Executive Government in arming special constables, and sending for troops.

New Brunswick.

It is said that rust and weevil have done great damage to the wheat in the northern parts of New Brunswick. The crops will be larger in those districts than ever before harvested there.

BEARS have been very troublesome in the county of Northumberland. It is supposed that the scarcity of berries has driven them into the settlements where they have regaled themselves on more substantial fare of live stock.

A STORM of unusual severity visited the neighbourhood of Woodstock last week. In some places the hail beat down the grain most destructively. The frozen water fell indeed, in large pieces of ice, breaking windows and destroying other property. The thunder and lightning were most terrific.

A BAD STABBING AFFAIR occurred at Portland St. John, on Sunday 29th. Four young men were attacked by a band of 14 or 15 others who commenced by throwing stones and concluded by inflicting severe wounds on the face and throat of two named respectively William McVeigh and George Franklin. The most active of the assailants were Michael Mansfield, Patrick Howrhan and Timothy Cronan.

Canada.

At Dumfries, Canada, recently, a woman gave birth to a child with three tongues. The child enjoys good health, and otherwise is perfect in form.

The Canadian Legislature will be prorogued about the 16th inst., and the Quebec Mercury says the Governor General will go home on leave of absence soon after.

The Canadian Budget was submitted by Hon. Mr. Galt on the 29th ult. The debt is over 78,000,000.

George N. Sanders now goes armed by permission of the authorities of Montreal, and wears a belt or girdle, in which are slung his revolvers and bowie knife, while in his side pockets he carries his small revolvers making his person quite an arsenal.—Boston Paper.

It is said that there are 1,200 houses and stores to let in Toronto.

The potato crop of the United States this year will be one of the largest ever grown in the country.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

PRIZE FIRING.—The total sum collected for the Ladies Prize amounts to \$560 25.

The Annual Rifle Contest commenced yesterday at Bedford. There are quite a number of prizes to be won!

- 1. The Rifle Association Medal.
- 2. The Cogswell Cup.
- 3. The English National Rifle Association Medal.
- 4. The Ladies Cup.
- 5. A Silver Tea Service; and several others, consisting of sums of money. It may take several days. It commenced yesterday at 10 o'clock a. m., but the subsequent days firing is to begin at 9 a. m.

Extra Railway Trains are to leave Richmond at 7 past 7 and 10 o'clock each day. The Ferry steamer will ply at the usual hours each day during the contest.

CIVIC.—At the close of the Scotch gathering on Wednesday last a disturbance took place, in which some of our civic and ex-civic dignitaries were implicated. The matter was investigated in the Police Court on Monday and yesterday but we have not heard what result had been arrived at.

Mr. Thomas Archibald, who assaulted Ex-Alderman Evens in Bedford Row on Saturday last, was fined \$8 at the Police Court.

COLLISION.—The schooner Harriet White, was ran into at 2 o'clock on Friday morning last by the R. M. S. China. She was stuck amidstships, and sank in 8 minutes. The Captain and crew had barely time to escape; she was loaded with salt and bound out. The Captain reports that the schooner had her lights up at the time of the collision.

PROGRESS.—Mr. Geo. William Froeman of Amherst, has invented a reaping machine which has cut 28 stooks of wheat per hour and did the work well.

GOLD IN HALIFAX.—We are informed that a vein of gold bearing quartz has been discovered in City street by the persons engaged in repairing the road.

A young man named Andrew Jackson, a native of Liverpool, N. S., was lately killed in Gloucester, Mass., by falling from the top of a stage-coach on which he was riding.

OUR EXPORTS.—Within a few days of the past week 5814 barrels and 23 half barrels of pickled fish were exported from this port for the United States and the West Indies.

SMOKERS BEWARE.—By recent regulations, smoking is prohibited in the second class, as well as in the first-class, cars on the Railways. It would be well if parties travelling could get rid of the idea that a pipe or cigar is a necessary part of the paraphernalia for a season of relaxation. Others who prefer a clean mouth would not then be inconvenienced by having to breathe their fumes and polluted atmosphere.

THE PROJECTED PARK.—The Journal of Agriculture says:—"It is gratifying to know that the scheme of forming a public park at the North West Arm, commensurate with the growing importance of the city, is likely to be successfully carried out. W. Cunard, Esq., is taking an active interest in the movement."

OUR MARKETS.—The improvements in the Fish Market have made it a little more like what it should be.

Our green market is greatly contracted by the building operations of the New Provincial Building. It has been suggested by a correspondent of one of our morning papers that the market should be limited to the morning, and not allowed to continue all day on Saturday as at present. If this could be effected it would be a great benefit to the country people, enabling them to get home earlier than at present.

We learn from the New York Times that the notorious COLONEL D'UTASSY, formerly Professor of Modern Languages in Dalhousie College in this city, is not now in Sing Sing Prison, but at Delaware Gap in the Photography line.

DUST is again one of our city institutions. The Lakes from which we obtain our supplies are said to be so low that it is necessary to economise the consumption, and the street watering has consequently been suspended for the present.

FURIOUS DRIVING.—Mr. G. F. Barnaby was given in custody on Thursday last for driving furiously through Argyle Street and running over and injuring a boy named George Anderson. A fine was inflicted at the Police Court.

HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITION AT HALIFAX.—It is intended to hold an exhibition of culinary vegetables, fruits, and other garden produce, in the Horticultural Gardens this fall. We hope to see a great many creditable productions from Windsor and other gardening localities. The time is not yet fixed. It is a pity that a year's notice is not given of all such exhibitions, (as in England) so that intending exhibitors might have an opportunity of making some preparation and effort, instead of merely sending what happens to be ready in their gardens at the time.—Journal of Agriculture.

IMMIGRATION.—We are informed that a Polar Bear has been secured for Down's Gardens; and a Beaver for Leahy's Thornfield Nursery.

THE PUBLIC SLAUGHTER HOUSE, at Richmond, is to be 100 feet in length, with two wings, each 25 feet, and the whole 30 feet in

depth. The editor of the Agricultural Journal very properly protests against the waste of the offal by letting it go off into the harbor. We cannot imagine that it is intended to throw away what would be of so much value for composting purposes, or that the harbor just above the city should be so damaged as it would be by allowing the whole of the impurities to pass off into the water.

All private slaughter-houses in the city are to be closed on and after the 1st of March 1866.

The Highland Society of Antigonish have appointed Thursday, 28th inst., as the day for their SCOTTISH GATHERING, and an immense number of persons from all parts of the Province are expected to attend.

MR. J. S. HUTTON, the indefatigable superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum gives very satisfactory reports of his further progress through the western counties of Yarmouth, Weymouth and Digby into Annapolis. The people every where had shown great kindness to him and his mute pupils.

Meetings will be held at Canard, Cornwallis this evening; at Canning to-morrow Thursday, and at Wolfville on Friday 8th inst.

THE HORSE RAILROAD is to be begun forthwith. Mr. O'Brien the builder has purchased land at Richmond for the terminus and has taken an office in Dupe's building for the Company.

DROWNED.—On Saturday evening last as the Dartmouth Ferry-boat was crossing for the last trip, at 11 o'clock, a man supposed to have been partially drunk, by some means, fell overboard. The night being perfectly clear and moonlight, the boat was stopped immediately, and backed to within a few feet of where he appeared to be swimming. The life-buoy was thrown over to him, within his reach, but either he did not see it or was not sufficiently sensible to grasp it. He was heard twice to call out distinctly in reply to remarks of those in the boat. "All right!" but in a few seconds he sank back out of sight. A young man—Michael McCabe, of Dartmouth, bravely jumped overboard, hoping to save him, but nothing has since been seen of the man or his body. It appears that the young man was a sailor a Welshman named Edward Edwards belonging to a vessel lying at the Marine slip. Did his death result from drunkenness or from moderate drinking? Some of those skilled in the distinction may be able to decide.

IMPROVED SHEEP.—The Eastern Annapolis Agricultural Society have purchased a ram "Great Guelph" of pure Cots wold breed for \$125. It was raised by F. W. Stone Esq., of Canada West. Mr. J. H. Reed of Fredericton says of him "I will now show him against any other ram in size, style, and substance, fineness of bone and weight of fleece,—he sheared 18 1/2 lbs. of wool, clean, but unwashed. His equal is not in America, nor his superior in England."

On his arrival on the 29th of June, Mr. George Ince of Nictaux says "he weighed 325 lbs" and adds "It is not the opinion of some of the members of the society that the directors have acted judiciously in giving so large a price for a ram. Five or six dollars (\$5 or \$6) is the general price of the degenerated breed at present when in existence; but I feel well assured that when in a year or two sheep increase in size and fineness of bone, as also wool, all will rejoice that such an animal as Great Guelph has been imported into the Province. Mr. H. Ince adds a P. S., August 21st. "Our grain crops generally are abundant and the hay oats and barley mostly harvested, Apples will be a very short crop."

THE MAMMOTH TEMPERANCE PIC-NIC comes off this day at Canard, Cornwallis. Procession to form at the Parade near the Baptist meeting house. We are unable to accept the kind invitation of the worthy Secretary, to be present and partake of the festivities. The programme gives the following directions. After naming 24 different Temperance organizations, belonging to the county we believe, it states that:—"In case any Division or Lodge shall be unrepresented, its place will be filled by the next senior Div. or Lodge, as the case may be; and any Division or Lodge wishing to join the procession after it leaves the starting point must do so in the rear, as once formed the procession cannot be broken. Persons attending by invitation will unite with the Divisions and Lodges by whose members they were invited."

When formed, the procession will, under the direction of the Grand and Deputy Marshals, proceed via Upper Dyke Village to Church Street; thence by Church Street to the Episcopal Church; thence crossing the dyke to Hamilton's Corner; thence by Canard Street to the picnic grounds, in rear of the residence of Joshua Ellis Esquire.

It is requested that each horse in the procession be dressed with two small flags of red, white and blue, placed in the head-stall of the bridle.

TEMPERANCE LECTURES.—Rev. Mr. McArthur will visit places and address meetings as follows:—Guysborough, Guysboro' Co. this day Wednesday 6th. Manchester, Guysboro' Co. Thursday, Sept. 7th. Ship Harbour, C. B. Friday, Sept. 8th. Sydney, C. B., Tuesday, Sept. 12.

Mr. R. M. Barratt will address meetings in Yarmouth County as follows:—Tasquet, this day Wednesday, 6th. Head Argyle River, Thursday, Sept. 7th. Mariner's Guide Div., Friday, Sept. 8th. Pubnico, Monday, Sept. 11.

Collections taken up at all meetings in aid of G. D. Agency Fund.

McLennan the champion at the Scottish Society's games, gave some exhibitions of strength on Monday last at the Horticultural grounds. He threw a 10lb hammer, 192 feet and a 56lb weight 32 feet.