

For the Christian Messenger.

The Jamaica Insurrection.

Dear Brother,

We have received fuller accounts of the Jamaica outbreak. But they are all one-sided. The true report is yet to come.

The Lieutenant Governor of Jamaica is evidently a weak-minded, incapable man—impulsive—rash—easily influenced. The spirit of the old planters is in him. Thus he addresses the House of Assembly:—

“There is scarcely a district or a parish in the Island where disloyalty, sedition and murderous intentions are not widely disseminated, and in many instances openly expressed. The misapprehension and misrepresentations of pseudo-philanthropists, in England and in this country, the inflammatory barangues, or seditious writings of political demagogues, of evil-minded men of higher position and of better education, and of worthless persons without either character or property to lose; the personal, scurrilous, vindictive and disloyal writings of a licentious and unscrupulous Press; and the misdirected efforts and misguided counsel of certain Ministers of Religion, sadly so called, if the Saviour's example and teaching is to be the standard, have led to their natural, their necessary, their inevitable result amongst an ignorant, excitable and uncivilized population—Rebellion, Arson, Murder.”

Who can believe all this? It is the style of sensation telegrams. It is the language of fright and fury.

Unless the Jamaica authorities be vigorously carbed by the Queen's Government we shall hear of terrible doings. The atrocities of 1832 will be repeated, when hundreds of good men were shot or hanged, without provocation and without trial.

Four ministers, I observe, have been arrested in Kingston. One of them is a Baptist—pastor of Hanover Street church in that city. I believe he is an educated colored man. We shall probably hear of more arrests, and perhaps executions. The Lieutenant Governor's speech is calculated to excite any amount of barbarity.

Religious liberty, too, is to be shackled. Notice is given of a Bill “to regulate places of worship and Meeting Houses, and religious services therein.” It I mistake not, Queen Victoria will veto that Bill. It smacks of the sixteenth century.

We are told that “Paul Bogle was a preacher and had a Chapel at Stoney Gut. In his pocket was found a copy of Dr. Watt's Psalms and Hymns in which several were marked. The Psalms are: 3rd, verses 4, 5, 8; 11th, 30th, “the last Judgment” (pause second); 15th, 2nd version; 121st, 2nd version; 139th, 3rd version, and 143rd.

Hymns: 44th, 64th, 136th, 140th. Second Book: 4th, 89th, 97th, 107th. Third Book 23rd.”

There was neither rebellion nor murder nor any other evil in those hymns. They were Paul's favorites, and therefore he marked them. Any one who examines the book will find that he chose excellently well. The marked hymns are among Dr. Watts' best. But Jamaica judges and juries are likely enough to find treason in them.

I hope to be able to place before the public, shortly, a copy of Dr. Underhill's letter to the Colonial Secretary, which is said to have produced the late commotion.

Perhaps the whole will dwindle down to a local riot, which has been magnified into a rebellion.

Yours &c.,

J. M. CRAMP.

Acadia College, Dec. 2, 1865.

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Ordination at Little River, Cumberland.

About five months ago, Bro. William George, Licentiate from the 2nd Baptist Church, Cornwallis, came to Little River and commenced preaching the Gospel there, and at Glenville and River Philip. Having by his devotedness to the cause of Christ, and success in winning souls, secured the confidence of the Churches there, and at their request, a Council was convened at Little River, Nov. 28th, at 10 o'clock, A. M. to consider the propriety of ordaining him to the work of the Christian Ministry.

The Rev. G. F. Miles was chosen Chairman, and the Rev. J. E. Balcom, Secretary.

The Council was composed as follows:—Delegates, who reported themselves as representatives of their respective Churches—

Amherst.—Rev. G. F. Miles, Bro. H. Logan, Amherst shore.—Rev. T. Blackeny, Bro. N. Low.

Parsons.—Rev. T. A. Blackadar. Great Village.—Rev. J. E. Balcom. Paganash.—Deacon W. Seaman.

Glenville and River Philip.—Deacons W. Johnson and Joseph Dimock, Bro. H. Davidson.

Little River.—Deacons T. Johnson, J. John-

son, A. Gillis, brethren J. R. Read, G. Thompson and J. Allan.

Invited to a Seat.—Rev. J. Miller, Brethren J. H. Gilroy, J. B. Woodland, (Licentiates,) Bro. C. L. Cox, Colporteur, Deacon W. McKinlay, brethren H. Mills, J. Bigelow, H. Rush-ton, A. Thompson, and M. Patton.

After prayer had been offered by Rev. T. Blackeny, Bro. George related clearly his Christian experience, call to the Ministry, and views of Christian doctrine and Gospel ordinances, which being very satisfactory, the Council resolved to proceed with the ordination at 2 o'clock p. m.

At the hour appointed, a large assemblage met in the Baptist Meeting House to witness the services, which were observed as follows:—Reading the Scriptures and prayer, by Rev. G. F. Miles; Sermon, by Rev. J. E. Balcom, from 1st Cor. ii. 2. Theological Questions, by Rev. J. Miller. Ordaining prayer, by Rev. T. A. Blackadar. Hand of Fellowship, by Rev. G. F. Miles. Charge to the Candidate, by Rev. J. E. Balcom. Charge to the Church, by Rev. T. Blackeny. Closing prayer by the Candidate. Benediction, by the Rev. J. E. Balcom.

It is gratifying to see young men whom God has called to preach the Gospel, and who are faithful in the discharge of their duties, settling with those small Churches, which have formerly been too much neglected. Bro. George has a large and interesting field to cultivate, and the united prayer of his brethren who ordained him, as also of those over whom he is ordained, is that “God will bless him, and make him a blessing.”

By order of the Council, J. E. BALCOM, Secretary.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

Provincial Secretary's Office, 28th Nov., 1865.

APPOINTMENTS:

Halifax Co.—To be a Notary and Tabellion Public.—William J. Croke, Attorney-at-Law.

Cumberland Co.—To be a Commissioner of Sewers in said County.—Joseph Benson Bent in place of Martin Bent, resigned.

Guyborough Co.—To be Issuers of Marriage Licences and Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Births, and Deaths.—E. J. Cunningham, Guyborough, in place of John Ellis, removed from the Province.—Sarah Norris, Postmistress, Cape Canso.

To be Commissioners of Schools to constitute the Board of School Commissioners:

For Western Halifax.—Revs. John Ambrose, John Carmody, Thomas Cummings, Robt. R. Philip, James Breeding, John Pryor, D. D. Alexander Stewart, John R. Woods, Mr. Smith, P. P., Upp. Prospect. James Thompson, Dominick Farrell, John E. Shattford, George J. Longard, James W. Turner.

For Guyborough.—Revs. W. E. Gelling, H. Hamilton, Thomas Sears, William Hartshorne, John Mahoney, Christopher Jost, Edward J. Cunningham, William Moir, H. R. Cunningham, Thomas Condon, Abraham N. Whitman, Donald Gunn, John H. Toy.

For St. Mary's.—Revs. John Campbell, Theophilus Ritchie, C. B. Pitbladdo, Henry Eagles, Allan McQuarrie, John R. McDonald, Philip S. Perrier, A. P. McKenzie, John W. McKeen, Robert Kennedy, Alexander Cunningham, Neil Gunn, Alexander Sinclair.

For North Inverness.—Angus McLellan, Revs. John Grant, William Chisholm, John Gunn, M. Fournier, John Munroe, Samuel Campbell, Donald McLeod, Lauchlan McDougald, Mal. McKay, J. G. Crowdis.

For South Inverness.—J. L. Tremain, Revs. J. K. McDonald, W. G. Forbes, Allan McLean, Archibald McKenzie, Peter Smyth, M. P. P., John Murray, G. C. Lawrence, Senr.

For Barrington.—J. J. Clarke, M. D., Rev. W. H. Richan, Thomas W. Wilson, Henry Chute, Arthur Doane, William Patterson, Thos. Crowell, William McKay, J. K. Wilson, Gabriel Robertson, W. Lawrence, F. Homer.

For Shelburne.—Revs. S. H. White, Mr. Smith, M. G. Henry, John Locke, M. P. F., A. McNaughton, Joseph Waters, Robert Currie, Robert Freeman, G. Snyder, M. D., Robert G. Irwin, William T. Kelly, Peter G. Fraser, Nathaniel W. White, R. P. Woodill, James G. Allan.

It is understood that Isaac LeVesconte Esq., M. P. P., ex-Financial Secretary, and Hon. James McDonald, Financial Secretary, have been appointed commissioners on behalf of Nova Scotia, to act with delegates from the other B. N. A. Provinces, touching the opening up of free trade with Brazil, the West Indies, &c. The Hon. gentlemen will leave in the next steamer for England, where they will meet the Commissioners from the other Provinces. The whole party will then proceed to Brazil. The Commissioners will probably be absent over four months.—Recorder.

CAUGHT.—The convict who recently escaped from the Provincial Penitentiary, was captured a few days ago at Kentville, by Sergeant Hunt, of the Police Force. The officer was in pursuit of the fugitive for several days.

THE STORMY WEATHER of the past week discovered the weak places in some of our wharves. On Thursday morning a portion of Boak's wharf gave way, precipitating some 200 barrels of pickled fish into the water, most of which were recovered by Mr. Sheridan, the submarine diver. A portion of the Market wharf also fell in and some 25 tons of iron and a quantity of coal with which it was covered went to the bottom.

RETURNED.—Five Hundred of the men of the 2nd Batt. 17th Regt. arrived on Wednesday last in H. M. S. Aurora from Jamaica. Their aid was not required and they returned we believe without going on shore. The remainder are expected in the Galatea.

MR. FRANCIS JOHNSTON, for the past 20 years the worthy superintendent of the Brunswick Street Methodist Sabbath Schools resigned his office last week from failing health, and was presented with a handsome testimonial and address from the teachers and scholars.

ANOTHER.—An inquest was held in Amherst on Sunday before last before James W. Delaney, Esq., at the request of W. W. Bent, Esq., the Coroner, upon view of the body of Mr. Benjamin Rogers, blacksmith, late of Prince Edward Island. The verdict of the jury was,—“Died from exposure, whilst in a state of intoxication.”

THE LUNENBURG ELECTION is to take place on the 27th Instant. It is at present we believe uncertain, who will be the contestants to fill the place vacant by the death of the late Dr. Stocumb. We have heard the names of M. B. Desbrisay, Esq., Dr. Randall and W. H. Ower, Esq., mentioned as probable, but have no certain information. The writing in the party political papers will, of course, previous to that date, be intended to bear upon that election, and all sorts of things will be said as to what the result will prove, whether a confirmation of Confederation or Anti-Confederation views; Railways or no railways; Liberalism or Conservatism; Free Schools or no schools; Government or Opposition; but, we presume it will depend more on the personal popularity of the candidate, than on any of the above issues, who will be returned, and that but little can be proved, for or against either, except by an overwhelming majority on one side or the other.

LECTURES.—The Rev. Mr. Botterell's lecture last week on “Wickliffe” was a graphic and comprehensive description of the man, and the times in which he lived.

On Tuesday evening next John Y. Payzant, Esq., will lecture before the Y. M. C. Association: Subject, “The Elizabethan Age.” A period of English History of the greatest interest. We doubt not the lecturer will ably illustrate the times of “the maiden queen.” Chair to be taken at eight o'clock.

Capt. Duncan gave a lecture “on Monday evening last on “The Moral Agency of Discipline.” We were sorry the weather was so unfavorable, a sit doubtless prevented the attendance of many who would gladly have joined the number present. The proceeds of the lecture were to be given to the Halifax Industrial School.

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF TEACHERS.—According to appointment, the Educational Association of Nova Scotia, will meet in Halifax on Wednesday, 27th December next, for the purpose of discussing questions affecting the interests of Education and of Teachers as a class. Addresses and papers on various subjects may be expected. As the Railway Department has generously agreed to carry Teachers free, it is hoped that there will be a large attendance from all parts of the Province.

F. W. GEORGE, Secretary.

DARING ROBBERY.—The residence of Henry W. Albro Esq., was entered on Sunday morning last, during the absence of the family, and a large quantity of plate and jewelry to the value of about \$400 stolen therefrom. The servant girl was out walking, with a military friend, at the time, and on coming home, found that entrance had been effected, by removing a pane of glass at the back of the house, the bureau broken open and all the valuables taken away. Footprints were found and a short piece of candle in the back yard. The Police are using efforts to learn the whereabouts of the villains. We are informed that an artilleryman and the servant girl have been arrested on suspicion.

THE SEASON.—We were shown yesterday some blossoms plucked on Tuesday from a pear tree, grown by Mr. Daniel Timmins, McNab's Island. The tree, which blossomed in the spring, was covered with pure white blossoms the other day, looking like—a bride for the second time!—Citizen.

UNWHIPT.—The case of the young man, apprehended for damaging a lady's cape by throwing acid thereon, while she was walking in the public street, has been settled. The father of the accused agreed to pay the owner of the cape \$40, exclusive of legal expenses, and take the garment, and this offer being accepted, the case did not go to trial.—Chronicle.

OUR CITIZEN SOLDIERS.—His Excellency Sir Fenwick Williams inspected the Volunteer Battalion, on Friday evening, at the Drill Room. The Volunteers were in good training order, and His Excellency paid them a very high compliment.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.—The Annual Meetings of all these Societies throughout the Province, will be held, in terms of the act, on Friday next, when office-bearers will be elected, and members nominated for the Central Board of Agriculture, in room of those whose term it is to retire.

New Brunswick.

The Province of New Brunswick has an area of 17,000,000 acres, of which 12,000,000 are capable of cultivation, although only about 1,500,000 acres have been brought under the plough.

Judge Ritchie has been appointed Chief Justice of New Brunswick, J. W. Weldon, Judge, and John W. Cudlip, Esq., M. P. P. a Member of the Legislative Council. The elevation of Dr. Cudlip to the Legislative Council will cause a vacancy in representation of the county of St. John.

The St. John Globe says: “A report is current that one of the vacant seats in the Government has been tendered to J. V. Troop, Esq., M. P. P., for the city. “The probability is that Mr. Troop will accept.”

The Fredericton Reporter says that a young man named William Mount, well known in and around Fredericton, disappeared about ten days ago, and no traces of him have yet been discovered. His relatives fear that he has been drowned.

LATEST FROM THE U. STATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1st.—A proclamation has been issued to-day by the President, by which the proclamation of Dec. 15th, 1863, suspending the privileges of the writ of habeas corpus in certain cases, is revoked in all the States and territories of the United States, with the exception of Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, the district of Columbia, New Mexico, and Arizona.

A Washington despatch says positive information is to the effect that the relations of our Government with France and England are entirely satisfactory. There is no possibility of serious disturbance.

Dec. 2.—The North Carolina Legislature have ratified the constitutional amendment abolishing slavery. There were only six dissenting votes.

Four thousand bales Government cotton were burned at Columbus Miss., on the 15th ult., loss \$1,000,000. Caused by an incendiary.

It is estimated that 200,000 persons both white and black in Alabama, will have to be furnished with food until they raise it for themselves.

The Freedman's Bureau are taking steps to relieve these people.

A fire early this morning on State and Bridge streets destroyed three large bonded warehouses together with 70,000 bales of cotton and other merchandise. The buildings were six stories and are in complete ruins. It is reported that seven or eight persons were killed by the falling walls. Loss estimated at \$2,000,000.

Congress organized on Monday. The President was to deliver his message yesterday. Gold 148.

The proprietors of the steamer St. John have given \$4000 to the little girl from Montreal whose parents were both killed by the recent explosion.

SIXTEEN MEDALS have been added during the past six months to the number previously received by Mason & Hamlin from the Industrial Exhibitions of the United States.

Commercial.

Halifax Markets.

Table listing market prices for various goods including Flour, Cornmeal, Butter, Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Molasses, Salmon, Godfish, Mackerel, Herring, Haddock, Hake, Coal, and Wood.

Farmers' Market.

Table listing market prices for agricultural products including Hay, Beef, Pork, Bacon, Mutton, Poultry, Ducks, Turkey, Geese, Butter, Cheese, Eggs, Oatmeal, Oats, Apples, and Potatoes.

JUST RECEIVED

THIRTY-EIGHT Cases and Trunks of Mens' Womens and Childrens' Boots and Shoes SEWED AND RIVETED. IN STORE—100 Pairs Finest Boots, Fine Goods, and every pair warranted. Cases of Mens' Congress, Womens' Leather Boots, Misses and Childrens' ditto. For sale at the Lowest Possible Price. GEORGE S. YATES, 22 GEORGE STREET, HALIFAX, N. S.