

It was resolved, 1st., That this Convention recommends the holding of County Sabbath School Conventions for the mutual encouragement of teachers and friends, and for promoting an increase of interest in Sabbath School work.

These resolutions were, we believe, the origin of the Central S. S. Convention. The brethren should consider what will be the best arrangement for the whole, and make use of their local advantages so that they shall not injuriously affect the other parts of the organization of which they are so important a part.

We shall be glad to receive from our brethren expressions of opinion or suggestions in reference to this matter.

Charity abroad.

The Amherst Gazette under the above caption discourses of the late exposure of drunkenness amongst Canadian legislators, and says the remarks made upon it by the Nova Scotia press. We fear the following severe judgment has more truth in it than poetry.

From the tone of some of the articles one would naturally suppose that our politicians were all models of virtue and sobriety, and that intemperance, except among the lowly, was unknown in that celestial City of Halifax. We do not know of one temperance man in the present Government, and are sure there was none among their predecessors.

It is most humiliating to see such things as this and painful to think that men of high standing should allow it to be so. Yet so it has been both in ancient and modern times. Men occupy places of power and responsibility, they are unable to control their own appetites from moderate drinking they proceed, imperceptibly to themselves, until they expose their degradation in this particular, and it becomes part of their character, it mars their work and usually shortens up their career.

Dr. Mackenzie's History of Nova Scotia, No. 1 has appeared. It brings the facts of the plow to 1812. In it are some incidents concerning a few—and but very few—of our of the present day.

The Nova Scotia Horticultural Society's Grand Autumnal, Agricultural and Horticultural Show will be held at the Society's Gardens on Tuesday, the 23rd October, at 3 o'clock, p.m. A military band will probably assist at a grand concert in the evening at the Rink Building in the Gardens.

Some has been felt the last two or three days the fact of about thirty cattle having died suddenly last week in the neighborhood of New Annapolis. It was supposed to have been the result of the Rinderpest but it appears that they were grazing on burnt land and had eaten freely of wild-stocks growing there.

We have a copy of a highly interesting address presented to Burpee Esq., late Head Master of the G. County Academy, on the occasion of his removal from that office on account of ill health. It is signed by about forty of the members of the Academy.

NEWS SUMMARY.

The jealousy of France is still greatly endangering the peace of Europe. The newly acquired enlargement of Prussia has added so vastly to its importance and power that it has become a formidable rival to France. It seems to be the opinion of some of the leading men in France that before long there must be a measuring of swords between the two countries, and that the permanent peace of Europe is not to be looked for yet for a season.

A few days will decide the elections to the American Congress, and decide what influence President Johnson's stumping oratory has had throughout the country. There is great dissatisfaction felt amongst the Republican party with the course taken by the executive. It forebodes a very unfortunate state of things in that country.

Notices, &c.

Rev. J. F. Tooker has accepted a call from the Baptist Church at Port Medway and Mills Village. After the 1st of October, his Post Office address will be PORT MEDWAY.

Springfield, Annapolis Co.

A Tea Meeting will be held at the new Baptist Meeting-house in this place, on Wednesday 3rd day of October, at 11 o'clock, A. M. Dedication service will commence at 1 o'clock, P. M., and tea prepared at 4 o'clock, P. M.

P. S.—Ministering brethren are respectfully invited to attend.

The Ladies of the Baptist Sewing Circle, at St. Margaret's Bay, will hold a Bazaar at French Village, on Wednesday, Oct. 3rd commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The proceeds to be appropriated to the building of a new Baptist Meeting House, at the above named place.

Dinner and Tea will be provided, and refreshments may be purchased on the grounds. Should the day named prove unfavorable, the Bazaar will take place the next fine day. Admission 12 1/2 cts. St. Margaret's Bay, Sept. 7th 1866.

Letters Received.

J. L. Tremain, Esq., \$1.—\$2 for Micmac Mission, paid to Mrs. Rand. Geo. V. Rand.—Remittance correct. Rev. G. W. Tooker. Rev. I. J. Skinner. James McDonald, I. Aub. James Gourley. W. F. Cullen, Esq. W. North. W. J. Gates. Rev. Jos. Murray. Rev. T. A. Higgins. Rev. James Reid.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

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When a small quantity of fruit is allowed to remain on a tree or trees, in order, by experimenting, to bring it to its most perfect state, it is extremely annoying to have it disappear in such a ruthless manner. Such is our case—some miscreants have carried off some choice specimens of plums which would have graced an exhibition.

We are sorry for Mr. Ritchie's loss, and hope, for the sake of others, that the thief may be discovered, and taught better, at the Reformatory, if necessary.

The HALIFAX RIFLE COMPANY turned out in force on last Wednesday evening, in full dress, for the purpose of having the arms and accoutrements of the corps inspected at the Drill room. Nearly 100 rank and file were present.

Geizer and Locke, charged with having murdered a man on the Margaret's Bay Road, have been liberated on bail.

The bark Windburn, which arrived on Monday morning from Cardiff, brought a cargo of Railroad iron for the use on the Provincial Railways.

The receipts on the railway in the month of August exceeded the receipts in the corresponding month of last year by \$1707.85.

SUPREME COURT.—The Autumn Term of the Supreme Court is being held this week in Clare, and the week following in Annapolis. The Hon. Judge Johnston presides.

Mr. McBean, Agent American Tract Society, thankfully acknowledges the following donations in behalf of colportage in Nova Scotia:

Table listing donations: Lunenburg \$10 00, Rev. Mr. Bower's charge 8 30, Truro—Union Prayer-meeting 6 10, Pictou 50 00, New Glasgow 50 25, Antigonish 34 32, Port Hood, C. B. 5 25, Mabou 10 25, James Austin, Esq., Whycoomah, 1 25, Baddeck 10 75, Sydney and Bras d'Or 50 93, Cow Bay 12 62, Little Glace Bay 8 25, Plaister Cove 0 75.

ASYLUM FOR THE BLIND.—The report of moneys left by the late Wm. Murdock, Esq., was slightly inaccurate, but we learn now that he willed the sum of £5000 to be invested for the support of an Asylum for the blind, to be located on the Peninsula of Halifax, with the proviso that a building for the purpose, of the value of £2000, be either erected or purchased by the city, within three years after the demise of the donor. Mr. M. also left £5000 to be invested in aid of the City Hospital.

LUNenburg COUNTY.—Distressing accident.—A young lady, about 16 years of age, daughter of Mr. Joseph Mailman, of Waterloo, Lunenburg Co., during the absence of her friends from the house, took a fit, as is supposed, and fell into the fire, face downward, and was burned in a most shocking manner. Several of her fingers were burned to the bone, her nose burned off, and eyes burned out, as is supposed; in fact her face and breast entirely roasted and blackened. Strange to say, up to date she is still living, and can talk, and hopes are entertained of her recovery.

BRIDGEWATER.—Launch.—A handsomely modelled schooner, called the "LaHave," owned by Messrs. T. T. Keefer, Wellesey J. Gates, Chase & Wade, and J. E. Benjamin, was launched from the shipyard of Benjamin Herrington, Esq., on Friday evening, 14th inst., at Bridgewater, Lunenburg County. She is said to be one of the finest vessels of her class ever built in the County. She is intended as a packet to run between Bridgewater and Boston, her cabin being very neatly and conveniently fitted up for passengers. We wish her enterprising owners every success. Mr. Herrington, who has built a number of vessels, and gained a good reputation for ship-building, deserves much credit, and should be largely patronized.

Length of keel, 83 feet, Length of beam, 25 feet, Depth of hold, 10 1/2 feet.

We learn also that the same builder expects soon to launch a bark for Messrs. D. McKay and John McKain, of Bridgewater.

Bazaar.—Our Bazaar came off on the 5th inst. but the weather was very unfavorable, notwithstanding which we have realized about \$450, and after payment of expenses, I think we shall succeed in ridding ourselves of the debt on the parsonage house. Thus our little Church have succeeded within the past three years of thereabouts, in securing a property valued at at least £300, (with very little outside assistance,) beside contributing their fair proportion to the ordinary denominational expenses. I think they deserve great credit, as their means are very limited—and their numbers few.—We however need within my field of labor, at least, three meeting houses—as in all the localities where I labor the school-houses afford only accommodation for about one-half the congregations that assemble. In most of these places however the people are poor. Do we not need in connection with our associations a Chapel-Building Fund, to assist poor sections in erecting a suitable place in which to worship God?

THE OVENS DIGGINGS.—The work of gold mining at the Ovens, in Lunenburg County is beginning to revive. We were shown yesterday a number of specimens of gold bearing quartz, of great richness, taken from leads in that locality by Mr. D. S. McDonald who now owns a number of valuable claims. These specimens will be sent to the Paris Exhibition. Mr. McDonald has several tons of quartz in the city that he brought up from the Ovens, and intends sending to Waverley to be crushed. He has succeeded by a very simple process in overcoming the difficulty formerly experienced by quartz miners at the Ovens, in amalgamating the gold and separating it from the debris when crushed. Judging from the appearance of the samples of rock we have seen, and the yield of several lots he has had crushed during the season, his claims may be considered among the most valuable gold-mining properties in Nova Scotia.—Citizen.

TELEGRAPHIC.—The following telegram was sent from Aspey Bay, C. B. to New York on Friday the 20th Inst.:

Aspey Bay, Sept. 20, evening.—To. D. H. Craig, General Agent Associated Press: I arrived here this p. m. The cable across the Gulf of St. Lawrence was successfully completed this evening. I leave to-morrow to recover a few miles of cable lost in the Gulf during the gale of Monday, and then proceed to the Medway to Pictou for coal, and afterwards go to lay the cable across the Straits of Northumberland. The steamer Terrible is to accompany us. All well. Sighed, C. W. FIELD. They have since arrived at Pictou.

GENERAL DOYLE is expected to leave on Saturday next for the purpose of proceeding to New Brunswick to assume the Governorship of that province.

The General has been very successful and popular as military commander and administrator of the Government of Nova Scotia. He has, we believe, the best wishes of the whole community on his departure. Valedictory Addresses are to be presented by the City Council, by the Citizens and by the Volunteer Battalion.

WOLFVILLE.—We regret to learn that on Thursday last, early in the morning, a barn belonging to Mr. Geo. V. Rand was destroyed by fire, together with its contents, consisting of a very valuable cow, three tons of hay, &c., &c.

It is believed to have been the work of an incendiary. If so, it was persecution for righteousness' sake, and we hope that the villain who did the wicked deed may be discovered and brought to repentance, and if possible restitution made to the sufferer.

STRAWBERRIES were picked on Saturday, in the garden of Geo. V. Rand, Esq., Wolfville. The berries measured 3 1/2 inches in circumference, and were grown on runners from a plant which bore fruit in proper season this year already. Mr. Rand is having extensive grounds laid out for Strawberry culture.

BERWICK.—The Baptist S. School Festival came off on Wednesday last, and was well attended, although it rained steadily all the day. After partaking of the repast, addresses were delivered by the Rev. John Read, Wesleyan, the Pastor Rev. E. M. Saunders, and Mr. E. Parker, the Superintendent of the School.

A VERY LARGE BEAR, measuring seven feet three inches in length, was shot, last Saturday, by Mr. P. S. Burnham, a few miles from Windsor.

THE HALIFAX ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, kept by Mr. Andrew Downs, have had an addition to its quadrupeds in the form of a fine young Otter from Newfoundland.

YARMOUTH.—The Yarmouth Herald states that Judge Desbarres at the recent sitting of the Supreme Court pronounced the Yarmouth Court House the finest in the province!

A PLUM FOR THE EDITOR.—The same paper also chronicles the reception of a plum of the Bradshaw variety from W. H. Moody, Esq., which measured 6 inches in circumference latitudinally, and 8 1/2 inches longitudinally, and weighed over 3 ounces. The tree was planted only 5 years ago, and this is the first year it has borne fruit.

MABOU, C. B.—We learn with deep regret that the Temperance Hall at Mabou, Cape Breton, was burnt down on the night of the 10th inst. The fire was evidently the work of an incendiary. Our correspondent states that the cause of Temperance was making remarkable progress to the profound annoyance of those whose gains are derived from Drunkenness. These took their revenge by setting fire to the Hall.—Witness.

SHIPWRECKS.—The barque Mira, Dix, of Pugwash, with the captain, his wife, two mates, three seamen and cabin boy of the Rising Dawn, reports the loss of the following Nova Scotia vessels in the ice, off Irgitig, Greenland:—Rising Dawn, Robertson; Dreadnaught, Smith; and Annie, Reynolds. An American gentleman who was a passenger in one of the wrecked vessels was landed from the Mira last week at LaHave, and on his arrival in this city gave the information. The Mira, after landing those she had saved at LaHave, proceeded on her voyage to Philadelphia.—Sun.

MELANCHOLY OCCURRENCE.—We regret to learn that on Sunday evening, about 10 o'clock, at his father's residence, South street, Mr. Wm. H. Sinclair, son of Captain Sinclair, late of the Confederate army, shot himself through the head—accidentally, it is supposed—with a Colt's revolver, causing almost immediate death. It appears that the young man was as cheerful as usual that evening, and nothing extraordinary was noticed in his manner. Two or three friends called upon him, and the evening was spent in agreeable conversation. A short time after the visitors departed, the father of the young man heard the report up-stairs, and upon entering his son's room found him lying on the floor weltering in a pool of blood, with the pistol near him. The deceased was speechless at the time. The bullet passed completely through his head. At noon yesterday, an inquest was held before Coroner Jennings. The jury, after hearing evidence, returned the following verdict: "That the deceased, William Henry Sinclair, came to his death on the night of the 23rd September, 1866, by a pistol shot wound, which, we believe, from the evidence, was the result of accident."—Chronicle.

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