

friends is the memory of loved ones departed. Not lost, but gone before. Just a little before. Sister Faulkner was a careful observer and a skillful manager. These characteristics were evinced by the prudent manner in which she managed her business matters, when left the widow of Mr. Ezra Churchill with two little children, (now Ezra Churchill, Esq., M. P. P., and Mrs. Benjamin Davison). With energetic zeal and deep solicitude she discharged all the duties of a devoted wife, and an affectionate mother, after her marriage with Mr. Faulkner, with whom she lived about 50 years, who, and his four children are left to mourn their irreparable loss;—but she was a Christian, a humble follower of the blessed Jesus. Having embraced religion when about nineteen years of age, she by happy experience proved that the grace of God in the heart is pre-eminently calculated to refine the taste, and elevate and inspire the mind to seek true and solid enjoyment, not by indulging the propensities of corrupt nature, in vain and sinful amusements, nor in the society of the vain and thoughtless, but in the delightful work and worship of God, and in the society of his humble people. She joined the Baptist church at Yarmouth, which being blest with nursing fathers and mothers, she was encouraged to exercise her gifts in the meetings for worship, as well as to live a humble, prayerful, and devoted life. Being of an ardent and vigorous temperament, and influenced by the noblest motives that inspire the human heart, namely, love to God, and pity for those that live in sin, she often spoke of the great and good things Jesus had done for her; and often invited, yea, entreated others to believe and obey the gospel, and thus to know for themselves the blessedness of pardon through our Lord Jesus Christ. By thus exercising her mind, she grew in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, which proved a blessing to them, and in all after life—even in its gloomiest hours, and its deepest afflictions. After her removal to Hantsport she joined the Baptist church at that place, of which she was a worthy member till her death. Sister Faulkner, doubtless, had her failings, her conflicts, and her trials. But her trials are all at an end, (O how blessed!) and in cherishing her memory we lose sight of her failings, which when compared to her virtues, are like spots on the sun, concealed by the burning rays of brighter light. In her death a large circle of relatives and friends have lost a sympathizing and faithful friend; and from the church a nursing mother has been dismissed, and a bright star has gone down, not in a dark and stormy night, but as the morning star disappears in the light of rising day, so peacefully and calmly our dear sister passed from this vain world, where sin and sorrow abound to that bright world where Jesus lives, to be a precious jewel in his crown of Glory for ever.

"Spirit thy labour is o'er.  
Thy term of probation is run,  
Thy steps are now bound for the untrodden store,  
And the race of immortals begun."

It was the writer's privilege to form an acquaintance with this dear sister in other years, to visit her in her last sickness, and speak to the people on the occasion of her death from 2 Cor. iv. 17, 18. With assurances of sympathy with the afflicted,

I remain every body's friend,  
CHARLES KNOWLES.

Religious Intelligence please copy.

Mrs. AMELIA BISHOP.

At New Minas, Nov. 22nd, Amelia A, wife of Henry Bishop, Senr., aged 63 years. About thirty years ago, our sister was baptised at Wolfville, by Rev. Dr. Pryor, since which time her walk with the church has been satisfactory.

Her husband feels deeply the loss he is called to sustain, though cheered by the thought that death was gain to him. The family, friends and the church feel that a void has been made by her removal, that will require time to be made good, or forgotten. The occasion of her death was improved to the mourners by her Pastor, from 1 The. iv. 13, 14. May the Lord comfort all that mourn.

S. B. K.

For the Christian Messenger.

DONATION VISITS.

Mr. Editor.—I desire to express through the Messenger my grateful acknowledgement of the continued kindness of my friends at Hampton and Port Williams in manifesting their sympathy for me and mine, notwithstanding my withdrawal from them as their minister. On the 12th Feb. they assembled at my house, a goodly number, say 110. After a pleasant season in social intercourse they separated, leaving with us the very handsome sum of \$82, \$55 of which was in cash.

On the 6th of March a number of kind friends in New Albany and some from Springfield, sections of my present field of labor, met us at the house of Bro. Charles Oaks, and after spending the evening in a very pleasant manner, separated, leaving the very nice sum of \$20. Many thanks to our friends for their timely aid. May they receive the double—everlasting life.

FERRIS F. MURRAY.

Religious Intelligence.

A worthy brother writes what we doubt not is the experience of churches in many other places: "We have an accession now and again to the church, but there is much indifference too. 'Oh that God would come among us' is our cry."

CLEMENTS, APRIL 3, 1867.—Dear Brother,—God was been pleased in His infinite goodness, and mercy to revive His work, by pouring out His Holy Spirit in one section of this Church, called the Island branch. It has been several years since this branch of God's Zion has been so favoured. While Millerism with its baneful influence has threatened destruction to the cause of the dear Redeemer, and many sincere hearts have mourned while fearing the consequences, God, who ever watches over His own cause, has interposed, and driven back the "powers of darkness." God's people have been wonderfully blessed, wanderers reclaimed, and sinners converted to God. The change in this neighbourhood is almost miraculous. And all through the church there is a sound of abundance of rain. To God be all the glory.

In hope of eternal life,  
G. D. COX.

NORTH SYDNEY, G. B.—Extract of a letter from Rev. T. H. Porter.—Last Sabbath four were baptized in the presence of a vast crowd, one received by letter, and one restored. Many of the congregation had to leave the meeting-house for want of room.

As a natural consequence, the hearts of the people are being enlarged, and they are manifesting it by dealing bountifully with those "who labor among them and are over them in the Lord."

A week ago, yesterday, though the weather was exceedingly unfavorable, there was a little gathering at the residence of our esteemed Father Richardson, with the kindly intent of replenishing his larder and purse. It is gratifying to know that they left him nothing the worse in mind, body, or estate.

The following Thursday the Parsonage was invaded for a similar purpose, and with similar results. Indeed, so many good things were left behind, that on Monday evening it was found necessary for them to return, and, by means of what may be called a tea-meeting, partake of a good deal which had previously been given. The cash receipts from both amounted to about \$70.00 the proceeds of the tea to be devoted to papering and carpeting the house. As for the contributions of other necessities, they were so abundant that the people "left off numbering," and they must only be reckoned along with the other acts of generosity of which we have been made the constant recipients during our sojourn here. May the Lord richly reward all the donors with the blessing that "maketh rich and addeth no sorrow with it."

NICTAUX, APRIL 12th, 1867.—Dear Brother,—We have been holding special religious services at Canaan, one section of the Nictaux Baptist Church; which has resulted in a gracious Revival. Twenty have been baptized. Others are waiting to follow Christ in his ordinances. Old and young are alike moved by the divine influence. In other sections the fields appear to be whitening for the harvest.

Yours in hope of eternal life,  
W. G. PARKER.

HANTSFORT.—We are pleased to learn that on Lord's Day last, Rev. D. M. Welton baptized nine persons, at the request of the pastor, Rev. W. Burton. Both at Hantsport and at Brooklyn large and solemn congregations assembled, and gave earnest attention to the word preached by Mr. Welton.

RIVER PHILIP.—Rev. W. George under date, April 6th, writes:—The Lord is looking in mercy upon us; in East Branch I baptized two lately, and expect more to follow soon. At Little River we have enjoyed a blessed season—and although we can report no additions in that place, yet it is evident that the Spirit of the Lord is among the people, working silently, it may be yet powerfully in the hearts of sinners.

KEMPT, QUEENS CO.—Rev. T. C. Delong writes:—"I had the privilege yesterday of baptizing into the death of Christ one professed believer. May it be the beginning of a large ingathering to the Church of Christ in this place."

HALIFAX NORTH CHURCH.—Rev. Mr. Goucher baptized one person on Lord's Day, who, in the evening, was, with four other persons, by letter from other churches, received into the fellowship of the church.

HAMILTON, C. W.—We are pleased to learn that the Park-street Baptist church, of Hamilton are enjoying tokens of the Divine favor. Their pastor, Rev. G. Richardson, baptized four candidates on the evening of the 10th inst., and one on last Lord's-day.

Provincial Parliament.

TUESDAY, April 9th.

Mr. Coffin presented petitions from Barrington relative to the Fisheries.

Mr. Pryor, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported:—A Bill to incorporate the Pictou Mechanics' Institute Savings Bank—a Bill to appoint Commissioners of Streets for the town of Arichat—a Bill to amend chapter 63 Revised Statutes relative to the appointment of Commissioners of Streets for the town of Pictou; all without amendment. Also a Bill to provide an additional Polling District for the County of Victoria, with an amendment.

The Prov. Sec'y read a telegram from Mr. Fleming, stating that railway communication was complete between Halifax and Pictou, a locomotive and train had run over the entire line a distance of 112 miles.

Mr. Bourinot had introduced a Bill to provide for the better protection of shareholders in Joint Stock Companies.

The Atty. General, chairman of committee appointed to confer with committee of Legislative Council, as per message, reported, that the committee of the Council had placed in his hands a resolution to the effect that an address be presented to the Queen requesting her to limit the members of the Legislative Council to eighteen, as soon as the present Council be reduced to that number.

The House in committee on Bills, the following were passed:—A Bill to incorporate the Royal Prince of Wales Lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows' Manchester Unity Friendly Society—a Bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of British order of Good Templars—a Bill to authorize the sale of School House at Brookfield—a Bill to incorporate the new Caledonia Lodge of Freemasons of Pictou—a Bill to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishopric of Arichat; and a Bill to amend the act to incorporate the Truro Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company.

The House having resumed, Mr. McFarlane introduced a Bill to amend the act relating to the Roman Catholic Cemetery of Dartmouth.

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 10th.

Mr. Hebb presented a petition from LaHave relative to the protection of Fisheries. Mr. Annand presented two petitions on the same subject.

The Legislative Council informed the House that they had passed the following Bills:—A Bill relative to the Halifax Steamboat Company—a Bill to amend chapter 2 Revised Statutes of Executive and Legislative disabilities—a Bill to incorporate the Grand Pre Lodge of Good Templars, without any amendment; and a Bill to incorporate the Exchange Bank of Yarmouth, with an amendment, was agreed to.

Mr. Balcan presented two petitions respecting the appointment of an Inspector of Pickled Fish.

Mr. Donkin introduced a Bill relating to county assessment.

Mr. Locke introduced a Bill concerning the fall term of the Supreme Court at Shelburne.

Fin. Sec'y. laid on the table a list of petitions for money grants.

Dr. Hamilton presented a petition for an act of incorporation, and a Bill to incorporate the Temperance League of King's County.

The following Bills then passed their third reading:—A Bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Good Templars—a Bill to further amend the act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishopric of Arichat—an act to authorize the sale of School House at Brookfield—a Bill to amend the act to incorporate the Boot and Shoe Factory of Truro—a Bill to incorporate the Royal Prince of Wales Lodge of Odd Fellows, Manchester Unity Friendly Society.

The Fin. Sec'y. introduced a bill relative to the sale of school houses.

Mr. Shannon introduced a Bill concerning the Halifax Market House.

The Legislative Council informed the House that they had agreed to the Bill to incorporate the St. Lawrence and Bay of Fundy Canal Company.

The Prov. Sec'y. laid upon the table a petition relating to Pilots. Referred to a committee, composed of Messrs. Killam, Caldwell, and Donald Fraser.

The House in Committee on Bills, passed the following:—A Bill to provide an additional Polling District in the County of Victoria—a Bill relating to the public sewers of the township of Windsor—a Bill to incorporate the Home for the Aged—a Bill to change the name of Roger's Hill, Pictou, to Scottsburg—a Bill to legalize the proceedings of the sessions of the County of Annapolis—a Bill to amend the Act relating to Commissioners of streets.

A Bill to incorporate the Pictou Mechanics' Institute Savings Bank—a Bill to reinvest in the Crown certain public lands in the township of Chester—Bill relative to the sale of grain and coal by weight in the city of Halifax—a Bill to appoint commissioners of streets for the town of Arichat.

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 11th.

The bills passed in committee were read a third time and sent to the Legislative Council.

Mr. Annand presented several petitions from different places in Halifax County for the appointment of an Inspector of pickled fish.

Mr. Tobin one from merchants in the city of Halifax, of the same character.

The Estimates.—The Hon. Fin. Secretary submitted the estimate of the revenues and expen-

diture for the year, and explained its principle features. The Fin. Sec., in course of his explanations, said it was the intention of the Government of offer liberal subsidies for suitable steamers to ply regularly between Halifax and Yarmouth, and Halifax and Liverpool, N. S.

Mr. S. Campbell complained that there was no appropriation for navigation securities for the County of Guysboro.

Mr. Coffin objected to some of the appropriations.

The Financial Secretary thought the hon. member had no cause to complain; the government would propose a subsidy of \$8,000 for a good steamer to ply between Halifax and Yarmouth.

Mr. Annand asked for the erection of a Light House at Country Harbor.

Mr. Tobin thought a Light House was needed there.

The Provincial Secretary shewed that the Government had distributed the revenues of the country equitably and fairly. He was confident that before the lapse of many years there would be daily steamship communication between Halifax and England. The lighthouse interest must not be neglected.

Mr. Killam said that the Government had promised to erect a fog bell at the entrance to the harbor of Yarmouth, but had not done so. At present there was a steamer plying between Boston and Yarmouth, and there was nothing in foggy weather to intimate to the captain the approach of the steamer to the narrow entrance of the harbor.

Mr. Tobin thought a first class steamer could not be got to run between Halifax and Yarmouth, even with the large annual subsidy of \$8,000, as the navigation around the cape was dangerous, and suggested that the proposed subsidy be as follows:—\$5,000 to a steamer which would ply between Halifax and Liverpool, and the remaining \$3,000 to a steamer running between Boston and Yarmouth.

Mr. Coffin believed that a subsidy of \$8,000 a year would secure the enjoyment of a proper steamer on the line, and suggested that the Government subsidize a boat to run between Boston and Yarmouth, which would make the communication between Halifax and the United States by water complete.

Mr. Bourinot asked the attention of the Government to the necessity of a bridge at Bras d'Or, and expressed regret that provision was not made for the work.

Hon. Fin. Secretary moved that the House go into committee of supply to-morrow. Passed.

Mr. Annand asked for a return of all the fines and forfeitures paid in to the present and late governments; also a return of all the monies paid in and collected by J. W. Delaney, Esq., Collector of Customs at Amherst, since the date of his appointment.

The House in committee on Bills, took up the Bill for the appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate for the city of Halifax. The bill provides that the magistrate, who is to be a Barrister of five years standing, is to receive a salary of \$2,000 per annum, and have full control of the Police force and Court, to sit daily, Sundays and holidays excepted. The bill passed.

Hon. Prov. Secretary laid upon the table copies of correspondence relating to the guarantee for the Intercolonial Railway. He also introduced a bill authorizing the payment of the interest on the three millions of money which it was proposed to borrow under the Imperial guarantee.

Hon. Mr. Shannon introduced a bill to provide for the establishment of a shipping office in the city of Halifax, and presented a petition in support of the same.

Mr. Blanchard, from the Committee on Humane Institutions, reported a bill relative to the Hospital and Pools' Asylum.

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 12th.

Bills passed through committee received their third reading.

The House went into committee of supply.

Mr. Annand asked that more time might be given for the consideration of the estimates.

Fin. Sec'y thought there was no necessity for delay.

Mr. McLennan thought some delay was requisite to make the House familiar with the estimates.

Mr. Stewart Campbell spoke to the same effect.

Mr. Locke thought the House should have time to consider the various sums proposed for the public service.

The House resolved itself into committee of supply, voted the Civil List and Grant for Agriculture. The sum of \$5,000 was moved for the Board of Statistics.

Mr. Annand made some enquiries respecting Mr. Costly, the Secretary, and the salary paid to him. After which he attacked the general expenditures of the government especially the cost of the delegation to Brazil.

The Prov. Sec'y. replied at some length, defending the financial policy of the government, charging the late government with having frustrated the desire of the government in their Retrenchment policy, and attacking Mr. Annand with respect to the Gold Mining Company with which he was at one time connected.

The Legislative Council, informed the House that they had assented to the Bill to incorporate the exchange Bank of Yarmouth, as also the Bill to incorporate the St. Lawrence and Bay of Fundy Canal Company.

Mr. Annand replied to the Hon. Prov. Sec'y. with some warmth, and defended himself from the charge of corruption. The affairs of the Gold Mining Company had no connection with the question before the House.

The Atty. Genl. at some length defended the