

should be gone over in one gathering of the Institute, but different themes would be lectured upon at different meetings.

The Lecturers have been selected from the Professors in Theological Schools, and from the best and most successful Pastors. Usually men from abroad have been invited. In this manner the ministers in one State have been privileged to listen to, and become acquainted with the best men from other States. Men from Mass., N. Y., and Penn., have lectured before the Institutes in Chicago. Most of the States now have their Ministers' Institutes. Illinois took the lead. Maine has had hers for three years, and last winter the Baptist ministers of Mass. held the first session of theirs in the city of Worcester.

Of late the length of time for holding these Institutes has been shortened, so the pastors, or most of them, can now leave their homes on Monday morning, attend the Institute, and be with their Churches on the following Sabbath.

The beneficial results of these gatherings have been marked, especially in Ill. The Baptist ministers in that state are a most energetic, self-sacrificing, earnest and successful body of men. Although Illinois has been filling up rapidly by emigration from other states and the old world, a large proportion of which is Catholic, nevertheless, the ratio of increase in the Baptist Churches has, for a few years past, been twice as large as the ratio of the increase in the population of the State. They have been organizing new churches, and building new houses of worship, at the rate of one for each week in the year.

But the practical question is, how is the expense to be borne? This is not usually large. The Church where it is held entertains the minister. They consider this a privilege. The Lecturers usually charge nothing but their travelling expenses. It is usual, however, to give them more than this. The churches are asked to let their Pastors go, furnish them means to pay their travelling expenses, and their proportion of the necessary expense of procuring Lecturers.

Can we have a Ministers' Institute for these Provinces this year? The practical questions are—where could we have it? and where could it be held? Will the ministers and churches speak out upon the subject. Send in your opinions and suggestions to the Visitor and the Messenger.

E. C. CADY.

The United States rejoice in being the greatest country in the world, in having the largest rivers, the greatest lakes, the longest railways, the greatest war and the greatest national debt. And now they are to have the biggest Musical Festival for the purpose of celebrating the peace. A building is being erected capable of containing 50,000 persons with 20,000 performers. The musical performances and addresses are to occupy three days, and are to have the additional accompanying effects of artillery and infantry firing, chiming of bells, &c. &c.

The programme is to open with the national anthem "Hail Columbia," to be rendered in the following manner:

Symphony—Hail Columbia, once through by the full band of one thousand performers. 1st verse—full band of one thousand, and grand chorus of twenty thousand. 2nd verse—full band, grand chorus and chiming of all the bells in the city. 3rd and last verse—full band of one thousand, grand chorus of twenty thousand, bells chiming—drums rolling, infantry firing, and cannon pealing in the distance in exact time with the music.

The bells are to be rung and the cannon fired by electricity from the music-stand.

Notices, &c.

Horton Collegiate Academy.

The classes in Horton Collegiate Academy will be examined on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 1st, and 2nd, from 9 a. m., to 1 p. m. The classes in the Female Seminary will be examined on the afternoons of the same days. Friends of Education are invited to attend.

ERRATA TO "BAPTIST OIL IN PROBOAPTANT LAMP"—Where I substituted Roman letters for the equivalent Greek they should have been in Italics. In No. x. for baptisms read baptimos. And for Jordanes, read Jordan. In No. xiii. last line for Morns, read Mors. In No. xviii. for any northern climate, read our &c.

D. O. P.

Associated Alumni of Acadia College.

The Annual Meeting for Election of officers and other business will be held in the vestry of the Baptist meeting house, at Wolfville, at 3 o'clock, P. M., Thursday, June 3rd. The Annual Alumni Orator will be delivered by Rev. Alfred Chipman, M. A., in the Baptist meeting house, at 7 1/2 o'clock, P. M., June 3rd. At the conclusion of the Anniversary proceedings on Friday, June 4th., the Alumni will dine with their friends.

Quarterly Meeting at Margaree, C. B. The next Quarterly Conference will commence on Saturday the 25th of June next, at 2 o'clock, P. M., in the Baptist Meeting-house in Margaree. Ministering brethren will meet in the "mission house" at ten o'clock the same day. There will also be a meeting in connection with the subject of Foreign Missions, on the evening previous, commencing at 7 o'clock. We invite and expect all the brethren to be present and aid in the exercises of the evening.

By order, J. F. Kempton.

ERRATA.—In C. M., 19th inst., "Missionar for Burmah," last par., for "liberally," read liberality. In notice of "Revival," &c., 3rd par., for "scene," read sense. Yours truly, C. TUFFNER.

Baptist Associations, 1869.

NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL, at New Germany, Lunenburg County, on Saturday the 12th day of June, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

The Associational Sermon by Rev. S. B. Kempton; alternate, Rev. J. E. Balcom. The Circular Letter by Rev. E. O. Read.

NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN, at Onslow, West Colchester County, on Saturday, the 3rd Day of July, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Associational Sermon by Rev. W. B. Boggs; alternate, Rev. J. F. Kempton. The Circular Letter by Rev. J. Murray.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, at Cavendish, on Saturday, July 19th, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Associational Sermon by Rev. M. P. Freeman; alternate, Rev. M. Ross. The Circular Letter by Rev. E. N. Archibald.

NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN, at Hebron, Yarmouth County, on Saturday, the 25th day of September, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Associational Sermon by Rev. A. H. Munro; alternate, Rev. J. C. Morse. The Circular Letter by Rev. I. Wallace.

Acadia College.

Candidates for Matriculation are requested to present themselves for examination on Friday, May 28th, at nine o'clock, A. M.

The Terminal Examination of the College will take place on Monday, May 31st.

The ANNIVERSARY will be celebrated in the Baptist Meeting House on Friday, June 4, when orations will be delivered, Degrees conferred, and other business transacted. To commence at eleven o'clock, A. M.

J. M. CRAMP, President.

May 7, 1869.

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF Acadia College will be held in the Library on Thursday, June 3, at ten o'clock, A. M. A full attendance is particularly requested.

S. W. DeBLOIS, Secretary.

May 7, 1869.

Letters Received.

J. B. Wheelock, former letter not received.—Rev. D. O. Parker. Rev. D. Freeman. Rev. E. C. Spinney, \$4. Rev. W. L. Parker. Rev. D. W. C. Dimock. Rev. L. B. Gates, \$2. Rev. Dr. Tupper, \$5.

We discovered a few days since that, by some means the acknowledgment of the letters for one week in April was entirely omitted. Those containing remittances were:—

T. J. Porter, \$2. Joseph D. Marsters, \$4, 1 sub. M. Kinsman, \$5. Rev. D. Archibald, \$2.70. W. C. Rideout, \$2. Rev. P. F. Murray, \$10.

MIND AND MATTER.—The intimate connection between the Brain and Muscles through the Nervous system may be shown by closing the hand, or by any voluntary movement of the body. The involuntary muscles are those which control the Stomach, Liver, Lungs, Heart, etc.; they are also influenced directly by the mind, so that close study, anxiety, grief, irritation, secret excesses, and a host of other excitants acting directly on the brain, disturb the nervous system, and prevent due muscular action in those organs necessary to sustain life. Here lies the great cause of Dyspepsia, Headache, Jaundice, Neuralgia, Impoverished Blood, Irregularities, Laugour, Debility, Bronchitis, Consumption, &c. &c.

FELLOWS' COMPOUND SYRUP will not only supply the waste going on in the brain, but will enable the mind to endure a greater tax than ever before, without involving other organs of the body, it will impart vigor and promote clear conceptions to the intellect, it will strengthen the nerves and give power to the involuntary as well as the voluntary muscles of the body. Sold by Apothecaries. Price \$1.50 per bottle, or 6 for \$7.50. On the receipt of \$7.50 the proprietor will forward 6 to any part of Nova Scotia or New Brunswick, Free.

JAMES F. FELLOWS, Chemist, St. John, N. B.

General Intelligence.

Provinces of Nova Scotia.

HER MAJESTY'S BIRTHDAY.—The celebration of the Queen's birthday, by Her Majesty's command has been changed to Wednesday, the 2nd of June.

FARMING OPERATIONS have been greatly retarded by the wet and cold weather of late.

DROWNED.—A lad about seven years of age, son of Mr. Edward Parker, a carpenter, fell from a wharf at Bates' Lane, on Tuesday evening of last week, and was drowned.

ACCIDENT.—Mr. Joseph Della Torre, merchant of this city, got one of his legs broken on Wednesday morning. He was examining a case of mirrors on Connors' Wharf, and in turning the package it fell against him and fractured the limb.

OUR STREETS.—One of our city papers says there are 57 miles of streets in this city and they are being extended annually.

CLEMENT H. BELCHER, Esq., the proprietor of the Almanac bearing his name, departed this life on Sunday last.

LOST OVERBOARD.—A few hours after the steamer City of Cork left New York, a boat-swain's mate fell overboard. The vessel was stopped, a boat instantly lowered, and every effort made to save him, but he sank before the boat reached him.

Rev. Thomas Daly has been appointed Roman Catholic Chaplain to the Penitentiary.

The steamer "Alhambra" is to make Pictou a port of call on her passages between Boston and Charlottetown.

The members of Mayflower Division, S. of T. intend holding a Literary Entertainment this evening, the proceeds to be devoted to a charitable purpose. Tickets 12 1/2 cents.

THE "SERAPIS," a splendid steamship for the conveyance of troops, arrived in our harbor on her way to St. John, N. B., with two batteries of artillery on Sunday last, from Quebec. We learn from the European Mail that a batch of 550 discharged dockyard and other laborers embarked at Plymouth on board the Serapis for Canada, on April 30.

M. A. Buckley, 85 Granville Street, Halifax, has received by late Steamers and Sailing Vessels, 74 Cases, Bales, and Packages of Books, Stationery, Room Paper, &c., which he offers Wholesale and Retail at lowest possible prices. Catalogues of Books free. May 5.

Mr. ANDREW DOWNS having returned from New York, has purchased the property of Mr. George Taylor, adjoining his former gardens, for \$4,800. He proposes to revive his gardens and make them a place of public resort by collecting Zoological specimens, &c.

A telegram to the Halifax Evening Express, May 21st, says: "Archbishop Connolly's appeal in behalf of Father McMahon has been most favorably received. There is no doubt that the appeal made by His Grace has been successful." Father McMahon was convicted of participating in the Fenian raids.

STEALING.—In the Police Court on Wednesday three men, named Joseph Churchill, William Stairs and Thomas O'Brien, were each fined \$10 or 90 days imprisonment, for stealing crockeryware from L. O'Neill & Co.

A WOMAN SHOT IN DARTMOUTH.—About 8 o'clock on Monday evening, W. Gleason, manager of a gold mine at Lawrencetown, shot his wife with a revolver, at their residence near the Mechanics Institute, Dartmouth. The parties had been on bad terms for some time, but no immediate cause is assigned for the act. The ball entered the left side, below the heart. Dr. Weeks was called in and attended the woman. Up to a late hour last night she was alive, but no hopes of her recovery were entertained. Gleason gave himself into custody, and was placed in the lock-up.

THE INVERNESS ELECTION.—This day Wednesday is appointed by the House of Assembly for taking into consideration Mr. Blanchard's petition against the return of Mr. Hugh McDonald as one of the members for the County of Inverness.

A steamer from Newfoundland, with the submarine cable to connect Prince Edward Island with the mainland, is daily expected at Charlottetown.

FIRE AT AYLESFORD.—The Kentville "Star" reports that the dwelling house of Mr. W. J. Kirkpatrick, Aylesford, was totally destroyed by fire on Friday night, 14th inst. Loss partly covered by insurance in the London and Lancashire Company.

TEMPERANCE AND POLITICS.—The Lunenburg County Temperance League does not endorse the platform of the N. S. Temperance Alliance. At a meeting held on the 17th inst., the following resolution was adopted by a large majority:

Resolved, That this County League does not approve of the platform advanced by the Temperance Alliance, held at Halifax in March last, and would recommend temperance men in the several polling districts of the country, to avail themselves of the permissive prohibitory clause of the present license law, by which prohibition can be obtained, through the voice of the majority of rate-payers.

And further resolved, That in the present political state of our Province, a majority of the members of this League decline pledging themselves to any course which might interfere with their unrestricted choice of candidates for legislative honours.

ACCIDENT.—There was an explosion in Doct. Ayer's Laboratory, yesterday which caused some excitement in the vicinity. Ayer's Pills are manufactured under an enormous pressure, in cylinders, like cannon, which sometimes prove too weak for the compressed forces, and burst with terrific violence. Fortunately, the pieces do not fly far, so that no one has ever been hurt by them. The action is more like ice than powder; but it makes Pills which all the world acknowledge are PILLS.—[Daily Journal, Lowell.]

LIVERPOOL.—The "Advertiser" of the 20th says: On Saturday last, whilst the children of Capt. G. C. Boyle were playing together, one of them threw a piece of iron of about seven pounds weight, but missing the object it struck the infant—fourteen months old, on its eye, and so severely injuring it that if the child's life should be spared, the sight of the eye is destroyed.

DROWNED AT WINDSOR.—A man named Alexander MacDonald, an employee on the Railway works at the Bridge, was drowned on Friday morning. He was on a scow and in attempting to reach the shore by jumping overboard, the depth of water being greater than he imagined, he sank. His body was picked up a short distance from the spot, when the tide lowered.—Citizen.

GENEROUS BEQUEST.—We learn from the Truro Mirror that the late Rev. Dr. Forrester bequeathed his whole Scientific and Professional library, consisting of between three and four hundred volumes, mostly standard works, together with an almost endless number of magazines, reviews, papers, etc., also a variety of maps, charts, and diagrams, as well as a quantity of botanical, geological and zoological specimens, with numerous shells, fossils, etc., to the Normal College for the benefit of both teachers and pupils.

During a thunder storm in St. John on Monday last, a house was struck by lightning a damaged to the extent of \$500.

Progress is being made in western railway extension.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.—W. Hazen, Esq., C. E., and assistants, left Truro on Wednesday of last week, to locate the Compromise Line. It is expected that it will take about six weeks to complete the location.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOVA SCOTIA RAILWAY.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.

On and after TUESDAY, 1st June, 1869, Trains will be run as follows:—

MAIN LINE

Table with 2 columns: Departure times from Halifax and Arrival times at Pictou and Truro.

WINDSOR BRANCH.

Table with 2 columns: Departure times from Halifax and Arrival times at Windsor.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE Halifax, 24th May, 1869. May 21.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

FOR PURIFYING THE BLOOD.

The reputation this excellent medicine enjoys, is derived from its cures, many of which are truly marvellous. Incurable cases of Scrofulous disease, where the system seemed saturated with corruption, have been purified and cured by it. Scrofulous affections and disorders, which were aggravated by the scrofulous contamination until they were painfully afflicting, have been radically cured in such great numbers in almost every section of the country, that the public scarcely need to be informed of its virtues or uses.

Scrofulous poison is one of the most destructive enemies of our race. Often, this unseen and unfit tenant of the organism undermines the constitution, and invites the attack of enfeebling or fatal diseases, without exciting a suspicion of its presence. Again, it seems to breed infection throughout the body, and then, on some favorable occasion, rapidly develop into one or other of its hideous forms, either on the surface or among the vitals. In the latter, tubercles may be suddenly deposited in the lungs or heart, or tumors formed in the liver, or it shows its presence by eruptions on the skin, or foul ulcers on some part of the body. Hence the occasional use of a bottle of this Sarsaparilla is advisable, even when no active symptoms of disease appear. Persons afflicted with the following complaints generally find immediate relief, and, at length, cure, by the use of this Sarsaparilla: St. Anthony's Fire, Rose or Erysipelas, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Ringworms, Sore Eyes, Sore Ears, and other eruptions or visible forms of Scrofulous disease. Also in the more concealed forms, as Dyspepsia, Dropsy, Heart Disease, Fits, Epilepsy, Neuralgia, and the various Ulcerous affections of the muscular and nervous systems.

Syphilitic or Venereal and Mercurial Diseases are cured by it, though a long time is required for subduing these obstinate maladies by any medicine. But long continued use of this medicine will cure the complaint. Leucorrhoea or Whites, Uterine Ulcerations, and Female Diseases, are commonly soon relieved and ultimately cured by its purifying and invigorating effect. Minute Directions for each case are found in our Almanac, supplied gratis. Rheumatism and Gout, when caused by accumulations of extraneous matters in the blood, yield quickly to it, as also Liver Complaints, Torpidity, Congestion or Inflammation of the Liver, and Jaundice, when arising, as they often do, from the rankling poisons in the blood. This Sarsaparilla is a great restorer for the strength and vigor of the system. Those who are Languid and Listless, Incontinent, Sleepless, and troubled with Nervous Apprehensions or Fears, or any of the affections symptomatic of Weakness, will find immediate relief and convincing evidence of its restorative power upon trial.

PREPARED BY Dr. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass., Practical and Analytical Chemists. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE. May 26.

DRY GOODS. ANDERSON, BILLING & CO.'S IMPORTATIONS FOR THE WHOLESALE TRADE. SPRING, 1869.

We are in receipt of the bulk of our Importations for the Spring Trade.

White and Grey Cottons, and other Staples and Domestic of every description White and Colored Warp, 1500 Bundles, Printed Cottons, new styles, unusually cheap, JOB PRINTS, in 25 lb bundles, Patches and Fents, Household and Heavy Linens, &c., &c. Fancy Dress Goods, most extensive variety. PLAIN STUFFS, Black Coburgs, Lustras, Paramattas, Balmoral Crapes, &c. Scotch, West of England, and Yorkshire Cloths, Waterproof and other Mantle Cloths, Ready Made Clothing, &c. N. B.—All the above have been laid in at Low Rates, and are offered accordingly.

The Warerooms devoted to the FANCY DEPARTMENTS are unusually well stocked. The variety includes Straw Goods and Millinery, Flowers, Feathers, and Milliners' Trimmings; Ties, Ribbons, Lace Goods, Shawls and Mantles; Parasols, Gloves, Hosiery, Coats, &c., &c. All of which are offered Wholesale to the Trade, on the most favorable terms. ANDERSON, BILLING & CO. Warehouses: 97 99 Granville Street. April 14.