

Religious Intelligence.

INDUCTION AT TRURO.—On Thursday last the Rev. W. T. Wilkins was inducted into the pastoral charge of the Church of Scotland congregation at Truro. Rev. Mr. Campbell of St. Andrew's Church, Halifax, preached and presided. Rev. Mr. McMillan, Musquodoboit, addressed the minister, and Rev. J. R. Thompson, Halifax, addressed the people. The Truro congregation engaged to raise about \$400. The balance of the salary, \$350, is to be paid partly by the Home Mission and partly by the Colonial Committee. —*Witness.*

CONVERTS FROM ROMAN CATHOLICISM.—A writer in the *Baptist Tidings*, giving an account of the labors of one of its missionaries among the Roman Catholics, himself a converted Romanist, says:

"This makes the fifth Baptist church organized from converted Roman Catholics by the labors of Mr. Dracoches since he came to Detroit, twelve years ago—two in Michigan, two in Ohio, and one in Canada."

SOUTH AFRICA.—It has been decided that a missionary bishopric shall be established for Zulu Land. The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel will assist in the scheme, and the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge have agreed that a grant be made, to be paid to trustees, when the whole of the capital projected—five thousand pounds—has been raised.

MADAGASCAR.

"Since the Queen was baptized," writes Mr. Toy, "almost all the higher officers are coming forward as candidates for baptism. I have now at Ambohipotey more than a hundred under weekly instruction. Among these are the chief of the idol-keepers, the late Queen's astrologer, several of the present Queen's household, the head of the civilians and other members of the Government, many of whom are getting quite old men. This great influx of those who were a short time ago idolaters, and some of them fierce persecutors of Christianity, is not without its risk. We are all conscious of the peculiar dangers to which it is exposed, but we can do nothing more than pursue an open and straightforward course, faithfully doing our best duty by instilling right principles, directing and guiding as far as possible the course of events, and committing ourselves and our work into the hands of Him who has the hearts of all men under his control." Last year twenty thousand persons joined the Christian congregations. The missionaries expect the same addition, if not a larger one, during the present year. Everywhere, therefore, church building is most active, and the mission press has its hands more than full. Mr. Cousins writes: "A very clear indication of the rapid increase in our congregations is the fact, which you will find noticed in our minutes, that one hundred congregations are looking to us for help to build either new or larger chapels. About one third of the chapels to be built will afford accommodation for from 800 to 1200 hearers each." Mr. Toy communicates some interesting intelligence relative to the instruction of native pastors. He says: "Mr. Cousins and myself commenced our new duties on Wednesday. We have nearly forty students to begin with, exclusive of some of the pastors who wish to attend as often as possible. I do trust that we shall be able to do our work successfully, and that God will prosper this undertaking and make it the means of advancing his glory. At present the young men are very zealous, and things look most encouraging, but whether they will have the diligence and perseverance necessary to continue their studies when the novelty of the thing is worn away, may be open to doubt. With all our other work pressing upon us, it will be no inconsiderable tax upon our energies and strength."

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—The following is a specimen of the way in which the people of the English Established Church are sometimes supplied with pastors: "The advowson and next presentation to the rectory of Onibury, near Ludlow, was sold by auction on Tuesday, Aug. 31. It was stated that the United Pack and the Ludlow Hounds hunt in the neighborhood. The living is worth \$530 a year. The present rector is sixty-four years of age."

Dominion and Foreign News.

MONTREAL, Sept. 1.—The shoemakers here have struck for from 20 to 30 per cent higher wages. Many employers having taken full orders at old rates, would lose heavily if they acceded to demands now made, and refuse.

It is reported that the Hon. Mr. Rose, Finance Minister, is to take a position at the head of an American banking house, to be opened in London, and that a seat is to be obtained for Mr. Rose in the British House of Commons.

TORONTO, Sept. 1.—The Gore Bank, of Hamilton, has amalgamated with the Bank of Commerce, receiving 55 cents on the dollar for its stock.

It has been determined that the Royal Canadian Bank will open its doors on the 13th inst.

The first match of the Cricket tournament between the Old Country and Canada, was won by the former, by a score of 181 to 189.

The London *Morning Post* of Saturday last had an editorial on Canadian matters. It says the consideration and development of Canada

are at hand. People and money are the great desiderata. Let Canada show that these can safely and profitably be sent there, and the old country will be found supporting and invigorating the new in a better manner than with inadequate garrisons.

CANADIANS STAYING AT HOME.—Alluding to the reports that Canada is becoming depopulated by emigration to the United States, the *Toronto Telegraph* says: In no season for the last twenty years have there been such large accessions to the population of Canada as during the present. In no season has there been so little disposition shown to migrate hence to the States or to any other country. Never before within our recollection has the annexation sentiment been so effectually smothered.

It is now said that Sir John A. Macdonald will not visit Halifax this season as was expected.

The direct importations of Montreal have increased 60 per cent during the past two years.

A Montreal paper says that a well known American citizen, who has just returned from a tour in the Lower Provinces and New England States, awards the credit of the highest public morality to the city of Halifax.

Sept. 4.—The Ship laborer's strike at Quebec is ended.

New Brunswick.

A few days ago a girl seven years old, was killed in St. John by a loaded team which ran over her in the street.

On Saturday last a man named Matthew White, was drowned at Red Head, near St. John by the upsetting of a boat.

NO LEVEE AT ST. JOHN.—It has been announced by the Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, that H. R. H. Prince Arthur will not be able to hold a Levee in St. John, but will be pleased to attend a Ball on the evening of Tuesday, September 7th.

FIRES.—The fine water mill at South Bay, belonging to E. Sutton & Co., was destroyed by fire on Sunday morning. With the mill, about 200,000 feet of lumber were burned, and the total loss must reach nearly \$60,000, on which there is only \$9,000 insurance.

The Grist Carding Mills of Mr. Robert Davis, in Woodstock, were totally destroyed by fire on the morning of Thursday last. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is estimated at six or eight thousand dollars.

Mr. Matthew White, of Sand Point, was drowned at Red Head last week.

ST. JOHN STREET RAILWAY.—The operations on the Street Railway have now reached as far as the corner of Prince William and Duke Streets. In two weeks the cars will be running from terminus to terminus.—*Telegraph.*

All the lights on the St. John River are now in operation. They were lighted for the first time on Monday night.—*Id.*

The Episcopalians of St. John laid the corner stone of a new church last week near the E. & N. A. R. Station. It is intended to accommodate 650 worshippers.

Y. M. CONVENTION.—We are informed that the Y. M. Ch. Association are busy in making preparation for the Y. M. Convention to be held in St. John in October. The meetings are to be held in St. David's, the Centenary and Brussel's St. Churches. The following are named as the principal topics for consideration:

"The best method of organizing and sustaining Young Men's Christian Associations;" "How the Church and Young Men's Christian Associations can best mutually aid each other?" "What are the causes of apathy in young men towards Religion?" "and Characteristics of Christianity in daily life."

THE FIRE IN THE ALBERT MINES.—We are sorry to learn that fire was discovered in the pit of the Albert Mines on Friday last, and that all efforts since made to extinguish it have proved unsuccessful. The place where the fire started is one hundred and fifty feet from the bottom of the shaft, and as there are some drifts below it, an immense quantity of water will be required to fill the mine up to the level of the fire, which seems to be the only practicable mode of subduing it. At present, however, the supply of water is very limited, and as the fire will have a tendency to work upwards, the probability is that unless we soon have heavy falls of rain, it will be some months before mining operations can be resumed. Meantime, many of the miners are thrown out of employment, and on their account, more perhaps, than on account of the Company, which is rich and able to bear a slight shock, the accident is to be regretted. On Sunday, when it was hoped the fire had been smothered out, a tremendous explosion occurred at what is known as the Old Pit Head, the shaft nearest the locality of the fire, throwing the covering of the pit a long distance in the air. Subsequently, on the same day; two or three explosions of less force occurred in the same shaft. We have not heard of any injury being sustained by the workmen or others. —*Moncton Times.*

NEWFOUNDLAND.

The General Election is to take place here on the 13th of November. The issue before the people is Confederation. There is likely to be a severe contest. The Anti-Confederates are using great efforts to prevent a union of the Island with the Dominion. A steamer the *Mary Austin* is said to have been purchased for the purpose of conveying gentlemen to the outports in the interest of the Anti party.

The fisheries are realizing profitable returns. The *Chronicle* of the 28th, says: "We are glad to notice that the fishery keeps more than up to the average generally, and that the voyage promises very fairly. Unusually good success has been had in some localities at the westward, and from other places very encouraging news has been received."

Prince Edward Island.

The crops throughout the island are reported to be in excellent condition. There is as yet no appearance of the wheat weevil or potato blight, and a large harvest of grain, and good yield of root crops are expected.

The United States.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—The official Treasury statement shows a decrease of the public debt, in August of over five and a half million dollars, and an increase (?) during the past six months, of nearly fifty millions.

Sept. 3.—President Grant and family are at Saratoga.

The returns of the election in California, on Wednesday, indicate success of Democrats, Senator Fessenden, of Maine, reported alarmingly ill.

The official figures at the Treasury show that the South is better supplied with money than any other agricultural portion of the country and the late advices regarding the condition of the crops lead to the belief that this condition of affairs will continue.

Aug. 31.—It was feared last night that a riot would take place among the miners at the coal mines in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Four hundred special police were sworn in, besides seven hundred men enrolled as volunteers, under the command of Colonel E. Boyce. The coal mines are all under ground.

Gen. Grant, Prince Arthur and the Governor-General of Canada are to be invited to attend the New England Fair at Portland.

Sept. 4.—Sterling exchange 109½. Gold closed at 136.

A clock company of New York, last week dispatched a Pacific Railway car loaded with clocks through to San Francisco, whence they go by steamer to China. These are the first clocks ever sent across the continent.

A steam shovel, capable of doing the work of 100 men, has been put in use on one of the Illinois railroads for the purpose of loading cars with gravel.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

By Atlantic Telegraph.

ENGLAND.—London, Aug. 30.—Only fifty bishops have declined to attend the Ecumenical Council at Rome.

The Irish residents of London held two meetings yesterday, at which a Fenian amnesty was urged.

A grand fete was given at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham, last evening, in honor of the Harvard and Oxford Clubs. There were present 120 invited guests, including Charles Dickens, Thomas Hughes, Edmund Yates, and Capt. Anderson, Chas. Dickens made an eloquent speech.

Sept. 1.—The weather continues favorable for coming crops.

Sept. 3.—The Roman Catholic Bishops of Ireland demand a College from the State.

Sept. 4.—Advices have been received from the German Arctic Expedition. — All well.

FRANCE.—September 1st.—The Emperor Napoleon presided to-day over the French Council of Ministers. Prince Napoleon has made a speech declaring his adherence to the Emperor, and supporting the measures of reform.

Sept. 3.—In the French senate the terms of the *Senatus Consultum* were further discussed. Financial reforms are to be inaugurated, which, it is thought, will save to France sixty millions of francs. The Emperor expresses himself satisfied with Prince Napoleon's course in the reform Admiral Leore has command of the French fleet in American waters.

PARIS, Sept. 3.—The Empress has arrived back at St. Cloud. She has abandoned her eastern journey for the present.

Marshal McMahon has not arrived, as before reported; he is still in Algeria.

Pesuela Counteste has gone to Vichy. General Prim is there, and it is said will challenge him.

SPAIN.—Sept 3.—The Madrid journals are despondent about Cuban affairs, and demand full intelligence from the Government of affairs in the Island.

MADRID, Sept. 3.—The refusal of the Emperor Napoleon to see General Prim is exciting much comment in Madrid.

General Intelligence.

Province of Nova Scotia.

GENEROUS.—The officers of H. M. S. *Royal Alfred* have presented a handsome and excellent Billiard Table to the Hospital for the Insane. The table with balls, cues, &c., is valued at upwards of one hundred guineas.

THE STEAMER "HORNET," from Philadelphia, bound to Queenstown, and in want of coals, put into this port one day last week. Owing to one of the crew having made a statement on affidavit that the steamer contained arms and ammunition destined for the Cuban insurgents, the proper authorities had her brought up to the Queen's Wharf to be examined. Nothing but coals was discovered.

On Saturday night a quarrel took place on board the "Hornet" at the Queen's wharf, between a number of the crew of the vessel. One of them, named Charles Beesick, was beaten and stabbed so badly that his life is despaired of. The row was general, and the soldiers on duty at the wharf had to be called in to suppress it. The seaman who committed the offence, named Patrick McFadden, was placed in irons, and handed over to the police. Beesick was sent to hospital by the City Medical Officer.

A ROW.—There was quite a disturbance on the night of Wednesday evening last between the Police and some of the officers and soldiers of the 78th Regiment in attendance at the Ball in the Province Building. The parties were brought up before the City Court. Three sergeants were fined \$4, and one sergeant and a private were fined \$8 each. They threaten to appeal to the Supreme Court against this decision.

Alderman James Pryor, Esq., of Ward One, has tendered his resignation. He has served two years.

NEW STREETS.—A committee recently reported to the City Council, recommending that Robie street, from South street to the Bowersy road; a short road leading from Robie street through Hon. Mr. Richie's property, (he having granted permission), to the North-west Arm; and what is termed the Miller road, leading from Steele's pond, Freshwater, to the Arm, be opened as soon as possible. This report was adopted, and also a resolution to open the following roads: The road between Mr. Miller's property, Freshwater, and the property north of that; Inglis street, west to the North-west Arm.—*Chron.*

In accordance with a resolution of the City Council, the porch of Mr. J. P. Hagarty's house in Pleasant Street, was removed under the superintendence of the Street-Committee on Friday last, it being regarded as an obstruction. It is said Mr. Hagarty intends prosecuting the Street Committee for trespass.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF HALIFAX HARBOR.—The belt was won by William Glazebrook, on Wednesday last. There were but two boats entered. It could scarcely be called a contest—the second man, Michael Delaney, was not a fit oarsman to compete with Glazebrook. The latter halted several times to allow Delaney to come up with him.

There was a very interesting match by boats belonging to the Halifax Sailing Club, on the harbor, on Thursday afternoon. Eight boats entered for the contest, and went round the course in good style. The first prize, a silver cup, was won by John E. Butler's sloop "Charley," and the second, also a silver cup, by Mr. Montgomery, jr.'s whaler, "Intrinsides."

FATAL ACCIDENT.—The *Eastern Chronicle* reports that a lad 14 years of age named McPherson while coming up the slope at the Drummond colliery a few days ago, fell off the load, and the waggon passed over him mangle his legs to such an extent that he died four hours afterwards.

CUMBERLAND CO.—The *Amherst Gazette* says:—"We hear of very little weevil being found in wheat in the country; and but few cases of diseased potatoes. We hear of the blight, to some extent, at Advocate Harbor."

It is said that the booming of the cannon fired on the arrival of Prince Arthur at Charlottetown P. E. I. on Saturday evening 28th, was distinctly heard on the top of McLellan's Mountain, in Pictou County.

THE PIC-NIC AT PRINCE'S LODGE on Wednesday last, given by leading Citizens of Halifax in honor of Prince Arthur, was on a magnificent scale. The day was superb, showing the locality in which the Prince's Grandfather formerly resided to fine advantage. The rotunda is still standing yet much dilapidated, notwithstanding it has been occasionally repaired. The remains of the foundation of the mansion are still seen and some of the fruit trees of what was the garden are still there. The grounds were decorated with flags and banners with suitable mottoes and devices. On the rising grounds at the back are spacious booths for the repast and several platforms were erected. Several Bands discoursed sweet music. The Prince partook of luncheon with three or four hundred Ladies and Gentlemen and afterwards joined with some of them in dancing on the platform and on the grass.

On Thursday morning the Prince took his departure from Halifax going to the Eastward on Moose hunting expedition for two or three days.

A despatch to the *Reporter*, states that on arrival of the Prince at Hopewell, Messrs. McGregor and McKinnon and a number of other gentlemen presented an address. There was a general Holiday, and everybody seemed determined to show his regard for the Queen. When the horses were about being harnessed in the carriage, after the address was answered, sixteen men dressed in white shirts and other appropriate attire, stepped forward and drew the Prince, in his carriage, for a considerable distance up the road from the station, the people cheering continuously till the Prince was out of sight on his way to the shooting grounds.

POLITICS. It appears that our supposition last week that there would be no opposition to the return of Mr. Archibald for Colchester County was not quite correct. Our supposition arose from the absence of Mr. Pearson's name from the *Chronicle* editorials on the subject.

Perhaps it was uncertain before nomination day whether Mr. P. or some other person would be the candidate. Since nomination day Mr. Pearson's name has appeared more prominently, and his return advocated more distinctly.

On Thursday there was large and very excited meeting at Truro for the Nomination of Candidates for a representing that County n