

Those communications have often strengthened the faith and confidence of the younger members of the church, and I do not believe that the Apostle Paul himself would have silenced her; or disapproved of those expressions or the circumstances under which they were uttered. She was universally beloved, and seemed to love every body in return. In her illness she was peaceful and confiding. She leaves a large circle of relatives even down to the fourth generation.

JOHN PARKER,

died at Nictaux Nov. 3rd, 1870, aged 47 years. The deceased was a son of the late Captain Nathaniel Parker. He was baptized by the Rev. W. G. Parker about 12 years ago, when an extensive revival was enjoyed in Nictaux, and to the day of his death was a worthy member of the church. He was a useful member of society; endeared to those who knew him by his many amiable qualities, and by his faithful efforts in the cause of religion he came to be regarded as a pillar in the church of Christ. He was confined to the house early in the summer, in consequence of failing health. Through his illness he trusted in God, and was sustained to the end, when he sweetly fell asleep in Jesus. He leaves a sorrowing wife and children and a large circle of relatives, who, mourning over their loss, are comforted by the assurance of his gain.

The funeral sermon was preached by the pastor of the church to a large concourse of relatives and friends from Eccles. 8: 12. 'I know it shall be well with them that fear God, that fear before him.' Thus is God transferring his faithful ones from his church below to that above. Thus does he remind his people that this earth is not their rest. Thus does he weaken the ties that hold them here, and increase the attractions of heaven.—Com. by Rev. M. P. Freeman.

Nictaux, Dec. 5th, 1870.

MRS. HANNAH ROBBINS.

Died at Chebogue Point, Yarmouth County, on the 15th Oct., Hannah, widow of the late Deacon Joseph Robbins, aged 87 years. Our aged sister was born in the Township of Yarmouth, and always lived among her own kindred, and in her native place. Quite early in life she saw the necessity of trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation. She believed on him and was saved. Subsequently her husband and herself united with the Congregational body of Christians in this place. They were very strongly attached to the church which they joined. But under the teachings of Father Harding, they changed their views in relation to the subjects and mode of baptism, and then united with the Baptist Church. Of this Church, she was an honored and useful member until the day of her death. Possessed of strong powers of mind and having a faith that seemed to bring the future very near, her influence was powerful for good in her own family and in the church. Of her thirteen children, ten survive her. They are all members of Christian Churches, several of whom are occupying very high positions in the commercial world. She also left behind her 74 grand-children, and some of these are among the first business men of the place; one—bro. Joseph Robbins—is studying for the Christian ministry at Acadia College. Her great grandchildren number sixty-one.—In her last sickness, it was a privilege to visit her. Like the Apostle Paul, she had a desire to depart and be with Christ which she considered far better. She talked about her approaching decease with as much calmness as if she was starting on a short and pleasant journey. She selected the portion of Scripture to be read at her funeral, and the text for a discourse on that occasion. After her house was set in order, she calmly waited for her change to come. By and by it did come, but so gently that tender friends scarcely knew when it took place. And of her, we could sing.

"One gentle sigh the fetter breaks,
We scarce can say she's gone,
Before the happy spirit takes
Its station near the throne."

Her funeral was numerously attended by her own descendants and many others. A sermon was delivered by the writer on the occasion from the text selected by the deceased.—Rev. vii. 14-17. Brethren Normandy, Chipman, Moore, and Foster were present and took part in the services which were solemn and impressive.—Com. by Rev. G. E. Dav.

Yarmouth, Dec. 17th, 1870.

MRS. MURDOCK ROSS,

widow of the late Murdoch Ross, fell asleep in Jesus at the residence of her youngest daughter at Margaree, Cape Breton, on the 8th of Nov., last in the 84th year of her age. Never did a weary worn Pilgrim, or a tempest tossed mariner long more earnestly to reach a desired haven than she, notwithstanding there were many endearing ties to bind her to earth. During the last twenty eight years of her life she was called upon to pass through an ordeal of severe affliction which she was enabled through grace to bear with rare christian meekness.

My mother was brought to a knowledge of the truth in dear old Scotland through the instrumentality of the Haldane Missionaries, and well do I remember the time of her Baptism, an event in those days in a Scottish parish that was like angels' visits, few and far between. She left her Highland home with her husband and family about 42 years ago, crossed the Atlantic and settled at Margaree, Cape Breton. Notwithstanding the privations and trials that she with others had to contend with in order to make comfortable homes in a new country she always retained the ardour of her first love. Her pious admonitions have left a fragrance that

should enliven her memory in the hearts of a large circle of dear friends.

The pains of death are past;
Labor and sorrow cease;
And life's long warfare closed at last
Her soul is found in peace.

—Com. by her son Rev. Malcolm Ross.
West River, P. E. I., Dec. 14 1870.

MR. JOSEPH COPELAND,

of Middlefield, Queen's Co., departed this life, 5th Dec., 1870, in the 57th year of his age. He was born at Round Hill, Annapolis Co.; he was a member of the Church in Middlefield for many years. He had been much troubled with Dyspepsia. During his last sickness he was resigned and willing to depart and be with Christ. His funeral took place on the 8th December. A Sermon was preached by the Rev. H. Achilles from Psalms xvii. 15 to a solemn and interesting congregation. He has left a wife, two children and a number of friends to mourn his loss. May the Lord sustain the widow, support the fatherless, and sanctify the bereavement to all.

Religious Intelligence.

YARMOUTH COUNTY.—Dear Brother,—The friends of Zion no doubt are always well pleased to hear of her prosperity in any place. It has pleased the Lord to hear the prayer of his elect people, in all ages of the world. We have abundant cause to bless and praise the name of our exalted Redeemer, that he has not forsaken us as a people. Yesterday I had the happiness of baptizing two believers in the Lord Jesus.

More were received for baptism, and others are enquiring the way to Zion. We intend to observe the Week of Prayer in this church. May the Lord hear the united prayers of his people wherever they meet, and add to the churches daily such as shall be saved.

Yours truly,

W. L. PARKER.

Chegoggan, Yarmouth, Dec. 19, 1870.

ARGYLE.—Rev. P. R. Foster writes from this place, Dec. 22nd: "The cause of Christ is making progress at Argyle. I had the pleasure of baptizing seven last Lord's day, and admitting them, with one restored, to the fellowship of the Argyle Church. The work is still advancing, and we look for greater things from the presence of the Lord. May He hasten it in His time.

CORNWALLIS.—Rev. James Parker baptized three persons at Beech Hill on Lord's Day, the 18th inst.

MR. M. Kinsman informs us that the Rev. J. F. Kempton baptized five believers in Jesus, at Chipman Brook, on Sunday Dec. 18th.

Domestic and Foreign News.

MONTREAL has experienced unusual fogs, and the weather is intensely cold.

A priest and a lawyer of Montreal have been found guilty by a French Canadian jury, of assaulting a bailiff in the execution of his duty.

Dr. Dawson lectured at Toronto on Friday last, subject: "Dawn of animal life on our planet."

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—A pamphlet appeared to-day recounting the history of the fishery question since 1783. It strongly maintains the rights of the Dominion. It is supposed to have been issued from one of the Departments. Senator McCrea has accepted the Algoma Judgeship.—Chronicle.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

What news from Paris? is the enquiry day after day whilst the city is shut off from all the world by a besieging army stretching around the city, forming a circle of about 70 miles in length. In the effort to starve the Parisians into submission, they hold on from week to week, enduring all the cold, sickness and death of a winter campaign. The enormous Prussian army can live on the vicinity for but little more than it would cost in their own country, and more effectually do its work than by any expenditure of material for storming the city, and destroying its magnificent palaces. It may consequently be a long time yet before the siege is effectually raised, if the French are as well provisioned as they would make us believe they are. We have reports from time to time that the prospects for peace are improving. Glowing accounts are given of the citizens being quietly resolute, and confident of success, but, judging from the past history of that city, we doubt not a reign of terror prevails within almost equal to that under the former republic. We are informed that immense reinforcements continue to arrive daily from the Prussian armies before Paris owing to the recent heavy levies of the Landwehr ordered by King William. An average of 5,000 men are daily added to the strength of the German investing army.

Despatches from Bordeaux say that General Bourbaki, with 150,000 men successfully

formed a junction with Gen. Chausey on Tuesday night in rear of the German army, who had evacuated Tours. The French captured 2000 prisoners and a vast amount of ammunition.

The story of a great battle is now-a-days given in a few lines, and the killing of a few thousands of men is regarded as a matter of but little moment. How does the war spirit blunt the sensibilities of men!

The Reporter's despatch of Wednesday last said:—

At the storming by the German troops of Nuits, a town on the Paris and Lyons Railroad, eight miles north-east of Beaune, the French loss was about three thousand killed and seven thousand men made prisoners, besides several hundred horses and two batteries of field pieces. The Prussian cannonading is described as "terrible."

Several thousand French soldiers escaped from the place at nightfall. General Von Werder started in close pursuit in hopes of capturing the remnant of the whole army. The German loss was comparatively small—about four hundred being reported killed and wounded.

King William has sent word to Luxemburg that he wants an explanation of its infringements of neutrality.

The blockade of the "Seine" has been raised. The besiegers of "Belfort" have received reinforcements of heavy artillery from Bavaria.

Prince Frederick Charles is marching rapidly westward from "Bleis."

It is reported to day that the Prussians have occupied Tours and that they found no serious opposition.

Gen. Chausey is at LeMons where he has received reinforcements. Several batteries have joined his command. His forces have also been re-provisioned.

A number of partial engagements occurred with the enemy, in all of which Gen. Chausey was successful.

There appears to have been a grand sortie from Paris on Wednesday last. As usual both sides claim to have been victorious. The French under General Ducrot are said to have taken many hundred prisoners; while the Prussians say that the French were driven back at nightfall. Possibly both are true to some extent.

Tours is again occupied by the French, and the Prussian forces were in retreat thence towards Orleans.

The despatches on Friday and Saturday state that a German victory is reported at Hulla, south-east of Amiens, over the French Army of the North, 60,000 strong.

The Germans carried several villages by storm, and took 10,000 prisoners.

General Chausey's retreat to LeMans was voluntary, for the purposes of concentrating his own forces and drawing the Germans after him. General Chausey has now 200,000 men, and will immediately resume the offensive.

Harve and Cherbourg have been rapidly fortified, until they are believed to be impregnable.

Bismark has issued a circular to the Prussian ambassadors saying that many French officers have broken their parole, but the Government has not yet decided what to do about it.

A rumor was prevalent that Gen. Chausey has been defeated by combined armies of the Duke of Mecklenburg and Prince Frederick Charles, and is now in full retreat.

Information has been received from Cherbourg that there are now 60,000 French troops at Harve.

Advices from Versailles state that 6000 Saxons have left Saxony with the intention of making a forced march to Rheims, where the people are reported to have risen in insurrection against the authority of the Prussian commander.

SPAIN.—A despatch from Madrid on the 20th states that from all points in Spain there is a determined opposition to Aosta, and that his reign will be short.

It will interest our readers to know a little further of the King elect of Spain:

The Duke of Aosta, the recently elected King of Spain, is the second son and third child of Victor Emmanuel, King of Italy, and of Queen Marie Adelaide, an Austrian Princess, who died in 1855. He was born in Turin, May 30th, 1845, was named Amadeus Ferdinand Maria, and in 1867 was married to Victoria Carlotta Henrietta Giannadel Pazzadella Cisterna, both of whose parents are since deceased. He takes his title of Duke of Aosta from a little town in the north of Piedmont at the foot of St. Bernard, is a Lieutenant-General in the Italian army, and has seen but little of public life. His father being King of Italy and his sister being married to Louis, King of Portugal, he is closely connected with royalty, and if he comes to the throne, it is hoped he will reign with liberality, moderation and wisdom.

On the 21st we were informed that the dissolution of the Spanish Cortes was voted on the 20th amid a great deal of excitement, 126 to 4.

It is likely that the crowning of Aosta will be the signal for greater disturbances in Spain than have yet been seen.

Dec. 22.—New Year's day has been fixed for the entry into Madrid of Aosta. In the meantime he will remain at the Royal Palace at Oranpex.

Don Carlos has issued a protest against the elevation of an Italian to the throne, and in support of his own claims.

The Cortes is still engaged in the discussion of a motion for a dissolution.

ITALY.—It is denied that King William of Prussia has encouraged the Pope to hope for any assistance from him.

The new postal treaty between England and Italy has been signed.

A severe parliamentary conflict is going on at Florence, in regard to the future status of the Pontif.

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SHELBURNE, April 26, 1870.

DR. JOSEPH D. DAVIS,

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