

For the Christian Messenger. IN MEMORIAM.

ERI WELTON AND JAMES B. SPINNEY, of Torbrook, Annapolis Co., were neighbors, who lived together in terms of intimacy and friendship; never suffering ought to disunite their affection for each other.

Jas. B. Spinney professed to have become interested in religion at an early age; he did not, however, unite with the church until about 12 years ago. Bro. S. devoted himself assiduously to his worldly business and was greatly prospered.

Nictaux, Dec. 10th, 1871.

Religious Intelligence.

For the Christian Messenger. GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY.

Dear Brother,— Among the places which I visited during the last few months, the little settlement of New Harbor deserves notice. It lies about 20 miles South-east of Guysborough.

AUGUSTUS SHIELDS. Guysborough, Dec. 9th, 1871.

Missionary Intelligence.

CHINA.

Keeping the Sabbath.—In the Chusan church very lax views of the Sabbath are entertained by many, and their practice of course corresponds.

Reading Chinese in Roman characters.—I have been laboring of late, with some little success, I trust, in stimulating a desire to read the colloquial system in the Roman character.

native preachers, I examine them on my visits to the stations, and give what help and encouragement I can; but offer no prizes or pecuniary encouragement.

BURMAH.

LETTER FROM MR. D. A. W. SMITH.—Prosperity and adversity.—Henthada, July 9, 1871.—About two months ago I wrote of the proposed effort of the Karen Christians of this district to build a large dormitory for the boys.

Health restored.—I am thankful to be able to report now, a good state of health, on the part of the sixty left behind. Nearly, if not all, susceptible to an attack of measles, have been visited.

Bassein.—The late Mrs. Van Meter, shortly before her death, said to those around her,—“I have struggled long on the bank of Jordan—struggled for life. I wish to live, if it is the Lord's will, to work for the Karens five years more.”

MAULMAIN.—Mr. J. R. Haswell writes, Aug. 10, “At K'Mahwet, July 30th, I baptized three converts. The same day, nineteen disciples of Christ living in the vicinity, organized as the church of Jesus Christ in K'Mahwet, and also called a council to meet Sept. 28th, to consider the propriety of recognizing them as a church, and to ordain their pastor elect.

ASSAM.

JOURNAL OF MR. COMFORT.—Tour to Tura.—Mr. Comfort forwards a journal of a tour of two months and a half, to Tura on the Garo Hills, in company with Dr. Bronson and Mr. Stoddard.

That territory is under the jurisdiction of Col. Haughton, Commissioner of Cooh Behar. He has been a friend and supporter of our work among the Garos, and has also warmly advocated our occupation of Tura as at least the chief mission station for that work.

In two days the steady current of the river had borne “our barque” to our journey's end, so far as the water could aid us. At Lingmarry we expected to find ponies and men to take us to Tura, 40 miles distant.

Face of the country.—During our march

we rested one night at Pootumarry, where a large market is held every Tuesday, and again at Damaligiri, where there is a stockade and a police guard. The road from the latter place was entirely “among the hills,” and was moreover, a general ascent, though varied by the winding contour of the surface of the ridges.

On reaching it we find that it has an elevation which gives an extended view to the south and west, and is situated upon a ridge jutting out from the face of the mountain, and flanked by two streams of crystal purity and beauty.

We stopped in the large and commodious bungalow of Capt. Peet. We had hoped to meet him in person; but Mr. Cawley is quite familiar with the neighboring country, and, in the absence of Capt. Peet, he was most willing to aid us in any way, while both himself and lady did all they could to entertain us.

INDIA—MADRAS PRESIDENCY.—The Teoogoo.—Mr. Jewett, of Nellore, writes, Aug. 24, “Since June I have baptized 26. Others are ready. My field is just becoming fruitful. I expect many will come to fit themselves for the Lord's work.

On Sept. 7, six more were baptized at Nellore. Others were prevented by the rain from coming from their remote villages. At Ramapatam, at the beginning of August, 25 were baptized and there were 40 additions during the month, and six more the first of September.

AFRICA—Since the return of Mr. Vonbrunn to his station, he reports four baptized at Vonbrunville, and 22 more were to be baptized shortly.

SWEDEN.—Mr. Wiberg spent a part of the summer in an extended missionary tour in the northern parts of Sweden.

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Dominion & Foreign News.

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The Grand Duke Alexis arrived at Montreal on Thursday. The Mayor of the city took breakfast with him on Friday.

character was received from New York on Saturday, as follows:— A special despatch from Quebec reports excitement in the Assembly, caused by charges of bribery and corruption against agents of the ministry.

The Corporation of Montreal has decided to take a special census of that city, as it is thought the government enumeration is too low a figure.

P. E. ISLAND. Great disturbances have been occasioned in the commerce of the Island by the early setting in of Winter.

Political affairs are in a very unsettled condition. Railway matters have become the subject of trouble between the two parties.

UNITED STATES.

Mr. Ackerman, Atty. Genl. has resigned. Ex Senator Mill of Oregon, it is expected, will be his successor.

AMERICAN FISHERMEN AND THE TREATY.—The citizens of Cape Cod, assembled at Barnstable, Mass., and adopted the following Resolution:

Resolved—That in view of the inevitable effects of the Treaty of Washington upon the fishing interests of Cape Cod, we would urge upon Congress a liberal protection for that branch of industry, confident that unless some such course is adopted, the competition of foreign fisheries under the provisions of said Treaty between England and the United States, will ultimately destroy an occupation which has long been of great value to the commerce and marine of the country.

The parade of the Internationals in New York on Sunday came off without disturbance.

Wm. H. Seward is very low from paralysis, at Auburn, N. Y.

The spread of small-pox in Brooklyn, N. Y., increases.

Mexican affairs grow worse.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND. Latest despatches indicate decided improvement in the state of the Prince of Wales. The danger seems to have passed.

The recovery of the Prince of Wales appears to be impossible. In case of his death a Council of Regency will be created composed of the Duke of Cambridge, Duke of Edinburgh, Princess of Wales and perhaps others.

On Tuesday there was a slight change for the better. Then on Friday the announcement was made: “The Prince was tranquil all the afternoon. The course of the fever continues favourable. The Queen returns to Windsor to-morrow.”

Wherever this bulletin was posted in London, it was received with great cheering. The Queen and other members of the Royal Family returned to Windsor and London on Saturday.

The anxiety respecting the Prince of Wales extended to all parts of Europe. Ireland shared in the same feeling.

It was also stated on Thursday last that the Republicans and Democrats of London are about to send an address of condolence to the Queen.

The report that Parliament will be called together in January is contradicted. Bullion in Bank of England increased £244,000 during the week.

The Foreign Office has sent instructions to all agents abroad to investigate the organizations of the International Society and report to the Government.

The telegraph employees are returning to their work. The movement was a failure. Quite a sensation was produced in London by the refusal of certain extreme royalists to say prayers for the Prince's recovery in absence of orders from their bishops.

The Home Secretary is likely to request Parliament to expel Carl Marx from the United Kingdom.

Owing to threatened disturbances, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland has issued a proclamation forbidding all assemblages or processions in Londonderry.

A French barque was run down on Sunday night off the Isle of Wright by an unknown vessel, and seventeen of her crew lost.

FRANCE.—The French Committee propose presenting the English Government a painting commemorative of the relief contributed by the English nation.

SWITZERLAND.—Berne.—The Federal Assembly have passed a bill interdicting the establishment of Jesuit communities or the employment of Jesuits as doctrinal teachers in Switzerland.

Registration of Births and Deaths. Every Birth should be registered within 60 days after it has taken place.

Marriages.

At New Harbour, on the 3rd inst., by the Rev. Augustus Shields, Mr. John C. Fanning, of Seal Harbour, to Miss Eunice M. Sangster, second daughter of Andrew Sangster, Esq.

At Arcadia, Yarmouth Co., on the 10th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Day, Mr. Abijah E. Ellis, of Beaver River, to Miss Martha E. eldest daughter of Mr. Joseph Cross, of Hebron.

At Tuskerville, on the 3rd inst., by the Rev. P. B. Foster, Mr. Rowley Earl, of Salmon River, to Althea, daughter of A. Kavanagh, Esq., of Tuskerville.

At Newport, Nov. 9th, by the Rev. J. Bancroft, Hiram Smith, to Anna Harris, youngest daughter of Mr. William Harris, all of Newport.

By the same, at Walton, Nov. 25th, Silvas Roll, to Sarah Francis, daughter of M. Saml. Davis, all of Walton.

Deaths.

At Williamston, Annapolis Co., Nov. 13th, Mrs. Jacob Beals, aged 33 years. She died with a lively hope of a home in heaven.

At Salem River, (East Halifax) on the 9th inst., Susan, beloved wife of Captain Francis Glasgow.

At Dartmouth, on Thursday, 14th inst., Jane M. Mason, beloved wife of Mr. George Mason.

On the 16th inst., in the 28th year of her age, Margaret C. Letson, beloved wife of Henry H. Letson, and only daughter of Mrs. Joseph Vinocore, Matron of the Deaf and Dumb Institution in this city.

On the 15th inst., at Provincial and City Hospital, Patrick Malone, aged 23 years.

At Port William, Annapolis Co., Dec. 3rd, 1871, Allen Clark, aged 71 years. Bro. Clark was baptized by Father Ansley fifty years ago, and lived a consistent member of the Baptist Church till his death, which was both peaceful and triumphant.

At Port William, Annapolis Co., Dec. 3rd, Charles, youngest son of J. P. Foster, Esq.

On Sunday, the 17th inst., Tobias E. Miller, aged 89 years.

On Monday, at Truro, in the 57th year of her age, Elizabeth, wife of Daniel C. Smith.

At Elm Cottage, Cornwallis, on the 17th inst., Joseph Chazy, Esq., in the 69th year of his age.

On Monday, the 18th inst., Mr. Wm. Ryan, aged 58 years.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX. ARRIVED. TUESDAY, December 12th.—Brigs James, Baltimore; Ma Flower, Kenney, Boston; Schrs. Sardonyx, Banks, Baltimore; Swan English, Martinique via Tur's Islands; Morning Light, M. skel, Sheet Harbor; Spotswood, Arnold, do; Forest Lass, Walters, Shelburne; Helena, Ryan, Boston; Ayrone, Reed, Charlottetown; P. E. I., Argo, Smith, Liverpool, N. S.; Lady Sarah, Cahoon, Port Medway; Electric Flash, Vogler, do. WEDNESDAY, 13th.—Strm. Salsetta, Liverpool, bound to Philadelphia; Brigs. M. H. Morris, Patterson, Jamaica; Maggie S. (new) Sheet Harbor; Ella E. Butler, (new) Ashwood,