

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. ISABEL SMITH.

At Maitland, Hants Co., on the 23rd inst., in the 54th year of her age, Isabel, wife of Geo. Smith, Esq. Our departed sister was the youngest surviving daughter of the late Rev. Samuel McCully, for many years pastor of the Baptist Church at Amherst. It was not until after her removal to this place that she publicly professed Christ in baptism. Her whole life was in harmony with her profession. She was warmly attached to our principles, and exerted her influence towards the erection of a Baptist Meeting-house here, and lived to see it completed and free from debt. The most remarkable feature during her illness was the calm and unruffled peace that constantly pervaded her mind. In conversation with me she said "from the commencement of my illness to the present time I have not had one disquieting thought, my peace has been like a river." Her only anxiety was for her children that they might be brought into the covenant of Redemption.—Com. by Rev. R. R. Philp.

Religious Intelligence.

FIRST CHURCH, MONTREAL.—Rev. J. Alexander writes.—On Sabbath, the 24th Sept., I preached forenoon and evening at the First Church, Montreal. The congregations were very good, that in the evening quite filling the house, and apparently much interested. At the close of the evening service, two candidates, one a beloved brother in the Lord, the head of a family, whom we have long wished to see taking this step, and the other a young sister, were baptized on the profession of their faith in Christ. Notwithstanding the trying ordeal through which they have been passing, the prospects at the First Church are hopeful. The praying meeting on the Wednesday evening we found well attended, and the presence of the Lord was evidently felt in the midst of his people. There is both a praying and a working nucleus in the Church, and with a faithful working pastor among them, we have no doubt the future will be better than the past. We have no fear of a church that sustains with interest its weekly prayer meeting.—Canadian Baptist.

OTTAWA.—Rev. Wm. Frazer writing to the Canadian Baptist says:—

The Baptist church, city of Ottawa, who were anxiously looking out for a pastor, will rejoice that Mr. Cameron has decided to go there rather than to Bay City, Michigan. Their fine chapel, in the very heart of the city, almost fronting the Government buildings, is a good beginning, much in their favour. The demoralizing influence of Plymouthism, so much felt over the Province, and here as its centre, has been trying to the church; but the worst is now past. All parties are now perfectly satisfied that those who cry the loudest against the want of charity in others, have the very least of it themselves. Even Lord Cecil, though undoubtedly earnest and sincere, which may be found in error as well as in truth, would exclaim to his crowded audience: "Men, leave your clergy, and save your souls." As if so doing would save, or help to save their souls. Others, of the same school, calling all the iems (denominations) "devilish, and of the devil." This "running a muck" against all ministers, is not the sign of a wise, humble, God-true and useful man. That man comes too much for me in the spirit of the pope, who claims all wisdom and godness to himself and his friends.

Dominion & Foreign News.

OTTAWA, Oct. 9.—A despatch has been received here stating that a large body of Fenians have left Minnesota en route for the Manitoba frontier. They are said to be under the command of O'Donoghue. Plenty of arms and ammunition are stored at Fort Garry.—Chronicle.

An Ottawa despatch states that the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners have awarded the contract for track laying in Nova Scotia sections to J. Fraser & Co., of Nova Scotia; contract for spikes to Messrs. Scovill, of St. John.

At the annual meeting of the Ontario Agricultural Association, in Kingston, Ont., on the 28th ult., a resolution was adopted formally declaring in favor of holding a Dominion Exhibition.

A Canadian (Stratford) paper notices the sudden death of a daughter of Mr. Robert McLarty, at the early age of nine years and ten months. She was out in the yard with other children and in the midst of the laughter there was a flash of lightning. The little girl immediately dropped. She was carried in and died almost instantly.

PRESBYTERIAN UNION.—The Special Committee on this subject closed its sittings on Monday afternoon. The substance of the business is that Queen's College be retained as a Faculty of Arts, that the Faculties of Queen's College at Morin, Montreal and Halifax be united into one theological institution at Montreal, and that the charters of these institutions be altered accordingly.

The Quebec Chronicle notices a rumour that Mr. Justice Caron will replace Sir Narcisse Belleau as Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec on the expiration of his term of office in July next.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

A STRANGE STORY.—Yesterday afternoon a young woman, not over well clad, appeared at the Police Court and told a strange story. She gave her name as Annie Pledge, and stated that she is an Englishwoman in receipt of a pension from the Queen of £80 sterling a year, granted on account of her being one of four children delivered at a birth. A short time ago she, in company with her father and mother, left her home near London and crossed the Atlantic to New York, where she has a brother at Green Point. After visiting him they came on to Halifax, and thence to Windsor. At the latter place arrangements were made with Dr. Ross, of Londonderry, and Dr. Crowe, of Colchester, to accompany her on a trip through the Dominion, her parents being afraid for her to travel alone, as she is in poor health and subject to fits. For the purpose of travel, £167 sterling was placed in their hands, and the parents returned to Halifax to take the steamer for Liverpool. Yesterday morning she arrived in the city accompanied by her medical friends on the steamer "Emperor," and she was requested by them to wait a few minutes on the wharf while they looked after the baggage. Instead of returning to her, however, they took her trunk, removed the name, and with their own baggage put it on board the steamer "New England," and accompanied by a female unknown to her, they left on that steamer, without providing her with the slightest means of support or a change of dress. She had wandered about the streets all day, and had been without food from 8 o'clock in the morning. The Police Magistrate handed her some change and sent a policeman with her to get a cup of tea. One of the policemen also promised to take her to his home for the night. Her story is a very strange one, and might lead to the supposition that she is deranged; but her manner gave no indication that such was the fact. She is pale and sickly looking, and if her story is true she is an object for the deepest commiseration—left friendless and unprovided in a strange land.—St. John News of Friday.

A delegation has been sent to Ottawa to present the claims of the province to "better terms." The delegates are the Hon. B. Stevenson, Surveyor General, W. Wedderburn Esq., M. P. P. and Jas S. Beck Esq., Auditor General.

P. E. ISLAND.

The first sod of the Prince Edward Island railway was turned at Charlottetown on Thursday last. There was no attempt at demonstration.

The Examiner states that Mr. Schreiber has succeeded in disposing of the Island debentures, which he is to receive in payment for the Island railroad at 4 per cent, discount, giving an agent 4 per cent, for negotiating them. This will give him £99.5s. for every £100. It was at one time supposed that the debentures would be sold at a loss of from 6 to 12 per cent.

ACCIDENT.—The Hon. James Dingwell met with a serious accident a few days ago. While driving, near Rollo Bay, his horse ran away, and in taking a short turn, upset the wagon, throwing Mr. Dingwell violently to the ground, and doing him such bodily injury that fears are entertained for his recovery. One arm and three of his ribs were broken.

It is reported that the crops on the Island are abundant and the harvest satisfactory.

The Census returns, show that the population of P. E. Island has increased from 80,857, in 1860, to 94,021, in 1870, showing a decennial gain of 16.28.

UNITED STATES.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—A terrible conflagration in Chicago has depressed stock, and business generally.

The mayor of Chicago has sent a request to the neighboring cities for cooked food for 74,000 destitute people. Contributions are being made with promptness everywhere. A rough estimate gives the number of buildings destroyed at ten thousand, and the loss fifty millions of dollars. The fire was still raging.

The following are the latest reports: CHICAGO, Oct. 9, (noon)—The whole business portion of the city is in ashes, from Harrison street north to Chicago avenue, and east of the river to Lake avenue. The fire sweeps a district three miles in length to a mile and a half in width. Every hotel, bank, express office, telegraph office, theatre and newspaper office, with all the wholesale houses in the city, have been totally destroyed. Many thousand dwellings and the water works have been destroyed.

Early this morning the wind was blowing a perfect gale from the south-west, with a sky of brass. No one can tell what the end will be. The only salvation for the remainder of the city is in the wind keeping its present direction.

Fifty thousand people are homeless, and most of them in a destitute condition. The unburned streets for miles are lined with household goods. No one dare think what the loss of life may be. The flames swept through the city with the rapidity

of a prairie fire, and many must have perished.

4 P. M.—The fire is under control. Three quarters of the city, lying north of the river, is in ruins.

On the N. Y. corn exchange to-day, not a bushel of wheat was sold. No one dare figure how the market may be affected by the destruction of millions of bushels.

BOSTON, Oct. 9.—The city has telegraph to the mayor of Chicago to send word what supplies he wants, and Boston will send them. Several railway lines will carry freight there free by fast trains.

The mayor of Salt Lake City has been arrested for adultery.

Brigham Young is too sick to be removed from his house.

Five thousand United States troops were before the city last week but there was no disturbance.

The semi-annual Conference of the Mormon church was to begin at Salt Lake on Friday last. It was expected Brigham Young, if able, would speak on Sunday.

Mayor Hall of New York was arraigned in court on Wednesday last; charged with signing fraudulent warrants on the city treasury. The case was continued.

The liquor prohibition party in Massachusetts on the 4th, nominated Judge Pitman for Governor, and labor reformers nominated Mr. Chamberlain.

The laying of the track of the Maine Central Extension to the Grand Trunk Railway track, was completed on Friday last.

The freight depot of Fitzburg Railway, Boston, was burned on Friday 6th. Loss one hundred thousand dollars. Miss Androsi, employed as a clerk, perished in the flames.

Advices from Minnesota report prairie fires still raging. Many small towns are completely destroyed, and solitary farm houses in the track of the fire almost invariably burned. Suffering necessarily great, as many farmers lost everything, homesteads, livestock and crops, with the long winter else upon them.

Secretary Fish has notified M. Cataczy, the Russian Minister, that the President will not receive him unless he is accompanied by the Grand Duke Alexis, and has informed him that when the Grand Duke goes home his passports will be sent to him.

Further developments of the Ring swindle show the value of carpets in the new Court House, for which \$350,000 were paid, is estimated at \$12,000. Keyser, one of the Ring, has confessed and made restitution of six hundred thousand dollars.

There are indications of a run upon the Tenth National Bank, from which the Ring are withdrawing their ill-gotten deposits, the honest depositors leaving an injunction.

Jaurez has been elected and installed President of Mexico.

President Grant will attend the opening of the European and N. A. Railway.

One of the most dreadful accidents we have ever heard of occurred at Paoli, Orange County, Indiana. On Saturday Prof. Wilbur and Mr. George Knapp, editor of the Union, of that place, were preparing to get into a balloon for an excursion, when the cords gave way and the balloon shot up with the two gentlemen hanging to the ropes. Mr. Knapp let go and fell at the height of 30 feet and was not seriously injured; but Prof. Wilbur held on until the balloon attained a height of about a mile, when he lost his hold and came down head first in full sight of the horror-stricken spectators. His head was smashed into an indistinguishable mass, and his body was bruised and crushed horribly. The body made a hole in the ground 8 inches deep, and rebounded 4 feet from where it struck.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.

Some of the leading educationists in England, are advocating a compulsory attendance at school.

Rear Admiral Cochrane will probably be appointed Naval Attache of British Legation at Washington.

The strike at Newcastle on the Tyne has ended, the engineers having accepted Sir William Armstrong's proposal and employers agreeing to the nine hour system, beginning January 2nd, 1872, till then nine and a half hours.

The cotton manufacturers of Burley, North Lancashire, have decided to reduce the wages of their operatives on account of the depressed condition of business.

Five miners were killed on Tuesday last, by explosion of fire damp in Wales.

FRANCE.—M. Thiers has notified Earl Granville that the Commercial Treaty between France and England, terminates at the beginning of 1872.

The disarmament of National Guards has been completed in the Departments of Cher, Niocve and Alher.

The report that an amnesty has to be granted to communists is pronounced false.

M. Thiers receives complaints every day from the occupied provinces declaring the presence of German troops insupportable.

A court martial at Versailles is investigating the conduct of general officers who surrendered their forces to the enemy in the late war.

The wheat crops in France are reported to be light, and the yield will be thirty five millions hect. less than last year; other grain is abundant.

ITALY.—The Italian Government have determined that no professor of the University of Rome will be permitted to continue the exercise of his functions without taking the oath of allegiance to Italy.

It is reported that twenty professors have refused to take the oath required.

SPAIN.—A new Spanish ministry has been constituted, who promise to continue the economic measures previously inaugurated, and to carry out the ideas of the progressionist party.

SWEDEN.—In consequence of the rejection by the Lower Chambers of Sweden, of the Government Bill for the defence of the Kingdom, the Ministry has resigned and the King is forming a new Cabinet.

PERSIA.—During July in the city of Mechid, 8,000 persons died from famine, and 40,000 were made slaves by the Afghans, who are taking advantage of the condition of the Persians.

Pestilence still rages, and insurrection and inundations add to their calamities.

AUSTRALIA.—Advices from Australia say that the business portion of Sandhurst has been destroyed by fire, Loss estimated at half a million dollars; but small insurances effected.

News of the Week.

CIVIC.—At the meeting of City Council on Tuesday, Cathart Thompson, and Rueben I Hart, Esqs., with Aldn. Taylor and Aekhurst were chosen auditors for the ensuing year.

On the retirement of Mayor Henry a vote of thanks was unanimously passed for his urbanity and uniform courtesy toward the members of the Council, and regret expressed that circumstances had prevented him from attending the meetings as often as was desirable.

On Friday evening the Council met and amongst other business a report from the Committee to whom was referred complaints respecting nuisances caused by slaughter houses in the north end of the city, was read. The Committee recommend the closing of all existing slaughter houses in the city on or before the first of May next, and that the city erect slaughter houses in suitable localities, to be used by the butchers under certain proper conditions and restrictions. The report was laid over for future consideration.

On motion the senior Aldermen of the several wards were appointed to nominate the Standing Committee of the Council for the year, and subsequently reported the following:

COMMITTEES.

Public Accounts.—Montgomery, Wyld, Aekhurst, Blackadar, Taylor, Nisbet.

Common.—Neal, Smith, Power, Barron, Sullivan, Graham.

Cemetery.—McCulloch, Wyld, Aekhurst, Blackadar, Taylor, Roome.

City Prison.—Aekhurst, Smith, Power, Murphy, Thompson, Nisbet.

City Property.—Montgomery, Richardson, Duggan, Barron, Graham, Nisbet.

Laus and Privileges.—Neal, Smith, Power, Blackadar, Thompson, Roome.

Police.—Montgomery, Richardson, Power, Barron, Graham, Sullivan.

Streets.—McCulloch, Wyld, Blackadar, Sanitary.—Neal, Smith, Duggan, Murphy, Taylor, Roome.

Tenders.—Montgomery, Smith, Aekhurst, Blackadar, Thompson, Roome.

Hacks and Trucks.—Neal, Richardson, Aekhurst, Murphy, Graham, Sullivan.

Hospital.—McCulloch, Richardson, Power, Barron, Taylor, Roome.

Rates and Taxes.—McCulloch, Smith, Aekhurst, Blackadar, Thompson, Nisbet.

Library.—McCulloch, Wyld, Power, Barron, Taylor, Roome.

Internal Health.—McCulloch, Wyld, Taylor, Roome.

License.—Montgomery, Smith, Aekhurst, Blackadar, Thompson, Nisbet.

Oil Lamps.—McCulloch, Wyld, Taylor, Roome.

Good Temperism is making rapid progress in East Halifax. Two new lodges are now being formed, one at Moser River and the other at Marie Joseph, making five within a year.

The soldier McCready, convicted in the Police Court of having assaulted Thomas Lanigan and bit off his lower lip, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$70, or in default four months in jail.

POTATOES.—Kings' County has hitherto, escaped the ravages of the Potato disease but we regret to learn that the crop there is much damaged this season. It is said many of the farmers will lose a large part of their crop.

Captain Elias Nelson of Maitland was found drowned on Sunday the 1st inst., in the Shubenacadie River.

A package containing \$1845 has been lost between Chatham, N. B., and Halifax. It belonged to the Bank of Montreal.

THE FRUIT SHOW AT WOLFVILLE is postponed till Thursday and Friday of next week so as to allow the distinguished men attending the opening of the railway between Bangor and St. John, to be present. It is probable too that some parties may be induced to come from the United States when the connecting railway link is completed.

A correspondent of a morning paper says the author of Evangeline is unable to attend the Exhibition, but intends to offer a copy of his poem as a prize. It is now in the binder's hands.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.—Macan River, in Cumberland county, will be the first on the Intercolonial Railway route to be spanned by an iron bridge. The structure arrived at St. John a few days ago, from England, and is on its way up the Bay.—Amherst Gazette.

NEW STEAMER FOR THE BAY.—Mr. Small, of the firm of Small & Hatheway, owners of the "Empress," and Captain Steen, late commander of that vessel, left in the "Caspian" on Saturday for Great Britain, to arrange for the construction or purchase of an iron Clyde built steamer to ply between St. John and Annapolis.

Nine tons of cheese were manufactured this season at the Onslow, Colchester Co., Cheese Factory.

HALIFAX AND PORTLAND.—A magnificent new steamer, now being built in New York for the Portland and Halifax route, will be ready for the line in March next.

BUTTER FOR CANADA.—We learn from the Picou Standard that a few days ago a quantity of butter was shipped to Canada.

WESTERN PRARIE WHEAT.—J. A. McDonald of Durham, Picou Co., has cultivated some of this wheat which appears to be proof against all the attacks of weevil, rust &c., from which so much injury has been endured by the farmers of this country. He says:

If the farmers of Nova Scotia wish to grow their own flour and save the constant drain of money from the Province, they would do well to give this wheat a trial. I have been very particular in keeping the seed pure, and, having sowed the increase for four years, I now offer it for sale, for I think it would be very wrong to grind any of it into flour.

Don't fail to call and see a sample of the wheat at Simon Fraser's International Hotel, Truro, and at Messrs. John North & Sons, in Halifax.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—The "Chignecto Post" of Thursday says:—"Eliphalet Reid Smith, aged 14, a son of Edward Smith, Beech Hill, was in the woods with two of his brothers on Friday afternoon last, gunning. He asked an older brother, who carried a gun, for it, and on receiving it the cock caught in his brother's coat, and the contents of the gun were discharged in the inside of his leg, above the knee. He was carried home, and died on Tuesday morning."

Many valuable horses die from the effects of colic. The best thing to do in a case of this kind, is to pour a bottle of "Johnson's Anodyne Liniment" into a long necked junk bottle, add half a pint of molasses and water, then pour the whole down the horse's throat. In ten minutes the horse will begin to eat.

"Parsons' Purgative Pills" will greatly relieve, if not entirely cure, dyspepsia, when everything else fails. They have been tried in some desperate cases and have given more relief than any other medicine.

More than eighteen centuries have passed away since the Good Samaritan applied the oil to ease the pain and heal the wounds of the waylaid travelers, but modern discoveries have given to the world a Magnetic Oil known as Graham's PAIN ERADICATOR, that for power of healing wounds of sores, eradicating pain and disease far exceeds anything the ancients ever knew.

UNUSUAL DENTAL OPERATION.—The visitors to Manders' Menagerie, on Wednesday afternoon, witnessed a performance no less remarkable than exciting, the extraction of a diseased tooth from the jaw of a vigorous, fullgrown lion. Sometime ago, M'cormo, the famous tamer, long connected with Mr. Manders' establishment, had, while causing the animal to perform its usual drill, exposed himself to one of those fierce attacks which, in the course of his perilous occupation, he had not infrequently faced. Experience had taught him that in such cases a stroke with his rod, delivered on any part of the head, produced little effect,—that his only chance of escape from the threatened attack, lay in a vigorous blow across the jaw or muzzle of the