

City-Hall and the Church spires, which as the Sabbath opened seemed to hold aloft a finger of fate, warning of the thick impending danger: the crowds of upturned, anxious faces, among which are the merchants and other business men, who see the accumulations of long years of toil and industry vanish in smoke, and wreath into fantastic shape to mock their misery; the young clerk who struggles for a subsistence while learning the business in which he is laying foundations for his fortune, and the poor working girl who views the opportunity for the fight with poverty melted away; the vultures of plunder, who hover on the path of desolation, and pluck from dying fortune everything available which they can turn to account; the hoarse shrieks of the steam engines, the rush of the horsemen, and the perilous ascent of daring firemen upon the burning walls; the groans of the injured and dying; the hurrying of men, women and children through the streets; the crash of walls—these are only the most prominent features in the grand whole which go to make up the sights and sounds when the heart of a great city is being plucked out by fire."

It was estimated that 10,000 girls would be thrown out of employment by the places of their employers being burnt. It is given as among the most sad sights witnessed that of the groups of young, plainly clad girls, standing upon the streets adjacent to the burning acres, with piteous exclamations and bitter tears, at seeing the places where a few hours before they were earning by hard work their daily bread, razed to the ground.

It is said that cinders and ashes from the fire fell in Abingdon, Hanover, Pembroke and neighboring towns. In East Abingdon a \$50 bank note was found, perfectly legible, but charred. It immediately crumbled on being handled. A check of J. Jenkins Lane was found in Hanover.

The trains from all directions were daily filled with visitors to see the ruins. Twenty or thirty car loads came in at a time in some instances.

Mr. Froude will give to the sufferers by the fire the entire sum he is to receive for his course of lectures in that city—\$1000. That gift from a stranger to Boston will be received with gratitude by the needy, while the sympathy it expresses will greatly cheer those who are struggling against adverse fortune.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

To-morrow is appointed by the Provincial Government as a day of General Thanksgiving. This, of course, is a very proper thing to be done by those in gubernatorial authority. The other provinces of the Dominion observed a similar day a week or two since. It would be well, in future, if some arrangement could be made so as to have it on the same day in all the provinces. Dominion and Provincial officials might then have a holiday at the same time, and appropriate religious services would be held more generally than under the present arrangement.

What abundant cause have we for thanksgiving to God! How greatly has he favored us in giving bountiful supplies of temporal and spiritual blessings, and in preserving us from calamity, disease, and destruction, such as have fallen on many countries. Let us then join together on the coming day and raise our hearts to the Giver of all Good, acknowledging our indebtedness and obligations to Him for all.

The letter of our correspondent J. W. on our Hymnology is timely and recommends a very prudent course. It would be unwise for the churches to commit themselves to any book but the best, and if that could at the same time be made the cheapest it would be most desirable. Unless a book better than the Psalmist, and more adapted to meet our wants, can be obtained we need not make any change. It might be a very good thing for our Canadian brethren to raise contributions towards their Superannuated Ministers' Society in this way, but we should prefer to have the best book at the lowest possible cost, and then contributions to their benevolent objects might be made by those who might afford to do so, after taking care of our own Infirmary Ministers Funds.

"The History of the Forrester Memorial" is a neat pamphlet of 32 pages, giving the facts respecting the inception by T. H. Rand, Esq., and the subsequent proceedings of the Committee appointed by the Provincial

Teachers' Association consisting of Messrs. J. Hollies, J. S. Hutton, J. F. L. Parsons, A. D. Smith, S. McNaughton and J. H. Rindress, in securing funds to the amount of \$786.17 1/2 and with that sum, obtaining a substantial monument and placing it in a position well adapted to accomplish the object sought. The "History" also shows the hostility offered to the work by some who should have given every encouragement to those who so laudably sought to show respect to the memory of an enthusiastic friend of public education.

Contributions were received from sixteen out of the eighteen counties of the province: from Halifax Teachers \$96.57 1/2, and friends in Halifax city \$78.00; from T. H. Rand, Esq., \$50.00; Hon. Dr. Parker \$20.00; J. B. Calkin, Esq., \$20, and Hon. A. G. Archibald \$10.00. We congratulate the donors and the Committee on their success in obtaining so suitable a site as the centre of the Public Square of Truro, for the handsome obelisk they have erected.

Notices, &c.

NOTICE.—REV. HENRY BOOL, formerly of Mr. Spurgeon's College, London, will preach at Upper Londonderry, on Lord's Day next, the 24th Instant, in the morning; and at Great Village in the evening of the same day.

RECEIVED FROM WOMAN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Halifax—North Church.—Mr. Robertson's Bible Class, \$10.00.

North Sydney.—Mrs J. B. Moore, \$5.00 M. R. SELDEN, Secy. November 20th, 1872.

OUR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To the Editor of the Christian Messenger. DEAR BROTHER,—

I come again to the columns of your valuable Messenger, asking you to insert the following notices of money received by me for our Foreign Missions. Thus:—

- From Mr. Isaac Fulton, Bass River, N. S., sent me by the Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, the sum of ten dollars \$10.00
From Mr. Elliott, St. John, handed to me by Mrs. Wm. Allwood 2.50
From N. S. Central Association, additional amount. Forwarded by the Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D. 10.00
From New Ross, N. S., " 1.00
From Maitland, N. S., " 4.00
From Margaree, N. S., " 2.26
From Miss Rachael Downing, " 5.00
From Mrs. Potter, Mabou Bridge, Island Cape Breton, N. S., per the Rev. J. F. Kempton 4.25
Total, \$39.01
Z. G. GABEL, Treasurer F. M. B.

NOTICE.

The next meeting of the Board of the Nova Scotia Home Missionary Union, will be held at the Yarmouth 1st Baptist Church Vestry, on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd, at 10 o'clock.

W. H. PORTER, Sec. of the Board.

FRENCH MISSION.

Dear Brother.—I wish to acknowledge through the Messenger for the French Mission in July, the following sums; from Arcadia Church, per Rev. I. Wallace, \$10; from the Eastern Association \$6.25; from Capt. F. S. Crosby, \$4. They were omitted in my account sent for the Minutes of the Association.

W. R. DOTY, T. F. M. Board.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

C. J. Graves, G. Hardy, A. J. Ledbetter, \$2.00. Rev. J. Meadows, 1 sub., \$2.00. Rev. Dr. Tupper 1 sub., \$8.50, (2 subs. previously omitted); W. R. Doty, \$2.00. T. Lerner, \$10. Rev. J. B. McDonald \$5.00. C. J. Graves, 1 sub. Rev. I. J. Skinner Rev. Chas. Randall. Sister in Christ, for Rums, \$4. "W." Aylesford, do., \$1. J. W. Eares, Esq.

News of the Week.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Provincial Secretary's Office, Halifax, 13th November, 1872—Annapolis Co.—To be Commissioners of Schools for Annapolis East—Rev. George Armstrong, Lewis DeBlois, Esq., M. D., and Rev. Atwood Cohoon—To be Justices of the Peace—James E. Oakes and Charles A. Elliott.

Antigonish Co.—To be Issuer of Marriage Licenses at Antigonish—Neil McKinnon, Esq.

Kings Co.—To be Commissioners of Schools—J. M. Roscoe and Rufus Burgess, Esquires.—To be Issuer of Marriage Licenses at Centreville—J. M. Roscoe, Esquire.

Lunenburg Co.—To be Commissioner of Schools for the District of Chester—Rev. J. Norwood.

To be a Commissioner for the relief of Insolvent Debtors—Barclay E. Tremain, Esquire.—To be a Master in the Supreme Court—Barclay E. Tremain, Esquire.

Pictou Co.—To be Health Officer for the Port of Pictou—George J. McKenzie, Esq., M. D.—To be Justices of the Peace—Kenneth Cameron, Barney's River; John R. Davis and Robert P. Fraser, Pictou; and Samuel A. Foster, Fishers Grant.

Halifax Co.—To be Justices of Peace—James Thomson, Alexander Parker, Samuel Hutchinson, John R. McCurdy and William A. Cummings.—To be Custos Rotulorum—James Thomson, Esquire.—To be issuer of Marriage Licenses for Eastern Shore—John Kirker, Esquire.—To be Commissioner of Schools for the City of Halifax, under Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1868, in place of the former Board—James Thomson, Esq., Chairman; the Very Rev. Dr. Hannan, the Very Rev. Dean Bullock, and Augustus W. West, Daniel Cronan, Lawrence J. Power and Reuben J. Hart, Esquires.

Inverness Co.—To be Commissioner for giving relief to Insolvent debtors, &c.—Angus Grant, Esquire, of Port Hawksbury.

Richmond Co.—To be Health Officer for the Port of West Arichat—Napoleon Fiset, Esq., M. D. To constitute a Board of Health at Arichat—Hon. Wm. Miller, Senator, and Isaac Levisconte, M. P., Henry C. Fixott, M. D., Chas. Lenoir, Casimir Robert, M. D., David Grouchev, Peter Bosdet, George M. Jean, Henry J. Fixott, M. D., and Napoleon Fiset, M. D. Esquire.

Guysborough Co.—To constitute a Board of Health at Guysborough—Herbert R. Cunningham, Wm. Hartshorne and Wm. F. DesBarres, Esq. To constitute a Board of Health at Cape Canso—Abraham N. Whitman, Thos. C. Cook and Solomon Cohoon, Esq. To constitute a Board of Health at Port Mulgrave—Win. H. Wyld, M. P., George B. Hadley and Frances C. Cook, Esquires.

Shelburne Co.—To constitute a Board of Health at Lockeport—Jacob Locke, Austin Locke and James G. Allen, Esquires.

Cape Breton Co.—To constitute a Board of Health at Sydney—N. L. McKay, Esq., M. P., Rey. James Quinan and A. J. White, M. P., P., Millege Oakes, M. D., C. H. Harrington, Murray Dodd, and George L. Burrell, Esquires. To constitute a Board of Health at North Sydney—Hon. Thomas D. Archibald and W. Purves D. McLarty, M. D., Alexander McKay, and John Yough, Esquires.

Kings Co.—To be Commissioners for conveying Logs and Lumber down the Fales River, from the Allen Lake to the outlet of said river into the Annapolis, and for carrying out the provisions of Chapter 103 of the revised Statutes—Thos. W. Harris, Alfred P. Welton, J. Wallace Graves and Benjamin Robinson, Esquires. To be Commissioners for conveying Logs and Lumber down the Gaspereaux River, from its source to "White Rock Mills," and otherwise carrying out the provisions of Chapter 103 of the Revised Statutes—Jos. R. Hen, D. C. L.; Irad Benjamin and William J. Wallace, Esquires.

BRIDGEWATER.—From the Farmer we learn that on Thursday the 7th inst., a child of Mrs. Winifred was burned to death at Mahone Bay, a spark from the stove igniting its clothes. The same paper states that on Monday last, a little boy, eight years old son of Mr. Albert Mathman, of the Branch road, fell from a truck and broke one of his arms.

SZUREK.—The schooner Jane, of Cornwallis, was seized on Wednesday, at this port, for violation of the Revenue laws. The vessel cleared some time ago for St. John's, Nfld., with a cargo of tobacco, liquors, etc., from a bonded warehouse. It is alleged that she transferred her cargo to another schooner in the Eastern Passage. After getting rid of her cargo she went to Publico and took in a load of wood with which she came to this port. The authorities were, however, on the look-out for her and seized her on her arrival.

SUPREME COURT.—A case of some interest was before the court last week, that of Fairbanks vs. the Starr Manufacturing Company—a trespass suit—and was concluded on Thursday. The verdict was given for the plaintiff on the first count of the claim, and awarding him \$22 damages; on the other two counts the verdict was for the defendants.

SAD MORTALITY.—Robert Wasson, of Cumberland Bay, has lost two sons and three daughters within six weeks, by typhoid fever—all his children except one son, Capt. Charles, the oldest of the departed contracted the disease in Boston. He had been ill about ten days when he returned home. The rest took the disease from him. The father was ill also, but he is convalescent.

At a meeting of the Halifax Fire Wardens, held on Thursday evening J. J. Scriven Esq. was appointed Chairman, and W. D. Harrington, Esq., Secretary for ensuing year.

The Fifty-ninth Anniversary of the Nova Scotia Auxiliary Bible Society will be held in Temperance Hall, on Monday evening, the 25th inst.

The chair to be taken at 7.30 o'clock. A collection in aid of the funds will be taken.

GRAHAM'S PAIN ERADICATOR.—Mr. Robt. Todd, Lachute, near St. Andrew's P. Q. says—"Graham's Pain Eradicator has cured my daughter of a severe attack of Diphtheria. It relieved the Pain and sickness in less than twenty minutes, and soon made a complete cure."

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY. 1872 Fall-Arrangement of Trains. COMMENCING 11th NOVEMBER.

Halifax and St. John.

- No. 1. Through Express will leave Halifax at 7 a. m. daily. (Sunday excepted) and be due in St. John at 8.30 p. m. in season to connect with the night express to Bangor and Boston.
No. 2. Through Express, connecting with night express from Boston and Bangor, will leave St. John at 8 a. m. daily. (Sunday excepted) and be due in Halifax at 9.25 p. m.
Nos. 3 & 5. Through Freight, with Passenger car attached, will leave Halifax at 11 a. m. daily. (Sunday excepted) at 3 p. m. the following day.
Nos. 4 & 6. Through Freight, with Passenger car attached, will leave St. John at 12.45 p. m. daily. (Sunday excepted) and be due in Halifax (Sunday excepted) at 2 p. m. the following day.
No. 7. Passenger accommodation, will leave Sussex for St. John, at 7.30 a. m.
No. 8. Passenger accommodation, will leave St. John for Sussex, at 5.45 p. m.
No. 9. Passenger accommodation, will leave Halifax for Truro at 4.45 p. m.
No. 10. Passenger accommodation, will leave Truro for Halifax at 6.45 a. m.
No. 11. Freight, will leave Petitoctiac for St. John at 6.45 a. m.
No. 12. Freight, will leave St. John for Petitoctiac at 1.45 p. m.
No. 13. Freight, will leave Penobscuis for St. John at 2.45 p. m.
No. 14. Freight, will leave St. John for Penobscuis at 9.45 a. m.
No. 15. Freight, will leave Halifax for Truro at 1.15 p. m.
No. 16. Freight, will leave Truro for Halifax at 7.30 a. m.
No. 17. W. & A. R. passenger accommodation, will leave Halifax for Windsor Junction at 8 a. m.
No. 18. W. & A. R. Passenger accommodation, will leave Windsor Junction for Halifax at 7.40 p. m.
No. 19. W. & A. R. Mixed accommodation, will leave Halifax for Windsor Junction at 3 p. m.
No. 20. W. & A. R. Mixed accommodation, will leave Halifax at 9.55 a. m.

Trains between Truro and Pictou.

- No. 21. Passenger accommodation, will leave Truro for Pictou at 10.20 a. m.
No. 22. Mixed accommodation, will leave Pictou for Truro at 6 a. m.
No. 23. Mixed accommodation, will leave Truro for Pictou at 4 p. m.
No. 24. Passenger accommodation, will leave Pictou for Truro at 3.15 p. m.

Trains between Painsac and Point duChene.

- Nos. 25 & 31. Freight will leave Point DuChene for Painsac at 6 a. m. and 7 p. m.
Nos. 26 & 32. Freight will leave Painsac for Point DuChene at 7.30 a. m. and 8.30 p. m.
Nos. 27 & 29. Passenger accommodation, will leave Point DuChene for Painsac at 11.40 a. m. and 3.15 p. m.
Nos. 28 & 30. Passenger accommodation, will leave Painsac for Point DuChene at 12.40 p. m. and 4.15 p. m.

Trains between Halifax, Truro and Pictou will be run upon HALIFAX TIME; and between Truro and St. John; for the present, upon ST. JOHN TIME.

LEWIS CARVELL, General Superintendent. Railway Office, 6th Nov., 1872. Nov. 13.

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

OTTAWA, Nov. 2, 1872. AUTHORIZED Discount on American Invoices until further notice: 11 per cent.

R. M. S. BOUCHETTE, Commissioner of Customs. Nov. 13.

TEAS, COFFEES, AND GROCERIES.

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