

penditure which it cannot interest the Association very greatly to know.

Yours, &c.,
STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS.
Wolfville, Sept 24th, 1873.

The tabular statement to which our brother refers doubtless does injustice to some of the churches, and yet it was, we believe, the furthest from the intention of the Association, or of the committee who were directed to prepare the table, that such should be the case. We copy from the Minutes the resolutions having reference to the preparation of the table referred to:—

Page 5. On motion, Resolved, That Revs. J. F. Avery, E. M. Saunders, and Bro. John Rubland be a committee to superintend printing the Minutes.

Page 8. Resolved, That the committee to superintend the printing of the Minutes be requested to prepare a tabular statement from the Letters, of the appropriation of funds made by the churches during the past year, and that the same be published with the Minutes of the Association.

The committee had no instructions given and were not told to make any distinction in the letters.

It is very desirable that there should be some uniformity in what is inserted in the Associational Letters, or else that when a committee is appointed as above, they should be instructed to omit such churches as are incomplete in their statistical information.

TO PASTORS AND SUPERINTENDENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School Convention of the Maritime provinces, at its Session in Charlottetown, P. E. I., directed us to call your attention to the annexed circular from the LONDON SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION; and to request, that you will make such arrangements as are necessary that your congregation and School may unite with the band of Sabbath School workers throughout the world, in duly observing the specified days, as seasons of special prayer on behalf of Sunday Schools.

By order of the Convention,
W. B. McNUTT, President.
R. M. BARRATT, Secretary.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER FOR OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

"Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord; lift up thine hands towards him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street."—Lamentations, ii. 19.

In response to many appeals, the Committee of the SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION have resolved to invite their brethren throughout the world to unite annually in special prayer.

The 19th and 20th of October have been fixed upon for this year, and the Committee would suggest that the following order should as far as possible be observed.

That on Lord's Day morning, October 19th, between Seven and Eight, all Teachers should engage in private prayer for God's blessing on their labours.

That in the afternoon the ordinary routine of each School should be varied by the children being gathered for devotional exercises; interspersed with appropriate addresses. To this meeting the Parents of the Scholars might be invited.

That at some time during the evening the Teachers should meet to implore Divine help and guidance.

That on Monday morning, October 20th, between Seven and Eight, all Teachers should again bring their Scholars in prayer before God.

That in the course of the day the female Teachers of each School should hold a meeting for prayer.

That in the evening each Church should be invited to hold a special prayer meeting at which the welfare of the Sunday School should form the theme of the prayers and addresses.

Teachers in all parts of the world will be called upon to unite their supplications at these times.

Appropriate topics for supplication and intercession will present themselves to all. Above everything, the prayers should be for a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit, imparting to the Teachers heavenly wisdom, to the Scholars docility and seriousness; enkindling the deeper interest of the Churches in the work; and leading, as the happy result, to a large ingathering of the young into the fold of Christ.

WILLIAM GROSER,
AUGUSTUS BENHAM,
FOUNTAIN J. HARTLEY,
JOHN E. TRESIDER, } Honorary Secretaries.

THE RECENT ROMAN CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE.

Our late exchanges from England give us full accounts of this revival of a medieval custom. The facilities of travel and the inclination existing in large masses of the people to avail themselves of them, are being turned

to account to induce the more devoted Catholics to make a pilgrimage, as in past ages—not now to the Holy Land—but to Paray-le Monial, a small town in Burgundy, France. There were over one thousand persons in the English band coming from various parts of the country. They started from London at 6.25 a. m., on Tuesday, Sept. 1st. The excuse offered by Romanists for the revival of pilgrimages at the present time is the necessity which they imagine exists for re-asserting the influence of the supernatural against the rationalistic tendencies prevailing in Germany and France. Others believe and affirm that the real object of the movement is to excite the people in favor of monarchy in that country, and so to render service to the cause of the Duke de Chambord with the belief that if he comes to the throne of France, he will espouse the cause of the Pope, and then, in return will seek to restore to him the throne of Italy.

The festival of the Sacred Heart was to be held on the 21st Inst. at the village above named, being the place where the marvellous manifestations were made two hundred years ago to Marguerite Maria Alacoque, and where revelations were made to her by Jesus Christ of what was in his heart.

On the Sunday evening previous to the departure of the pilgrims from London there had been a special service at the Pro-Cathedral, Kensington, which was crowded in every part, the congregation included a large number of priests from various parts of the kingdom. Archbishop Manning delivered an address, in the course of which he said he had received, direct from the Holy Father, the command to give them his special benediction on this pilgrimage and a plenary indulgence. The sermon was a curious jumble of devotional and superstitious teaching, in which there were benedictions for the pilgrims, and as the Times well observes "for us who remain and look on, a great deal of an opposite character." Dr. Manning tells Churchmen and Dissenters that they cannot be believers or even Christians unless they believe in the silly nun's delusions, nor can we be believers in the supernatural at all. If we cannot credit her statement that the Saviour performed a physical operation on Mary Alacoque's heart, then, says Dr. Manning, we cannot believe that Stephen saw Jesus at the right hand of the Father, that St. Paul saw him on the way to Damascus or in the temple, or that the beloved disciple saw him. This is the old tale of the authority of their Church being at least equal to that of the Bible. The six hundred pilgrims were dressed like ordinary tourists, and seemed to find it difficult both in their journeys by railway and by steamer to avoid some of the habits of ordinary travellers.

All without exception were provided with the little book of devotions for the journey and for the visit to the shrine, and no sooner had they taken their places in the train, which was composed of twenty carriages and two break vans, than the majority of the pilgrims betook themselves to prayer, but a few had taken care to provide themselves with copies of the newspapers of the morning. "It was touching," says one correspondent, "to see the earnestness of those who devoted themselves to prayer, and judging by their faces one might have fancied that they were in some quiet little chapel instead of compartments of railway carriages. Most rapid—a distinction could be drawn—were the women, some of whom could not have been less than sixty-five or seventy years of age, while there were others whose years could not have exceeded 'sweet seventeen.' In spite of sea-sickness, few lost their serenity of mind, and private devotions were kept up by the majority of the pilgrims until, a little before two o'clock, quick eyes detected the rising shores of France, and then, in most cases curiosity got the better for the moment of the monotonous recitation of collects and aves, especially when the old Norman castle on the south of this town, and the Gothic pile of St. Jacques could be plainly discerned. The pilgrims arrived safely in Paris on Tuesday evening, and on Wednesday morning at four o'clock there was mass at Notre Dame des Victoires."

It is a most melancholy view of things to think that men and women of intelligence, in other respects, should place such reliance in the fancies of a sick woman. The whole of the order of the Sacred Heart now so prevalent in the Roman Catholic Church has come from the statements of the wo-

man made two centuries ago. It is said that she is shortly to be canonized when she will be placed in the list of saints to whom prayers may be offered!

We are informed by Rev. Dr. Cramp that the steamer *Dorion*, which came out in the place of the *Assyrian*, being a much smaller vessel, was found altogether unfit for the purpose of taking the band of Missionaries as intended from St. John, N. B. It was therefore decided that they should go on to New York by railway. Leaving St. John on Saturday they would be able to rest in Boston on Lord's Day, and proceed thence on Monday, reaching New York on Tuesday, and sail from there by the *Trinacria* one of the largest of the Anchor line steamers which was to sail from New York to-day. We suppose therefore that Dr. Cramp, and probably other brethren also, would accompany them as they were going to the Evangelical Alliance Convention in New York.

Some of the friends have thought it might have been better to let the missionary brethren and sisters go by one of the Allan Mail steamers, starting from Halifax, but doubtless the Missionary Board did the best they could under the circumstances.

After the recent sitting of the Baptist Convention at Windsor several of the ministering brethren expressed their readiness to engage in foreign missionary work. One of these, Rev. W. B. Boggs, at a subsequent meeting of the Missionary Board made a formal application for appointment. A resolution was adopted accepting him for the service; and deciding that he be sent out this fall, if the state of the funds would warrant it. Action was, however, deferred till the next meeting of the Board previous to the other missionaries' departure, when it was expected that there would be a large attendance. We learn that at the meeting of the Board held last week it was resolved that Mr. Boggs be sent out in December or January next, to join the brethren, now on the eve of their departure, at Tavoy.

We have no official announcement of this action taken at St. John, yet believing it desirable that the friends in this province should learn what has been made known to us, as early as possible, and be prepared to act in accordance therewith, we have not hesitated to make it known.

THE DELEGATES TO THE NEW YORK EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE CONFERENCE.—Rev. G. W. Hill, Rev. G. M. Grant, Rev. J. Lathern, Rev. J. Read, Rev. John Forrest and Mr. Robert Murray started on Monday morning.

A social meeting to receive the delegates will be held on Thursday evening the General Conference will be organized Friday morning.

The Committee will provide hospitable entertainment for all delegates coming from foreign lands, including the British Provinces, and for all our own countrymen who have consented to prepare papers for the Conference, and of whose coming timely notice is received. S. IRENEUS PRIME, Chairman.
S. W. CRITTENDEN, Secretary.

NOTICE.—The Am. Bible Union holds its Anniversary on Wednesday October 1st, in the Meeting House of the First Baptist Church corner of Park Avenue and 39th St. New York. Public services at 10½ A. M., 2½ P. M., and 7½ P. M. Eminent speakers engaged. THOS. ARMITAGE, President.
WM. H. WYCKOFF, Cor. Sec'y.

The Rev. A. Gillies writes to the *Witness* in reply to the challenge offered him to prove that the Roman Catholic Church taught lying and persecution. In proof of this charge, Mr. G. makes quotations from the writings of Alphonzo De Castro, a Roman Catholic Archbishop of Spain, who in 1773 published a large historical work giving an account of the various ways in which "heretics" have been put to death by that church. One or two of these quotations will have special interest for our readers:

"The last punishment of the body for heretics is DEATH, with which we shall prove by God's assistance they ought to be punished."—Chap. XII. p. 123. "It is just to inflict the punishment of DEATH on an incorrigible heretic."—Chap. XII. p. 126. "If Martin Luther, when he first began to pour out his poison, had been capitally punished, (beheaded) as he deserved, there would not have burst forth so many heresies, as Germany now endures.—But because Luther escaped with impunity, Ecclampadius, Zwingle, Carlsstadt, and

the Baptists, the WORST OF ALL HERETICS, dared to go abroad in public and vent their heresies."—Chap. XII. p. 126. "We have shown already, plainly enough," says Archbishop De Castro, "that a heretic may be put to death, but in what manner is of very little consequence."—Chap. XII. p. 128.

Notices, &c.

TEA MEETING AT HUBBARD'S COVE, MARGARETS BAY.

The sisters of the 2nd Margaret's Bay Church, (and other friends) intend holding a tea-meeting in the New Baptist Church, (now in the course of completion,) at Hubbard's Cove, on Wednesday, 15th October next. A Refreshment Table will be provided, also a sale of Fancy Articles, the results of the industry of the Ladies' Sewing Circle of the above named place. The funds to be appropriated in defraying the expense of finishing the outside of the building. We would humbly solicit aid from sister churches and friends of religion who may feel disposed to assist us. The smallest donation will be thankfully received. We are a very small church in this place, our means very limited. By the blessing of God and assistance of friends we expect to succeed.

If the day above mentioned should prove unfavorable it will be held on the first fine day after.

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M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.
Sept. 30th, 1873.

D. R. Eaton, Esq., Treasurer of the Central Infirm Ministers Fund, desires to acknowledge the receipt of \$5 from Senator Churchill for that fund.

NOTICE.

The Prince Edward Island Baptist Quarterly Meeting will meet with the East Point Baptist church on Friday the 3rd of October, 1873 at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Ministers and others who can favor us with their presence will be cordially welcomed.
JOHN SHAW.
East Point, Sep 2nd, 1873.

NOTICE.

The Central Ministerial Conference will hold its next meeting of Canard, Oct. 15. As it is the day previous to the Sabbath School Convention, it is hoped that there will be a large attendance. Brethren desiring conveyance from Kentville, or Port Williams Station to Canard, please notify me by Post Card at least a week previous. Ministering Brethren at a distance are cordially invited.

S. B. KEMPTON, Sec'y.

POSTPONEMENT OF SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Dear Brother,—It is thought necessary to postpone our Sabbath School Convention for one month. Our Ministers' Conference is to meet at Canard in October, and the Sabbath School Convention, as it is to be in the same place, should be in connection with it, so as to secure better attendance, and put the friends in Canard to less inconvenience, I therefore give notice that the Sabbath School Convention of the Central Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, will be held in Canard, on Thursday the 16th day of October, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

By order,
D. FREEMAN, Sec.

Canning, Aug. 27, 1873.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

J. H. Rushton. Rev. S. W. DeBlois.
C. Jost, \$1. Rev. E. N. Archibald, 2 sub.
C. Huntington, \$5. Rev. J. B. McDonald, M. D.

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Doors open at 10 A. M. Admission 10cts. Children under 12 years half price. Refreshments will be provided through the day. Dinner at 1 P. M., for 40cts. Tea at 6 P. M., 35cts. Should the day be unfavourable it will be the first fine day after.

Contributions will be thankfully received by the following Committee:

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