

asions of joy should be freely indulged so that in the future this may be noted as among the most happy of our days.

THE GREEK CHURCH.

The Rev. J. Ferrete, a Bishop of the Greek Church, lectured in Boston on Sunday week on the claims of the Greek Church.

As to the essential nature of Christianity there is not the least difference of opinion among those who call themselves christians.

His convictions as the Divine authority of the Scriptures were evidently not well founded, and on this—his imperfect knowledge, he pronounced the Protestant Church unsound.

THE GREEK CHURCH.

The sacrament of baptism (by dipping) and confirmation are observed. Confessions are had, and transubstantiation is held.

Missionaries insult the Greek Nation by translating the Greek Bible into what they call "modern Greek."

He was of opinion that the Roman missionaries accomplished less than the French consuls, who, by protecting oppressed people on condition of their embracing the Romish Church, gained many converts.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

through the gorges of Antilebanon and Libanon, which were full of smoking villages putrefying bodies of priests and people, and of bands of murderers.

RED TARN; or The Vision of the Lake; a thrilling Temperance Poem, in fourteen cantos, by S. O. Fulton.

This is a book of 157 pages, printed at the Gazette office, Amherst, N. S. It is got up in excellent style, highly creditable to the proprietor of that establishment, and shows that the place in which it was printed is making good progress in "the art preservation of all arts."

We have read several parts of this well written book, and can but admire the genius displayed by the author in depicting the various phases of his subject.

so that the reader becomes enrapt as he proceeds, and finds himself surrounded by the characters brought forward to illustrate the theme.

The Cantos are: 1. The Tarn—2. The Enchantment—3. The Concourse—4. Ghosts—5. Friends—6. Solitary Incidents—7. General Results—8. The Tartarean Law—9. Efforts to dry the Tarn—10. The desperate struggle—11. The thrilling appeal—12. The partial success—13. The Triumph—14. Supplementary Hints.

Printers, the state of mental health is vastly traced to you; it rises, falls with its great source, the Press. Ye cull the flowers Of literature and speed them forth as food, Which stimulates to good or ill, reform, Or motion retrograde as kind may be—

Some do go freighted with the theme; 'tis well! Editors, all of the press, fall in, fall in. And all insert in your "prospects" this: Devoted to Temperance, & cetera.

A power untold is vested in your hands; You dwell, weak y issues well nigh go To every heart; & the e may they preach the cause, Its principles diffuse, and hope inspire

Auspicious day! when every literary sheet Shall advocate the cause, and place it high, As some, even now, assay to do. Go, then! Like heald scrolls of peace from heaven.

In describing "the Concourse" who are accustomed to come under the sway of the Tarn, the author says of one class:—

And men of science, who could fearless pluck The lightning flame from out the angry cloud, And tame the wild and deadly thing, to be Their own swift messenger, to speak their words,

But we must leave for the reader to get the book, and he will find it one of the best expenditures of sixty cents he has made for many a day.

THE FISHERMAN'S MEMORIAL AND RECORD BOOK, pp. 172. Published by Proctor Brothers, Gloucester, Mass. \$1.00 in paper covers, \$1.50 in cloth.

A collection of sketches, incidents, daring exploits, remarkable stories of narrow escapes from shipwreck, and matters connected with the fishermen of Gloucester generally; with a list of the vessels wrecked and crews lost from that port for nearly a half-century.

THE RAILWAY DEPOT.—The Dartmouth Town Council are not disposed to allow the governments—local or dominion,—to forget that Dartmouth is the only proper place for the Intercolonial Railway Depot.

POST OFFICE ADVERTISEMENTS.—In allusion to the fact that the Presbyterian Witness is the only one of the four weekly denominational papers authorized to insert Post Office Advertisements, the Morning Chronicle solemnly affirms, "We never nominated the latter (the Witness) for public patronage!"

Rev. A. R. R. Crawley and his family we understand are purposing to return shortly to Burmah. It is expected that they will go in the Mail steamer which leaves Halifax on Tuesday the 13th of January.

Although Mr. C. has not fully regained his former health and strength, yet he is of the opinion that he will be able to perform as much labor for Christ in Burmah, as anywhere, and having his family—or Mrs. Crawley and a portion of his family—with him he will probably be fully restored by the end of the voyage.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—The Moncton troubles do not appear to have come to an end by the burning of the Episcopal church.

The members of the Episcopal congregation, at present worshipping in the Union Meeting House, met on Monday night and decided to send a delegate to the United States, to enquire into the condition of the new movement of which Bishop Cummins is the head, and to ascertain if a Minister can be procured from the body.

The secession under Bishop Cummins does not appear to have as yet attained very large proportions. Only seven or eight clergymen have given their adhesion to the platform laid down by him for the Reformed Episcopal Church of the United States.

A letter from Rev. I. J. Skinner informs us he is slowly recovering from another attack of sickness brought on, the doctor says, by resuming his work too soon after his former attack.

Notices, &c.

YAYMOUTH, DEC. 15TH, 1873.

Dear Brother,— I wish to acknowledge in the columns of the Messenger, the following sums received on account of Home and French Mission:

From Rev. Dr. Crump for Home Mission, per Rev. Dr. Day. \$5.00 Rev. W. H. Porter, Brantford, Ontario, per do. do. 4.00 From Bridgewater Baptist Church, per Rev. S. March, for French Mission. 4.00

Total. \$9.00 Monies received from General Agent will be acknowledged on his return home. Yours truly, SAMUEL BROWN, Treas.

OLD CONVENTION MINUTES.—The Treasurer of the Foreign Missionary Board, would be glad to get a copy of the Convention Minutes for 1851 to complete a file. Any person having a copy, and by sending it to him, or to the "Messenger" Office, will confer a favor.

Contributions received towards building a Templar Hall in Casco in lieu of that destroyed by the gale of Aug. 24th, 1873. Benjamin R. Raymond, a legacy, per S. P. Raymond, Brookville. \$10.00 Lily of the Lake Lodge, Brookville. Digby Co., per do. 8.00 CLEMENT H. WHITMAN, Chairman of Committee. Casco, Dec. 16, 1873.

BAZAAR AND TEA MEETING.—At Ham's Hall, Mahone Bay, on Friday 26th December. Doors open at 10 A. M. Admission 5 cts. Refreshments through the day. Tea 30 cents. Proceeds to aid in building a Baptist Meeting House. By order of the Committee, Dec. 2nd, 1873.

RECEIVED FROM WOMAN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES. Clarence, Annapolis Co.,—Mrs. S. N. Jackson. \$12.00 North Brookfield,—Mrs. G. N. Ballentine. 19.50 Mrs. E. E. Gard, Chester,—Rev. I. J. Skinner. 2.00 Liverpool,—Miss F. Allison. 30.00 Hebron,—Norris Mission Band, for the education of Karon children,—Miss Lizzie A. Rowe. 39.00 Deerfield,—Mrs. M. C. Stubbert. 5.00 Lower Aylesford, and Upper Wilmot,—Mrs. Rouben Baker. 17.00 M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y. December 24th, 1873.

Mr. Editor,—Allow me through the Messenger to make grateful mention of a donation visit made to myself. My friends at New Ross, gathered at the residence of Brother F. Lantz, on the afternoon of October the 20th, and presented me with cash and useful articles to the amount of \$15.35

LETTERS RECEIVED. W. Cunningham, W. J. Gates, Esq. W. H. Chipman, \$8. S. T. Moore, \$5. C. Kennedy, L. M. Weeks, 2 subs. J. E. Bancroft, D. Whitman, yes, \$4. G. W. Freeman, the omission of the \$7 in the acknowledgment of former letter was accidental.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. SHORT HAND! A Comprehensive, complete system given, by mail, in ten lessons, which will enable one, in a short time, to get along to good advantage. Invaluable, especially to Ministers and Lawyers. Terms: 35 cents (American money) for each lesson; each lesson paid for in advance, with privilege to stop any time, if dissatisfied. Give your address plain and in full.

BRITISH AMERICAN BOOK AND TRACT DEPOSITORY, (Removed to) 133 GRANVILLE STREET, HALIFAX, N. S. Cheap Religious Periodicals for Sunday Schools and Families.

SUNDAY AT HOME. SUNDAY MAGAZINE. FAMILY TREASURY. CHRISTIAN TREASURY, &c., each per Annum \$1.75. BRITISH WORKMAN. BRITISH WORKWOMAN. COTTAGE & ARTIZAN. BRITISH MESSENGER. CHILD'S COMPANION. CHILDREN'S FRIEND, each per Annum \$0.25. GOSPEL TRUMPET. CHILDREN'S PAPER. BAND OF HOPE REVIEW. CHILD'S WORLD. S. S. MESSENGER. TEMPERANCE BANNER, each per Annum \$0.14.

PREPARE FOR WINTER. THE largest and best assortment of STOVES in the Province is at RENT'S Stove & Kitchen Furnishing Depot, 29 & 31 BARRINGTON ST. Also, Coal Vases, Coal Hods, Coal Shovels, Fire Irons, Fire Iron Stands, Spark Guards for Register Grates, Nursery Guards, Patent Sinder Sitters, Fuel Economizers, Hearth Brushes, Carpet Sweepers, Dish Covers, Toiletware, &c.

NOW IS YOUR TIME!! NEW SEASONS TEAS Just arrived direct from CHINA, CONGOU, SOUCHONGS, OOLONGS, PEKONGS, & GREEN TEAS. Wholesale and Retail. All are invited to give them a trial.

Superior Coffees. The best and cheapest place to buy your TEAS and COFFEES is at E. W. Sutcliffe's, CORNER OF BARRINGTON AND BUCKINGHAM STREETS, HALIFAX, N. S. P. S.—All kinds of FIRST CLASS GROCERIES at lowest market rates, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, at E. W. SUTCLIFFE'S, 305 Brunswick Street, June 25.

THE REMEDY FOR ASTHMA! TAYLOR "The Barrington Street Druggist" has just received another supply of PUPHAM'S ASTHMA SPECIFIC. It never fails to relieve the most obstinate paroxysm in from five to ten minutes!

Skimmings' Wharf, Upper Water St. HALIFAX, N. S. FLEWELLING, ANDERTON & CO. Commission Merchants, DEALERS AND SHIPPERS IN COAL, LIME, PLASTER, CEMENT, LATHS, BALINGS, AND GENERAL MERCHANDIZE.

EIDERDOWN, EIDERDOWN, AT 150 GRANVILLE STREET, Just opened per S. S. "Caspian." EIDERDOWN COY QUILTS, EIDERDOWN CRIB QUILTS, EIDERDOWN QUILTS, middle and full sizes, EIDERDOWN SKIRTS, EIDERDOWN SILK VESTS, EIDERDOWN LAMA VESTS.

WOOL GOODS, WOOL GOODS, IN LARGE VARIETY, THE BEST VALUE IN THE TRADE. SMITH BROS. Dec. 16. CAUTION. All persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing a Note for \$75, given to Mr. Ooon by myself, as I have not received value for the same. WM. GATES, Nictaux, Dec. 3, 1873. Dec. 10. 4ins.

Joyful news for the Afflicted. GATES' Life of Man Bitters, AND COMBINED MEDICINES, CURES. Dropsy, in its worst form, Liver Complaint, Jaundice, Swelling of the Limbs and Face, Asthma, of whatever kind, Dyspepsia, Biliousness, Consumption, Spitting of Blood, Bronchitis, Sick Headache, Burning Sores, Erysipelas, Stoppage of Stomach, Kidney and Gravel complaint, Measles, Fevers, Sore Throat, Spina Disease, or Affliction of the Spine, Heart Disease, Pleurisy, Piles, Coughs, Colds, and Whooping Cough, Diphtheria, and Sore Throat, Pain in the Stomach, Worms, Rheumatism, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Cholera, Cholera Morbus, Tooth ache, and Ague, Sprains, Strains, Felous, Chilblains, Burns, Scalds, Bruises, Sore Eyes, Lame Back and Side, Bulls, Cuts, Cracked Hands, &c. For Certificates, &c., taken by our Justices of the Peace, see pamphlets which can be furnished at the Agencies. Agents at Halifax—Brown, Bros & Co; John K. Bent.

Manufactured by C. GATES & CO., Middleton, Annapolis Co., N. S. Lower Granville April, 28, 1873. Dr. GATES, Dear Sir—This is to certify, that in the year 1864, I was afflicted with dropsy in my legs and ankles for two years. I applied to for your medicines, and by taking them for two months, the swelling all left me, and I have not seen any symptoms of the disease since. My son had also been afflicted with liver complaint and general debility. I had advice and medicine from one of our most eminent physicians; and he grew worse, so much so that I almost despaired of him getting better. I applied to you for your valuable medicine, and it made him well; and he now enjoys good health. I thank God that it has been the means of saving his life. And I hope all the suffering will procure your valuable and unrivalled medicine, for I believe it to be the best in our land. Yours, respectfully, ANDREAS BOHAKES, Esq. Dec. 3.

NOTICE. THE undersigned having commenced business under the name and firm of OLIVE, RANKIN & CO., have opened an AMERICAN AGENCY and AUCTION MART for Consignments and Sales of every description of goods. Real Estate and Personal property sold either in town or country on such commissions as may be arranged for. All business entrusted to their care will be promptly attended to. They have made this specialty in all cases, that the proceeds of sales will be immediately paid over on receipt of the same. They hope by strict attention to business to receive a share of public patronage. Country produce bought and sold. Consignments solicited. Highest prices paid for American Exchange and money. JAMES OLIVE, ALONZO RANKIN, No. 2, BROWN STREET, Yarmouth, N. S. October 20th, 1873. Nov 5. 1m