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ernment, can, without a dangerous strain- ing of the prerogative, take a case out of the hands of the people's representatives, after the latter have commenced to take ac- tion upon it, and submit it to a tribunal to which Parliament repeatedly refused to submit it. They say, and many friends of the present Government admit the force of the argument, that this is to do away with the supremacy of Parliament and set the Executive above it. We wait the issue with interest. There is little probability that Mr. Huntington will appear before the Commission unless compelled, or that he will even on compulsion bring his case before it. Of course the upholders of the Government will say he is afraid to have the case brought to trial, and, of course, his supporters will say the opposite. In- dications seem to be that the majority of the people's representatives will uphold him in his real or pretended reverence for the Supreme Court of Parliament. I do not mean to write politics, but it cannot be denied that the importance of both the moral and the political—I use the latter word now in its highest sense—issues involved in the questions in dispute are such as to demand the attention of every christian and every patriot. It would augur well for the future of our young nationality if the people, especially the christian people, all over the Dominion would make the matters under investigation the subject of earnest, impartial study, and see to it that the high places of our country are purged from those who sell their country's interests for gold and power, or from base slanderers, as the case may be. One or the other, it is tolerably clear, must now be found there. J. E. W.

For the Christian Messenger.

IN MEMORIAM.

Death has again visited our community and removed a very useful member.

THOMAS HALMORÉ

departed this life on Monday, Aug. 18th, 1873, aged 28 years. He professed religion at the early age of 8 years, and was baptized soon after by Rev. A. W. Barss, and continued a consistent member of the New Cornwall Church till removed by death. His first religious impressions were made on his youthful mind through the instructions of a pious Sunday School teacher. Some two years ago he removed to Bridgewater, at once identified himself with the Sunday School, and rendered good service as a teacher and leader of singing among the scholars. He was taken ill in Boston, whither he had gone with a cargo of lumber. Anxious to reach his home he came on board the vessel, which was nine days in making the passage to Bridgewater. Arriving on Sunday evening, he was carefully removed to comfortable rooms, and medical aid at once procured—but all too late—he expired on the following day, surrounded by his surviving parents and many friends. His remains were followed to the grave by a numerous procession, including his grandfather, aged 102 years, and the Sunday School; also preceded by the "Sons of Temperance," "British Templars" and "Freemasons"—the latter performing their solemn burial service. His class of eight Sunday School scholars, with un- covered heads, stood around the grave and repeated the touching words "Teacher Farewell." The words "Brother Farewell," by each Son of Temperance, as they passed his grave, was also affecting. Several clergymen were in attendance. Rev. W. E. Hall, in the absence of Rev. S. March, pastor, preached a suitable sermon on the occasion, to a large congregation. Surely "in the midst of life we are in death." Will the living! Will the living! lay these things to heart?—Com. by W. J. G.

Dominion & Foreign News.

HALFAX, N. S., SEPT. 3, 1873.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Board of Dominion Arbitrators have been summoned to meet at St. John, on the 8th inst., to adjudicate upon ten claims for damage to land taken for the deep water railway terminus at that port.

His Excellency the Governor-General and the Countess of Dufferin left Grand Falls, on Thursday, for Riviere du Loup.

In Portland, St. John, on Thursday night a woman named Pittman, while drunk, laid upon and smothered to death her two year old son.

An Exhibition, under the auspices of the New Brunswick Board of Agriculture, is to be held in Fredericton in the second week of October.

P. E. ISLAND.

The Annual Session of the British Tem- plars convened at Charlottetown, on Satur- day last. Representatives from the Grand Lodges of Ontario, Quebec, New Brun- swick, Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, New- foundland, Bermuda and Great Britain were expected.

UNITED STATES.

Losses by the recent storm in Delaware are reported to be half a million dollars.

A great fire occurred at Belfast, Me., during a gale on Monday afternoon, and swept away 125 buildings, rendering 130 families homeless. Most of the dwellings were of wood, on Under and High Streets, and the loss is estimated at half a million dollars.

On Wednesday last, the New York Cas- tons officers seized three hundred diamonds which were worked around the waist of a passenger who landed from one of the Euro- pean steamers.

The Modoc captives have been sentenced to be hung at Fort Klamath, Oregon, on the 3rd of October.

One man was killed and five injured by a boiler explosion at Three Rivers Cal., on Saturday.

By the break in the Chesapeake and Del- aware Canal, 11 schooners and 18 barges were hopelessly wrecked; 28 schooners, 37 barges, 2 tugs, and one propeller steamer were stranded.

There was an accident on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad on Sunday; 25 German emigrants were injured.

There is an alarming mortality among horses in New York, and it is feared that an epidemic of cerebro spinal meningitis has begun.

Several laborers were killed and wound- ed by the caving in of a great bank near the village of Ridge, Illinois, yesterday.

Five sailors at Petersburg, Pa., report that they are survivors of the steamship Lucy, and that the vessel was burned at sea on the 15th inst.

At New Haven on Wednesday last, two Italian padrones, from New York, were arrested, and six children rescued from them.

A balloon ascended at Philadelphia on Tuesday and came down at Randolph, New Jersey, having traveled fifty miles in fifty minutes.

A collision of trains on Hudson River Railroad on Friday last badly injured five persons.

A defalcation of forty thousand dollars has been discovered in the National Ex- change Bank of Albany.

Advices from Montana report a fight between General Custar's command and a body of 800 hostile Indians, in which the latter were defeated. Custar and Ad- jutant Ketchum had their horses shot under them. Lieutenant Braden was badly shot in the thigh; Private Tuttle, Custar's orderly, was killed, and twenty soldiers slightly wounded. The Indian loss is estimated at forty killed and wounded. The Indians were well armed with Henry Rifles and abundant ammunition.

The steamer Ruby, loaded with cattle, was swamped in the River near New Or- leans, on Thursday, and one hundred head of the stock were drowned.

A gang of ruffians committed a robbery and wantonly murdered three people, near San Juan, Cal., on Tuesday night.

Several Gloucester fishermen on the Banks are reported wrecked in the late gale, with loss of life.

The United States Treasury Department decided on Saturday last that British Col- umbia is not entitled to the benefits of the Treaty of Washington, so far as the free importation of fish and fish oil is concerned, it not having been part of the Dominion of Canada at the time of signing the Treaty, and also that the part of said Dominion embraced in the Treaty is that portion on the Atlantic side. The State Department has also expressed the same opinion.

A tempest of wind and rain passed over Boston and vicinity about 5 on Monday afternoon. The gas had to be lighted for reading and domestic work.

New York, Sept. 1.—Gold 153. Sight Exchange 83. Money 4 per cent.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.—The weather has of late been wet and unfavorable for crops.

Capt. Halpin writes from the Great Eastern that the broken cable has been grappled and raised. The point was designated by the electricians, but on test, more fault was found to the Eastward. The Great Eastern has experienced a series of alternate fogs and gales, rendering work of grappling exceedingly difficult. Capt. Halpin is sanguine the fault will soon be found and remedied.

Postmaster William Monsell has re- signed, but retains the office temporarily at the earnest solicitation of Mr. Gladstone.

The British Government decided on Fri- day last to send an expedition from Cape Coast Castle against the Ashantees. Sir Garrett Wolsley will command the expedi- tion, and be accompanied by a distin- guished staff of his old colleagues of Red River, in addition to twenty selected officers who are to organize a native Fantee force, 15,000 strong. No British troops will accompany the expedition at present, but two battalions will be kept in readiness to co-operate if required. The expedition will leave Cape Coast Castle about New Year and return in March. Operations are to be confined to the cool season. The Ashantees must be driven home. Cooma- sie, the capital of Ashantee, has been burned. Sir Garrett Wolsley will leave England on the 8th of September.

SPAIN.—The Carlists are organizing for a movement on Madrid. The Carthagens insurgents are vigorously responding to the fire of the Spanish fleet, sanguine of aid from Communists in other cities. The Carlists, at the instigation of priests, burn all records of civil marriages they capture. A severe battle was fought on Sunday 24th, near Estella, between five thousand Government troops, and three thousand Carlists, under General Olleo. The Car- lists, were defeated and Olleo was wounded. The British Admiral Kurston informs the Spanish rebels of his intention to move

the "Vittoria" and "Almanza" to Gib- raltar.

At a meeting of rebels a majority decid- ed to open fire from the forts in case the removal of Spanish ships is attempted.

The Admiral gives forty eighty hours warning, and threatens to bombard Cart- agena if the forts fire upon their ships.

The artillerymen of Barcelona garrison, who mutinied and endeavored to bring about a general revolt, have been tried, twelve sentenced to death, and thirty to transportation. Don Carlos has issued stringent orders against interference by his forces, with railroad communication. Pen- alty of death is decreed for violation of this order. Carlists are repairing telegraphic lines in Northern Provinces.

Government has information which leads to belief that Carlists and Intravigentes are acting in concert.

FRANCE.—The Minister of the Interior has issued a circular prohibiting any de- monstrations on the 4th of September, the anniversary of the proclamation of the Re- public.

GERMANY.—The Government has ordered the expulsion from the country of all emigration agents who fail to prove they are German subjects.

CUBA.—Late Havana advices state that the Cubans are not yet ready to abolish slavery. They continually ask for more time. Socialism is gradually but surely obtaining a foothold.

SWEDEN.—A boiler explosion at Hihherod, destroyed a flax mill and killed nine per- sons.

RUSSIA.—It is reported that insurrections have occurred at Khiva and Khokan, and that the Russian commander has destroyed Khiva. Khokan is quiet. The Russians executed 600 leaders of the late movement.

PORTUGAL.—The cable being laid between Lisbon and the Brazils is broken 80 miles from Madeira.

The Government of Portugal has sent Pierrard and twenty-six other Spanish In- transigentes who sought refuge in the coun- try to Southampton.

News of the Week.

THE GREAT STORM.

The accounts received of disasters during the great storm of last week, are of the most distressing character. The destruc- tion of fruit and other trees in many parts will be felt severely all through the coun- try. The crop was previously, in most places, below the average. This storm will of course greatly diminish it. Whilst the loss from the destruction on land will be great, yet the destruction of vessels on the northern shores, and in eastern ports is al- most without parallel.

Pictou suffered greatly. We learn from the "Standard" that it was the most violent storm known there for many years.

The tide rose a foot higher than ever known before, covering the wharves, and in many parts reaching up to Water Street.

A number of vessels lying in the harbor dragged their anchors and were driven ashore, and most of the vessels at the coal- ing grounds suffered. The gardens in rear of the town are completely destroyed, and the fruit trees are blasted and withered. Numerous bridges have been carried away; the ferry wharf at Fisher's Grant, and the new loading wharf at the Vale Colliery, sustained serious injury.—At Port Has- tings, says a despatch to the "Chronicle," the storm was severely felt. Seven vessels are ashore at Port Mulgrave, four at Pirate Cove, four at Port Hawkesbury, and four at Port Hood. Barns and houses are blown in all directions, and at Cape Jack a child was killed by a falling house.—At St. John, N. B., the damage was incalculable. A portion of the roof of the Lunatic Asylum was stripped of its covering of slates, and some house chimneys, fences and trees were blown down in the city and Port- land.—Great injury was done to the new Railway wharf at Point du Chene, with two warehouses, fourteen freight cars, partially loaded, rails torn up, &c. The loss is very serious. There has also been, says the "Telegraph," considerable damage to shipping in the gulf. A Norwegian ship dragged her anchor from Point du Chene, and is now high and dry on the beach behind the Weldon House.

At Musquodoboit much damage was done. A barn owned by Edward McCabe, of Middle Musquodoboit, was blown down, and the cattle in it were hurt. One cow was instantly killed, and another was so badly crushed by the falling timbers that it had to be killed. Several others were in- jured to some extent. A barn belonging to a Mr. Falconer was also demolished, and was crushed and killed. The gardens and crops were injured, and the loss to the eastern farmers will be very heavy.

In Cape Breton, especially on the East Coast, the storm raged terribly and the injury is immense. A despatch to the "Chronicle" from North Sydney says:

The gale of Sunday night was very severe here. MacKay and Corbett's wharf was damaged to the extent of about \$1,000; Moore's wharf \$1,000; Ingraham's \$600. The Presbyterian Church was lifted thirty feet. A number of buildings were unroofed. The chimneys were blown off the telegraph office. Six bridges were carried away. Between this place and Sydney the follow- ing vessels are wrecked or ashore: Schoon- ers Humber, Ellen Jane, Margaret Jane, Knight Templar, Zephyr, Josephine, John Gilpin, Mary Jane, Temperance, G. W. Moore, Mary Chartres, Roderick McRae, Euxine, J. K. Howard, Maggie, Alpha Jane, and Eliza Christie.

several other barns, were damaged. In one instance a considerable number of hens Barques-Venture, Edra, Electra, Charles E. Scammell, and Ontario.

Brigantines Volant, Guide, Victoria, Amelia, Georgina, Magilda B., Hunter, Bessie, and Katie.

The estimated damage is seventy-five thousand dollars.

At Cow Bay the breakwater and wharves were much damaged. Twenty seven ves- sels are ashore.

The Steamers at Cow Bay rode out the gale.

Henry Lawson Esq., received by tele- graph some particulars of the disasters at Sydney, Cow Bay and elsewhere. The telegram states that there are 31 ashore at Sydney, 25 at Cow Bay, and 15 at Straits of Canso. A later telegram says that the number of vessels likely to be lost at Cow Bay is between 80 and 100.

At Wallace and in other parts of Cam- berland County much injury has been done to the crops.

A Bay Verte correspondent of the Witness says:

On Sunday night the tide rose with us higher than was ever known before. The gale was tremendous. Dykes are broken and marshes overflowed. Bridges and wharves are swept away in large numbers. Our gardens are ruined. Vegetables have been dragged out of the ground. Vessels are ashore in all directions.

A Cow Bay, Cape Breton, correspondent writes to the Witness as follows: At noon Sabbath, a most destructive storm sprang upon our coast, such as we never witnessed. It is still raging (Monday evening.) Thirty- five or forty vessels are driven ashore, 22 or 23 belonging to poor fishermen. Few if any of these have one cent insurance on vessel or cargo. The steamers drag their anchors, but with the aid of steam they will keep off shore. Many fine vessels are ashore, and it is sad to see so much prop- erty lost.

Another Cow Bay correspondent writes: "The gale was terrific. We never experi- enced anything like it. The havoc among the shipping is fearful. The Breakwater and the wharfs are greatly damaged. There are over 30 wrecks in the Bay. Barns have been blown down, and houses strip of shingles, &c. The gale abated on Mon- day night."

The Truro Sun reports the gale as ex- tremely violent there. Barns were blown down, horses and cows killed.

Canso has suffered to the extent of more than \$100,000. A Baptist Meeting house just finished at the Tittle 2 miles from Canso was blown down.

At Guysboro stores, dwellings, barns and trees have been blown down in all directions, and all the wharves in town, together with a large quantity of fish, bar- rels, etc., have been washed away, thus en- tailing a heavy loss on the owners.

It is supposed that no less than one hun- dred barns have been blown down in the settlements around Guysboro, and the crops, which promised a bountiful harvest are comparatively destroyed. The fisher- men around the coast have lost their nets, boats, seines, etc., and are now without the means to prosecute their fall fishing.

MONEY ORDER OFFICE EMBEZZLEMENT.—The Halifax community received a shock on Friday last, by learning that Mr. John B. Gray, a Clerk in the Money Order Office, had been arrested on a charge of embezzling \$5000 or upwards of the funds of that department. It had been discover- ed by Mr. Dewe, the principal Post-Office Inspector of the Dominion. It appears that Mr. G's defalcations extend over a period of two years. A private pre- liminary examination took place on Sat- urday, and was adjourned over to Monday. Mr. Gray was released on bail—two bonds- men of \$2,500, and himself of \$5,000.—The further examination on Monday re- sulted in Mr. Gray being committed for trial in the Supreme Court. Application is made for a release on bail.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Friday 22nd inst. a general gloom was cast over the little village of Osborne, Shelburne Co., by the death of Lyman Hayden, a boy of twelve years. While bathing in the harbor, his hands became entangled in the sea-weed and he sank immediately. His body was at once taken from the water, and every effort made to recall life. All, however, proved unavailing, the vital spark had fled forever. The deceased was the youngest son of Mr. William Hayden, of Osborne.

CAPTURED.—The two convicts—Silas Marsters and Michael Broderick—who es- caped from prison some days since, were captured at Hubbard's Cove, Margaret's Bay, by the Penitentiary officials, Dept. Governor Ross, and Keepers James Mc- Dougall and Charles Miller.

On Tuesday last, Mr. Nash made a sale of lots on the Hugonon Farm, McNab's Is- land, to the extent of \$11,770.00.

THE BRIDGEWATER MURDER.—Mailman, when asked by the Magistrate who con- ducted the investigation what he had to say in answer to the charge of murdering his wife, replied:—"I am not guilty of this charge, not a bone of me. I am innocent of the crime. There are two things I will hold back until the Supreme Court that will clear me. Those who have her shoes took her life."

James Wheaton, of Steep Creek, Guys- borough Co., fell dead while at work at Port Hawkesbury on the 22nd inst.

Marriages.

At Milton, Queens Co., on the 26th ult., Antonette M., beloved daughter of George W. Freeman, aged 27 years.

At Newport Village, on the 19th ult., by Rev. D. McD nald, Mr. Robie N. Miller, of Ellershouse, to Miss Amelia A. Salter, of Newport Village.

On the 23rd ult., by the Rev. James Thomas, Mr. Henry Daily, to Miss Elizabeth Carroll.

At Dartmouth, on the 28th August, by the Rev. J. B. Richardson, assisted by the Rev. Richard Measham, B.A., Chaplain of H. M. S. "Royal Alfred" George Ernest M'con. Esq., R. N., to Lucy Caroline, second daughter of George A. S. Cricton, Esq., of the Brae, Dartmouth.

On the 28th ult., at St. Luke's Cathedral, by the Rev. John Abbott, Mr. Henry Metzler, to Matilda Annie Bremner, of this city.

In Grace Church, Newton, Mass., August 14th, by the Rector, Rev. Joseph S. Jenckes, Jr., Bruce Dunne, of Hyde Park, to Miss Mary E. DeWitt, of Bridgetown, N. S.

On the 28th ult., Thomas Finch, Sergt. R. M. A., from H. M. S. "Royal Alfred" to Mrs. Ellen Smith, widow of the late Captain John Smith, both of Cornwall, England.

On the 14th ult., at Meltham, Yorkshire, G. B., by the Rev. Mr. Jago, Joseph Kaye, of Halifax, N. S., to Isabella, second daughter of John Kenyon, Esq., Acre Cottage, Mel- tham.

On Tuesday, 26th ult., at Meltham, Hants, by the Rev. Mr. Johnston, assisted by Rev. Mr. McNeil, Capt. Wm. Grant, of the barque "George," to Helen, third daughter of Geo. Smith, Esq., of Meltham.

At Cornwallis, by Rev. James Parker, Aug. 27th, Mr. Joel Lamont, to Miss Mary, daughter of Mr. Valentine Lawrence.

By the same, at New Minas, August 28th, Edward Heckman, Esq., of Chester, to Mrs. Ann Elliott, of Cornwallis, widow of the late George Elliott, formerly of New Ross.

August 28th, by Rev. S. B. Kempton, Jennie Millet, of Cornwallis, to Robt. Woodburn, of Glasgow, Scotland.

On the 26th ult., by the Rev. Jas. Thomas, Mr. John Lomox, to Sarah Ann Lewis, both of this city.

At Vere de Vere cottage, Maitland, Hants, on Tuesday, 26th Aug. by the Rev. Mr. Johnston, assisted by the Rev. Mr. McNeil, Captain William Grant, master of the Barque George, to Helen, third daughter of George Smith, Esquire.

Deaths.

At Centreville, Annapolis County, August 9th, William Russell, son of William and Eliza Ann Hicks, aged 19 years.

To God I yield my spirit up, / To rest with a weak and faltering hope; / And to look for bliss before the throne, / Through Jesus' righteousness alone.

Farewell to all my friends most dear, / Part we must, for death is near; / Prepare to meet among the blest, / For Jesus gives eternal rest.

And now I wish you all to be / Prepared the Lord and judge to see; / Father, prepare to meet me there, / Brothers, friends and mother dear.

At Halifax, on Tuesday, Aug. 23th, Emma, daughter of William and Eliza Grant, aged 8 years and 4 months.

On the 25th ult., in the 38th year of his age, Samuel Wallace.

On the 25th ult., James Robert, infant child of Thomas B. and Margaret Thompson.

At Antigonish, on Sunday, 24th ult., Matthew Stewart Graham, in the 31st year of his age.

On the 27th ult., Sarah, only daughter of Rev. J. O'Banion, aged 11 years.

At Beaver Bank, in the 20th year of her age, Henrietta, eldest daughter of Charles and Mary Buckadar.

On the 14th June, James M. Brown, in the 84th year of his age, of Middle Musquodoboit.

On the 29th ult., Susan Gardner, in the 38th year of her age, a native of Nova Scotia.

At Lake Ainslie, County of Inverness, on the 17th ult., John McDougall, aged 87 years.

At Amherst, August 16th, Mary Ann, the beloved wife of Deacon A. S. Bunker, aged 71 years. Sister B. had been in invalid years, and was at times a great sufferer, but she "endured as seeing Him who is invisible." Her faith grew and her hopes brightened to the end. She knew that her Lord was with her. She leaned upon His Word, and went down into the valley. Fully assured that she should soon be with Christ, which is far better.

At Brookfield, suddenly on the morning of August 17th, Frederick, youngest son of Saml. and Elizabeth M'nard, aged 19 years. The deceased met with his death while on the way to the butchery, carrying with him some other young men. He fell from his feet, striking his head on the carriage wheel, and falling off, the wheel ran over him. He was conveyed to his place of residence where he lingered nearly insensible for about 22 hours when he died. He leaves behind him deeply sorrowing par- ents, sisters and brothers. The funeral was a solemn assembly. Many of the young people seemed deeply affected and we hope may be led to Jesus.

"God moves in a mysterious way / His wonders to perform."

—Com. by Rev. G. N. Ballantine.

Suddenly, at N. E. Margaree, August 15th, in the 50th year of her age, Mrs. Catherine McLain, wife of Murdoch McLain, and daughter of the late Murdoch Ross. Deceased was a member of the Baptist Church in that place. She left a sorrowing husband, nine children, and a large circle of relatives to mourn their loss.

At Kentville, Aug. 30, Mary, wife of Mr. Jeremiah Daniels, and daughter of Mr. John Barb, aged 30 years, leaving a husband and two children.

In life esteemed, / In Death lamented.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

ARRIVED.

TUESDAY, Aug. 26th.—Am. smtr. Alhambra, Wright, Boston; Schrs. Rescue, Andersor, Baltimore; Guardian Angel, Higgins, Magda- len Islands; Eldorado, Eldridge, Bank Querc; Revival, Cook, Liverpool; Bella Barry, Richardson, Lunenburg; Robie, Lloyd, Liver- pool.

WEDNESDAY, 27th.—S. Falmouth, Colby, Portland; S. S. Kangaroo, from cable repair- ing; S. S. Alpha, Hunter, Sydney, C. B.; schrs. Isaac Rich (Am.) Salem; Mary Louise, Haws, Gloucester; Fanny Fern, do.; Curlew, Port Medway; Volunteer,