

For the Christian Messenger.

IMMIGRATION OF ENGLISH CHILDREN.

Sir,—

All who take an interest in questions of immigration—and what man of any public spirit or patriotism is there who does not—must be acquainted with the efforts of that noble-hearted woman, Miss McPherson, who has rescued from degradation and crime fourteen hundred destitute children, and has taken them out from England to Ontario, and placed them with families in the country, where, almost without exception, they are doing well. During my recent visit to England, circumstances brought me into communication with Miss McPherson, and I visited her schools at the East-end of London and at Hampton, where some 400 children were being got ready for embarkation for Ontario.

I need hardly say that I was grieved to see so many who might be useful to our Province passing Nova Scotia, bound West; and I urged her to try an experiment by sending a detachment to Nova Scotia; to this she demurred, as all her connections were with Ontario, where she has "homes" established in each district, where the children are received on arrival, and whence they are distributed; where also superintendents reside, who make periodical visits to, and exercise a sort of supervision over, the children who have been placed out; she, however, introduced me to her sister, Mrs. Burd, who, in concert with a most influential committee of the leading men of Liverpool and Manchester, was about to open up a similar "Mission" in those cities. Mrs. Burd expressed her willingness to bring a batch of children to Nova Scotia this year; if she could look for any encouragement from the people. I at once undertook that the children should be taken charge of on arrival, and that I would act as her agent in distributing the "bairns" as she called them, and would with such assistance as I knew would be willingly given to me in the Province undertake all the necessary supervision, so that no expensive machinery in the shape of "homes" and "superintendents" need be maintained.

Mrs. Burd may be expected in August with a batch of children varying in age from probably 8 or 9, to 14 or 15; these children will be placed out with families in the country, who will take them to their homes, treat them as one of the family, giving them a fair common-school education, and making them useful members of society; the head of the family will be required to send in a quarterly report, through the minister of the congregation he may belong to, of the health, conduct and progress of the child.

Applications from such persons as are desirous of taking "one of these little ones" should be made in the first instance to me—and I am happy to say that the scheme has the warm support of the Local Government, who have offered me reasonable assistance—and Dr. Clay has also kindly proffered me his help in this effort, which will, I trust, prove successful, and which, whilst in itself a benefit to the Province, will be further valuable as calling attention to our country and its resources, and tending to bring us an adult immigration as well.

Trusting to the support of the press in this endeavour to benefit the Province, I remain,

Obediently yours,

J. WIMBURN LAURIE.

Oakfield, July 8, 1873.

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IN MEMORIAM.

JOHN P. MCQUILLIN.

Died in New York, April 15th, 1873, Mr. John P. McQuillin, eldest son of the late Rev. David P. and Sophia R. McQuillin, aged 53 years. Born Jan. 29th, 1820, at twenty-two years of age the deceased was hopefully renewed, and became a member of the First Baptist Church in Newburyport, Mass. His business associations in his maturer years had the effect often seen in independent minds, of leading him to doubt, and finally to avowed scepticism. This was a subject of special grief to his father and family, who for years made him the subject of earnest prayer. About a year since pulmonary disease compelled him to abandon business and seek restored health. He passed the winter with his two sisters in New York, members of the Tabernacle Baptist Church. At first he was unconvinced to what he thought unkindness in his Creator's appointments, suffering as he did intensely of irritation of the throat.

At length he was willing to receive the visits of christian friends and ministers, and he became specially attached to one, the Rev. Dr. Sampson, who had learned to read his experience. To him he confessed with emotion, that he was never satisfied with his own objections to christian doctrine, that he was always uneasy in spirit, and that his conscience often secretly smote him for harsh judgment of christians. He now felt that, like David and Paul, the one erring in his life, the other proud of his unbelief, he might have been renewed in youth, and that the proof of this was the constant check of conscience, kept alive by the Spirit of God. His faith became that of a little child, he felt that God was infinitely wise in the plan of redemption by Christ, and inexpressibly kind in chastening his rebellious children till they became submissive. Then his hope too revived, he felt that his sins were all cleansed away, and that he should soon be with Christ as one of his own. Childlike submission, however, was his chief characteristic. Often he said, almost too feeble to whisper the words; "He is doing right." "His will, not mine be done." "When I suffer so intensely I long to have it over and be at rest, but He knows best." To the last he whispered, "all is well." As he felt that his last breath was soon to expire, he reached his hand to those of his family nearest him, saying, "good bye," then added, "good by friends," and was asleep in Jesus.

J. B. MCQUILLIN.

CORNELIA E. POTTER.

departed this life on the 26th day of June, in the 24th year of her age. Our sister was baptized at the early age of 17 years, by our much esteemed brother, J. D. Cox. Since that time she has lived a consistent life. She is much lamented in the family, in the church, and in the Woman's Mission Circle, where she was a worthy member and faithful worker. May God comfort the afflicted parent, and give us others in the church, who shall in like manner adorn their profession, by a well ordered life and godly conversation.

Dominion & Foreign News.

HALIFAX, N. S., JULY 16, 1873.

Ottawa, July 11.—Mr. Archibald has been formally appointed Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, and J. W. Ritchie, Judge in Equity.

The commission of Mr. Archibald, as Lieutenant Governor, was signed by the Governor General at Gaspe, and is now on its way to Halifax. In a day or two at the latest Mr. Archibald will be sworn in.

Messrs. Courtney and Tims, of the Audit Office, have gone to the Maritime Provinces on inspection tour of Post Office Saving Banks.

Mr. Langevin's brother has been appointed under Secretary of State, vice Parent, superannuated. He now holds three very lucrative offices, viz:—Registrar General, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and under Secretary of State.

The Hon. Mr. Campbell has taken leave of the Post Office Department, and has entered upon the duties of Minister of the Interior, which includes those of Secretary of State for the Provinces.

The Hon. John O'Connor has assumed the duties of Postmaster General.

It is stated in a Fort Garry letter that the Mennonite delegates, notwithstanding the rough treatment they have received from the French Half Breeds, are so well pleased with Manitoba that they propose to send one thousand families to settle in that Province, on their return to Europe. —Colonist.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Rev. Dr. Lee, Rector of St. Anne's, Fredericton, was drowned whilst bathing in the river on Monday last week. The Rev. gentleman was a good swimmer.

UNITED STATES.

Steamers for Europe on Wednesday last took a half million in gold coin and \$194,000 in silver bars. Engagements were made to ship another half a million gold coin on Thursday.

The Treasury department has ruled that seal oil imported from Canada cannot be considered fish oil, and must pay ordinary duty.

Much excitement prevails along Puget Sound and Portland, Oregon, as to the terminus of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

In Missouri on Sunday a foot of rain fell, causing damage to crops, and injuring railroads.

The South Eastern Railway of Canada was formally opened at Newport street, where the road connects with the Passumpsic Railway.

The trial of the Modoc murderers has commenced at Fort Klamath.

An ineffectual attempt has been made to

kidnap Lord Gordon who is at Fort Garry. The kidnappers were arrested.

Several passengers were seriously injured by a collision on the Ithaca branch of the Erie Railroad on Saturday night.

On the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad yesterday, several persons were wounded, and on Monday, a brakeman and fireman were scalded to death by a locomotive running off the track of the Indianapolis, Bloomington and Western Railroad.

Three men were crushed to death in a Missouri Mill, yesterday, by the fall of an immense lot of slate.

The Deputy U. S. Marshall at Jersey City was killed yesterday by a Russian sailor whom he arrested for desertion.

The Cholera has almost disappeared from Tennessee and Kentucky.

NEW YORK, July 14.

EXTENSIVE FIRES—RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.—An extensive fire occurred at Grand Rapids, Michigan, yesterday, destroying 200 buildings, and causing a loss of \$300,000.

A fire is also reported at Pittsburg, Pa; loss \$50,000.

Two cars were thrown from the track of the St. Louis and South Eastern Railroad, on Saturday. Fifteen persons were wounded.

Several persons were injured this morning on the Erie Road by collision of passenger and gravel trains.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.—In the House of Commons on Monday the 7th, Henry Richards, Secretary of London Peace Society, moved that in the opinion of this House, Her Majesty's Government should communicate with Foreign Powers for the purpose of improving international Law, and with a view of establishing Arbitration as a permanent resort for the settlement of differences between nations.

Mr. Richards stated he had received a large number of letters from America, expressing sympathy with his position. The danger of war kept four millions of men armed annually in Europe, rendering necessary taxation of \$2,000,000,000, and the payment of yearly interests on war debts of \$75,000,000.

Hon. Mr. Gladstone argued that it would defeat its own object, because continental nations held widely different views on the subject. He asked the hon. gentleman to withdraw his motion.

Mr. Richards declined to withdraw, and the vote resulted in a tie—98 yeas to 98 nays.

The speaker gave his casting vote in favor of the motion, which was adopted.

Advices from Khartoum confirm the arrival of Sir Samuel Baker and party. Sir Samuel has succeeded in organizing district forts, also in forming a connected chain of posts from Venbia to Nyanza, and obtained one thousand additional troops to complete garrisoning the line of communication.

An important geographical discovery is to the effect that the lakes of Tangazika and Albert Nyanza prove to be one and the same water, and a magnificent inland sea, seven hundred miles in length. It is further announced that vessels can be launched above the falls named after Sir Roderick Murchison, and sailed to Ujiji. Sir Samuel Baker and party are in excellent health, and leave at once for Sonakeun en route to Suaz.

The reported marriage of the Duke of Cambridge to the Russian Princess Maria, daughter of the Czar, is confirmed.

Advices from Madrid state that the defeat of the Government troops under Cabriniety by Sabello is attributed to lack of discipline. The troops captured by the insurgents, surrendered almost without firing a shot.

The defeat and death of Cabriniety was yesterday announced in the Cortes. At the same time the excesses of the Internationalists were condemned in strong language. They are accused of deceiving the Mayor and Tax Collector of a city, murdering them, and dragging their bodies through the streets.

Advices from Carlist sources state that parties have appeared in various new places organizing and inciting to risings. Enlistments are reported brisk. Several bands of Carlists have appeared in the Province of Leon.

The European and American postal congress meets at Berne, Sep. 9.

Castelar and Salmeron had a conference with the irreconcilable deputies, to induce them to return to the Cortes, but found it impossible to accede to their demands. General Nevillas has resigned, and it is expected that the government will accept the resignation.

Cholera of malignant type has appeared in Breslau, Prussia. There have been eighteen cases and four deaths.

Baron Reuter, it is said, has lost a million and a half of dollars on the Shah of Persia. He loaned him a million, which will never be repaid; and spent the remainder in obtaining the concession, which will probably be cancelled by the Persian Monarch.

The Ministerial crisis in Italy has ended, and a new Government has been formed, with Signor Minghetti at its head.

F. Winter Halls, the celebrated portrait painter, is dead.

Mahmoud Pasha has been summoned to Constantinople, to be tried for acts committed when he was Vizier.

It is rumored that the Internationals in the town of Carthage made themselves masters of the town, forts, telegraph offices and railways. The marines remained faith-

ful to the Government, and hold the navy yard.

Five thousand peasants at Alpena have joined the Carlists, driven thereto by the excesses of the Republicans.

It is expected that the Pope will soon bestow Cardinal's hats on Archbishop Manning of England, and two American Archbishops.

After the capture of Khiva by the Russians, the Khan was restored to power on his submission, and in token of his gratitude he issued a decree forever abolishing slavery in his dominions.

Heavy rain, accompanied by lightning, swept over Yorkshire on Sunday. Reports from various points state that the crops were greatly damaged and several persons were killed by the lightning.

Advices from Carlist sources state that several thousands muskets have been landed on the coast of Biscay and distributed. Also that Carlists are gaining ground with such rapidity and their numbers are so steadily on increase that there is a universal cry from Republican commanders in the north for reinforcement, in order to hold their ground.

FRANCE.—The second instalment of 250,000,000 francs of the last milliard war indemnity was paid to Germany on the 5th inst. There now remains due but 50,000,000 francs, which in accordance with treaty, is to be paid 5th of September.

The duel between Ranc and Cassagnac took place on the 7th inst. in Luxembourg territory. Cassagnac was seriously wounded. Ranc was also wounded.

The Paris Figaro states that the Shah's talismans are very numerous, exceeding 200, and they are the most curious part of his baggage. One is a gold star of five points, and it is supposed to have been possessed by the legendary Rastem. It is called Mezaum, and has the reputation of making conspirators immediately confess.

The next important talisman is a cube of amber, which it is said fell from heaven in Mahomet's time. It is supposed to render the Shah invulnerable, and he wears it about his neck. Another is a little box of gold, set in emeralds, and blessed by the "Prophet." It renders the Royal Family invisible as long as they are celibates.

The Shah had, however, numerous wives before it came into his possession. Another is a diamond set in one of his scimitars, which renders its possessor invincible, and there is also a dagger with the same property, but it is ordained that those who use it should perish by it. It is therefore carefully kept shut up in a sandal-wood box, on which is engraved a verse of the Koran.

THE ARCTIC REGIONS.—Eighteen Norwegians belonging to the German Arctic Navigation Company's service, who were left on Spitzbergen, were found dead by a party sent to their relief.

News of the Week.

BOATING ACCIDENT IN THE BASIN.—A BY DROWNED.—Yesterday afternoon two men named Jones and Brodie and a boy aged nine years, a son of Jones, left Richmond Depot in a sail boat for Bedford. They reached the head of the Basin in safety, and were about rounding into a wharf when a squall suddenly struck the boat. Their main sheet had been tied and before they could loose or cut it the boat filled and sank. The two men struck out for the shore, Jones holding his son in his arms. Several parties who witnessed the accident from the shore put out in boats to the rescue. They succeeded in saving the two men, but the boy fell from his father's grasp and was drowned before the rescuers reached him. His body had not been found up to Tuesday morning, and the father is very ill from the catastrophe.

The Strawberry Festival held in the basement of the North Baptist Church last Thursday evening was a very pleasant, and it is to be hoped, a profitable affair. Appropriate addresses were delivered by the Rev. M. Avery, the new Pastor of the church, and by the Rev. A. S. Hunt, Superintendent of Education, and the Rev. Dr. Clay. The choir sang some choice pieces of music during the evening with good effect.—Rec.

A grand gathering of all the children belonging to the public schools, at Horticultural Hall, during the forenoon; the Band of H. M. 60th Rifles at 4.30 p. m., and a grand promenade concert in the evening by Bands of all ships belonging to the detached squadron, will be the programme at the Horticultural Gardens, on Friday 18th July.

ACCIDENTS IN DARTMOUTH.—Dartmouth had two serious accidents on Thursday night. First, an elderly man named Lawrence Dureen, employed at Mr. Dooley's grist mill, fell over a bank and broke his right arm. A little later, Mr. John Oland, one of the proprietors of the Turtle Grove Brewery, while walking in an upper story of the brewery building, fell through a hole that had been cut in the floor, to the story below, a distance of 10 feet. He struck on a stone flagging, was knocked senseless and received such severe injuries about the head and body that there was little hope on Thursday night of his recovery. He was a little better yesterday.

RAILWAY TO YARMOUTH.—The township of Yarmouth, has decided to take \$100,000 stock in the Western Counties Railway Company.

In a few days the Board of Dominion Arbitrators, now sitting at Ottawa, will proceed to New Brunswick to arbitrate upon some claims in that Province.

THE CITY OF WASHINGTON BROKEN IN TWO.—Lockport, July 10.—The steamer

City of Washington, on the rocks at Port LeBeau, broke in two at seven o'clock this morning with the officers and crew on board. They had a very narrow escape with their lives, but all managed to get safely landed, though with much difficulty.

The forepart of the steamer is partly broken to pieces, and is lying on its starboard side.

The afterpart remains upright so far, but it is probable that it will also go to pieces. The M. A. Starr received the luggage of the passengers last night. The passengers themselves commenced to embark this morning.

A later special to the Chronicle says the position of the wrecked steamer City of Washington has but slightly changed since she struck on the bar between Green Island and main land east of this harbor. A heavy swell coming in from the southward this morning, and, breaking across the bar where the ship is lying, caused her to lift and surge so much, that at nine o'clock she parted abaft the foremost wheel house, which part immediately sunk in fourteen feet of water, carrying one man with it, who clung to a small part that remained out of the water, and with difficulty was taken off. At this time the breakers were making a clean breach over the aft part, which remained upright. All the spars went overboard with a crash, when she parted, except the mizzen mast, which is still standing. At the time the vessel parted, the Captain, several of the officers and a number of the crew were on board, and had great difficulty in landing. One boat swamped, but those in it were rescued by the M. A. Starr's boat.

The greater part of the cargo will probably be saved, but in a damaged condition.

Through the kindness of Mr. Jas. Harding, and others all the cabin passengers were comfortably cared for and kindly treated.

Capt. Sheridan, with his divers, arrived on the spot at 12 o'clock, and will commence operations as soon as the weather moderates.

FURTHER NEWS FROM "THE CITY OF WASHINGTON," ashore at Port LeBeau, shows that a hole was made in her bottom by striking on the rocks. The steamer M. A. Starr left Halifax on Friday morning, and brought up the remaining passengers, who were transferred to the steamer Somerset on Sunday morning, and left soon after for Boston. The officers and crew will remain here until the termination of the investigation of the cause of the disaster, which was commenced yesterday morning.

A passenger writes to the New York Herald praising the conduct of two men who put out in a small boat to the rescue of the passengers. He says:

"But how impossible to describe in the very faintest degree the gallantry of these noble fellows! At the time when we struck, Ferguson was lying ill in his bed, but at the sound of our guns this brave man got out of his bed, although he was spitting blood at the time, and he and Swanburg went to the bow of the bill and shouted out to us, at the top of their voices, that they were coming, and put off in a boat which providentially was on the shore.

All Sunday and Monday, stores, blankets, beef, biscuits, etc., were landed, and every one appeared as contented as possible under the circumstances. The kindness of the people, what few there are, is excessive. Every one is engaged in alleviating suffering. On Monday evening a meeting of cabin passengers was called, and about two hundred dollars were subscribed on the spot in coin for the two heroes, Swanburg and Ferguson. One ought to be started in New York for the same purpose, in behalf of those noble fellows who risked their lives for us. The cargo will probably be sent to Halifax.

A GIRL WORRIED BY A DOG.—On Thursday last, Nettie Hynds aged 13 years, daughter of Mr. Peter Hynds of New Annapolis, went to the house of a neighbor named McLeod for the purpose of taking care of an infant, four weeks old, while its mother went out to milk the cows. The woman had only been gone a few minutes, when a dog that had been left in the house attacked the girl, with the intention it is thought of driving her away from the child. The girl endeavored to keep him off, but he seized the child and dragged it from her grasp. She then tried to escape from the house, when the vicious brute again laid hold of her, retaining his grip of her arm till she reached the road, where he was beaten off by a man who was passing, but not until several blows had been dealt him from a heavy club. The dog, of course, was immediately killed. The flesh on the poor girl's arm between the elbow and shoulder, was terribly lacerated, portions of it being torn from the bone. The infant at first appeared to be dead, but after being carried to the open air and restoratives applied, it revived and is now doing well.—Truro Sun.

After the close of a meeting in the Presbyterian church at Antigonish, last Friday, while the Rev. Mr. Goodfellow and Rev. Mr. Chiniquy were on their way home, they were attacked by a crowd of ruffians and stoned.

Mr. Chiniquy was struck four or five times and badly hurt; Mr. Goodfellow was also struck and very seriously injured. They took refuge in a friend's house till morning, while the ruffians howled around for several hours waiting for their reappearance.

Strong feelings of indignation are manifested here at such a cowardly assault on two ministers of the Gospel.