

Dr. Manning, in 1868, when lecturing on the Syllabus, spoke of the Pope's claims as follows:

In Christ's right I am sovereign. I acknowledge no civil superior; and I claim more than this, I claim to be the supreme judge on earth, and director of the consciences of men—the peasant that tills the field, and the prince that sits on the throne; of the household that lives in the shade of privacy, and the legislature that makes laws for kingdoms. I am the last supreme judge on earth of what is right and wrong.

After using such language and with the voice of history speaking to us it is strange that such a claim should be now set up and a mention made of civil liberty being secured by the church.

The fact is that ecclesiastical rule in civil matters, whether it be by a Protestant or Catholic hierarchy, is the most tyrannical and oppressive; and it is now too late to attempt to roll back the science of government into the dark ages.

#### THE DEATH OF JOHN HOWARD HINTON

has called forth numerous references to him in the Baptist periodicals of England. His long and useful life secured for him the veneration of a large number of ministers and brethren. The Baptist pulpits have also given forth words of high appreciation of his worth. Rev. Charles Stovel of Commercial Street Chapel preached in the morning of Sunday the 29th of December, from 1 Cor. iii. 21-23; and in the course of his sermon touchingly referred to his own fifty years' association with Mr. Hinton, and with frankness stated they had often met "front to front," and yet he could now testify to the great gifts and Christian virtues of his departed brother in Christ. The Rev. W. I. Henderson his successor in the pastorate at Devonshire-Square Chapel preached in the evening of the same day from 2 Tim. iv. 7, 8, on "The earthly course and the heavenly reward." As a preface he made the following interesting reference to this one of the oldest Baptist Churches in London:

The carefully kept records of the ancient church, which worshipped for 230 years on the same spot in the City of London, and which now worships in this sanctuary, often chronicle an event like that which burdens our hearts to-day. A very few pages of fading writing, concerning baptisms, and dismissions, and discipline, suffice to divide from each other the various celebrated men who have filled its pastoral office. At one time, you see the people in the sanctuary rejoicing that the Lord has at length remembered their widowed state; and then, ere long, there is the pulpit draped in the same mourning, and fresh tears coursing along the old furrows. There is Patient, who tells a victim to the great plague of 1665, cut off a few months after his association with Kiffin in the pastoral office, and borne to his grave by wondering and broken-hearted brethren. There is Braithwaite, calmly selecting the words which we have read as the topic for his own funeral sermon, and able to rejoice in the faithfulness with which he has served the Master. There is McGowan, summoning forth his rapidly-declining strength, that he may pay one last fond visit to the old sanctuary, sit down once more with his brethren in Christ at the supper of the Lord, and then rising up to the eternal communion. And there are Thomas and Price, who, within the memory of some of ourselves, left the same post of office, and the same fellowship, for the same reward.

And to some of those who are still members of this church it cannot seem so very long ago since John Howard Hinton, yielding at last to the most urgent entreaties, c. m. in 1837 to take the office which had so often been honourably filled before. And for the long, yet in thought and reread so brief, period of twenty-seven years did he remain the loving and beloved pastor of the church. And now he is gone. Now we add another name to the long mournful list, and have to think of him who is the best known of them all, as amongst those who sleep in Jesus. Not many churches could furnish so illustrious a list of saintly worthies. And on the lips of no one member of the holy band would these words have been more appropriate in the hour of death than on the lips of John Howard Hinton, "I have fought the good fight," &c.

#### LIVERPOOL AND MILTON.

**CORRECTION.**—We regret to find that in our quotation from a letter received last week from Rev. J. A. Durkee, a life was accidentally omitted, which gives it a different meaning from what was intended. It should have read as follows:

"Our week of prayer services have been followed by signs of coming good at Liverpool and here, more especially at Liverpool, where there are enquirers. Meetings are continued at both places this week."

**BAPTISMS.**—On Sunday last the Rev. G. O. Gates baptized eight believers at Liverpool.

On the same day the Rev. J. A. Durkee baptized five into the Milton Church. Deep interest still continues in the congregations.

ELECTION MATTERS have been quite lively in this county during the past ~~most~~ <sup>most</sup> unexpectedly on nomination day, when it had been supposed there would be no contest. Mr. Donald Robb, a master mason of Halifax, was nominated as the Workingmen's Candidate, and was supported by the late member for Halifax, Dr. Almon, and others. As there had been no nomination given previously to last week of there being any such nomination, nor, so far as we have learned, of any intention of his candidature, there has since been some pretty warm words and strong expressions in the public prints respecting the opposing candidates.—The opposition is raised principally against Mr. Jones.

The polling will take place, not as our types last week strangely made us say, on the "2nd of April," but tomorrow.

It is said Sir. S. Morton Peto, Bart., intends to contest East Suffolk in the Liberal interest at the general election.

AGED POLITICIANS.—Mr. Hadfield, M. P. is now in his 87th year, a veteran advocate of religious equality. Mr. Barrow, the member for South Notts, is close upon ninety. They are both lawyers, but in politics stand at the opposite poles.

#### Notices.

YARMOUTH, JAN. 27TH, 1874.  
Dear Editor,—

Please acknowledge in the columns of the *Messenger*, the following sums received for Home Missions, per S. Selden, Esq.:

From Pine Grove S. School Con-	
cert. . . . .	\$ 5 00
" A Friend. . . . .	2 50
" A Halifax Friend . . . . .	25 00
" E. B. Hubley. . . . .	1 00
Total. . . . .	\$34 00

Yours truly,  
SAMUEL BROWN, Treas.

#### NOTICE.

Dr. Cramp requests us to state that he has received forty dollars from "A friend to Missions," Cape Canav, for Karen preaching in Siam.

RECEIVED FROM WOMAN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Pine Grove.—Mrs. J. N. North. . . . .	\$10.00
Canso.—Mrs. E. M. Bigelow. . . . .	10.00
Cement/scale.—Mrs. Jas. E. Pot-	
ter. . . . .	40.00

M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.  
Halifax, N. S., Feb. 4, 1874.

**ERRATA.**—In *Christian Messenger*, Jan. 28th, "THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST." Column 1st, near the bottom, for "the same," read *sacred*, Column 2nd, near the top, for "undesirably adapted," read *undeniably adopted*, Column 3rd, near the bottom, for "he says," read *it says*, Col. 4th, toward the bottom, for "repeat," read *reject*.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

A few of my friends met at my place a short time ago, leaving a very cheering effect on the mind of the pastor and his family, by their liberality in gifts and kind words, which necessarily has a good result on the givers as well as the receiver. The amount in money and valuables was fifty-five dollars. The Saviour says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The speeches were a fair specimen of kind hearts. If churches in general only knew what soul-cheering effect such gatherings have on the mind of a minister struggling and labouring to build up the cause of God, they would soon become more general. I have also received private gifts from the kind friends in Hebron, last summer a gift in value thirty-six dollars.

Many thanks to the friends for these tokens of good will. Long may they prosper to aid their pastor in his work of preaching Christ.

J. ROWE.  
Hebron, Yarmouth.

BROOKFIELD, QUEENS CO.

JAN. 26TH, 1874.

With deepest thankfulness would I acknowledge the tender mercies of our covenant keeping God.

Since first coming to this field of labor in July 1872 we have been permitted to share largely in the people's affections and gifts, and have been made to feel that God's hand guided us here.

I undertook the Pastorate of the Brookfield Caledonia and Kempt churches. During

the year between Brookfield and Kempt churches we received upwards of \$80.00 in cash and useful articles in addition to salary. I did not send you an account of it as I felt that words did not speak half the kindness of the people. I was obliged this year to lessen my physical labor and have been engaged with the Brookfield and Caledonia Churches, thus leaving Kempt without a pastor. May the Lord soon sent them a faithful man of God.

Let me here observe that if our churches were thrown more upon their own resources

in this respect it would be better for both pastor and people, for I presume my supporters easily raised this year the previous, and the people get more labor thus in laboring harder they prize the fruit more.

On the evening of the 1st of Jan. last, the people from Caledonia, North and South Brookfield, and Pleasant River came in large numbers to our cycling greatly cheering our hearts by their presence and showing their deep regard for us, left in our possession \$70 Cash, and \$54 worth of very useful articles, making in all \$124. Besides this we are continually receiving tokens of their great kindness.

Words fail to express the love we have for this people, and of their love which we share, as seen in the bestowment of their unmerited favors.

May the Lord shower His Heavenly blessings upon them for their strenuous efforts these "hard times" to support the cause so nobly.

Yours very truly,  
GEORGE N. BALLENTINE.

UPPER AYLESFORD, JAN. 29TH, 1874.—  
Dear Brother Selden,—Please allow me space in your valuable paper to acknowledge the benevolent holiday gift amounting to \$208 presented to me by the people of my charge. Truly God has blessed me with kind and sympathizing people. May He reward them liberally for their many deeds of love and kindness to me and mine.

We have been holding some special services since the week of prayer, which have been crowned with precious results. Christians are realizing their duty as followers of Christ, and souls are being saved.

Yours truly,  
J. L. READ.

#### LETTERS RECEIVED.

J. B. Kinney, \$2.	W. Haley, \$8.
Rev. D. Freeman, Rev. J. C. Morse, \$2	W. R. Doty, Esq., \$4.
C. H. Whitman, T. D. Davison, \$4.	Rev. W. H. Richan, \$4.
S. Thomas, C. Norwood, 1 sub., \$1.	Rev. M. P. Freeman, \$8.50.
James E. Patton, Esq.	Charles McNeill, \$4.
John G. Crossby, \$2.	B. Brown, \$2.
Z. G. Gabel, Esq., \$12.	A. M. Lean, \$2.
J. E. White, G. V. Rand, 1 sub.	S. J. Burgess, 1 sub., \$1.
M. Hunter, \$4.	M. Hunter, \$4.
R. A. Newcomb, \$4.	M. Kinsman, \$4.
I. Wallace, 2 subs.	Rev. G. B. Titus, 2 subs., \$2.
W. Churchill, Esq., 1 sub.	Rev. J. L. Read, \$2.
Rev. Chas. Randall, \$12.	Rev. Chas. Randall, \$12.
A. Vaughan, E. M. Chesley, Rev. J. A. Durkee, W. J. Gates.	

#### News of the Week.

##### "OUR VILLAGE."

BERWICK.—You will be pleased to learn that the Berwick School Section have erected a new school house—a want long felt—to meet the requirements of this thriving village. The building is 75 ft. by 33 ft. with a porch on each end, and a very respectable belfry on the centre of the main-building. An acre of land has been procured on an eminence, a short distance to the east of the village for its site. The house when completed will cost about \$2000. Messrs. Pineo and West have the contract, and expect to have it completed next Spring.

Misses A. Vidito and DeWitt are teaching a superior school at present in the old school House and Temperance Hall. They have over one hundred scholars.

Eromanga Lodge I. O. G. T. is doing a good work.

The sisters are making laudable efforts to purchase an organ for the Lodge.

Two steam mills are in operation near the village, one for the manufacture of lumber, grinding grain and driving the machinery of "Parker's Combination Furniture Factory."

The other for the manufacture of shingles. It can turn out 2 M. per hour. Quite a number of new buildings have been erected during the past year, and men of means and influence have removed into the village.

"The Star," having returned, is shining with renewed splendor at its old stand.

New life and energy seem of late to have been infused into the business of the community.

Our religious matters are not at present, quite so prosperous. The Baptist Church is still without a pastor, prayers are being offered that one may come to labor in "word and doctrine" to this large Church and Society. Our temporal prosperity will avail us but little if the converting and sanctifying influences of the Holy Spirit do not come amongst us.

HALIFAX Y. M. C. ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of this Association was held in the Barrack Street Mission House. Most of the committees reported progress, particularly the building committee, whose labors are now drawing to a close, and whose best report is the existence of a noble structure which is an ornament to the city and a credit to the Association. The find offices of the press were acknowledged in the reports, both for gratuitous notices and copies of papers for the rooms. Over twenty-five thousand visits of mem-

bers and strangers were made to the rooms last year, and nearly three thousand volumes were issued. The following is a list of the

#### OFFICE BEARERS FOR 1874.

PRESIDENT.—John S. MacLean.  
VICE PRESIDENTS.—W. B. McNutt, M. Lindsay, J. B. Morrow, Dr. Delaney, W. H. Wiswell, Hon. Dr. Parker.

RECORDING SEC'Y AND LIBRARIAN.—Hy. Thaxter.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.—Arch. Patterson.

TREASURER.—S. H. Black.

GENERAL COMMITTEE.—S. D. Matheson, D. Henry Star, S. M. Brookfield, Jas. Forrest, C. H. Longard, J. H. Townsend, Jas. Farquhar, Sheriff Bell, Dr. Slayter, S. McNaughton, P. Archibald, H. P. Burton, W. H. Neal, T. S. Peters, Dr. Gordon, S. Jos., J. C. Mackintosh, W. Roche, Junr., John P. Smith, Angus Murray, W. H. Waddell, A. G. Dow, J. S. Anderson, J. F. L. Parsons, John Noller, A. Murdoch, J. Burgoine, E. Lloyd, Andrew Bell, R. B. Wilch, F. H. Oxley, A. Campbell.

RAILWAYS IN CAPE BRETON.—F. N. Gisborne writes Jan. 19th to a Sydney paper:—"I leave for England per S. S. *Hibernian* on the 27th inst., for the purpose of arranging with the Directors plans and contracts for the construction of the railway between Lorway Junction and Louisburg. Is all probability my assistant—Mr. Albert J. Hill—will receive instructions by cable from London, to contract for timber and mason-work, and to organize gangs of artisans and laborers prior to my return in March.

The Railway to and Pier at Louisburg will be completed before the Fall of 1875, and meanwhile will afford constant employment to a large number of the inhabitants of Cape Breton.

When in England I hope to interest my friends in the establishment of iron smelting works, and thus introduce an important manufacturing industry into the island the ore being abundant and of splendid quality.

I also hope to set on foot active measures for the construction of the Eastern Extension Railway between Picton and Louisburg, a work which must be preceded by the Government providing a first class steam ferry at the Strait of Canso.

Mr. Jenkins will lecture in Halifax on Feb. 13th. Subject "The Christian Citizen." Mr. Jenkins received the nomination in the Liberal interest for the City of Dundee for the House of Commons. He returns to England immediately, but in his way will remain here for a day or two.

SHIP-BUILDING.—There are now two organized ship-building companies at Bridgewater. The oldest one has already built a number and plan on launching one each summer.

The facilities for procuring at reasonable rates building material, are very good. This is an important branch of business. Yarmouth in the past has benefited greatly by the enterprise of her energetic merchants in this direction.

The shipbuilding, fishing and West India business has done much during the past few years through the enterprise of some three or four firms, to revive the commercial interest of our shire town (Lunenburg.)

Lunenburg County has many resources which, when more fully developed, will tend to increase the wealth of our people and offer inducements to people from other lands to make it their home. W. J. G.

BRIDGEWATER.—Navigation closed on the Lallave River the latter part of December, but re-opened in January, and continued open for some days, so that rats of deals were floated down. One vessel loaded for Halifax, and the River tug plied up and down. Now all is ice-bound again and will probably remain so till March. Our lumbermen are actively engaged in the woods preparing material to keep the saw mills at work on the opening of spring. The weather has thus far been broken and consequently unsuitable for this important work, but it may be better the latter part of winter.

The continued depression in prices of lumber in the West Indies and United States, will tend to lessen the quantity of logs being put in, as present quotations, will not warrant the large expenditure necessarily incurred in preparing lumber for market. The general trade of this town continues much the same as it has been in other winters.

The large failures here in 1873, seemed to retard the progress of the place for a time, &c. Their effects will doubtless be felt for some time to come. Yet, aside from these hindrances, general prosperity seems to prevail.

Only a few years ago a company, with the late Dr. Sloane at their head built the first Gang mill on the Lallave River, known as the "Glenwood gang mill and shuck factory." The project partially failed and so did the enterprise, but unfortunate proprietors. Yet this paved the way for what we now have. Something like 15 sets of Gang saws and two Circular Steam Mills increasing the quantity of lumber reported from the River in the fifteen years to fully fifteen times the amount per annum shipped at that time.

THE EAST INDIA REMEDY is the only thing upon record that positively cures CONSUMPTION and BRONCHITIS. We have many palliatives, but Calcutta Hemp is the only permanent cure, and will break up a fresh cold in twenty-four hours. One bottle will satisfy the most skeptical. Price \$2.50. Send a stamp for certificate of cures, to CRADDOCK & CO., 1032 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pa., naming this paper.

Jan. 28. 1m.