

the two systems of Education respectively, now under consideration. In Catholic Quebec and Protestant Ontario, the two systems are in full operation, side by side; the Bishops system having become law in Quebec in the year 1846, some seven years before the establishment of the non-sectarian system of Ontario. The result has been, as our readers may observe in another column from our own statistics, that, while in Ontario, only 3 in every hundred over 20 years of age, are unable to read; in Quebec, from the same class, we get 16 in every 100 who cannot read.

We might approach still nearer home, did space permit, and ask the Bishops to explain to us, why in our own Province, the "heretical" Counties of Colchester and Kings, should stand at the head, while the Counties of Richmond, Cape Breton, and Antigonish, — Counties under the special supervision of Colin Francis, Bishop of Arichat, and Joan, Bishop of Titopolis — stand at the foot of the list in the matter of education.

Notices.

RECEIVED FROM WOMAN'S MISSION AID SOCIETY.

Truro, — Mrs. B. Wilson. . . \$28 00
Windsor, — Miss E. T. Harding. . . 28 77
Amherst, — Miss E. Freeman. . . 15 00
Halifax, North Church, — Mrs. J. Steele. . . 27 80
M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.
Halifax, N. S., April 1, 1874.

TO THE WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES:

Dear Sisters, — I have had many enquiries from Secretaries of Societies, as to the best and most serviceable articles that can be made here, to be forwarded at some future time to our Missionaries in Sam. I wrote to Miss DeWolfe for information, and she has kindly sent me a list, which I will copy from her later for the use of our friends. She writes: "You ask for a list of articles for Karen children; their wants in the clothing line are few, but common white pocket-handkerchiefs hemmed, and factory cotton low-necked, sleeveless slip waists are much prized by them. I have thought, too, some single patchwork quilts, made very strong so that they could be washed often, would be very nice for the poor children in School, who only have a little rag to cover them; pillow slips half a yard wide, and common shirts such as are worn at night, for boys and lads; gay cotton handkerchiefs, two squares in one piece, hemmed for headresses. I do not think of anything more just now, unless it were baby socks and caps, of which the people are very fond."

Should any of our friends wish to write to Miss DeWolfe, her present address is 84 East Brookline St. Boston, Mass. M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y. March 31 1874.

HOME MISSIONS.

YARMOUTH, March 27th, 1874.

Dear Editor, —

Please acknowledge in the Messenger, the following sums received for Home Missions. From Revd. P. R. Foster collected on mission to Salmon River. \$12.34 From Charls Norwood, Licentiate, on Mission to New Ross and Blue Mountain. 43 03

Total. \$55.37

My acknowledgement of money received from Louisa Smith, and J. M. Smith, St. Mary's Bay should read, "From Louisa Smith for H. M. \$ 4.00 " J. M. Smith " 2 00 Yours truly, SAM'L BROWN, Treas.

The Foreign Missionary Board will meet at the Mission Room, No. 17 King Street, St. John, N. B., on Monday, April 6th, at 3 o'clock.

By order, W. B. BOGGS, Sec.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

I wish to acknowledge through the Messenger, my heartfelt gratitude to the friends at Jordan River, for the kind gift bestowed upon me and Mrs. McKenne in the sum of \$6 in cash, and valuables to the amount of \$11, making in all \$17. My prayer is, that the Lord will bless them in basket and in store, and that they may receive the fulfilment of God's promise "It is more blessed to give than to receive." East Ragged Island, Feb. 13th, 1874. J. F. MCKENNE.

Our friends from Perea and Canning made their annual visit to our house on the Wednesday evening, Jan. 28th. The weather was rainy, but the attendance was large. As on previous occasions the evening result was seventy-two dollars in cash and thirty dollars in useful articles. These annual visits are sunny spots. Yours &c. D. FREEMAN.

Dear Editor, — At No. 2, Brother Benjamin Shafner, J. P., having the kindness

to open his dwelling-house; the friends met there on the evening of the 30th of Feb., and after having enjoyed themselves in conversation, music, with the rich provision which the ladies, who are always equal to their part, "in good things," had provided, Bro. B. Shafner being in the chair, called upon Bro. Wm. Crosseup, J. P., to present the purse of \$38.00, and the well-wishes of the company for the pastor and family; which with the reply of the pastor and address by J. E. Shafner, Esq., G. E. Crosseup, S. T., and others, the very pleasant doings were closed with a second speech from the chair, prayer by the pastor, and the doxology.

On Tuesday evening, the 3rd of March, Bro. Cornelius Fleet having kindly opened his dwelling-house; the pastor was invited to tea with his friends, which he cordially accepted, and pleasant to relate, not only met the friends of No. 3, but also some of No. 2, who were so in unison with such movement as to be unable to resist the temptation of the general invitation given by the brethren of No. 3. After the routine business, which was all good, was through, Deacon James Anthony who in a most elaborate address presented the pastor with a purse, containing \$30.62, and the very best wishes of all concerned. After the reply by the pastor, and short responses from several, the pleasant and most profitable doings closed with prayer.

Now that the three gatherings are over you'll permit me to say to all the contributors of No. 1, 2, and 3, I remain yours appreciatively, J. C. BLEAKNEY. Lower Granville, March 16th, 1874.

My people met at my house on the 4th Jan., and made me a donation in cash and presents \$75.00; since that I have received \$5.00, making it \$80. Also my friends and people at Meadowvale, presented me with \$50.00 a donation, making in all \$130.00. May God bless them for their kindness to me. I have a kind people, good congregations, and above all a gracious Master. W. J. BLAKENEY. Nictaux, March 22nd, 1874.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

W. J. Gates, \$14.25. Rev. W. E. Hall. Rev. J. C. Bleakney, Rev. C. Randall, \$4. J. S. Witter, Rev. G. C. A. J. Walker, Rev. W. G. Parker, T. H. Parker, \$4. W. R. Doty, \$2. H. E. Payson, Esq., \$2. Rev. J. L. Read. Robt. Bares, \$4. Rev. Dr. Tupper, \$10. Jas. Lantz, \$5. E. C. Tufts, M. C. Oiding, \$2. Rev. J. F. McKenne, \$2. J. W. Soley, \$2. J. J. Parker, 25c. Rev. W. J. Bleakney, D. Archibald, \$7.75. A. P. Shand, T. M. King, \$2.50. M. J. Dennison, \$2. M. E. Newcomb. E. Rand, D. Archibald, \$7.75. W. A. Morse, \$4. W. F. Cutten, Esq., 1 sub. J. Haan, 1 sub., \$2. Rev. S. W. De Bois, R. Harlow, C. Eaton — \$2 foreign and \$1 Home Mission — \$2. Rev. G. O. Gates, \$10.50. M. Kinsman, \$9. Rev. J. A. Stubbart, \$2. J. E. Lockwood.

News of the Week.

A new steam fire engine arrived from the States last week. It is located in No. 6 Engine House.

The Council have agreed to ask permission to expend \$100,000 on a new City Hall, instead of \$200,000 as formerly sought for. It is probable that it will go into effect.

Judge Bliss has left to members of his family \$254,000, towards a Cathedral \$4,000, and to the Church of England Endowment Fund \$2,000.

Some fine Corawallis cattle were on exhibition in Halifax last week.

DISPUTED ELECTIONS — Protests have been entered against the return of Messrs. Macdonnell, Inverness; Tupper, Cumberland; Goudge, Hants; Carmichael and Dawson, Pictou; Borden, Kings; McKay, Colchester; and Jones, Halifax.

SALMON — The prohibition of angling for Salmon in March and April has been repealed by an order in Council.

ACCIDENTS. — A woman named Ward, who resides in Lockman Street, was badly burned a few days since. While passing the fire, she was seized with an epileptic fit, and fell into the fire place. She was quickly rescued, but not before she was badly burned about the head, face and breast. She now lies in a very precarious state.

A coloured boy named Kellum was run over by a passing truck in Upper Water Street, near North Street, Friday evening, the wheels of the truck passing over his head. The injury he received is of a serious nature.

A boy named Morris was also run over by a passing carriage, on Jacob St. but escaped with a few scratches about the face.

STARR MANUFACTURING COMPANY. — At the Annual meeting on Wednesday last, the Directors Report failed to give satisfaction to all the Shareholders, and a Committee was appointed to investigate the Company's affairs and report after two weeks.

THE AIR LINE ROUTE. — It is proposed to run a line of steamships between Eastport and Digby and Annapolis, giving by the W. & A. Railway the most direct route to the United States. An Act has passed the Maine Legislature for the incorporation of a Company to be called the Air Line Steamship Company for this purpose. It is probable there will also be lines of steamers to Portland, in connection with Express trains to Halifax.

CONCERT AT UPPER CANARD. — A Concert will be held in the Baptist Church, Upper Canard, on Friday Evening, April 3rd, for the purpose of liquidating the debt on the New Church. The music will be conducted by a number of the best voices that can be procured in the County, and no pains will be spared to give the public one of the best Musical feasts ever offered in the country. Singers. — Mrs. J. L. Wickwire, Mrs. D. S. Dickie, Mrs. B. Fellows, Miss S. Cox, Mr. J. North, Mr. J. Tooker, Mr. C. R. Bishop, Mr. B. Fellows, Mr. M. Cox, Miss Bertha Wood, Organist. Tickets 25 cents; Children 10 cents. Doors open at 6 1/2, to commence at 7 1/2 o'clock. Should the evening prove unfavorable, it will be held on Monday evening, April 6th.

THE COMMERCIAL COLLEGE conducted by Messrs. Eaton & Frazee is doing good work in giving a superior business training to quite a number of young men. On Friday last Messrs. James W. Moir, Henry J. Pugh, and John T. Litching, passed very creditable examinations and received diplomas from the Principal.

MOUNT HOPE ASYLUM. — Dr. DeWolfe will accept our thanks for a copy of his report. It contains a number of interesting facts in relation to the institution; of which the following are among the most satisfactory. In the fifteen years since the opening of the Hospital, nine hundred and twelve have been discharged, as follows: namely, One hundred and eighty-three have died; twenty have been removed unimproved; sixty-eight have been benefited to a greater or less extent; and three hundred and seventy-four have been discharged as recovered. The proportion of recoveries to admissions has been this year nearly sixty per cent (59.45), while the average of former years has been forty per cent (40.06)

DIED FROM THE EFFECTS OF JUMPING ROPE. — Maggie Daniels, an interesting daughter of Mr. Edward Daniels, about eight years of age, residing on Pine street, died from the effects of jumping rope, on Tuesday last. We learn that she jumped two hundred times in succession, which was followed by sudden illness resulting in death. The practice of rope jumping, to see how many times one can jump without stopping is exceedingly dangerous, and it behooves parents and teachers to caution the children against indulging therein. A little of this exercise will do very well, but if carried to excess it is sure to produce injurious results. — Cape Breton Advertiser.

Mr. Dennis Hays, of Windsor, was found dead in his bed on Friday. He had retired in apparent good health.

FIRE AT LORWAY MINES. — A despatch to the Chronicle says that a shanty at Lorway Mines, C. B., owned by Mr. Ross, was burned during the absence of the owner on Thursday night, and Sarah Ross, a daughter of the proprietress, and a boarder named William McKenzie, perished in the flames. The fire was not seen at the time, and the disaster was only discovered on Friday morning when all was over. There is some suspicion of foul play, marks of blood having been found.

DARTMOUTH. — A barn and its contents consisting of six sleighs and sleds, a new hearse, a new buggy, several wagons, and a lot of farming implements, belonging to Mr. Greene, were totally destroyed by fire on Friday night. Loss about \$1200. It had been insured for several years but the policy ran out a few months since and had not been renewed.

THE LAHAYE RIVER is now open and the Spring trade is commencing, although not as active as could be desired. One of the gang mills — owned by W. J. Gates & Co., has already commenced sawing. Others will shortly follow.

A POLAR BEAR. — The children of a respectable resident living near Barrington's Cove were chased ashore from the ice a few days ago by a Polar Bear. Whether the grizzly Bruin had any designs against said children or not, is hard to say, the youngsters at the sight of the monster, thought discretion the better part of valor, and fled. After moving around leisurely for a short time on the ice this strayed inhabitant of the Polar Seas took to the open water and swam for the field of drift-ice in the distance, that evidently had borne him from home and all its charms. — North Sydney Herald, March 25th.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

TENDERS FOR TRESTLE WORK

TENDERS will be received at this office until six o'clock, P. M., on Saturday, 4th April next, from persons disposed to offer for the erection of Timber Trestle work required for Coal Sidings at Sussex, Moncton, Amherst and Shubenacadie. Plans and Specifications may be seen at the Engineer's office, Moncton, at the Railway Station, St. John, and at the Railway Agency, Hollis Street, Halifax, where printed forms of Tender may be obtained. The Department will not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

LEWIS GARVELL, General Superintendent. Railway Office, Moncton, } April 1. March 23rd, 1874.

AGENTS WANTED

in every Town and Settlement in Nova Scotia, for the sale of ALVIN BOOKS, MAPS and CHARTS. Large Commissions given. We offer liberal inducements to Experienced Agents. Descriptive Circulars and Terms sent Free. For further particulars address without delay, D. ARCHIBALD, Summerside, P. E. I., } April 1. March 20th, 1874.

WINDSOR & ANNAPOLIS RAILWAY. SPRING ARRANGEMENT. COMMENCING WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1874. HALIFAX TO ST. JOHN.

Table with columns: STATIONS, Exp. No., Pass. and Frgt., Pass. and Frgt. M. P. M. Rows include Halifax, Bedford, Mount Junction, Windsor, etc.

ST. JOHN TO HALIFAX.

Table with columns: STATIONS, Pass. and Frgt., Exp. No. Rows include St. John by Steamer, Annapolis, Bridgetown, etc.

N. B. — Trains Nos. 1 and 6 run in connection with the S. M. "Scud" and on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday only.

Steamer "Scud" leaves St. John on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, at 8 a. m., for Annapolis, and return same day, on arrival of 8 a. m. Express Train from Halifax.

International Steamers leave St. John, on Monday and Thursday, at 8 a. m., for Eastport, Portland, and Boston.

European and North American Railway Trains leave St. John, at 8 a. m. for Woodstock, Fredericton, St. Stephens, Bangor, Portland, Boston, and all parts of the United States and Canada.

Through Tickets at reduced fares by above routes to all parts of the United States and Canada may be obtained at the Company's Office, 126 Hollis Street, Halifax, at Richmond, and the principal Stations on the Railway. P. INNES, Manager. Kentville, 30th March, 1874. April 1

Just published, crown 8vo., price 80c. cloth bound.

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BY J. M. CRUMP, D. D.

This small volume is rich in vigorous thought and in devout feeling. In ten short chapters he sketches the early life and the labours of the great Apostle, his views of Christ, of faith, of regeneration, and holiness, his letters and theology. The whole is at once a history and an argument, full of instructive lessons, and decisive as evidence of the truths of Christianity. Dr. Crump has made himself familiar with modern Biblical criticism, and gives in the text or in notes the result of recent scholarship. The volume will find no small acceptance with teachers, ministers, and intelligent readers generally. We give it a cordial welcome. — Freeman. London: YATES & ALEXANDER. Halifax, N. S.: S. SELDEN. Montreal: DAWSON BROTHERS. w. w. it.

PRIVATE BILLS.

PARTIES intending to make application to Parliament for Private Bills, either for granting exclusive privileges, or conferring corporate powers for commercial or other purposes of profit, or for doing anything tending to affect the rights of property of other parties, are hereby notified that they are required by the Rules of the two Houses of Parliament, (which are published in full in the Canada Gazette) to give TWO MONTHS' NOTICE of the application (clearly and distinctly specifying its nature and object), in the Canada Gazette, and also, in a new paper published in the County or Union of Counties affected, sending copies of the Papers containing the first and last of such notices to the Private Bill Office of each House. All Petitions for Private Bills must be presented within the first three weeks of the session. ROBERT LEMOINE, Clerk of the Senate. ALFRED PATRICK, Clerk of the House of Commons.

MAN OF A THOUSAND, A CONSUMPTIVE CURED.

WHEN death was hourly expected from Consumption, all remedies having failed, accident led to a discovery whereby Dr. H. James cured his only child with a preparation of Canada India. He now gives this recipe free on receipt of two stamps to pay expenses. There is not a single symptom of consumption that it does not dissipate. — Night Sweats, Irritation of the Nerves, Difficult Expectoration, Sharp Pains in the Loins, Pain in the Stomach, Inaction of the Bowels, and Wasting of the Muscles, Address CRADDOCK & CO., 1632 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa., giving name of this paper. Jan. 28. 3m.

GARDEN AND FLOWER SEEDS.

OUR Chromo "The Little Florists," a beautiful Parlor Picture, 17 x 22 inches, is sent free to all who favor us with orders to the amount of FIVE DOLLARS. Send for CATALOGUE, which we mail gratis to all who wish. CHASE BROTHERS & BOWMAN, SEEDSMEN, Feb. 4. 2m. Oshawa, Ont.

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Because it will cure Rheumatism, Cramps, Headache, Neuralgia, Toothache, Sprains, Bruises, Chilblains, Corns, Stiffness of Joints, and pains of all kinds. It should always be kept in every house. It possesses the advantage over all other LINIMENTS of being purely VEGETABLE producing Ready Relief. Many and conclusive testimonials and certificates have been given to the proprietor, and hundreds more could be if requisite. The following are samples: HALIFAX, FEB. 23RD, 1874. Mr. B. HUBLEY, — Dear Sir, — I do not know of anything better for RHEUMATISM than your LINIMENT. ESROM BOUTILLIER. Mr. BENJAMIN HUBLEY, — Sir, — I shall feel obliged by you making known for the benefit of others my opinion of your RHEUMATISM LINIMENT. The use of it in the case of RHEUMATISM has satisfied me that it not only merits the character claimed for it in your advertisement, but also that the advertisement does not do adequate justice to a most valuable remedy. JAMES B. REYNOLDS. Mr. B. HUBLEY, — Sir, — I hereby most willingly and with much pleasure record my testimony in favour of your RHEUMATISM LINIMENT. It is the best LINIMENT for all kinds of PAIN and aches that I have used. S. E. WATSON. Certificates from many well known respectable citizens are now in the proprietors possession and may be inspected by those suffering with Rheumatism and other complaints. Mr. BENJAMIN HUBLEY also cures the most inveterate CANCERS and TUMOURS. A positive and permanent cure guaranteed. PRICE \$10. BENJAMIN HUBLEY, No. 158 North St., Halifax. Wholesale Agents — Brown Brothers, and Avery, Brown & Co. March 4. 6 mths.

MAIL CONTRACT.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Post Master General, and marked "Tenders for Mail Service," will be received at OTTAWA, until 12 o'clock, noon, on FRIDAY, the 27th of March, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, six times per week, each way, between

HALIFAX AND SHELBURNE, And on the Branch Routes Between Lunenburg and Mahone Bay, and between Lunenburg and Bridgewater,

on and from the 1st July next. The conveyance to be made on the Main and Branch Routes by Wagon, drawn by not less than two horses.

The route pursued in the conveyance of this Mail to be as above.

The computed distance between Halifax and Shelburne — including the Branch Routes is one hundred and fifty-seven miles.

The Rate of Travel to be not less than six miles per hour, including stoppages for all purposes.

The days and hours of Arrival and Departure to be as follows, subject to a right of the Postmaster-General to alter the same, should he consider it advisable so to do.

MAIN ROUTES:

Leave Halifax, Daily at 6 A. M. Arrive at Bridgewater on same day at 6 P. M.

Leave Bridgewater Daily at 6 A. M. Arrive at Shelburne on same day at 5.30 P. M.

Leave Shelburne daily at 6 A. M. Arrive at Bridgewater on same day at 5.30 P. M.

Leave Bridgewater Daily at 6 A. M. Arrive at Halifax on same day at 6 P. M.

BRANCH ROUTES:

Leave Lunenburg Daily at 6.15 A. M. Arrive at Mahone Bay at 7.30 A. M. to connect with Mail for Halifax.

Leave Mahone Bay Daily, on arrival of Mail from Halifax. Arrive at Lunenburg in one hour and a quarter.

Leave Lunenburg Daily at 3.30 P. M. Arrive at Bridgewater at 5.30.

Leave Bridgewater Daily, on arrival of Mail from Shelburne. Arrive at Lunenburg in two hours.

The contract if satisfactorily executed, will continue in force for a term not exceeding four years, the Postmaster General reserving the right to terminate the agreement at any time previous to the expiration of the four years — should the public interest, in his opinion require it — upon giving the contractor three months notice of his intention.

All expenses on this route for Tolls, Ferries, &c., must be defrayed by the Contractor.

Each tender to state the price Per Annum, in words at length, and to be accompanied by the written guarantee of two responsible parties, undertaking that, in the event of the tender being accepted, the contract shall be duly executed by the party tendering, for the price demanded; undertaking also to become bound with the contractor in the sum of Thirteen Hundred Dollars for the due performance of the Service.

Printed forms of Tender and Guarantee may be obtained of the Post Office at Chester, Bridgewater, Liverpool, Lunenburg, Mahone Bay, Mills Village and Shelburne, or at the office of the subscriber.

A. WOODGATE, Post Office Inspector. Post Office Inspector's Office, } Halifax, 13th Feb. 1874. } March 4.