

gory walls of cleft flesh! Why, we should as much expect to find Vulcan engaged in setting diamonds in a lady's gold ring. But notwithstanding we must do all we can not to rasp delicate ear drums. I have been under drilling these many years on our little letter u, and still I am not certain that I shall not unwittingly wound the ear of some "Massillon." But they must be considerate. It is one thing for us whose tongues inherit the stubborn sound of the old Puritans to get right on this letter, and quite another thing for those of us, who have had the good fortune to come into the world with the sweet sounding Irish u on our lips.

"Massillon" calls the minister's work "self-imposed;" the Scriptures tell us that it is imposed by Christ, and that woe be to the man who refuses to perform it.

Yours hopefully,
SLIP-SHOOD.

[After the portion of the above communication on the previous page was printed we discovered that one word had been misapprehended by our compositor. Will the reader therefore please turn back, and in the 28th line from the bottom instead of the word "accounts" read, accents.—Ed. C. M.]

Religious Intelligence.

CAPE BRETON MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE.

The Quarterly Conference of the ministers and churches of Cape Breton, which had not been held for nearly three years was revived at Sydney on Friday, Oct. 16. A Prayer meeting was held at 2 o'clock, and arrangements made for the following meetings. In the evening a sermon was preached by Bro. Brown.

On Saturday at 10 o'clock a devotional meeting was held, Bro. McDonald presiding. Prayer was specially offered for a revival of God's work in the island. Exhortation followed, and a spirit of earnestness seemed to prevail throughout.

At 2 o'clock a paper was read by Bro. Armstrong on the phrase "Born of water." Some discussion followed, in which Brcs. Richardson, McDonald and Brown took part. A vote of thanks for the paper was unanimously passed, coupled with the request that Bro. Armstrong would forward the paper to the Messenger for publication. In the evening a sermon was preached by Bro. McDonald.

On Sabbath morning Brother Brown preached, and Bro. McDonald in the evening. Bro. Richardson addressed a few earnest words, expressing himself as standing on the verge of the eternal world and with much energy pressed upon those who had not believed in Jesus to do so at once.

On Monday evening a missionary meeting was held, and addresses given by Bros. McDonald, Armstrong and Brown. A collection having been taken up from the meeting closed by singing "From Greenland icy mountains." It was arranged that the next meetings be held at Cow Bay to commence the 2nd Friday in Jan. 1875.

A lively interest seemed to be taken in the meetings throughout, and it is hoped and believed that some good result will follow. "Brethren pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified."

J. Brown, Sec'y.
Sydney, C. B., Oct. 20, 1874.

YARMOUTH.—The visit of Rev. A. B. Earle last week was accompanied by large spiritual blessings to the churches of this town. He was here but 8 or 9 days in the course of which he preached eighteen times in the Baptist, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian places of worship. The meetings were all more or less of a union character. Dr. Day informs us "they were all crowded from the first." Writing on Friday last, he says: "The like of the meetings I never saw before. More than 200 have either returned from their wanderings or have been lately converted. All the churches share in the blessing."

By telegram we learn that on Sunday last, Rev. G. E. Day, baptized sixteen on profession of faith in Christ. The revival there is general and powerful. There are still scores who profess conversion.

St. Ann's.—Rev. D. McLeod writes, Oct. 20th, 1874:—Last Lord's day was a joyful season with the little churches here, I had the privilege of leading a happy convert forward in obedience to the command of the blessed Jesus, in baptism. I hope the good work will take possession of these Eastern parts so that East and West shall rejoice together.

Oh! that this may be the dawning of bright days in St. Ann's, to the praise of

the infinite grace of God, and the salvation of sinners.

ANNAPOLIS COUNTY.—Dear Brother,—The good work at Springfield is going on. Twenty five have been baptized since the Association and received into the fellowship of the church.

W. G. PARKER.
Lawrencetown, Oct. 24, 1874.

CHESTER.—I had the privilege of baptizing two persons at the Basin on the 11th inst, and one in Town on the 18th, and there are others looking towards Zion. There seems to be some little quickening on the part of some of our people giving indications of better times. May the Lord hasten it in his time.

Yours very truly,
I. J. SKINNER.

Oct. 20th, 1874.

CANAAN, N. B.—The Rev. J. H. Hughes writes the Visitor from Havelock, Oct. 19th.—The good work at Canaan is still advancing. Yesterday I led twelve happy converts in the way of righteousness, and buried them in the likeness of their Saviour's death, and although the rain made it somewhat unpleasant, yet the house could hardly accommodate the large concourse of people that gathered to hear the Word of life. Many are praying that the glorious work may spread all over the country. There is much need of it.

We learn from the Canadian Baptist that a revival of interest is being experienced in several of the Churches in Ontario. A few items will afford gratification to our readers.

ONONDAGA.—Pastor Porter, of Brantford, writes as follows:—By request of Bro. Trotter, whose labors have been greatly blessed at Onondaga, I went down again to preach and to baptize for him. We found a large and very interesting congregation near the Tuscarora Episcopal Church, in Bro. Jamieson's commodious woodshed. The eagerness and glow of countenances showed that Bethels may be had in deserts, and

"Where'er we seek him he is found,
And every place is hallowed ground."
The service being over, we repaired to the beautiful Grand River, where we "buried with Christ by baptism," all in the full bloom of early man and womanhood, ten happy, believing disciples. Others are expected to offer themselves.

May the Lord still bless our young brother (and all so laboring), and train up and send into his harvest many more of like earnestness and spirit.

Bro. P. says in regard to his own church, that he has just completed his first year in Brantford, that 28 have been added by letter and experience, and 55 by baptism.

THE REVIVAL IN ORMOND.—A correspondent writes:—For some time past there was a deep anxiety on the part of many of God's people, and I believe earnest pleading at a "throne of grace" for the prosperity of Zion. The glorious work in Osogode had the effect of stirring up the people to cry more mightily unto God. Bro. Couits, of Tiverton, upon his return from Breadalbane, spent nearly a week with us, preached twice on Sabbath, and each succeeding evening until Friday. His earnest labors were almost immediately blessed to the arousing of some from carelessness to give earnest heed to the things that pertained to their peace; and ere he left some ten or twelve had professed faith in Christ. When Bro. Couits went away, Bro. Stewart, of West Winchester, came to our aid. He labored faithfully, preaching the word with power and in demonstration of the Holy Spirit. The work from its commencement was characterized by unanimity in prayer and labor on the part of God's people, a great deal of earnest thinking and intense listening on the part of the unconverted. The result has been fifty-six in all were baptized in the likeness of the Saviour's death, and received into the fellowship of the church. Some ten or fifteen others have, I believe, come to a knowledge of the Saviour, some of whom will yet follow their Master into "the yielding wave." To God be all the glory.

THE TABERNACLE, BRANTFORD.—At the close of the service last Lord's Day evening, four candidates, all heads of families, were buried in the likeness of the Saviour's death.

Dominion & Foreign News.

HALIFAX, N. S., OCTOBER 28, 1874.

A despatch from Downing Street states that the British Government cannot accept the proposals of the Canadian Government to grant reciprocal privileges with respect to the coasting trade of both countries.

The Pacific surveying party in charge of Patrick's have just returned. It is said that a route has been found practicable seven miles north of Lake Superior.

The Propeller "Cleveland," of the Vermont Central Line, sank at Port Colborne, Ontario, on Tuesday last.

Montreal is making rapid advances. The land in the neighborhood is increasing in value at an enormous rate. Last week a farm on the Lachine Road was sold for \$288,000 which only eight years ago was bought for \$4,700.

The Dominion Parliament is further prorogued to Wednesday, the 9th of December, and not then to meet for the despatch of business.

In the Lepine trial on Saturday last, at Fort Garry, Bishop Tache, who was carried into the court room on a stretcher, produced an agreement signed by Governor McTavish, between the Hudson's Bay Company and the Provisional Government, for a loan of £5000 stg. The company was to restore its currency. The agreement was signed by McTavish and Riel, and witnessed by O'Donohue and Burr. Some excitement was produced in consequence of the disclosure.

The Governor General was expected to return to Ottawa yesterday.

The Emperor of Brazil declines reciprocity with Canada.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Thursday last was observed here as a Day of Thanksgiving.

A LARGE FIRE occurred in St. John last week. It commenced in an old building on the corner of Sydney and Union Streets, known as the Golden Ball corner. The corner shop had been occupied by Mr. Hegan as a blacksmith's shop. The fire spread with rapidity both on the Sydney street and the Union street front, the combustible material in the many carpenters' shops and paint shops affording food to the fire. In little more than an hour the building and its contents were completely destroyed. The building itself may be regarded as worthless, but the loss to many of the tenants, of working tools, seasoned lumber, &c., was very serious. Messrs. Edwards & Co., proprietors of carpenter shops, Messrs. Blake & Whitcomb, painters, Mr. Dinn, machinist, and Mr. Lauder, shoemaker, lost nearly everything. The fire did not reach the workshop of Mr. Fales, carver, for some time, and opportunity was afforded to save some of its contents.

A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT occurred in the Victoria Hotel, St. John, on Sunday morning by the explosion of a piece of dynamite in the hands of Mr. Berteaux. He was proposing to give eclat to the eclipse but held the cartridge longer than he should have done. It shattered his right hand to the wrist and did him serious injury in other respects. It also caused some injury to other persons near him.

UNITED STATES.

The Northern Transportation Company's steamer City of Brooklyn from Ordsburg to Chicago, exploded her boiler while coming up the river on Wednesday, the boat instantly sinking. The steamer Cuba brought the survivors, a number of whom are badly injured, to Detroit.

By the explosion five passengers and eight of the crew were killed. It is stated that she was racing with the propeller Centre at the time.

A collision of a freight and a passenger train on the European and North American Railway, near Orund, Maine, occurred last week. No person was seriously injured. Both the engines and fifteen freight and baggage cars were wrecked.

The reported outrage by a German man-of-war in forcibly extorting money from native chiefs at Navigation Islands, is confirmed by the United States Consul, who was an eye witness of the transaction.

BANK ROBBERY AT NASHUA, N. H.—Some time after dark on the night of Sunday the 19th, F. T. Sawyer, cashier of Souhegan National Bank, Milford, awoke to find his room occupied by six masked men. They gagged him, put a rope around his neck, shut his wife, four children and a servant in the closet, dragged him to the bank and made him open the vault, which they robbed of about \$4,500 in currency, and from \$15,000 to \$20,000 in bonds, mostly Government; 31 owned by Robert Harrison, and some other securities. This done, they led him back to his house, tied him to the bedpost and left. The family forced open the closet about four o'clock and gave an alarm, but no trace of them is yet discovered. The cashier thinks that at least a dozen men were at the bank.

The loss by the Milford Bank robbery proves to be \$120,000. The loss will not impair its capital, but will use up its surplus. No clue to the robbers.

Capt. Antonio Pinesso, of barque Teresa, saw about 500 miles from New York, from west to east, in lat. 40 degrees north, lon. 62 degrees west, a rock, apparently about 18 feet out of water. It lies in the track of European vessels, and he thinks it probable that on this rock foundered the "President," "City of Boston," and other vessels which have mysteriously disappeared.

A fire at Georgetown, Mass., on Monday, destroyed \$250,000 worth of property.

New York, Oct. 26.—Gold 10. Exchange unchanged.

SOUTH AMERICA.—Buenos Ayres advices state that Congress closed its Session on the 20th.

An engagement between Government troops, commanded by Kivas, and insurgents, under Paen, took place, in which the latter were defeated, and their commander taken prisoner.

President Avellaneda, offered a large reward for the capture of the rebel steamer belonging to the Argentine revolutionists, which left Montevideo, towing a vessel with arms and ammunition for the rebels.

News from the Argentine Confederation shows that the insurrection there is gaining ground.

WEST INDIES.—The British man-of-war "Sea Gull" visited Cienfuegos to test the practicability of laying a cable thence to Jamaica.

A customs officer and an interpreter were drowned at Havana on the 20th by the collision of a bark and lighter.

Sharp skirmishes between the Insurgents and Government troops have taken place in Cienfuegos, district of Cuba. The Captain-General has ordered all Insurgents who are incendiaries to be shot on capture.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.—A heavy gale was experienced in the north of England on Tuesday of last week, during which many disasters on land and water are reported to have occurred, with considerable loss of life. The steamer "Chusar," from Glasgow for Shanghai, was wrecked and fourteen persons drowned in attempting to reach the shore. The remainder, numbering fifty, were since rescued from the rigging. Reports from Hartlepool, Shields, Hull, and other ports and towns bring intelligence of great damage to shipping, factories and other property. At Ayr twenty vessels broke adrift, all of which were more or less damaged. Three persons were drowned at Teal and two at Sunderland. The "Magic" from Dundee for Rangoon was wrecked in the Hebrides during the gale, and twenty-four persons on board were drowned.

The brig "E. E. White" was lost off the Isle of Wight, and four persons were drowned.

Six fishermen were drowned off Lowestoff during the gale.

The Alliance Gas Company's Works, Dublin, were burned on Thursday last. The military were called out to aid the firemen. Loss heavy, but no lives lost.

The twin or double-hull steamship "Castalia," built to overcome the rough sea of the English Channel, has been tested, and neither rolls nor pitches.

London papers unite in demanding exemplary vengeance upon Nema Sahit. Others doubt if the person taken is the real "butcher of Cawnpore."

A Bombay special despatch says that two thousand persons were killed in the town and district of Midnapore, during the recent cyclone.

FRANCE.—Prince Charles Bonaparte was elected President of the Council General of Corsica.

Thus far 81 of the Councils General have chosen their Presidents. Of this number 52 are Conservatives and 29 Republicans—thus giving a Conservative gain of 23.

The Mayor of Nice has been dismissed because he recommended for election candidates favorable to the separation of Nice from France.

The Council General of Nice has passed a resolution expressing their profoundest attachment to France.

Monsieur Monoton, formerly private Chaplain to Napoleon III, is dead. He bequeathed 150,000 francs to the Prince Imperial, and a similar amount to the Pope.

SPAIN.—The Spanish Government will transport to Cuba all the Carlists taken prisoners by Republican troops.

The treaty of recognition of peace, amity, commerce, navigation, and extradition between Spain and Santo Domingo has been signed.

The Carlists on Sunday burned a manufactory and some houses within sight of the Republican lines before Bilbao. Loss \$100,000.

It is stated that the Madrid Government has sent five million dollars for distribution among Carlist troops to terminate the war.

The Government has issued orders directing the winding up of the Provincial Banks within a month.

Gen. Elo has resigned the command of the Carlist forces, and Gen. Menderi has taken a subordinate position. They are both at present with Don Carlos at Estella.

GERMANY.—It is asserted in Berlin that the French Government confidentially informed the Czar of its readiness, on certain conditions, to support Russia on the Eastern Question.

The German Minister at Lisbon was robbed by brigands in Spain of \$4,400, watch and valuables, while en route for home.

It is stated that the Emperor William has granted an audience to Count Von Arnim Duit Greenburg. This signifies a crisis in the von Arnim affair, and it remains to be seen whether Bismark or the powerful Arnim family will prove victorious.

Germany has given satisfactory assurances to Denmark in regard to the expulsion of Danes from Schleswig.

Germany has definitely proposed to the powers the adoption of International Maritime Code.

RUSSIA.—Famine prevails in the Russian Provinces of Kherson and Beesrabia.

ITALY.—Garibaldi has accepted nomination for Parliament from Rome; stipulating he is to attend only when he thinks his presence is necessary.

INDIA.—A special despatch to the "Times" from India says Nema Sahib has been captured in Govollor, and has been indentified by the Niobajah of Seinde, and is now a prisoner in the latter's palace.

JAPAN.—Advices from Japan report a general preparation throughout the Empire for the expected war with China, and the greatest patriotism is manifested by all classes.

The Mikado, of Japan, gave a breakfast to foreign diplomats on the 22nd September, this being the first occasion on which he has mingled with Europeans.

News of the Week.

YARMOUTH.—Mr. Lawson, proprietor of the "Herald" hurt himself seriously, on Saturday, by slipping on a grassed rail where they were working getting the locomotive on the track.

On Monday a boy named Hamilton cut his thigh while whistling, and bled to death in a few moments, before medical aid could reach him.

A locomotive and tender for the Western Counties Railway Company arrived in the "Gladiator," from Portland. Preparations are being made to place it upon the iron rails, now extending several miles up the country.

COLCHESTER.—The petition of Mr. Pearson against the return of Mr. McKay is now being tried at Truro before the ad hoc judge Alex. James, Esq.

We gather the following items from the Truro Sun.—A barn belonging to Mr. Corbett, Five Islands, was burned with its contents, and a man named James Elliott perished in the flames.

At Great Village, a son of Mrs. Archibald McLellan was thrown from the back of a colt, which he was riding, and fractured his arm.

A horse belonging to James A. Mahon had its leg broken by a kick from a young horse in the same field with him.

Joshua McCollum fell from the mast-head of a barque building at DeBert, and is not expected to survive the injuries sustained.

One of Dan Ducello's men was shot through the thigh by his own revolver, at Great Village, and seriously injured.

George Moore's horse fell into a well at Economy, and was drowned.

A boy named George Welsh, of Truro, died on board the barque Truro, and was buried at sea.

THE SCOTS BAY MURDER.—The four men, Owen Rodgers, Aident C. Tupper, Walter Munroe and McLellan, concerned in the murder of Capt. Hatfield, at Scots Bay, were brought to town yesterday and lodged in the Penitentiary, to serve out their term of imprisonment for three years. A man named DeLacy Curkum, who was in the boat with others at the time of the murder, was summoned to appear at the trial, but did not, and is still at large. It is said that this man was the first to present the gun at Hatfield, but missed fire, and afterwards encouraged the others to shoot.

Monroe, Tupper and McLellan were summoned as witnesses, and afterwards placed in the dock as prisoners.—Chronicle.

THE "EUREKA" BURNER, is the result of a long course of experiments to avoid the use of the glass shade for oil lamps. It is unquestionably a real success. There is no more smell of the oil than with a shade, and a clear, bright light is given, and it may be carried about without being blown out—even more safely than with a shade. The burner is made to fit any of the ordinary lamps and will doubtless be extensively used everywhere.

Messrs. Rogers & Black, of Amherst, are the agents for the whole Dominion of Canada, and Mr. Archibald Miller, Upper Water street, is agent for the city of Halifax.

FOUND DEAD.—On Tuesday the 21st, a man out shooting found the body of an unknown man near Hammonds Plains road, back of the Four Mile House. An inquest was held on the remains by Dr. Farrell. The body had evidently lain a considerable time in the position where it was found. It appears to have been a man from the Poors' Asylum who was partially insane.

A BIG FISH.—On Saturday last a large cod-fish weighing 78 lbs was for sale in our fish market.

The woman who swallowed the feathers at Mount Hope Asylum, a few weeks ago, has entirely recovered, both blades of the instrument, which came apart, having been extracted from her side. This must be considered a triumph of surgical skill.—Recorder.

We have not heard the names of the operators in this difficult case.

LIGHT FOR DARTMOUTH.—The Reporter tries to incite the Dartmouth ladies to an effort to get street lamps by the example set by the ladies of Bridgewater, who have raised money enough to purchase a dozen street lamps and lamp posts. Dartmouth is doubtless greatly in need of a few such improvements. As there has been decided progress made in the streets during the summer, there probably will be an effort during the winter to supply this desideratum also. The corporation are the proper parties to attend to this matter.

SAD RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—On Tuesday, 20th inst., at about 12 o'clock, noon, a special engine running west came in collision with a horse and carriage containing George Neily, aged about 17 years, son of George Neily, Esq., of Brookline, Wilmot, Annapolis Co., by which he and the horse were killed, and the carriage smashed to atoms. The young man had been driving very fast, but held up near the track, which was a very mysterious act, as the engine whistle had blown. The back part of the carriage was struck by the engine, the horse thrown into the cattle-guard and the young man was thrown two or three rods from the crossing. No bones of the young man were broken except a fracture of the skull on the back of the head which was supposed to have been done by his striking a cross-tie of the road. He lingered in an unconscious state until 8 o'clock, p. m. No blame can be attached to the Driver, Mr. James Griffin, as he used every precaution to prevent the accident.—Berwick Star.

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