CHRISTIAN MESSENGER. THE

him who died for us, " In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thine hand."

" I heard while in Scotland of your baptism, and my prayer has been, and is that you may ever live very near to Jesus and in all things seek to do His will. Let nothing come between God and your own heart." * * * * *

Our young brother reached his heavenly home ere these loving, earnest words greeted him. He needs them not, but survivors do need them. May all our young brothers and sisters heed them, and old as well as young learn the lessons taught by this Providence. J. H. SAUNDERS.

Digby, July 9, 1874.

For the Christian Messenger.

UNPREJUDICED TESTIMONY.

Sir,-

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I have recently been indulging in a roperusal of " Boswell's Life of Johnson," the great English lexicographer, and one of the most luminous, as well as voluminous, lights that shed lustre upon the literature of the last century. He was a ripe scholar, and well versed in the classical languages. He was, moreover, a staunch adherent to the Church of England, and strongly attached to its rites and ceremonies.

In Chapter LV, on the 469th page of the edition of Boswell's work now before me, the following utterance fell from Doctor Johnson's lips in the presence of the Rev. Doctor Adams, a learned professor of Pembroke College, Oxford, who apparently acquiesced in what was said : " He argued in detence of some of the peculiar tenets of the Church, of Rome. As to the giving the bread only to the laity. he said-' They may think, that in what is merely ritual, deviations from the primitive mode may be admitted on the ground of convenience; and I think they are as well warranted to make this alteration, as we are to substitute sprinkling in the room of ancient baptism."

The Master is smiling upon us at Bedeque also. Last Lord's day, eleven bappy souls were " buried with Christ in appointments; baptism." Among the number was a bousehold with the exception of one, and 1 expect to baptise him next sabbath. The household consists of the grandmother of 75 summers, forty of which she was a member of the Presbyterian church, the daughter, a widow of several years' membership, with her three sons and one daughter. One of the sons is both deaf and dumb, but having had the advantages of the " deaf and dumb Institute " in Halifax, he is very intelligent and can communicate his thoughts by his pen as well as by his own mode of speech. God has spoken to his heart with that " still small voice," to which many who have ears to hear do not listen. I expect to baptise at. Bedeque next Lord's day. May God continue to smile upon His churches and keep

His servants at the feet of Jesus. D. MCDONALD, Tryon, July 10th, 1874.

News of the Week.

THE CITY SCHOOLS have been under examination for the past week. Our evening. papers have devoted considerable space to the results of these examinations, and the names of the more deserving pupils. The reports of the Brunswick Street and Acadian Schools indicate that they are under care. ful and highly efficient teachers.

One paper says : " All the departments are for girls, and all are presided over by lemales, of whom Miss Miller is Principal No examination that has yet taken place exhibited more gratifying evidences of efficiency than that displayed to-day by the pupils of Brunswick St. School Looking at the general results, it is not too much to say that Brunswick St. School ranks among the best of the educational institutions of the Province. Last year no less than 25 pupils 'from Miss Miller's department attended the Provincial examination for teachers, and a large proportion of them succeeded in carrying off first-claslicenses. This year some twenty more are preparing to undergo the same ordeal, and the chances are that all will do credit to the institution, and to their estimable teacher by passing through with high averages.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS .- The Royal Gazette of Wednesday contains the following

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, 3rd July 1873.

His Honor the Lieut Governor by the advice of the Executive Council has been pleased to make the following appointments, viz :

In the County of Picton .- To be Justices of the Peace-A. M. Fraser, John Innis, and John Denoon.

To be Issuer of Marriage Licenses at Westville - Duncan Belfour, Esq.

In the Connty of Digby.-To be a Justice of the Peace-Wm. Nicholl of Hillsburg. To be a Commissioner for giving relief to Insolvent Debtors, and for taking affida-E-q., of Weymouth.

In the County of Yarmouth,-To be Justices of the Peace-Daniel McLaughlan and John Murphy.

Londonderry.

Justices of the Peace.-J. Albert Beckwith. portion of lost property insured is very of Nictaux; Harris Van Blarcom and Robert Bent.

District of Annapolis West-John D. Potter, Esq.

To be a Commissioner of Schools for the District of Annapolis East-Rev. John losses :---Clarke, in the place of Rev. Geo. Armstrong removed from the County.

To be a Commissioner for taking affidavits to hold to bail and recognizances of bail in the Supreme Court, and for giving relief to Insolvent Debtors-Leander S. Morse, Bridgetown, and Wm. Riordan, Bear River.

To be a Commissioner of Sewers for the Township of Annapolis-Edward Barteaux, E-q.

In London, England -To be a Commis- | Wis., involving a loss of \$159,000. sioner, without the Province, for taking affidavits, &c, under Chapter 96, Section 54 of Revised Statutes, 4th series, Alfred Heales, Esq.

Col. Powell, acting Adjutant General considers Kingston the most desirable city for the location of the new military college.

UNITED STATES.

Great Fire in Chicago.-A fire broke out in the corner of Fourth Avenue and Polk Street, on Sunday afternoon, the 14th, not far from the spot where the fire of Octoher, 1871, originated, and was not under control until two o'clock the fiext morning. The buildings destroyed were mostly stores and dwellings of the older sort, although some fine structures, including churches and theatres, have been burned. The money loss is thought to be not more than five millions of dollars. There vits to hold to bail and recognizance of bail has been some loss of life, and a great in the Supreme Court-Edward Hogan, many persons have been made homeless and destitute.

A later despatch gives the following summary of the fire. Space burnt over al 57 acres ; Number of buildings about 170. In the County of Colchester .- To be Loss of life, 3 children, 1 woman, and 3 Justice of the Peace-Robert Grant, of firemen. Loss of property is about four millions and a half. Nearly all the insur-In the County of Annapolis.-To be ance is in Eastern companies, but the prosmall.

The centre of the Negro population has To be a Commissioner of Schools for the been swept out of existence, and the streets in the new burnt district are very narrow very closely built, and very thickly settled The following are among the largest

> Jewish Synagogue.....\$30,000 Quinn's Chapel..... 15 000 Doll's Ad lphi Theatre..... 75,000 St. James' Hotel and Furniture... 150,000 Post Office 50,000 First Baptist Church...... 100 000 Church of Messiah 25,000 Oliver Baptist Church (colored)... 40,000

The same day there was a fire at lowa, which destroyed 45 buildings, involving a loss of \$50,000; insurance small. Also a destructive fire occurred at Oshkosh,

Association of Madgeburg. The assassin was arrested.

It has caused intense excitement in Berlin. Upon his appearance in public the premier is everywhere greeted with enthusiasm, and public thanks for his preservation are offered in the Protestant churches

It is reported that Kullman has confessed. and a priest named Kolteler has been arrested under the belief that he was acces. sary to the shooting.

The King of Wurtemburg and the Italian Government telegraphed their congratulations to Prince Bismarck over his escape from assassination.

AUSTRIA .- The " Daily News" reports that the police of Vienna have issued a decription of a person whom they suspect of a design to assassinate the Emperor of Austria

The journals of Vienna suggest to the European Powers that they collectively urge French support to the Carlists who cross the Spanish frontier, on account of the barbarities perpetrated by their forces.

ITALY .- The funeral of Monsigneur de Merode took place at the Vatican, Rome, July 14th, with most imposing ceremonies. The deceased Prelate bequeathed all of his property for the support of fifteen charitable institutions. Father Howard, Private Chaplain, has been appointed by the Pope as successor to Mons. de Merode.

Marriages.

At Salem, Apple River, Cumberland Co., June 4th. 1874, by the Kev Saml, Thompson, Mr. A Nichols, to Miss Ada Turple, both of Advocate Harbor.

Also at the same place by the same, June 16th, Mr. George Milis, to Rachael Cecilia Fowler, both of Apple River.

On Tuesday, at St. Luke's, by the Rev. Mr. Abbott, assisted by the Rev. G. W. Hill, Rector of St Paul's, Alexander G. Hessiein, Esq., to Euphemia R., third daughter of the late Thos. E. Murphy.

At Cornwallis, on Tuesday, June 23rd, by

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In the above quotation, I have italicized a few words.

Doctor Johnson, in thus speaking, talked as a scholar, not as a controversialist. He was no novice in ancient Church History, and unquestionably understood fully the exact import of the Greek verb baptizo, and honestly admitted that the primitive rite had been modified, or rather changed, " on the ground of convenience." Some professed linguists, who are by no means renowned for scholastic profundity at the present day, assume to be wiser in classical erudition than Doctor Johnson.

Yours, &o . A. M. GIDNEY.

Bridgetown, June 11th, 1874.

Religious Intelligence.

DIGBY .- Rev. J. H. Saunders writes July 10, 1874.-I am not without encouragement in my work here. I expect to spend a few weeks more, and I may be settled here for a time. A good Baptist influence is a necessity of this town.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.-It must be gratifying to those who have spent years of untiring labor for the Muster in the the field now to be referred to, to see that the secd, sown amidst discouragements, is now springing up and bringing forth fruit to the honor and glory of Him to whom alone the glory is due, and to whom it is now ascribed.

One noticeable feature of the examination was the superior penmanship exhibited, several copies in the second highest department being so well done as to be a very near approach to copper plate.

Another speaks of the Brunswick St. Street School as "ahead of any other institution (all other institutions) of the kind in the city," and adds : The first department, taught by Miss Miller, has seating accommodation for forty, while on the register there are forty five names. Every seat-was occupied. On the walls were hung specimens of the artistic skill of the young ladies attending the department. Besides the percillings, there were pictures in water colors, which were excellent. The pupils were examined in geography, history, and globe exercises, in all of which exercises were relieved at intervals by were much appreciated by the visitors. The prizes were given on Friday in the Rink.

Among the importations by the Austrian from Liverpool, G. B., was a chime of bells for the Bishop of Arichat, imported by Sir. Edward Kenny. The bells were manufactured by Mr. J. Murphy of Dublin.

Civic .--- At a meeting of the City Council on Monday, the License Committee recommended that 25 per cent of all fines received for sale of liquors on Sunday be paid to the Police for reporting the same ; also that parties convicted for selling liquors on Sunday have their license suspended.

The Committee on a site for a new City Hall gave the prices of several.

Ald. Vaux moved and Ald. Ackhurst seconded the following resolution :-

That the City Council be authorized to purchase the property of J. R. Jennett, Esq, fronting on Lickman street and Poplar Grove for \$35,000, to be paid in city debentures, bearing 6 per cent interest. The resolution was passed after some discussion.

MACKEREL - During the past week our harbor has been visited by considerable number of these fish. On Tuesday a very large school of them came into Herring Cove, but before they were seen they were leeving. A few boats however went out and secured about fifty barrels. If they had

been seen a little sooner it is probable that some hundreds might have been taken.

ST. SWITHIN'S DAY .- Some apprehensions have been felt that a long spell of dry weather will be experienced, because no rain fell here on the 15th inst. According to the following old rhyme:

"St. Swithin's Day, if thou dost rain, For forty days it will remain ; St. Swithin's Day, if thou be fair, For forty days 'twill rain nae mair."

Last Wednesday evening, shortly before ten o'clock, a lad named Thomas Heustis, aged ten years, was run over by Street car No. 14, driven by John Boyland, opposite his mother's house, Upper Water street analysis, geometry, arithmetic, algebra. The wheels of the car passed over the child's breast, killing him instantly. The they manifested thorough efficiency. These boy was deaf. Boyland did not know the car passed over the boy, till he heard the songs, recitations and dialogues which other child with whom the lad was playing, shout out that he was killed. An inquest was held, and the jury returned a verdict of "accidental death" exonerating the driver of the car from all blame.

> THE COAL TRADE. - We learn that several of our collieries have so much coal on hand, and have made such light contracts, that but little will be raised during the summer months. The trade looks so dull that many of the Collieries are reducing the number of their employees. -C. B. Times.

A CROWN OF GLORY .-- Nature's dowry to all her children is a fine head of bair. Kings cannot give, nor wealth purchase this inestimable gift. Take care of it, lest you lose it. BEARINE is a healthful invigorating Dressing.

Dominion & Foreign News. HALIFAX, N. S., JULY 22, 1874.

The yacht Foam, which left Toronto on Saturday evening for Niagara, was found yesterday three miles out of water. The crew, consisting of nine persons, are given up as lost.

GOING BACK .- As many as two thousand recent immigrants sailed recently from New York for Europe. The N. Y. Tribune says :- Since the panic of last September the dearth of employment in every kind of labor has proved diastrous to the inexperienced emigrant, and the effects are now seen. After streggling as best they can for some means of support for a few weeks or months, their money is at length eshausted and their faces are quickly turned to the land of their birth.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.-The Atlantic Cable laid in 1866 was successfully repaired on Sunday the 4th, and is now in perfect working order

In the House of Commons Mr. Disraeli said he hoped to adjourn on the 5th of August. In relation to the Public Worship Regulation Bill, he declared he was uncompromisingly opposed to the resolutions of which Mr. Gladstone gave notice on the 9th inst, because they were aimed against a settlement upon which religious libery depended. The resolutions in question oppose a definite settlement of points now in dispute, and the clothing of the Bishops with power to establish uniformity in regard to the conduct of Public Worship

The steamship " Nevada," which arrived at Queenstown on Sunday from New York, was in collision with an iceberg during a fog and sustained some damage. A portion of the iceberg became detached and tell on her foremast.

The Licensing Bill has passed the House of Lords.

Despatches from India state that the inundations in that country are subsiding.

The probability of a foreign intervention in the Spanish war is discussed at Santander.

The Gabriel timber wharf at Rotherhithe, covering a quarter of an acre, was destroyed by fire last Thursday. Thirtyfive thousand gallons of creosote was burned. Loss very heavy. Three persons were

the Rev. R. F. Brine, J. Christopher Starr, to Annie S., third daughter of the late Wm. H. Chipman, M. P.

At Drum Head by M. A. Biglow, July 12th, Mr. U. C. Anderson, Skjerum, of Sandeford, Norway E, to Miss Elmira Holley, of Isaac's Harbor.

At New Harbor May 23, by Rev. M. A. Bigelow, Mr. William Ulath of Cole Harbor, to Miss Frances Sangster of New Harbor.

At the same place, by the same, Mar 31st. Mr. James E. Spinage, of Coddle Harbor, to Miss. Jane E Sangster, of New Harbor.

Deaths.

June 18th, Thoras Jones Crocheron, only child of John and Elizabeth Crocheron, aged 44 years. This dear brother was one of the deacons of Sand Point and J. Bay Church, and a kind and obliging neighbour, greatly beloved. He has left a large family with whom we deeply sympathize. May the only son be blessed with grace to fill his dear father's place in the family and the church of Jesus, our Lord. Our dear brother's usefulness and happiness was much hindered through bodily disease, which did much to depress his spiritsand hinder his happiness and usefaluess, but we doubt not that he has gone to be with Jesus which is far better .- Com

In Newport, June 21st, 1874, Rebecce, wife of Mr. Maik Masters, aged 56 years, leaving a bereaved husband and six children, to mourn the loss of an affec ionate wife and mother.

" Her wearisome head is at rest, Its thinking and aching are o'er, Her quiet, in movable breast is heaved by earth's sorrows no more." (Wesleyan please copy.) At Jeddore, on the 9th of July, Alberta Emetine, only daughter of David and Grace Webber, aged 10 months and 9 days. And has this his spinng to spoil?

This flower born to die ? Not so, but, pluck'd from earth's hard soil,

It sweetly blooms on high. In Canning, July 10th, 1874, Miss Amelia Ann Rand, aged 65 years.

In Lower Percaux, July 10th, 1874, Mr. Mark Pineo, aged 62 years.

On Thursday, 16th inst., James Hills, aged 69 years.

At Quebec, on the 15th inst., Mary Barry, relict of the late Henry Peters, aged 82 years. Suddenly, on the 15 h inst., Thomas, son of Edward and Jane Eustace, aged 8 years and months.

At West Wood's Harbor, on the 9th inst. Mr. Hugh Forbes, aged 59 years. Mr. F. was the youngest of a family of 11, 9 of whom were living about 2 years ago, when their united ages amounted to 625 years, and they averaged 694 years each. Mrs. Ann Lyons and Miss Phebe Forb s have since died when

about 80 years of age. The father of this

remarkable family lived 93 years, and the

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Bro. E. N. Archibald will be delighted to learn that, during a few weeks of labor at Alexandra, Lot 49, I baptised 34 happy converts among whom were 7 men with their wives.

Bros. M. P. Freeman and W. H. War. ren will be equally pleased to find that fruit is still being gathered at Cavendish. On Lord's day, June 28th, four more followed their Saviour in His own appointed way, making in all 16 this summer.

The little flock was organized into a church in 1869, numbering 20; they now number 50 earnest workers for the Master, and others are waiting to cast in their lot with them. There is a good future for the church in this place. May God send a man after His own heart to labour with this noble people; his " bread shall be given him and his water shall be sure." Bros. Dr. McDonald and J. A. McLean will be no less pleased to read that the blessing of Heaven still rests upon the people with whom they recently labored. The glad visitor-the Christian Messenger - has already spread the tidings, that 24 were added to the Tryon church ; others are now received for baptism.

The morning papers strongly oppose this expenditure of city funds......

THE HALIFAX CHAMBER OF COMMERCE held a meeting on Tuesday last at which the new Reciprocity Treaty was discussed at some length. One of the matters which will be affected by this treaty is that of ship-building, as British built ships may be employed in the U.S. coasting trade and there will be a great demand thus created for the purchase of vessels from the Canadian provinces. The Chamber failed to carry any resolution in favor of the treaty as a whole.

DARTMOUTH. - An attempt has been made to get up another mystery here. A story was told in two evening papers on Wednesday last, that as a man was engaged in removing ashes and rubbish from the yard of a house, he found buried in the ashes a woman's skull, with some flesh and hair attached, in a tolerably good state of preservation. It proves to have been all a hoax, whether orignating with the Dartmouth boys or the city reporters we are not informed.

A man named James Allison, a tinsmith, belonging to Halifax, fell through the iron bridge at New Glasgow on Monday night, and was drowned.

injured. THE WIMBLEDON RIFLE SHOOTING-A The British Government is ready to ac cable despatch to Toronto last week says the cent a cession of the Figi Islands if it is

shooting for the first stage of the Queen's unconditional, but the sixteen conditions prize at Wimbledon has been completed, proposed by the Figi authorities are not and that among the first sixty who are

qualified to participate in the second stage are the following members of the Canadian team : Lieutenant Whitman, Quebec Private F. Mitchell, Ontario; Captain J P. MacPherson of the governor-general's loot-guard ; Color-Sergeant Baillie, Onturio; Major Gibson, Ontario; and Hancock. All of the above are entitled to a prize of £12 and to wear the National Rifle Association badges. Sergeant Vail was the only Canadian who got into the second stage last year.

In the contest for the Alexandra prizes the following have been declared the winners: Captain Layton, N S.; Captain MacPherson and Lieutenant McNaughton, Coburg artillery, Ontario ; Private Disner, Ontario, and Captain Morgan, Quebec.

A telegram from Ottawa to the Chronicle on Wednesday, said the Government had decided to put a night train on the Intercolonial Railway between St. John and Halifax, commencing on Friday to ascertain whether the traffic would sustain two fast trains per day. The Pullman Car Company have made arrangements to get three of their cars from Boston, in order

to meet the requirements of this service.

acceptable. Scotland won the Elcho Shield at the Wimbledon meeting; England second; and Ireland third.

A break occurred in a canal near Glasgow, Scotland, on the 15th. The waters overflowed the neighborhood, causing damage to property to the extent of £500,000.

> FRANCE.-The Government has been again deteated on a vote with which it was identified.

SPAIN .- The Cirlists have seized about 60 men, women and children on the Cantalerian coast to hold as hostages to be shot in case of an attack by the Republicans. The Carlists burned several bouses in the

suburbs of Cuenca and killed many of the inhabitants.

The Carlists have ordered one Republican to be shot for every shell fired by them at Bilboa

GERMANY -There has been an attempted assassination of Bismarck, by a young man who shot at him in the street, the shot grazing his wrist. The assassin was a cooper by trade, named Kullman, and a

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WEDNESDAY, 15th.-Brigts. Mura, 2nd, (Port) Britts, Demerara ; Edna, Simpson, Cienfuegos; schrs. Amelia, (of St. John, N. B.) Philadelphia; N. Noyes, Holmes, St. George, N. B.; Four Brothers, Muggab, North Sydney ; Lone Star, Maher, Magdalene Islands; Mary Louis, Dauphine, Aspy Bay; Two Sisters, Landry, Cow Bay; Ledi, Rumkey, do. ; Curlew, Gardner, Pictou ; Opal, Carter, Cape Canso

THURSDAY, 16th .- H. M. S. Doris -- from Gibraltar ; Am. schr yacht Nettie, Comstock, New York, via Portland; schrs. Kate MC-Kenzie, Turner, Boston; J. P. Milledge, Sackalow, do.; Trial, Hall, Codrov, Nfid.; May Fly, Gillan, Rose Bianche, Nfid.; Han-nah Kuping, Chariottetown; Roderick Mcmember of the Catholic Journeymen's Rae, LeBianc, North Sydney ; Matilda Hope-