

he thinks he did point some out. Now if those disagreeable cases which appeared to favor my mode were introduced so abruptly, what wonder, Mr. Editor, that "your correspondent" was shocked!

If Mr. Gaetz did not say "the ark leaked," how did he make it appear that "the eight" were sprinkled? The wicked world were poured or sprinkled;—but the eight? I think Mr. Gaetz told us "the ark leaked;" and I was thinking he meant a little leak overhead,—by no means sufficient to threaten the annihilation of even that most degenerate one of Noah's posterity.

Now, as Mr. Gaetz has that sermon in manuscript, let us have those "triumphant passages" verbatim, that the readers of the Messenger may judge for themselves, whether I have said "farewell" to certain "virtues." But let me remind Mr. Gaetz that he did not appear to depend solely on his "MS." and that we may hope it was only his extemporaneous passages that made the "pill" too "strong." Is it not possible his memory may "fail" him?

J. J. PARKER. Chester, N. S., April 13, 1874.

[We think the above matter has been sufficiently ventilated, and shall hope therefore to have no further writing upon it.—Ed. C. M.]

For the Christian Messenger.

ORDINATION AT OSBORNE, SHELBURNE COUNTY.

The First Ragged Islands Church, having called a Council for the purpose of considering the desirability of ordaining to the work of the Gospel Ministry, Bro. George B. Titus of Westport, Digby Co.; said Council met on Thursday, the 26th March, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Rev. J. F. McKenne was chosen Moderator, and A. Locke, Clerk.

The Candidate having related his christian experience, and call to the ministry, presented in written form his views of Christian doctrine—the Council unanimously agreed to proceed with the ordination.

Public services were held in the evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. E. N. Archibald preached the sermon from Acts xx. 28.

Ordaining Prayer, and Right Hand of Fellowship, by Rev. J. F. McKenne. Charge to the church by Rev. W. H. Ritchie, and charge to the candidate, by Rev. E. Whitman.

Bro. Titus enters upon his pastorate with cheering prospects, and bids fair to accomplish a good work for the Master, in his labors with this church.

Religious Intelligence.

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL.—A correspondent writes from here expressing regret that there is no preaching nor prayer-meeting, but cherishing a hope that soon the time will come when the gospel will be preached in Annapolis by Baptist ministers so that men and women may be saved.

WATERDALE, CUMBERLAND, Co., April 11th, 1874.—Dear Editor,—This place is to some extent partaking of the revival influence which so many are rejoicing in. We have baptized eight happy believers. A number more profess to be converted.

Dear Brother pray for us. Yours, etc., E. B. COREY, Co. Missionary.

KINGSTON, AYLESFORD.—Bro. John Wheelock writes April 20th: "Since Dr. Tupper wrote, or yesterday there were nineteen more buried with Christ in baptism, from ages varying from about 12 to over 70 years of age. To God be all the praise."

P. S.—Bro. Vidito is laboring very earnestly and successfully.

MONCTON, N. B.—Dear Brother.—The gracious work is steadily progressing here, sixteen more were baptized yesterday, and two added to the church by letter, and the prospect is more promising now than at any period of our meetings. God's presence is displayed in our meetings in a wonderful manner. All our young people are deeply moved. Dear brethren in Nova Scotia continue to pray for us.

Yours truly, April 19th, '74. A. W. BARSS.

HANTSPORT, April 20.—Dear Editor,—In common with many of our churches we are enjoying "times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord."

At Brooklyn, a branch of the Hantsport

church, God is working in great power. I baptized 12 on the 5th inst., and yesterday 25 others were buried with Christ in baptism. In the evening we held a meeting for prayer and exhortation and never in my ministry have I listened to such joyful testimony. It was almost overwhelming in its power. Truly they arose from their liquid grave to "walk in newness of life."

In their expressions of the blessedness in following the Saviour's commands, I caught new rays of spiritual beauty, from that grand emblem of death, burial and resurrection. The work still goes on I pray that every pastor in Zion, may enjoy some such days as I spent yesterday.

During the winter the members of my church and congregation in Hantsport and Falmouth, have out of the abundance of their kindness supplied our temporal wants over and above the salary to upwards of \$275.00 for which we are deeply grateful. And now God is returning to them rich spiritual blessings. May they continue till every heart shall be filled with the peace of God.

Yours in Christ, J. MURRAY.

JORDAN RIVER, SHELBURNE Co.—Dear Brother.—To the glory of God in the gospel of His dear Son, he it known that a blessed and mighty revival is now in progress here. Last evening we baptized 7 happy believers. Every one of them rejoiced and praised God aloud going down and coming up out of the water. In 24 hours not less than 9 were brought into liberty. Some have been stricken down, and calling on God and for our prayers, have come at once into liberty. At least 20 more have expressed a hope in Jesus' pardon. O that these wonders of redeeming love may be multiplied on every desert until they shall blossom with converts as a garden of Spring flowers.

E. N. ARCHIBALD.

Dominion & Foreign News.

HALIFAX, N. S., APRIL 22, 1874

The Tariff.—The changes made in the tariff have been the occasion of some excitement in Halifax as they have doubtless throughout the Dominion during the past week. According to the estimates there would be a deficiency of revenue of \$1,500,000 to be made up by additional taxation. To make this up there is a tax of 6 cents per lb on green tea and 4 cents on black tea. The tax on tobacco, sugar, and liquors is increased. On machinery 10 per cent; and on shipping materials 5 per cent. The 15 per cents are increased to 16, and silks and ornamental goods to 6 per cent. Dr. Tupper denounced the tariff as a whole, especially the duties on shipping material as bearing most severely on Nova Scotia, than on any other of the provinces. Protests are being made from Montreal and other places against some of the duties, especially that on sugars. It is probable there will be supplementary modifications.

By a motion of Mr. Jones, the office of Deputy Receiver General, held by Mr. Ratchford in Halifax, is to be abolished, and the duties performed by Mr. Wallace, the principal of the Halifax Savings Bank. Louis Riel.—Riel is at length expelled from the House of Commons. Mr. B. well, not a member of the government, moved for his expulsion on the ground of an indictment for murder having been issued against him.

Mr. Holton moved an amendment, that the question of expulsion be postponed till the committee reports.

Mr. Mosseau moved a series of resolutions that the British Government be asked to grant a full amnesty to Riel and all connected with the rebellion.

The debate continued and was resumed after recess, at times growing warm, owing to statements made by some that Scott was shot because he was an Orangeman.

The Premier said he was prepared to stand by any speeches he had made. He believed the case had been made out against Riel, and he must vote for his expulsion. He knew his French friends thought Riel's offence was a political one. It should be decided by the Courts. He said he might have used too strong language formerly respecting Riel, but it should not now be brought against him. He would vote for Riel's expulsion, and in future carry out the policy in the North West which would ensure harmony.

In the divisions on the questions, for the "amendment to the amendment"—moved by Mr. Mosseau, of Quebec, to ask the Queen to amnesty Riel, there were only 27 members for it, while 164 opposed it. Next came the "amendment"—Mr. Holton's resolution, to defer action until the committee inquire into the North West troubles have reported, was rejected by 118 to 76. Mr. Bowell's original resolution, that Louis Riel, member for Provencher, be expelled from the House of Commons, was carried by a vote of 124 to 68—the Premier and Sir John A. Macdonald both voting for the resolution.

The seat for Provencher was then declared vacant, and a new election ordered. On Friday Mr. Costigan gave notice of his New Brunswick School resolutions

seeking to alter the constitution of the Dominion so as to compel the legislatures of the Lower Provinces to provide for Separate Schools.

The citizens' hall on Friday night to Lord and Lady Dufferin was the most magnificent ever given in Canada. Over two thousand persons were present.

UNITED STATES.

After several weeks spent in balloting, Governor Washburne was on Friday last elected United States Senator from Massachusetts, to supply the vacancy caused by the death of Sumner.

Nearly all the leading journals denounce the Currency Inflation Bill passed by Congress, and call upon the President to veto it.

New Orleans river is raising. On Tuesday last it was from two to four inches above high water mark of 1871.

A revolutionary movement is reported from Arkansas in the interest of a claimant of the Governorship against acting Governor Baxter. Brooks, the claimant, having secured a writ of ouster against Baxter, proceeded to the state capitol at the head of an armed band, forcibly ejected the Governor, and took possession of the state property. Governor Baxter has appealed to the President to support his efforts to maintain authority.

The news on Saturday showed no material change of the situation, except additional indications of a determination on the part of the rival Governors to maintain their claims at all hazards, being actively engaged in strengthening their respective positions. Public feeling seems strongly in favor of Baxter.

Private despatches on the 18th from Western Carolina report severe and heavy rumbling in Bald and Stone mountains. On Tuesday the trembling of the earth was felt for more than one hundred miles from the mountains. The shocks are more severely felt than before, and it is firmly believed by scientists that an eruption is imminent.

The Louisiana flood is so disastrous that they are calling urgently for aid from other sections of the country.

NEW YORK, April 20.—There is great excitement in stocks this afternoon, and decline from 1 to 11 per cent., owing to reported failure of a prominent stock-broker.

Gold 114. Exchange 4.85½ to \$4.88½

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.—Placards are posted up in the agricultural districts of England cautioning intending emigrants to the United States, stating on authority of Consul Archibald of New York that 40,000 hands are ready to return to England.

In the House of Commons on Thursday evening Sir Stafford Northcote, Chancellor of the Exchequer, submitted the annual budget. Total gross revenues of the United Kingdom for year ending March 31, 1874, £77,335,000, exceeding Mr. Lowe's estimate by £3,574,000. Total gross expenditure for the same year £76,456,000. Excess of expenditure over estimates, £1,156,000. Total revenue for current financial year, ending March 31st, 1875, is estimated at £79,950,000, and total expenditures £72,500,300 leaving surplus of £5,492,000. Sir Stafford Northcote proposes to dispose of the surplus by reducing the income tax one penny on the pound, abolishing duties on sugar from 1st of May, and creating additional annuities to the amount of £450,000; reducing the national debt £7,000,000 in ten years, contributing \$1,000,000 to the relief of local taxation, and abolishing the horse licenses. These measures, it is estimated, will absorb £5,030,000 of the surplus, leaving a residue of £462,000.

In the House of Commons the Bill suppressing betting houses in Scotland has passed its second reading.

Despatches report that 53 persons were killed and several injured by a colliery explosion at Dandenfield. Fifty of the bodies were recovered.

One hundred men left in the mine alive after the accident, have been safely rescued. The explosion was caused by use of naked lights.

The remains of Dr. Livingstone were disembarked at Southampton, on the 15th instant. They were formally received by the Mayor and escorted to the railway station, thence conveyed to London. During the procession guns were fired and bells tolled. Multitudes lined the route, and the scene was very impressive.

The funeral took place on Saturday, at Westminster Abbey, in the presence of numerous crowds of people. Her Majesty the Queen, and the Prince of Wales, sent their carriages to the funeral. Dean Stanley was to deliver an eulogy over the remains on Sunday.

It is proposed to erect a statue to Dr. Livingstone, at Edinburgh.

During a hurricane, on the 13th, off the South West coast of Ireland, the 1866 cable ceased working. The fault is not localized, but is reported about 25 miles from Valentia, in shallow water. There are still two cables in good working order.

A terrific gale raged in the English Channel during three days of last week. Many ships the names of which are unknown, have been wrecked and all on board perished.

FRANCE.—The steamer "L'Amerique"

founded during a violent tempest on the 14th and was abandoned when on the point of sinking. The Italian ship which saved the largest number, arrived at Brest, on Wednesday, bringing 40 passengers and 148 of the crew. The Norwegian vessel which saved thirty more of the passengers, also arrived. The English vessel with the remainder is expected unless she has gone to some port on the English coast.

The passengers write in praise of Capt. Roison, who they say was cool and brave throughout—notwithstanding the fearful sea.

SPAIN.—Admiral Topete, who went to Santander to direct the operations of the navy, at the same time Serrano went north to assume command of the army, returned to Madrid on Monday and had a conference with the members of the Cabinet.

Clement Duverness and several other directors of the Bank of Spain have been arrested charged with irregularities in the conduct of the affairs of the Bank.

AUSTRIA.—The Emperor Francis Joseph has sent a conciliatory reply to the Pope's recent protest against the Ecclesiastical Bill. It is understood that the opposition of the Vatican is merely formal. The Upper House of the Reichsrath passed the Ecclesiastical Bill, whereupon the Bishops withdrew in a body.

PRUSSIA.—The Reichstag has voted in favor of the compromise amendments and the army Bill. In the course of the debate, Count Von Moltke said in consequence of the shouts of revenge, it is necessary to keep the hand on the sword. Disarmament would mean war.

The trial of Archbishop Ledochowski in Berlin for violation of the Ecclesiastical Laws, resulted in his conviction, and he has been sentenced to dismissal from his See.

SWITZERLAND.—The strike of bricklayers at Geneva, resulted in a riotous disturbance, on the 13th, in which five persons were injured. The disorder was speedily suppressed by the police, who made five arrests.

EGYPT.—Il M. DeLesseps persists in opposing the International Commission the Khedive of Egypt has authority to keep the Suez Canal in working order.

News of the Week.

THE ENGLISH CHILDREN to the number of 76, under the care of Mrs. Birt arrived in the mail steamer Nova Scotian on Monday morning. They are fine hearty healthy looking children, from 4 to 14 years of age. Colonel Laurie and Dr. Clay were on hand to assist in taking care of them. The boys were sent to the Industrial School for the present, and the girls to the St. Paul's Girls School until the arrangements are completed for sending them to their future homes.

About seventy French and English Immigrants also came to remain in this Province.

KILLED.—A man named Henry Morrison belonging to DeDert, was lying, it is supposed in a state of intoxication, on the railway track on Monday evening, and it being found impossible to stop the train, the locomotive ran over him and took off his hand and foot. He died ten minutes afterwards.

The Yarmouth ship "Abbie Ryerson" from Reyval, is a total wreck on the coast of Sweden. She is insured for \$40,000 in Yarmouth offices.

BRIGHTON, DIGBY Co.—Mr. Editor—Your correspondent in the Messenger of the 8th inst., under the name of Barton, seems to be mixing up things very much. One would suppose from his statements that everything in St. Mary's Bay was in Barton. But allow me to say that at the head of the Bay as you travel down before reaching Barton is a place called Brighton, in which some of the fine things your correspondent describes, are situated; and as regards scenery and enterprise, is in no way inferior to Barton.

The steam mill of B. Van Blarcom, Esq., is in Brighton, and is one of the best if not the best shingle mill in the Province, and turns out from fifteen to twenty thousand shingles per day, and gives employment to several hands the year round. The graded school spoken of is in Brighton, though part of the section is in Birton. Across the road exactly opposite the school-house is the Methodist meeting-house, which must be one of the places of worship spoken of by your correspondent, as there are but two places of worship in Barton.

The machine shop spoken of is in Barton, but the proprietors Messrs. Marshall & Rice, are both enterprising men of Brighton, who built their machine shop across the line for the sake of the water privilege, as also Mr. Isaiah Smith the owner of the mill up the stream. As regards the spiritual darkness spoken of, it is alas too true, though some special services are being held with the Baptist Church, and one has been received for baptism. May the great head of the Church soon appear for our deliverance is my humble prayer.

Yours, etc., BRIGHTON.

NEW GLASGOW was visited by a most disastrous fire on Sunday last. It broke out soon after midnight in Messrs Fraser's tailoring establishment, and continued its ravages until it had destroyed over fifty buildings—more than half the business portion of the town besides a number of tenement houses. The fire continued till about daylight when its progress was checked. About thirty families are rendered homeless.

FRANCE.—The steamer "L'Amerique"

DON'T FORGET THE TEA MEETING at the North Baptist Church to-morrow, Thursday evening. Get Tickets and go early.

THE SCHOOL TRUSTEES BILL does not commend itself to the City Council. They voted, 12 to 3, against it. The Morning Chronicle suggests that the question whether the city shall elect its own School Trustees be submitted to a plebiscite of the citizens. Very good.

THE STEAM DREDGE sunk in one of the docks last week. A log sticking up went through her bottom on the fall of the tide.

The chief cook of the officers mess of the 87th, has absconded, leaving bills to the city to the amount of \$2100 unpaid.

COAL.—At a meeting of the various managers of coal mines in the province last week an agreement was come to by which the price of coal at the mines shall be \$3.10; a further reduction may be expected.

MR. WILLIAM MURRAY has for a number of years been one of the most active and useful members of the Sons of Temperance in this city. This fact was publicly recognized on Wednesday last by the members of Mayflower Division presenting him with a handsome and valuable calendar clock.

CHICKENS BY STEAM.—A gentleman of Halifax is proposing to set up an establishment for raising chickens from eggs without the aid of the hen.

THE DARTMOUTH FERRY COMPANY objects to an additional rental of 50 per cent being placed on the city dock, used by them.—\$600 a year.—They threaten to go to their north dock at the foot of Cornwallis street. The City Council will probably modify their demands or give some guarantee that the charge will not be raised every year.

SYDNEY.—A holiday was held here on Wednesday last on the occasion of a public reception being given to Mr. Gisborne. The meeting was held in the Court House and was addressed by a number of the leading gentlemen. Mr. Gisborne spoke in reply. He drew a glowing picture of Louisburg, the Coal, Iron and other Mineral deposits of Cape Breton, its destined trade with the West Indies, and its future transatlantic communication.

SPARROW IMMIGRANTS.—Capt. Dawson, of New Glasgow, has ordered twenty pairs of the English sparrow, which will arrive from Liverpool in the County of Pictou. He purposes letting them loose in New Glasgow and vicinity.

BRONCHITIS.—Unless arrested, will terminate in consumption. An almost never failing cure for this complaint is found in Allen's Lung Balsam, which can be had of any Druggist, price one dollar per bottle.

WINDSOR & ANNAPOLIS RAILWAY.

SPRING ARRANGEMENT.

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WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1874.

HALIFAX TO ST. JOHN.

Table with columns: Miles, STATIONS, Exp. and Pass. Fare, and Pass. Fare. Rows include Halifax, Bedford, Mount Uniacke, Eilershouse, Newport, Windsor, Wolfville, Hantsport, Kentville, Berwick, Aylesford, Middleton, Lawrence town, Bridgetown, and Annapolis.

ST. JOHN TO HALIFAX.

Table with columns: Miles, STATIONS, Pass. Fare, and Exp. No. Rows include St. John by Steamer, Annapolis, Bridgetown, Lawrence town, Middleton, Aylesford, Berwick, Kentville, Wolfville, Hantsport, Windsor, Newport, Eilershouse, Mount Uniacke, and Windsor unc.

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

Steamer "Scud" leaves St. John on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, at 8 a.m. for Anna, oils, 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. Stephen, 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 Hibernia, and the principal Stations on the Railway.

P. INNES, Manager. Kentville, 30th March, 1874. April 1.