

The lesson inculcated by the Creator who, from the beginning, placed the sexes together in families for education, and which our blindness and perversity so long refused to learn, the discernment and reflection of a later age have, in a measure apprehended, and are at last beginning to acknowledge as wise and good.

PHILOMATHES.
Wolville, March 8th, 1875.

For the Christian Messenger.

Dear Bro. Selden,—

Being requested by the Secretary of the Home Missionary Union to publish in the Christian Messenger, the amounts collected for the Society, I forward the same to you for publication. In doing so I ought to say that as agent of that society I have been every where cordially received, and my application responded to, as liberally perhaps as could in the circumstances be expected. The amounts raised have been sent to the Board, and I hope have been in time to relieve our missionaries toiling manfully in their fields. By publishing the same you will oblige.

Yours truly,
D. FREEMAN, Agent.

Canning, March 10th, 1875.

GRANVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH.
Kensdale.—Collection 344; Mrs. Asa Porter, 1.00; Mrs. Bogart, 1.00. Total \$344.
Lower Granville.—Collection, 110; Cornelius Fleet, 40; Jesse Fleet, 1.00; Emma Johnson, 35; James J. John, 50; William Russell, 45; Edna Fleet, 20; Carrie E. Setney, 50; Edwin Ryder, 50; James Anthony, 1.00; John Orest, 50. Total \$683.
Stony Beach.—Collection, 3.62; William Winchester, 1.00; William E. Armstrong, 1.00. Total \$5.62.
The Ferry.—Collection, 1.50; William Weatherstone, 5.00; Robert Delap, 1.00; F. E. Eaton, M. D., 1.00. Total \$8.50.
Total Granville Church, \$2339.

BRIDGETOWN CHURCH.
Wadville.—Mrs. Woodworth Eaton, 1.00; Mrs. Rufus Bent, 1.00; Mary A. Bent, 1.00. Total \$3.00.
Bridgetown.—Wm. Chipman, 1.00; Oliver Foster, 50; James E. Fellows, 1.00; Collection, 3.50; Mrs. Wm. Chipman, 1.00; Emily T. Neilly, 1.00; Grace Messenger, 1.00; J. B. Reed, 1.00; Caroline Wint, 25; Mrs. H. Ruffy, 25; Ann. Gidney, 50. Total \$13.50.
Centerville.—Collection, 2.15; Margaret Marshall, 2.00; Total \$4.15.

For the Christian Messenger.

THE NEW ACADEMY BUILDING.

Dear Editor,—

Please allow me to acknowledge the receipt of the following sums for the above object:—

H. H. Read, M. D., Halifax, \$10.00
Edwin Johnson, Wolville, 5.00
Goshen Church per Rev. J. B. McQuilgan, 3.50
Mrs. W. J. Bigelow, Cape Canoe, per Rev. Geo. W. Thomas, 20.00
Rev. J. F. Currie, Grand Falls, N. B., 4.00
Previously acknowledged, 1868 41
Total, \$1910 69

For the Committee,

D. M. WELTON.

Religious Intelligence.

BARRINGTON, March 4th, 1875.—Dear Brother.—West Wood's Harbor, one of the preaching stations, contains a settlement of about twelve families connected with the Baptist Church. During the past few years they have erected a fine place of worship at a cost of \$1500.

Since the 26th ult., when we commenced a series of meetings, the power of the Lord has been wonderfully displayed. Eleven were baptized on the 7th inst., as previously noticed, and now, with the exception of two mariners, who are abroad, only three adults remain unbaptized, and we hope that two of them are Christians. Happy is that people that is in such a case, yea, happy is that people whose God is the Lord. On the 10th inst., I commenced laboring on the East side in connection with Rev. J. I. Porter of the F. B. Church.

The churches have been much revived, but our anticipations of large accessions have not as yet been realized. There were received by the Baptist church on the 27th, two of whom were baptized on the following day. At the close of the evening service of the 28th, on the West side, the contribution box was passed around, and filled with small parcels, which were presented to the pastor as a freewill offering. Upon examination they were found to contain \$18.50.

This was a liberal donation for so small a number already-contributing pretty largely towards the regular salary. That the peace and happiness which now prevail in that little community may never be marred is the prayer of their pastor.

W. H. FICHAN.

OPENING OF NEW BAPTIST MEETING HOUSE AT MAHONE BAY.

Dear Editor,—

Most deeply interesting services were held in connection with the opening of the beautiful new House of Worship, yesterday at Mahone Bay.

The house was crowded at an early hour, so that hundreds had to repair to the Methodist chapel opened, when Rev. J. Williams preached an impressive discourse to a full house.

Rev. E. M. Saunders rendered efficient services in delivering the Opening Sermon. He instituted comparisons between the setting up of the Jewish Tabernacle in the Wilderness, the use of blood, and the dedicating of this new house of prayer, in blood—the all atoning blood of the dear Saviour. He concluded his most impressive sermon by earnestly inviting all Christians to a dedication of themselves to the work of the Master, and to the unconverted, to offer their earnest, sincere petitions to the Lord to accept them just as they are, saying, "Can you afford to linger, risk your soul's eternal welfare by sliding down—down toward that abyss of woe—only held back by the slight brittle thread of life, which may, O so easily, be severed and you are gone, gone, gone! forever—Ponder well ere it be too late." The following ministers were present: Revs. Saunders, Balenine, Williams, Cigswell, Mgrton, Skinner, Ball, Ingram. Also Rev. Mr. McNab, Presbyterian, who offered a very earnest dedicatory prayer at the close. Rev. Mr. Balenine preached in the afternoon, and Rev. I. J. Skinner in the evening to crowded houses.

The new organ was presided over by Mr. Mader. The collections of the day amounted to considerable over \$100 including some sums handed in before the close of the service at the suggestion of the far sighted, brother from Granville street church. May he long live to encourage and assist on such occasions.

The house is indeed a very fine edifice and reflects much credit on builders, painters, and people generally. The frescoing and designs in painting are very finely executed by W. R. Wenzel, of Bridgewater.

Missionary meeting to be held on Monday evening, and other services for Tuesday and Wednesday. Hundreds of people with horses and sleighs from all parts of the country availing themselves of the fine day and excellent sleighing passed over from Bridgewater.

The pews were all very neatly lined and cushioned, which add much to the beauty and comfort of the house.

Our good English Bro. Ingram certainly has had a very encouraging beginning, and we wish him and the flock over which he presides, abundant success in their good work, and hope others needing comfortable places of worship will emulate their example.

W. J. G.

Bridgewater, March 15, 1875.

BRIDGEWATER.—Two young converts were immersed by Rev. J. Williams on Sabbath, 21st ult. in the new baptistry in the presence of a large congregation, several others have expressed a wish to go forward in obedience to their Divine Lord's commands. Some of these, however, prefer the "Jordan" outside to the "Jordan" inside the house. Others have been received by letter.

On Tuesday, 2nd inst., Rev. Mr. Cogswell baptized eight converts at New Canada; about as many others professed conversion and will probably go forward soon. One man, a bold sinner, repaired to the house where the minister was trying for the expressed purpose of contending against the truths of christianity. This wicked man in his youthful days had been a praying person. The minister, instead of entering into an argument, said, "Man I feel deeply impressed concerning your soul's salvation, and believe God has directed you to this house to hear a message from him by his humble servant. The Holy Spirit has been, and still is striving with you, and I fear it is for the last time; Do, I beseech you, heed the solemn warning voice." The man flatly denied the fact, whereupon the minister fell on his knees and prayed most earnestly for his conversion. His mother, a godly woman joining in. At the close this bold sinner fell on his knees and made one of the most humble confessions of sin, the minister had ever listened to, and arose evidently a converted man. A marked and wonderful change had taken place—he begged the minister's pardon for lying to him—he had ever strenuously opposed the erection of the new Meeting-House. Thus is the good work of the Master progressing, and must continue until that "Stone cut out of the mountain without hands fill the whole world."

March 3, 1875.

W. J. G.

ARGYLE.—Rev. W. B. Bradshaw writes March 8th, 1875.—Dear Bro.—We have been, united with our Free Baptist brethren, in holding a series of religious meetings. God has blessed the endeavor. Additions have been made to both denominations. The meetings are still very interesting. We had the pleasure of baptizing five yesterday. We expect many more.

SHELburne.—Rev. E. N. Archibald writes March 8th, 1875.—Yesterday was a grand day in Shelburne for our little church. We welcomed twelve into its fellowship, five by baptism. Several more are waiting the opportunity.

Home and Foreign News.

HALIFAX, N. S., MARCH 17, 1875.

The Canada Gazette of Saturday last contains the appointment of Mr. McGill, of Yarmouth, Landing Waiter and Searcher of Customs; Jacob B. Starret, Harbor Master of Annapolis, and Jacob Zwicker, Harbor Master, Getson's Cove.

A despatch received from Lord Carnarvon approves of the course taken by the Government in relation to Riel.

In the House of Commons on Wednesday Mr. Burpe presented a petition from 13,000 people in New Brunswick, asking for a prohibitory liquor law.

Dr. Forbes asked whether the Government intend to establish a Marine Hospital at Liverpool, N. S., during the present summer, and if not, when. The Premier replied that the matter was under consideration.

On Wednesday Mr. McKenzie resumed the debate on Costigan's Roman Catholic school resolution. His speech was in sympathy with the Catholics of New Brunswick, but the Government (he said) could not violate the constitution, and he therefore moved:

That in the opinion of this House the legislation of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, encroaching on any powers reserved to any one of the Provinces by the B. N. A. Act would be an infraction of the constitution, and it would be inexpedient and fraught with danger to the autonomy of each Province for this House to invite such legislation.

Mr. Cauchon followed. After a few remarks he moved, seconded by Mr. Blake, that the following words be embodied in the amendment:

That on the 29th of May, 1872, a resolution was adopted affirming that the House regretted that the School Law recently passed in New Brunswick is not satisfactory to a portion of the inhabitants of that Province, but hopes it may be modified during the next session of the New Brunswick Legislature, so as to remove any cause of complaint that now exists. That this House regrets that the hope expressed in said resolution, has not been realized and that a humble address be presented to Her Majesty embracing this resolution and praying that Her Majesty may be pleased to use her influence with the New Brunswick Legislature to procure such a modification of the said Act as shall remove such grounds of discontent.

On Thursday Mr. Cauchon's amendment on the School Law was carried on division by 114 to 73. The main motion, as amended, was carried by 121 against 61. An address based on the resolution was then adopted.

The House then considered the vote of \$1,000,000 for the Baie Verte Canal.

Hon. Mr. McKenzie proposed to reduce the vote to \$20,000 till some matured scheme was arrived at, which passed.

On Friday the Premier introduced a bill to amend the Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway. The object of which was to provide for the whole management of the road under the provisions of one general act, not as at present, being run under acts passed by the Legislatures of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

The Premier also introduced a bill to amend and consolidate the laws regulating the North West Territory. The bill contemplated the appointment by the Governor in Council, of three members, three stipendiary magistrates, two others, probably the principal Indian agents, to decide questions. The seat of Government to be changed from time to time if necessary by order in Council. At present it would be at Fort Pelley. Whenever any section of about 1000 square miles shall contain 1000 inhabitants, it will be an electoral district, to return one member to the council, and when it has 2000 inhabitants it shall return two members. When 21 members shall have been elected the council shall cease to exist and will become a Legislative Assembly. Every household resident in the territory one year shall be entitled to vote and be eligible for election. The sale of intoxicating liquors is prohibited. This will put to practical test the principles of prohibition in a new country, where the liquor traffic is unknown.

The bill provided for the establishment of municipalities and common schools.

The Canadian Pacific Railway question was under debate on Saturday in the House of Commons.

Col Fletcher, the military Secretary to the Governor-General has resigned his position, having been ordered to join his regiment in England.

UNITED STATES.

The United States Government has made no treaty with Spain, but a convention has been entered into which stipulates the Spanish Government shall pay 80,000

dollars to the United States in satisfaction of indemnity claims on account of the Virginia affair, and that it shall surrender all claims against the United States Government.

Several of the fishermen, whose vessels were locked in the ice off Cape Cod, escaped to the shore, leaving the vessels to their fate.

The election in New Hampshire on Tuesday resulted in a substantial victory for the Republicans. The returns from 184 cities and towns give P. C. Heney, Republican Governor, a majority of 680, which is likely to be still further increased.

Congressional elections are in doubt, both parties claiming the victory. The Legislature is Republican.

By a fire at Montpelier, Vt., on Thursday night, several stores were destroyed, causing a loss of \$30,000.

The steamer "City of Vicksburg," from St. Louis for Vicksburg, snagged and sunk at Sheep Island. Loss \$70,000. No lives were lost.

Four fishing vessels have been lost from the port of Gloucester, Mass., during the present season, and forty three fishermen drowned.

The Report that the European Steamship Companies have resolved to advance the steerage passenger fares from New York is confirmed.

The Archbishop of Baltimore has been designated by the Vatican to confer the creta on Archbishop McCloskey, who will receive the other insignia of Cardinalite when he visits Rome.

Rumors of Cabinet changes are again rife in Washington. Attorney-Gen. Williams is mentioned as the successor of Schenck at the Court of St. James, and Butler's name is brought forward in connection with the Attorney-Generalship.

The Davia House at Gloucester was destroyed on Sunday morning. Three persons were burned to death and one suffocated.

At Colton Hill, W. V. A., five men were drowned on Sunday by the upsetting of a skiff.

Cuba.—A despatch from Cienfuegos says that the Spanish volunteers have arrested twenty peaceable young Cubans and shot them.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.—A telegram from London on Wednesday last said 18,000 persons gathered in and around Agricultural Hall, Islington, on Tuesday night to hear Moody and Sankey; and another to the Reporter on Monday says that "The audiences who attended the services of Messrs. Moody and Sankey in London on Sunday aggregated one hundred and fifty thousand. There were many conversions."

A motion will be made in the House of Commons to adjourn over for the Easter holidays from March the 22nd to April the 5th.

The Government will present the budget on April 15th.

Count Buet has resumed his diplomatic duties as Austrian ambassador in London.

The court of enquiry which was appointed by the London Board of Trade to investigate the "Cospatrick" disaster, is of opinion that some of the crew or emigrants went into the forehold to plunder the cargo and that the fire caught from lights or matches used by them. The "Cospatrick" had the proper number of boats.

The vote cast at the Parliamentary election in Tipperary on Friday was; for John Mitchell, 3114; for Mr. Moore, Conservative, 746.

Es-Empress Eugenie is said to have contracted another private loan.

GERMANY.—Germany is said to be irritated at Spain's action in the Gustav affair, and at the clerical leaning of Alfonso's ministers.

The Times Berlin correspondent telegraphs that Germany has asked Italy whether she will continue to exempt the Pope from obligations of law, and complaining that he is now abusing the liberty given him for the purpose of fomenting a rebellion in Germany.

ITALY.—The Voice Differita says, the Pope confers Cardinal's hat on Archbishop McCloskey, not only on account of the personal merits of that prelate, but because the Holy See is desirous of honoring the Catholics of America and making a progress of Catholicism in the United States.

FRANCE.—In the Assembly on Friday, Buffet read a declaration on behalf of the new ministry to the effect that its policy would be distinctly Conservative and devoid of characteristics either of provocation or of weakness. This statement is made, he said, to reassure the industrious and orderly population. An appeal was made to moderate men of all parties. The declaration was received with icy coldness by the Assembly.

Rumors of contempt and a coup d'etat by the Bonapartists have been in circulation and cause some uneasiness.

The Times Paris correspondent says MacMahon, by yielding to the intrigues of the Bonapartists, and refusing to make D'Audiffret Pasquier, Minister of the Interior, has dealt a deadly blow at the unreserved respect which all parties previously entertained for the head of the State.

The Tags Blatt says that the Government, having been informed that France intended to order an experimental concentration for her Eastern frontier, has inti-

mated to President MacMahon that it would direct the mobilization of two army corps on the Rhine if France persisted in carrying out her intention.

SPAIN.—It was stated last week that there is great difficulty in preventing the young King of Spain from abdicating in favor of the Duke de Montpensier, but this is supposed to be an unfounded rumor.

An engagement lasting six hours took place near Figueras between Carlists and Alfonsists. The latter lost 800 killed and wounded. The Carlists are now bombarding Oriu.

Local News.

SAD.—A young gentleman named A. C. Jones came out in the last English steamer, with the intention of proceeding to Newfoundland to engage in mission work. He was taken sick and died at the Waterley House on Friday of gastric fever, supposed to have been caused by sea-sickness. Members of the Young Men's Christian Association attended him in his sickness and followed him to the grave.

A FACT FOR DOCTORS—AND OTHERS.—The Orphan-Home in this city has existed about seventeen years. During nearly fifteen years there has not been a single death in the institution. Later the children in the Home have averaged about fifty at any one time. The total exemption of so large a family from mortality for so long a period seems to us amazing. Can it be paralleled elsewhere? The premises are too small; and the managers have either bought or are about to buy a larger property. We wish them great prosperity, while we congratulate the institution on the evident tokens of the Divine blessing which have rested upon it.—Witness.

DARTMOUTH is undergoing a thorough survey in preparation for making a large and reliable map of the town. There has been heretofore much uncertainty as to the correct line of the streets and their width. If this survey shall settle these matters it will be money well expended.

One day last week one of the Ferry gates was blown off its hinges and fell on Capt. Coleman, hurting him considerably. He has been confined to his house ever since.

The election of a Councilor in place of the late Councilor Murray is to take place on Wednesday next.

On Tuesday last B. H. Eaton, Esq., appeared before the Quarter Session on behalf of a number of the inhabitants of the Eastern Passage who wished to prevent Liquor selling Licenses being granted, except by a new application signed by the required number of ratepayers. Some of the Justices had expressed the opinion that Licenses might be renewed without a new petition. The memorialists represented that parties had frequently gone over to McNab's Island for drinking purposes and had become greatly demoralised thereby, and that some had been ruined by such practices.

The Custos seemed to favor the interpretation of the law in accordance with the wishes of the memorialists, but no positive decision was given.

PROFITABLE BUSINESS.—The "Avon Marine Insurance Company" of Wendeor has been and still is the most profitable speculation in the country. It has seldom paid an annual profit of less than 100 per cent. on capital invested, and this year the enormous dividend of 140 per cent. (!) was declared. The stockholders received \$35 on paid up shares of \$25 each. The officers of this excellently managed company are—William Dimock, President; Bennett Smith, George Churchill, C. B. Bowman, Edg. Young, Directors. D. P. Allison, Secretary and Treasurer.—Chronicle.

ARGYLE.—We learn from the Yarmouth Herald that the house of Capt. R. Spinney, of Argyle, was burned down on the 3rd inst. Everything was lost and there was barely time to rescue the children with only the night-clothes which they had on. There was no insurance on the property, and Capt. Spinney has thus lost the entire earnings of many years' industry.

ACCIDENTS.—A lad named Power was run over on Cornwallis Street, on Thursday, by a truck sled, and badly injured. An Artilleryman was run over by a passing team on Grafton Street, on Thursday afternoon, and was badly cut and bruised. He was taken on a stretcher to the military hospital.

Mr. James Fraser, of Springville, E. R. had one of his ribs broken on Monday by a kick from his horse.

Mr. Wm. S. Connell, of Black Meadows, about three weeks ago, had one of the bones of his left arm fractured by a kick from one of his horses.

At Westville, Mr. Alexander Fraser (Hook) formerly pilot on the "East Riding," got caught between two coal cars, and sustained injuries, which it is feared will prove fatal. At last accounts he was alive, though lying in a very precarious state.

SEALING AT HOME.—We learn from the North Sydney Herald, that Seals have made their appearance on the Bras d'Or Lakes. Three very large ones were caught last week at Boularderie Head. One weighed 200 pounds, was 69 inches in length, and measured 45 inches around the body.

TRAPPING.—The North Sydney Herald tells of a bear being caught alive in a fox-trap near the Lake side Hotel, Big Pond.

APPOINTMENT.—Mr. P. S. Hamilton has been appointed Dominion Inspector of River Fisheries in Nova Scotia.

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