

IDA MAY CORNING

fell asleep in Jesus, May 19th, aged 19 years. She experienced religion and united with the church about four years ago. Her walk was consistent and praiseworthy. Her seat in the house of God was seldom vacant, and her voice was often heard bearing testimony for Christ. She had endeared herself to all who knew her by her kind and christian endeavors to do good to others, and to honor the blessed Master. During her brief but severe illness, she expressed to me her perfect confidence in Christ and calm resignation to his will. A few moments before her ransomed spirit took its flight, when asked if she knew she was dying she replied, "O yes I'm going home, my Jesus has come." Her widowed mother has been bereft of a dutiful and affectionate daughter, the church has lost a much-beloved sister, the Lodge of Good Templars of which she was a member and efficiently discharged the duties of Chaplain, has lost a faithful worker in the temperance cause. But we rejoice that though dead she yet speaks. Of her it may be said, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." She rests with Jesus, and her works follow her.

Beaver River, June 10th, 1875.

HANNAH CORNING,

passed away May 12th, in the 80th year of her age. Deceased was a consistent member of the Baptist church, and gave testimony through life of her attachment to Christ. During her last illness her faith in God was unshaken, and she longed to depart and be with Christ which is far better. Her sufferings were severe, yet she waited with calm resignation the coming of the Master. To her it was a happy moment when the messenger came, and her ransomed soul took its flight to everlasting bliss.—Id.

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Religious Intelligence.

REVIVAL AT SYDNEY O. C.—Dear Editor,—The Lord has deigned to visit us in great mercy and revive the church of which I am pastor. Very considerable interest has been awakened among us in respect to spiritual things; and the great themes presented in the Gospel have been heard with more than ordinary attention. Members have pretty generally engaged in the exercises, and have been much revived; and converts have been given us by the power of the Lord. On the 1st Sabbath in Feb'y. I baptized one disciple in the name of Christ, one also the first in April, four in May, and three in June; and several have joined us by letter and we expect others will soon be baptized and unite with us. Thus we have much encouragement to labour for the salvation of sinners, and the edification of the church.

The church at North Sydney under the pastoral charge of Rev. John B. McDonald has been greatly blessed with revival influences. Bro. McD. writes me that he baptized five last Sabbath, and gave the right hand of fellowship to twenty-two, making thirty-seven added to the church since the revival commenced; and more are expected. Bro. McD. has laboured constantly and very energetically, indeed beyond what even his robust constitution can bear with impunity. Bro. Brown, of Cow Bay has been much engaged in holding revival meetings, as you have been briefly advised from time to time.

As a whole the Baptist denomination on this Island is not strong, and needs constant and careful nurture and management in the ministration of the Truth, and by the grace of God. The church at North Sydney is strong, and more than self-supporting. The brethren and cause on the Island are worthy of wise and vigorous help, and the Missionary Union is aiding well,—but more is needed. With humility, faithfulness and love on the part of ministers and churches, and the Holy Spirit's power and presence with us we may look for blessings more than a hundred fold. We are labouring in a hard field and need special direction and support from above, as well as sympathy and help from our more favoured brethren in the Province. I expect to leave next Monday for Margaree to attend a Council, expected to convene for the purpose of considering the proposed ordination of a young brother labouring in that place. May our visit and work be attended with great spiritual blessing to the people there!

Yours fraternally,
GEORGE ARMSTRONG.

AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES.—Mr. Editor,—Please allow me space in your valuable paper in making a few remarks, of my recent tour to the Westward.

By request I left Halifax on the twenty-ninth day of May, I arrived the same evening at Inglewood, a small settlement composed principally of colored persons about a mile distant from Bridgetown Station, there I found a good feeling amongst the people. Brother Benjamin Miller, a licentiate, had labored there the past Winter for two or three weeks with good results. I held meetings there the same evening of my arrival, on the following Sabbath I baptized two converts, and continued holding meetings with them until Wednesday, 2nd inst., when I left for Kentville, and proceeded to the Pines and commenced holding meetings on Thursday. A good work had already begun there.

On the following Lord's day, 6th inst., nine willing converts were buried with Christ in baptism. The coloured people there are poor but they have commenced building a meeting house to worship God in, and several of the kind friends have aided them and many others in the surrounding districts has promised and will give their valuable assistance in so needful a cause, for which we tender our sincere thanks and trust that others will help these poor people onward with their little sanctuary, which is now about half completed, in which they anticipate holding our Annual Association, the last Saturday in August, next. Thanking you Mr. Editor for occupying so much of your valuable space.

I am yours in Christ,

JAMES THOMAS,

Pastor of the African Baptist Church, Halifax, N. S.

CENTRAL ONSLOW, COLCHESTER CO.—June 15th, 1875.—Since writing you last the Lord has been carrying on his work in our midst. We have had the privilege of visiting the baptismal waters on several occasions; on the 6th and 13th inst., we had the pleasure of again conducting willing converts down into the liquid grave. Thus adding four more to our number, making in all since my work began here, seventeen baptized, six by letter and one by experience, total twenty-four.

There are still others whose hearts, we doubt not, the Lord has touched, who will soon identify themselves with His people, and swell the ranks of those who are seeking to walk in the "old paths."

But our cup has not been one of unmingled joy. Death has invaded our borders, and three have been called away from our midst during the past week, reference to which will be found in their obituaries. We shall miss them from among us, and many friends mourn their removal, but we are comforted by the reflection, that "All things work together for good to those who love God."

Yours, &c.,
S. MARCH.

MONTAGUE BRIDGE & DUNDAS, P. E. I.—Rev. Donald McDonald writes: "We are still cheered in our work. Others are called by grace to take the place of those who are called to glory. I baptized 10 more at Montague Bridge and 9 at Dundas since you last heard from me. I hope to see you at our Association at North River. My address until further notice is North River, P. E. I."

Belfast, June 14th, 1875.

NICTAUX.—I had the pleasure of baptizing and receiving into our fellowship last Lord's day, three willing disciples, all heads of families. The Master has lately taken away a number of valued members of the church, but blessed be his most holy name he is bringing others in to fill their places.

W. J. BLAKENEY.

June 7, 1875.

CHESTER, June 18th, 1875.—Dear Bro.—The good work of the Lord is still going on among us. Last Lord's day eight persons obeyed their Lord in baptism, six of whom were in the bloom of youth. More are expected. May the Lord's name be praised.

Yours, &c.,

I. J. SKINNER.

DARTMOUTH.—On Sunday morning last, an interesting baptismal service was held here on the shore of the harbor. Rev. A. S. Hunt administered the ordinance to six believers in the Lord Jesus. Mr. Hunt's youngest son was one of the young men baptized. A large concourse attended and manifested the decorum and solemnity befitting the occasion.

CHELSEA AND KEMPT, QUEENS CO., June 15th, 1875.—I would just state for the encouragement of the friends of Zion, I made a visit last week to the Chelsea church. Attended a meeting on Friday evening, Conference on Saturday, at 3 o'clock. A goodly number of the members of the church were present. It was a season of refreshing. Three offered themselves to the church and were received. On Sabbath morning the ordinance of christian baptism was administered. Two of the number were men and heads of families and will be useful members in the church. The day throughout was one of interest and I think profit. In the evening I preached in a new school-house at Buckfield, where a deep interest was manifested. At the close of the services a number spoke and testified for God. The prospect is still encouraging. May the Lord send them a man after His own heart to break to them the Bread of Life, is the prayer of their former Pastor.

I would also say that owing to the state of my health and other circumstances I have been compelled to resign my Pastorate with the Kempt church, and expect to remove to Parker's Cove, Granville, for a few months at least, for the improvement of my health, and wish all my communications to be addressed to me there. My disconnection with that church is with the best of feelings, and I sincerely hope that God will direct the steps of some man of God to that people. They are worthy of a good minister and I hope with a little assistance from the Board a minister could be well sustained.

I am yours in Christian love,

H. ACHILLES.

P. S.—My address will be Parker's Cove, Granville, Annapolis Co.

Rev. James Irving also reports from Baltimore, N. B.:—"We held a county meeting with the 2nd Hillsboro' church about the middle of March. The Lord was present to bless, and eight were added to the church by baptism. Bro. Moore and myself held some meetings with the 4th Hillsboro' church in Baltimore, where I reside, and it was evident in the very first meeting that God was there to bless. We continued the meetings for about three weeks, and during that time I baptized 56 persons in our small village, which with four baptized during the winter, makes in all 60 added by baptism to the 4th Hillsboro' church. The work exceeded our most sanguine expectations. I never saw anything like it before. Bro. Moore went with me for a short time, and held some meetings with the 3rd Hillsboro' church at Cape Demselle Creek, and there too the spirit of God was present to bless; and although we continued our meetings only for a short time, eight were baptized, and received into the fellowship of the church. It has been my happy lot during the winter to baptize 76 happy converts. To God be all the praise."

THE GOSPEL IN MAY FAIR.—"Friday, June 1 (1739) preached in the evening at a place called May Fair, near Hyde-park-corner. The congregation, I believe, consisted of near eighty thousand people. It was, by far, the largest I ever preached to yet. In the time of my prayer there was a little noise; but they kept a deep silence during my whole discourse; a high and very commodious scaffold was erected for me to stand upon; and though I was weak in myself, yet God strengthened me to speak so loud that most could hear; and in such manner, I hope, that most could feel. All love, all glory be to God through Christ."—Whitefield's Journals.

Home and Foreign News.

HALIFAX, N. S., JUNE 23, 1875.

Many of the Montreal manufacturers, owing to the dulness of trade, have either suspended altogether or are working on short time. One thousand shoe operatives are said to be out of employment.

The firm of Bennett, Benson & Co., lumberers, Quebec, have suspended; their liabilities are at \$1,042,000, distributed as follows: Union Bank, \$17,000; Quebec Bank, \$255,000; Bank of Montreal, \$25,000; National Bank, \$255,000; Stadacona Bank, \$20,000; J. G. Ross, \$23,000.

It is said that His Excellency General O'Grady Haly has been advanced to the dignity of K. C. O. B.

The Jacques Cartier Bank at Montreal has been in difficulty. Suspension appeared necessary, but it is understood that an examination of its assets has resulted favorably.

The greater portion of the business part of Barrie, Ont., is burned. Half of Dunlop Street on both sides was destroyed.

A large meeting was held in Montreal on Friday night to consider the present depression in our industries. The telegram says, certain parties, among them Mr. Thos. White, of the "Gazette," endeavored to make capital out of it against the Government, but the meeting would not bear of it.

Mr. Aubin of Montreal has been appointed Chief Superintendent of Gas Inspectors under the new Act, which comes into force on the 1st of July.

There has been a terrible destruction of pine timber on the limits of Upper Ottawa by fires during the past week. Large tracts of fine timber lands have been laid bare.

The contractors for the Grenville canal improvement received last week sixty-five thousand dollars for extras, and the work is not more than half completed yet.

Mr. Nevin arrived at Ottawa on Friday morning with 20,000 fine young salmon from the Government establishment at Newcastle. They will be transferred to their new home in Salmon River.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—The Visitor of last week informs us in its News column that "The weather has been foggy and wet for several successive days." But then our brother adds "To day Monday, the sun is shining gloriously and all nature is clad in shining beauty."

By the vigilance of the Police, incendiaries were discovered last week in endeavoring to kindle another fire in Brussels Street, but were stopped just in time to prevent what might have been a serious conflagration.

UNITED STATES.—C. E. Maston's Pyrotecnic Manufactory blew up on Wednesday, killing five workmen, wounding four, and causing \$50,000 damage. A bomb was thrown a quarter of a mile and set fire to a building.

Details of a terrible murder at Gananoque are published. A widow woman named Eaton had her head split open by an axe, while sitting at dinner. A person named Hotchelles, a former lunatic, is accused of the crime.

Several houses were blown down and a number of people were seriously injured, and John Menne killed by a tornado at Quincy Ill., on Tuesday night.

The Court of Appeals in New York last week, decided that the sentence imposed upon Tweed was unconstitutional, and his release has been ordered.

ENGLAND.—Serious failures are announced in England. The following list of names is given:—Malcom & Hunson, Japan merchants, and Ambal & Gonzales, merchants, liabilities not heavy; also Young, Borthwick & Co., John Anderson & Co., and J. Falie, liabilities of Young & Co., stated at \$12,500,000, and those of John Anderson & Co., one million; J. C. Falie's liabilities are not known. Westhead & Co., Manchester, have failed, liabilities \$100,000. The failure is also announced of John Strachan & Co., East India and London merchants, liabilities \$100,000; and of Henry Adamson & Sons, insurance brokers. Alexander Collie & Co., of Manchester, have suspended with liabilities amounting to £3,000,000 sterling. There are rumors in London of the failure of two firms connected with the last; the liabilities of one are said to be \$150,000,000.

The Rifle shooting of the Americans with Irishmen at Dublin is causing some excitement.

The International banquet to be given in London in honor of the Prefect, of Seine, is expanding in its design. The Corporation have decided to send invitations to all the principal municipal dignitaries in Europe and America.

A sensation has been created by the publication in the St. Petersburg "Golos" of an article advocating an alliance with Russia and England, because the alliance between the three Emperors has lost the power of guaranteeing peace, since one of their number has been suspected of warlike designs.

FRANCE.—The Bureau of the Left will offer no amendment to the Constitutional Bills as they come from the Committee of Thirty, and will take all possible steps to hasten the final dissolution of the Assembly.

The Left was to move on Saturday that the Public Press Bill be placed on the orders of the day.

RUSSIA.—The Moscow "Gazette" says, England having declined to enter into intimate relations with Russia unless the Central Asia States are placed under the protection of the International Law, Russia has no reason to leave the alliance and enter into a league with that country.

GERMANY.—Count Von Armin's new trial is proceeding at Berlin.

A despatch from Berlin to the Daily Telegraph says, Bismarck, before leaving for the country received the foreign representatives and gave each an assurance of the peaceful disposition of Germany.

Fiji.—Advices received from the Fiji Islands reports a slight abatement of the measles epidemic among the natives.

Marriages.

At the residence of the bride's father, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. W. J. Blakney, Mr. George Smith, to Miss Mary Celia Bier, all of Gates' Mountain.

At the residence of the bride, Lawrence town, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. G. W. Parker, James Wheelock, Esq., of Middleton, Mrs. Lydia Crisp, of the former place.

At the Baptist Chapel, Canard, June 15th, by Rev. S. B. Kempton, John M. Beckwith, Esq., to Annie, eldest daughter of John Ellis, Esq., all of Cornwallis.

At the residence of the bride's father, June 16th, by the same, Wallace Graham, Esq., Barrister, of Halifax, to Annie M., only daughter of J. P. Lyons, Esq., of Cornwallis.

At Canning, June 12th, by the Rev. S. J. Neiley, Mr. Daniel Legee, to Miss Amanda Jess, both of Scott's Bay, Cornwallis.

At Canning, June 16th, by the same, Mr. William Archer Tupper, of Scott's Bay, to Mrs. Rebecca Dodge, of West Cornwallis.

At Bridgewater, June 15th, by the Rev. E. Roberts, Mr. J. Downey, of New Canada, to Abigail Langille, of Northfield.

At the residence of Mr. C. H. Crosby, Hebron, on Thursday, the 10th inst., by Rev. R. D. Burgess, Mr. Hasadiah Pottor, of Beaver River, to Mrs. Nancy Crosby, of Hebron, Yarmouth Co.

Deaths.

At Torbrook, May 30th, Parney Bertheaux, aged 66 years. Sister Bertheaux professed faith in Christ more than forty years ago, and united with the Nictaux Church, was baptized and inducted into the Church by Rev. I. E. Bill. Her amiable character and christian life endeared her to all who knew her. She leaves eleven children and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. "She sleeps in Jesus and is blessed."

At Central Onslow, June 9th, 1875, Mr. Samuel McCully, aged 78 years. In his last sickness he exhibited remarkable patience under severe affliction, and trusted on Jesus as the ground of his hope of the life everlasting. His funeral was largely attended, and the pastor improved the want by a discourse from Job xxx. 23. May the bereaved widow, children and friends be divinely supported.

At Lower Onslow, June 11th, 1875, Mrs. Sarah Higgins, the beloved wife of Edward Higgins, after a protracted illness which she sustained with great composure and submission to the divine will. Her life was exemplary, and her piety constant. For many years she was a worthy and devoted member of the Church at DeBert River, and she maintained inviolate her christian character; simple child-like trust in Jesus was one of the permanent features in her religious life, and it wavered not in face of the last enemy. She leaves her aged parents, affectionate husband, loving children, together with a large circle of friends to mourn their loss; which doubtless was to her unspeakable gain. Her funeral was attended by many, and the Pastor at Onslow, preached from the words of Paul, 2 Tim. i. 12. "For I know whom I have believed" &c. May the mourners find comfort in the thought and prospect of a happy reunion by-and-by; among her dying words were those of the text, and the assurance to her friends "We shall not be parted long."

At Upper Onslow, June 12th, 1875, Mrs. Hannah Jerusha Dickson, beloved wife of Mr. John E. Dickson, aged 62 years. Her sickness was protracted and severe, but her hope in Jesus was firm and unwavering. She was baptized 31 years ago by Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, and united with the Onslow Church. Since which time she has maintained without spot her christian profession. Her place will be greatly missed in the family, in the church and the community. But God has taken her to himself. Let the weeping husband, sons and daughters, and surviving brothers and sisters of the departed emulate her confidence in Jesus, and patiently wait for their discharge from the trials of earth to enter on the rest of heaven. At her funeral a discourse was preached by the pastor from Phil. i. 21. "To die is gain." Thus loudly are we all admonished to be ready for the summons. May we heed it and obtain the blessedness which awaits the Saints beyond the river.

At Tusket Lakes, Yarmouth Co., on the 14th of May, 1875, Bertha, sixth daughter of Abraham and Eunice Kavash, in the 22nd years of her age, of heart disease. She was sustained by divine grace which enabled her to say—"I come! I come! at thy command, I give my spirit to thy hand; Stretch forth thine everlasting arms, And shield me in the last alarms."

At Tusket Lakes, Yarmouth Co., on the 29th of May, 1875, Deborah Hatfield, the beloved wife of Korman Hatfield, Esq., in the 37th year of her age. Sustained by the presence of her loving Saviour enabling her to sing the praises of Him who loved her and saved her, and prepared her for the coming glory. [Yarmouth Herald please copy.]

At South Rawdon, on the 25th of May, Joshua Knowles, aged 55 years, after a protracted illness which he bore with christian resignation, leaving aged parents, wife and seven children to mourn the loss of a kind son, an affectionate husband and father. Brother Knowles was for many years a valued member of the Baptist Church. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, they rest from their labour and their works follow them."

On Wednesday the 16th, James Adolphus Mowbray, in the 23rd year of his age.

At Kingsport, Cornwallis, on the 6th inst., Samuel Bigelow, in his 65th year.

At the Poor's Asylum, on the 15th June, 1875, John McKagan, aged 36 years.

At Wolfville, on the 10th June, Elizabeth H., fifth daughter of William C. and Mary Backader, aged 17 years.

On Tuesday, June 15th, William Lawson, in his 66th year.

At Hebron, March 28th, of consumption, Eliza E., only daughter of Deacon William and Eunice Durkee, aged 25 years. Her end was peace.

Shipping List.

ARRIVED.

TUESDAY, June 15th.—Smsr George Shack-tuck, Guildford, St Pierre, Miq, via Sydney, North Sydney and Arichat; brig Minnie, Marchison, Pictou; schrs B Wier, Hooper, Boone Bay, Nfd; J W Scott Kerrigan, of and from St John, N B; Dert, Taylor, Port La Tour; Mediator, McLeod, Liverpool, N S; Minnow, Drew, Petite Riviere; Annie & Alice, Corks, Chester; Sea Nymph, Murdoch, Sherbrooke.

WEDNESDAY, 16th.—Schr J T Hibbard, (of Parrsboro,) Mirram, New York; Edward Barton, (of Parrsboro,) Miller, do; Ida A Thurlow, McKinnon, Eastport, Me; Elizabeth, LeVache, New Carlisle; Bonnie Lass, Giff, Sydney; Silver Dart, Komkey, Ecum Secum; Eliza A. Logan, Sheet Harbor; Ocean Bride, Giffin, Lockport; Three Brothers, Eisenhauer, Mahone Bay.

THURSDAY, 17th.—Smsr Caspian, Trocks, Liverpool, G B, via Queenstown & St John's, Nfd; Newfoundland, Mylius, Pictou; Norwegian barque Roma, Anderson, Limerick,