RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

HALIFAX .- Last Sabbath was a good day in the North Baptist Church; the pastor, Rev. J. W. Manning, baptized seven believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, and had the privilege at the close of the evening service, of extending to them the right hand of fellowship.

The church is greatly encouraged by these tokens of Divine favor and the spirit of inquiry now prevailing in the congregation.

CANNING .- Dear Editor, -A few evenings ago the people and friends of my charge met in the vestry of our meeting house and spent the evening in social intercourse, singing and addresses. Why I take so much pleasure in making this simple announcement is that one of those addresses was to myself personally, -the speaker Dea. Rand, assuring me of the kind feelings with which myself and family were regarded-not upon his own responsibility, however - for he proved his assertions by presenting me with the liberal donations of those , present, in all, amounting to \$160,00, \$132,-78 of which was cash and the remainder as good as cash. May the Lord reward their whole-heartedness.

I have even better news than this: "God hath visited his people" here. Our Methodist brethren have been holding meetings for some time past and been rewarded by seeing souls coming to Christ. We, too, are now holding special services and "God is with us." Our people are being encouraged and strengthened. Deep anxiety is manifested for the salvation of the lost. Many are enquiring the way; a few profess to have found it. At our last conference five united with the church by letter and one was admitted for baptism. Others will no doubt soon follow. We hopefully await the issue. Pray for us.

Canning, Feb. 17, 1876.

ECONOMY. Col. Co.—Dear Editor, there are encouraging signs in regard to the cause of Christ in Economy.

S. J. NEILEY.

It was my privilege to spend my vacation with the brethren at the above named place.

Truly the presence of the Master of Assemblies was felt in our meetings, and our hearts were drawn toward him. the brethren there have been laboring some time without a pastor. Their pastor Bro. McKeen, who has labored with them for a number of years has been laid aside by sickness.

Our prayer is that God would send them some one of his servants to minister to them in holy things. It is a good field for labour. With a band of earnest workers whose theme is the "Old, Old, Story," and whose "glory is in the Cross of Christ."

I was not only received with christian kindness, but when the time of my departure came they ministered with christian benevolènce.

May God bless the church at Economy and Portaupique with an addition of many to thenumber of such as shall eternally saved.

J. W. WEEKS.

Wolfville, Feb. 26th, 1875. -

Hantsport, Feb. 22nd, 1876.—Dear Sir,—The revival is progressing. Last week was a time of the manifestation of the power of God.

One hundred and sixty two persons spoke in our Conference last Saturday. Twenty-six were baptized and received, with one who had been received on ex-

perience—into the church. My two brothers Revds. W. J. and J. E. Bleakney have been with us the last

week, and rendered efficient aid. The meetings are being continued with increasing interest.

Yours &c.,

J. C. BLEAKNEY.

GREENFIELD, Feb. 22hd, 1876 .- Mr. Editor,-In June, 1874, the Rev. A. J. Cogswell, came to Greenfield, to labor. with this people, he has done so in the spirit of his Master. The Church of Christ, has been greatly encouraged by listening to his earnest and affectionate preaching, and we trust and pray. yet to see the fruits of his labors in the conversion of sinners. Our hearts were made glad on Sunday the 13th inst., when two were united to the church by letter. We hope they will prove a

of doing much good.

On Sunday the 20th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., we met at the Baptist Meeting House in a Sabbath School Concert, which proved creditable to those engaged, especially the School Teacher, Sister S. A. Leadbetter. She had the scholars, and writings most beautifully and tastefully arranged. Subject "Rock of Ages." Christ the Rock. The recita tions, and singing were in keeping.-All who had felt Christ precious were led to say, on this Rock they rested as the foundation of their hopes. Those of the young, who had not a knowledge of Christ's love, while reciting their pieces seemed to manifest a deep feeling which we believe will soon break forth into the song of praise. "To him that has loved us, and washed us in his own blood." Can the seed, that is sown in the Sabbath School be lost? No, we believe it will germinate, and bring forth fruit. May God bless the labors of all concerned.

R. HARLOW.

FROM SHELBURNE .- On the evening of the 21st inst., as we were all a our accustomed duties, suddenly, like a squall, came pouring in upon us a host of happy and laughing friends .-Imagine our surprise when we were ordered to surrender the reins of family government and be obedient to the public will! Soon our commodious home was well filled, and tea briskly under way. The social cheer of smiling faces and happy voices could not but make the pastor's heart and that of his family glad. But when the leader of the company presented to Mrs. A. with an appropriate address, a purse containing \$46, and told us of thirty or forty dollar's worth of valuables in the kitchen and woodyard, you could not blame us, these hard times, for being twice glad and three times thankful. Thankful first to the originators and able managers of delightful and profitable surprise. Secondly to the thoughtful donors. And thirdly, and especially to our good God, who tenderly looks after our temporal interests while we are in his blessed service. The blessing of Himself rest upon our dear people.

E. N. ARCHIBALD. Shelburne, Feb. 22nd, 1876.

BEAVER RIVER, YARMOUTH Co., Feb. 22nd, 1876.—During the past few weeks we have enjoyed some of the refreshing influences of the Holy Spirit. Bro. G H. Goudy labored earnestly with us.

Quite a number of the youths of the community are deeply impressed. Last Sabbath it was our privilege to visit the baptismal waters, when four happy converts followed their Saviour in the ordinace of baptism, and were welcomed in to the church. To God be all the glory,

> Yours truly, J. D. SKINNER.

NEW GERMANY .- Rev. John Williams writes:-For the last four weeks, have been laboring at New Germany. God is doing a great work for that church 17 have followed their. Lord in Baptism.

Bro. Hall baptized 9 yesterday. Feb. 21st, 1875.

persons were baptized this morning and | two or three years ago. He stated that received into the Church after the morning Service. J. M. C.

FROM NEW BRUNSWICK .- Dear Brother, -I love the Messenger, and love to read it, its contents are fresh every week. half to the decrease in the exportation I hope that the Master, our Friend and Saviour may continue to bless you in your great work, and also make the Christian Messenger a blessing to every person and family to whom it comes. believe that the Baptists in Nova Scotia owe much under God to its denominational organ.

I am glad to learn, and that from the Messenger, that the churches in Nova Scotia are in their work and labour of love prospering, and that our institutions at Wolfville sre enjoying God's blessing.

Some of our church are having access. ions made to them. God's favor and minion police; \$10,000 on penitentiaries power are manifested in a very wonder- and statistics; \$115,680 on immigration ful manner. The Rev. T. H. Porter is in the midst of a glorious work of grace. Last sabbath, the 6th inst., he bap-

blessing to the church, and be the means | tystery of his church, other denominations in the city are sharing quite largely in the same blessing. We hope that the good work will continue and spread till all our churches are brought under its gracious influence. My prayer is the prayer of the prophet: "O Lord revive thy work." In my own churches, I long to see it, and feel its power in my own heart. I hope before long to be able to write that God is blessing us and converting sinners.

Yours as ever, T. M. MUNRO. Macknaquack, N. B., Feb. 10th, 1876.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA. -On TUESDAY OF last week, in the House of Commons Mr. Mackenzie moved the second read ing of the bill to amend the Act respecting the North West territory, and to create separate territories out of a part thereof. In doing so he explained the intention of the bill, which was to confer municipality powers on a portion of the North West lying far remote from the seat of Government.

Dr. Tupper suggested that, as the Government had made a mistake in their bill of last year, they should wait a little before committing another mistake.

The bill was read a second time. The House went into committee on the resolution to grant moneys for payment of County Court Judges in Nova Scotia. The bill was read a first time.

On WEDNESDAY Hon. Mr. Blake brought in a bill to make better provision for carrying out enquiries into corrupt practices at elections; also a bill making more effectual provision for to favor the latter. the trial of controverted elections.

Mr. Debert having asked a question, Hon. Mr. Huntington said Government had come to no resolution in regard to amending the Insolvency Act.

Dr. Tupper asked what was the rate of commission agreed to be paid to financial agents for negotiating the recent loan and the commission they are to receive for paying coupons on bonds.

Hon. Mr. Cartwright said no commission had been paid on the first portion of the loan, and but one per cent. on the remainder.

Mr. Flynn moved for the report and plan by Mr. Perley, in 1873, for the enlargement of the St. Peter's Canal, and made a long speech in support of his

On THURSDAY Mr. Mackenzie said the Government were taking the steps they deemed necessary to remove the obstructions placed upon Canadian vessels on American inland waters and rivers.

Mr. Thompson (Haldimand) asked if the Government intended awarding pensions to veterans of 1812, as last year. Hon. Mr. Vail said yes.

Mr. McKay (Cape Breton) moved for a return of coal imported into Canada from the States during the past year. He complained of the injustice of the existing laws which were disastrous to Canadian coal-owners.

Mr. Cartwright was anxious for the return, that they might urge upon the States the propriety of reducing the duty, but he did not wish a protective and the upsetting of the car, which then

Messrs. McGregor, Dymond, Oliver, Tupper, Mitchell, Bowell and others followed for protection, and Hon. Mr. Mackenzie stated that the Government would do all they could to foster the coal trade both in Nova Scotia and elsewhere, but he was not then prepared to say what the policy of the Government would be.

report of Committee, introduced a bill providing for the salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of Nova

Scotia. Hon. Mr. Cartwright commenced his budget speech by observing that he would be bold were he to deny that great distress was present in the country, Wolfville, Feb. 27th, 1876.—Twelve and he thought it less dangerous than the total revenue on the 30th June was \$24,648,715; the expenditure \$23,713, 071; balance, \$935,644. The exports during the year ending 30th June, 1874, were \$89,351,928; during the present year, \$77,886,979; decrease, \$11,464,949. One million was due to the increase in the exportation of bullion; three and a of produce not of Canada. The total decrease in volume of trade was \$19,

Contrasting the controllable expenditure of 1873-74 with that of 1874-75, he showed a balance of \$472,023 in favor of the latter. There was a serious diminution in the total receipts of the first seven months of the present year, there being a difference of two millions in favor of last year, but the receipts of the first seven months of last year were unusually large. He read a statement showing that there had been very little actual decrease in the exports of the country, and that the decrease was only

in one single article, sawn lumber. He said they had effected a decrease of \$27,253 on civil government and Doand quarantine; \$1,927,602 on Militia; \$395,848 on Lighthouses and Coast Services; \$146,750 on Boundary Surveys; \$100,000 is dropped temporarily on

Public Works of the Dominion. Reduc- Dufaure, president of the Council, in tions to the amount of \$3,247,000, being | place of Buffet, resigned. a decrease in the estimates of \$2,500,000. sums to Prince Edward Island. He esduring the ensuing year \$13,500,000 from excise \$5,000,000; stamps \$250, 000; post office \$1.100,000; public works \$1,700,000; and from miscellaneous sources \$1,200,000. Total receipts \$23,250,000; against an estimated ex penditure of something less than that amount. He warned the country against adopting a policy of Protection which would benefit one-twentieth of the population to the detriment of the other nineteen. No material alteration would be made in the tariff. They considered this the best that could be done for the country, after great deliberation. He moved that the House go into committee of the whole, which was seconded by Mr. Mackenzie.

Dr. Tupper proceeded to criticise the speech and policy of Mr. Cartwright, made an increase on every item of expenditure since coming into power, and otherwise animadverting on the Government policy.

On SATURDAY morning a deputation of Montreal manufacturers had an interview with members of Parliament on the Government policy.

The members of Parliament asked the delegation whether they desired protection pure and simple, or Incidental

It was also agreed that the deputation

should wait on Dr. Tupper and Sir John A. Macdonald to ascertain their views before definitely deciding on the course for them to pursue. Grit Protectionists threaten that un-

less some change is made they will throw in their lot with the Opposition. Maritime members threaten to vote against the Government if the tariff is disturbed.

Earl Dufferin's fancy dress ball is said to have exceeded for its magnificence any thing ever seen on this Continent. The Friday Customs receipts at Mon-

treal amounted to \$22,249. This fell on Saturday to \$1,547. UNITED STATES .- The Democratic Na-

tional Committee on Tuesday last select ed St. Louis, the 27th of June, for holding a Convention for nominating a candidate for the Presidency.

Washington's birthday wes celebrated on Tuesday last. New York wore a de cidedly holiday appearance. Flags flying from house-tops and all the shipping in the harbor. Salutes fired morning and noon. Business was entirely suspended.

A sleeping car on the Harlem railroad extension was burned on Wednesday night, and Mr. Bissell, proprietor of the Sherman House, Chicago, and his son, perished in the flames. Ten other passengers were badly burned. The accident was caused by running off a rail took fire. The night was cold.

The nitro-glycerine magazine of the Roberts Torpedo Co., at Petersburgh, Penn., exploded on Wednesday evening, tearing the building to pieces, and instantly killing James Barnum, an em ployee.

A fire at Caseyville, Ky., on Thursday destroyed 21 houses, mostly two-story structures. This includes the greater On FRIDAY Hon. Mr. Blake, on the part of the fown fronting on the river.

By the burning of a house in LeMais. Iowa, on Wednesday night, a woman and three children were burned to death, causing the husband to become a maniac.

England.—On Thursday last In the House of Commons, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that Mr. Stokes and M. DeLesseps were negotiating in relaand that the negotiations were progressing favorably.

A vote sanctioning the purchase has been agreed to. The Government is negotiating extradition treaties with the South American States and also new ones with the European powers and the United States

The Slave Question circular was discussed. Disraeli supported the course of the Government, and it was voted to await the report of the Royal Commis-

Tidings of the long lost stmr. "Strathmore," from London for New Zealand, have been received. The vessel was wrecked on Crozet Island, in July, 1875, and it is supposed that forty lives were lost, as only thirty were saved. The American whaler "Young Phoenix," of New Bedford, rescued forty-one of the survivors. She took them aboard on the 22nd January, and on the 26th of that month transferred 20 of them to the Sierra Morena.

John Ruskin has been elected to the Slade professorship of Fine Arts at Ox-

France. — The latest returns from French elections show that the Republicans will have 283 seats in the new Chamber of Deputies.

tized 16 rejoicing converts in the bap- Dominion lands; \$170,000 to carry on announcing the appointment of Jules water would have been.

It is said that Gambetta and his friends He had taken the opportunity when will cordially support the Dufaure Minmoney was cheap in the London market | istry. The Bonapartist organs offer to to negotiate a loan of \$1,500,000, which | save France for the third time, and boast would be employed to pay off the debts | that the men of their party are now the and obligations of the country and in only supporters of MacMahon. The new the improvment of the St. Lawrence | cabinet will be formed between the 5th and other public works and payment of and 8th of March. M. Buffet formally handed over his office to his successor timated to receive in customs duties on Wednesday, and left for the Vosges.

The Paris Bourse is flat and almost a panic prevails. All kinds of securities are falling rapidly. This anxiety is supposed to be in consequence of the elections.

ITALY.—The Burmese embassy arrived at Naples on Thursday, bringing several presents for Victor Emmanuel.

Spain.—The march of the Alfonists in Spain continues to be one of victory. The insurrection is regarded as virtually at an end.

The Alfonsists have captured twentythree cannon in Estella. The Carlists sacked the city before they evacuated it. Gen. Cosenta, with seven battalions and eleven field pieces were routed near

Vera by three Alfonsist battalions. King Alfonso entered San Sebastian blaming the Government for having on Tuesday last, and was received with great enthusiasm. He also visited several other points recently evacuated by the insurgents and was cordially welcomed.

It is said that ex-Queen Isabella will soon enter Spain, King Alfonso meeting her at the frontier and conducting her to the capital.

. The Vatican has informed Don Carlos that he ought to stop fighting now that

success is hopeless. Fourteen hundred Carlists have re-On a vote being taken it was decided | turned to allegiance. Four more Carlists have asked for amnesty.

> Carlist leaders Saballo, Pinal, Morales and Lizzaraga have entered France. The Archbishop of Toledo and other prelates have petitioned the Cortes to grant Catholic unity and prohibit any

> other worship in Spain. Eight Carlist battalions refused to obey orders to fire upon the Royalists. After a conflict between the officers and men the force was disbanded.

> Carlists are soliciting amnesty by thousands. Nine battalions have surrended at Pampeluna. A complete break up of the remaining Carlist forces is imminent.

> A despatch from St. Jean de Luz, says Don Carlos crossed the frontier on Monday and has taken refuge in France.

GERMANY. - The rivers are risen throughout Germany and the freshets are severe. The Elbe has burst the dykes, and half the district of Barby is submerged. The banks of the Vistula are inundated and many families are homeless. The Danube rose 14 feet in 48 hours and on Saturday was still rising.

By the disastrous floods in Upper Austria and Moravia 120 houses were destroyed.

Austria.—Austrian consul at Mostar has received orders to report immediately on the threatening attitude of the Mohammedans.

- Austria ceases to subsidize refugees at the end of March.

TURKEY .- Notwithstanding the Sultan's promise the taxes have been increased in Epyrus and Chessaly. Evidence of Christians is still rejected

in Mussulman Courts.

The Sultan has granted amnesty to all insurgents who return home within a month The Government announces that it will have all their houses and churches which were destroyed rebuilt at its own cost and will furnish insurgents with the means of resuming their usual avocations. The authorities on the frontier are ordered to acquaint the insurgents of the Imperial decree and afford them the necessary facilities for returning to their homes.

There are 28,000 Herzegovinian refugees in Dalmatia, and they are resolved to starve rather than return to their homes. Two British men-of-war are cruising off the Dalmatian coast.

tion to a modification of the Suez dues. A great battle is said to have taken place in Herzegovina, and the insurgents claim the victory.

> Russia.—Russian troops, under Gen. Scobelet, entered Khokand on Tuesday, and were warmly welcomed by the inhabitants, who expressed great satisfaction at the announcement of the incorporation of Khokand with Russia.

Africa.—Preliminaries of peace have been arranged between Egypt and Abys-

South America.—A London firm will construct the necessary works for supplying Rio Janeiro with water, at a cost of \$10,000,000.

Australia.—The submarine cable between Sydney and New Zealand has been successfully laid and opened for

the National Baptist reports that, many years ago, a certain Pædobaptist D. D., of the Reformed Dutch Church, by the name of Wackerhagen, after repeating the baptismal formula, dipped his fingers in the bowl-but, alas! there was no water there; so he put his dry fingers on the babe, and this performance passed for baptism! Why not? It was The Official Journal contains a degree just as spiritual as sprinkling drops of

A DRY SPRINKLING .- A late issue of

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