

indebted for all the progress made in true civilization, and to this we must look as our guide in the future.

“Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.”

Yours, respectfully,
U. S. GRANT.

In connection with this brief epistle is another—

A CENTENNIAL GREETING.

TO THE CHILDREN OF THE UNITED STATES, FROM SIR CHARLES READ, CHAIRMAN OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION OF ENGLAND AND WALES, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE LONDON SCHOOL BOARD, AND PRESIDENT OF THE JUDGES IN THE EDUCATION GROUP, PHILADELPHIA.

It is ninety-five years since Robert Raikes founded the first Sunday-school in England. That was five years after America declared her independence.

Within that time the Sunday-school has covered both lands, and furnished for the most part, the religious training of our youth. You are keeping your high Centennial festival. It is well.

Mr. Raikes would not thank God for his holy word, and prize it; for his holy day, and guard it; for his holy will, and obey it.

Mr. George Peabody said, "Education is a debt due by one generation to the next."

General Hawley, the President of the United States Centennial Commission also gives a Centennial Address to the children, published in the same number of the S. S. Times, in which he says some very good things to them:

"In twenty years," he says, "those who are now called children will be the majority of the grown people. This country will be yours to take care of."

What will you do with it? That is a very serious question. It will be a greater country than it is to-day. We have now about forty millions of people, and in 1896 when you boys will be in the very vigor of young manhood, managing the business and the politics of the country, we shall have perhaps sixty millions."

In referring to the fact of this being the Centennial year, General Hawley remarks: "Chief among the forms of celebration this year is the great International Exhibition of 1876, at Philadelphia. All the nations of the world were invited to come to this birthday celebration."

The exercises of the Graduating Class took place on Wednesday. This is of course the great day, for then the young men speak, and they always know much more than the old ones, and can say such pretty things!

They look so fresh and strong and hopeful. Their presence is an inspiration. The public is always interested in young ministers, especially if they have the learning of the schools.

Eighteen diplomas were issued this year. The Programme announced fourteen addresses, six of which were given by men from the Provinces.

Their subjects and authors were: "The External of Worship," Mr. A. W. H. Eaton, of Kentville, N. S. "Christ our Wisdom," Mr. J. T. Eaton, of Cornwallis, N. S.

"Development of Christian Doctrine, the Divine Plan," Mr. E. M. Keirstead of Studholm, N. B. "The Nature of True Repentance," by Mr. H. Morrow, of St. Peter's Bay, P. E. I.

"Origen, as an Interpreter," by Mr. E. C. Spinney. "Sacrifice, the power of the Ministry," by Mr. A. Turnbull, of Montreal. The Provinces were well represented.

Mr. J. T. Eaton supplied the Church in St. Stephen last summer with much acceptance, and has now received a call to the pastorate. Should he accept, St. Stephen will get a good man.

Mr. Turnbull returns to the Upper Provinces. He is a man of talent as well as piety, took a high rank at the institution, and will make his mark in his beloved Canada.

Mr. Morrow thinks he has a call to Burmah, and the Missionary Union thinks so too, for his services are gladly accepted. Mr. Spinney thinks Concord, N. H., is the place for him, and he has therefore accepted a call from one of its churches.

I ought to give an analysis of Mr. A. W. Eaton's admirable oration on the "External of Worship," for the subject is important and practical, and was treated so well; but my notes are already too long.

Windsor has been visited by a large number of Methodist and Baptist ministers during the past week, the former for the purpose of attending the Nova Scotia Conference, the latter relating to the ordination of Mr. Kelly, who has for some time past ministered to the Baptist Church in that place.

The Methodist Conference commenced on Wednesday. Fifty-two ministers answered to their names. Others arrived subsequently.

The Rev. R. A. Temple was elected President; Rev. S. F. Huestis, Secretary; and Rev. J. A. Rogers, Journal Secretary. On Wednesday evening a Conference Missionary Meeting was held.

Subsequently the question of ministerial character was taken up. No charge was made against any one of the ministers of the Conference during the year. It does not seem very easy to get rid of the Macdonnell case recently before the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at Ottawa.

The question of permission to use musical instruments in public worship came before the Assembly, by the Presbytery of Wallace having been applied to by the congregation at Amherst, to be allowed to use an organ.

This brought forth a long discussion in the Assembly, at the end of which it was agreed that the congregation of Amherst are at liberty to introduce instrumental music in public worship, provided such introduction does not mar the harmony of the congregation.

NOTICES.

BAPTIST ANNIVERSARIES, 1876.

The NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN ASSOCIATION will hold its Twenty-sixth Annual Session with the Church at River Hebert, Maccan, Cumberland County, commencing on Saturday, the 8th day of July.

The NEW BRUNSWICK EASTERN ASSOCIATION will hold its Twenty-ninth Annual Session with the Baptist Church at Hillsboro, commencing on Tuesday, the 11th of July, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION will hold its Ninth Annual Session with the Church at Brudenell, Montague Bridge, commencing on Saturday, the 15th day of July, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Delegates are requested to send their names to the subscriber, on or before the first of July, to enable the committee to make arrangements for their entertainment.

Persons attending the Association will come by Friday's train. Teams will be at the Maccan Station on Friday afternoon the 7th of July, at 1 o'clock, P. M., to meet the Halifax Train and at 3 o'clock, P. M., to meet the Train from St. John, to convey the Delegates to their destination.

Parties coming via Shediac will take the boat on Friday for Summerside, thence per train to Charlottetown, thence to Cardigan Station on Saturday. Parties coming from the Western part of the Island, will take the Friday morning train from Tignish, connect with the Georgetown train at Royalty Junction, step off at Cardigan Station, where they will be taken care of.

Owing to the location, it is absolutely necessary for each person expecting to be cared for during his stay at the Association to forward his or her name to D. Forbes, Esq., Montague Bridge at least one week before the time. Brethren come over and help us, and we will do the best we can to make you comfortable.

The usual reduction of fares will be made by Steamboat and Railway officials. P. S.—The new brick building will be dedicated to the worship of God on Lord's day, 16th.

TO THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AND SOCIETIES IN NOVA SCOTIA.

The N. S. Central Board recommend the Societies in the churches with whom each of the Associations and Convention meet this Summer, to hold a Missionary meeting among themselves during the Session, at such time and place as may be found most convenient.

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