

signal successes, and weep over losses and trials, God's cause will advance, and the Telugus will be saved. Other missionaries will be ready from time to time to take the place of those who are ordered to the rear, or who fall in the ranks, and so the succession will be kept up. I feel thankful to God that He ever allotted to His church such a work as this.

Up then brethren, and lay hold of this blessed work with a renewed consecration! It is full of promise. And let us all have faith in God. It is His cause. It is undertaken in obedience to His Commission. Its resources are His infinite wisdom and everlasting strength. Its rewards will be found in the salvation of the perishing, the universal triumph of Christianity, and the eternal glories of our Heavenly King.

I remain dear brethren,  
Yours, on behalf of the Telugu Mission,  
W. B. BOGGS.  
St. John, N. B., May 16, 1876.

For the Christian Messenger.

That Challenge.

The Wesleyan, in remarking on the challenge sent by students of Acadia to the class that has recently graduated from Dalhousie, suggests that it could not have been accepted, as the parties proposed for the competition were not of equal grade. Such comments entirely miss the essential facts of the case. The friends of Dalhousie are saying continually that their students have no peers in the Province,—that their college has no peer. To them the difference between Freshman and Senior in other Colleges must be nearly infinitesimal. The Freshmen in Acadia in effect say: "This man who is put forward to speak for Dalhousie, in his eagerness to say something that shall exalt his own College over others has grossly misrepresented us. But no matter about that; we should like to know whether all this talk about the excellence of scholarship on the part of those young men is anything more than talk. Let us see what it is. Of course we shall be beaten in a contest with them, unless all their professions are empty boasts. But we will willingly stand the chance of a hard defeat, in order to settle the question whether these unceasing assertions of greatness are anything more than the language of silly conceit. In this view of the case, the Acadia students were justified in proposing the terms of competition as they did.

But the occasion may be used to call attention to the fact that our City College is cultivating censoriousness, vanity and impudence to an alarming extent. Besides it appears to be a rule with its officers and leading advocates never to acknowledge an error, however great may be the misrepresentation they may have published about others. On several public occasions they have made charges about the course of study in Acadia College, that were absolutely false; and in not a single instance have they publicly acknowledged their error, though the means of correcting the mistake have been furnished to them. We have a right to know whether the reference to other Colleges, which was made in the address delivered at the last public meeting of Dalhousie College, in such circumstances that it may be fairly said to have official sanction, was approved by the Faculty or not. These men owe it to them as gentlemen, to abstain from bearing false witness against others, and as gentlemen, if they have unwittingly offended, they will confess their mistake. If the forms and constraints of common politeness, as they exist among people of any decent degree of cultivation, are to be banished by "the higher education," then we must think that education is advanced sufficiently far already.

HOLLIS.

The Christian Messenger.

Halifax, N. S., May 24th, 1876.

AFFILIATION WITH THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY OF HALIFAX is a matter open for discussion. Whether it is desirable to affiliate Acadia College with the Examining University, or to stand aloof, are questions in which our readers, pretty generally, will be interested.

The letter of a correspondent on another page initiates the subject in opposition thereto. It must not be supposed that we endorse the views he expresses, nor that we feel quite at liberty at present to express ourselves in favor of affiliation. It is a question with which the Governors of Acadia

College will probably deal, either at the meeting in anniversary week, or at the Convention in August. Whether they may think it wise to take any action before the appointment of the Senate, or will think it better to wait until the personnel, is made public, will be for them to decide, and so far as we are concerned we wish to leave them perfectly free to exercise their own judgment in every respect. Still we do not desire to repress well-written articles in reference to the subject, as by such means the minds of the brethren may be better known and possibly more intelligent action may ultimately be the result.

We find the following editorial paragraph in the Visitor of last week:

OUR FOREIGN MISSION.

At the meeting of the Board, on Monday last, it was decided to empower Mr. Boggs to visit as many of our churches as he could consistently, previous to the annual session of the Convention, and to present to them the facts which have been listened to with great interest by the audience. Bro. B. has recently addressed in Halifax, Truro, Sussex and St. John. The returned missionary is also to take collections for the Mission, when deemed proper, and it is hoped that our brother's visitation of the churches may result in a large increase of interest in our foreign work, and in the stimulation of the churches to a more prayerful, general and generous support of the Mission.

We would respectfully suggest to our brethren composing the Foreign Missionary Board that such a step as that indicated above should have appeared in a more official form than the above. It is due to the churches and the cause that so important a movement should first come with the official sanction of the Board, rather than as an ordinary newspaper paragraph.

BERWICK.—The people of this beautiful village are resolved to make it even more beautiful, and for this purpose have this Spring set out upwards of 1000 trees along the sides of the streets. They have also made improvements in the grounds around the Railway station, and simply ask the Railway authorities for a couple of car loads of ballast. A little attention of this sort would add greatly to the attractions of many other towns and village of our province.

Our New Brunswick brethren have generously contributed \$355.40, towards the fund for aiding the family of the late Rev. Mr. Crandall. A call is made for the balance to make up the sum proposed to \$400.

THE RIVER JORDAN.—The Editor of the Christian Visitor says:

"A correspondent has written to inform us that recently in a lecture or sermon on baptism, a minister asserted positively that the allegation that our Lord was immersed in Jordan, cannot be true;—because the depth of water was so great,—14 feet, or else so shallow,—reaching only to the ankles,—that such immersion was impossible; and our informant writes to know what we think of it."

Our cotemporary solemnly assures his readers that "The statement is wholly unfounded!"

Who is the lecturer or preacher that amuses his hearers with such unmeaning twaddle, such unmitigated nonsense as that of this correspondent? Bring him out.

SOUTHERN METHODISM.

The Editor of the Wesleyan is on a visit to the South for the purpose of attending the Quadrennial Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, in session in the Music Hall in the City of Baltimore. He gives a lively description of things as they appear in that august assembly. Out of the 20,000 Methodist ministers in the Great Republic this Conference would have the most prominent representative men. Our neighbour says:

"The Episcopal array upon the platform is, to a stranger, quite impressive. The audience being men of a thousand, their Bishops, as the elect of the elected, hold a position most sacred and honoured of all. Not but human nature betrays itself even among bishops, for one could detect a wicked twinkle of episcopal eyes occasionally ever some unfortunate weakness in a speaker's argument."

"The magnitude of these United States, and correspondingly of the work under direction of this General Conference, may be inferred from motley groups here and there among the audience. Different shades of colour, purely white complexions from the Northern coast; sallow, jaundiced men from the South; and others black as ebony from coloured population. Add to this the frequent announcements of names as speakers

take the floor, from Maine to California, and you have some conception of what is implied in a general Conference of United States Methodism."

Mr. Nicholson gives a fine description of a colored congregation with whom he worshipped on Sunday afternoon.

"At Bethel Church (colored) we worshipped at three o'clock. The congregation numbered about twelve hundred. The preacher was a colored bishop. During the ordinary service nothing unusual occurred except an occasional shout the vibration of some human cord which these sons of nature know so well how to touch in their own people's hearts. Mr. Williams and Mr. McDonald addressed them by turns, the writer taking charge of their sacramental service. The service read and the elements distributed among surrounding ministers and officials, an old man—the Church secretary as was afterwards announced—stepped out and led the singing. "There is a fountain;" "O how I love Jesus;" and other familiar songs succeeded each other as the sacrament went on, not in regularise and fall, as we are accustomed to hear them, but with a plaintive, swinging, African cadence, each verse and song linked with the other, the Secretary meantime stepping about in front and stimulating the singers when they seemed to flag. The tide was rising fast, wave after wave seemed to break, the officers walked about with joy, as this good, gospel ship moved forward to heaven of which they sang, and which seemed every moment nearer and nearer. The scene now defies description. A volume of song now fills the house, accompanied by the musical clapping of hands, and reaching occasionally a climax of ecstatic shout. Women swing themselves round the pillars, or seize the backs of the pews, and leap, with amazing agility, high into the air. Most remarkable of all was the cessation of this excitement. There was no command no signal, but by common consent a strong hand was laid by each worshipper upon his or her expanding soul, and solemn, reverential awe came down upon the assembly. The Archbishop of Canterbury could not have desired a more decorous leave-taking of the house of God.

The friends of Rev. Dr. Tupper will be glad to hear that on Monday he was much better than he had been for the past week.

LOWER STEWACKE.—Our compositor left out two lines of what we wrote under this title last week, and our proof-reader failed to detect the omission, till it was too late. We said, "There may have been substantial reasons for some brethren failing to reach the new House of Worship at the time appointed." If that time was inconvenient, there should be some other arrangement made which may better suit all concerned. This church has claims on our brethren, &c."

The words in italics were omitted, and the sense was destroyed. We are glad to find that the House is being used, and hope it may soon be regularly supplied with the ministry of the word.

NOTICES.

The Governors of Acadia College "resident in Nova Scotia" will meet on Tuesday, May 30th, at 7 P. M., in the chapel of Acadia College to transact the business of the Board of Management of Horton Academy.

On behalf of the "Board of Management of Horton Academy."  
A. D. W. BARRS, Sec'y.  
Wolfville, 19th May, 1876.

The Rev. J. D. Pope of St. John, N. B., will (D. V.), deliver a lecture under the auspices of ACADIA ATHENÆUM, in the Baptist Chapel, Wolfville, on Wednesday evening 31st inst. Subject: Types of Character demanded by the Times. Doors open at 7 o'clock, P. M.  
G. B. TITUS, Cor. Sec'y.  
Acadia College, May 17, 1876.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors in the College Library on Wednesday the 31st inst., at 9 o'clock, A. M.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec'y.  
Wolfville, May 12, 1876.

ASSOCIATED ALUMNI OF ACADIA COLLEGE.

The Annual Meeting of the Associated Alumni of Acadia College will be held on Wednesday, the 31st inst., at 9 o'clock, P. M., in the vestry of the Baptist Meeting-house, at Wolfville.

On Thursday, June 1st, the Alumni and their friends will dine together at 2 o'clock, P. M. It is expected that the occasion will be one of unusual interest, and a full attendance of members is desirable.

EDWIN D. KING, Secretary.

ACADIA COLLEGE ANNIVERSARY.

Order of Exercises in Anniversary week, May 30th,—June 1st.  
Tuesday and Wednesday, May 30th and 31st. Public Examination of classes in the Academy; Wednesday afternoon, literary exercises of the Graduating class of Young Ladies.

Tuesday, 7 1/2 p. m., meeting of N. S. Governors as Committee of Management of Horton Academy.

Wednesday, 9 1/2 a. m., meeting of the Governors of the College.

Wednesday evening, Lecture before the Acadia Athenæum by Rev. J. D. Pope of St. John.

At the close of these exercises the Business Meeting of the Associated Alumni will be held.

Thursday, June 1st, 9 1/2 a. m., meeting of the Governors.

At 11 a. m., Public Exercises of the College in the Baptist Church.

At 2 p. m., Dinner of the Associated Alumni.

At 7 1/2 p. m., Concert of Vocal and Instrumental Music, in the Baptist Church, under the direction of Wm. Ackhurst, Esq., of Halifax.

All persons wishing to attend these exercises at Wolfville, can obtain Return Tickets for one first class fare and one third, at any of the following Stations:—Halifax, Windsor Junction, Newport, Windsor, Hantsport, Kentville, Berwick, Aylesford, Wilmot, Middleton, Annapolis. These tickets to be issued 30th and 31st of May and 1st June, and available for return up to and including Saturday, June 3.

Any who may purchase first class tickets at any other Station on the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, than those named above, in order to attend the College Anniversary, can obtain tickets here to return, at one third the usual fare.

A. W. SAWYER.

Wolfville, May 18th, 1876.

The Examinations in the Academy, on Tuesday and Wednesday, 30th and 31st inst., commence at 9 o'clock, A. M., in the Academy Hall. Parents and Friends of students are cordially invited.

J. F. TUTTS.

RECEIVED FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Amount. Includes entries for May 6, 9, and 16, with names like Rev. Dr. G. E. Day, Port Hawkesbury Baptist Church, etc.

THOS. P. DAVIES, Treas. F. M. Board.

Dear Editor,—Please state in the Messenger that our Board have received the following sums:—

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries for Port William Sabbath School, Miss Sophia Bishop, etc.

Total.....\$13.50

The Board earnestly request the friends of Theological Education to send in their contributions to the Theological Department of the Union.

"Another Constant Reader" evidently "didn't see the point" in my remarks on "pronouns."

Yours, &c., G. E. DAY.

Yarmouth, May 19, 1876.

[\*Perhaps the point was too fine, and not directed towards the right man.—Ed.]

THE NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

will meet in Hantsport, Hants Co., on Saturday, June 24th, at 10 P. M. Delegates are requested to forward their names to the subscriber on or before the 20th of June, to facilitate arrangements for their entertainment, of which they will receive notice in due time.

C. I. MARGESON, Clerk of Hantsport Baptist Church. May 22nd, 1876.

Acknowledgment.

Please allow me to acknowledge through the Messenger, a very handsome present from the Furniture Factory Company, Windsor, toward furnishing our meeting house, viz.: 1/2 dozen nice cane bottom chairs.

Also \$1 from F. Layton, Esq., and \$2 from Mrs. Abigail Dodge, to aid us in paying the debt on the house; for which they will please accept our sincere thanks.

Yours, &c., E. C. BANKS.

Lower Stewiacke, May 1st, 1876.

Letters Received.

C. Jost, Esq. E. C. Ward. S. A. Kinney, Rev. A. Chipman, \$2. Hon. A. McL. Seely, \$2. J. Mackeen, \$2. R. Stewart. J. A. Johnston, \$2.87. Rev. Chas. Randall, 1 sub., \$2. C. H. Harrington, Esq. Joseph Thomas, \$5. B. D. Rogers. Rev. Dr. Sawyer.

EASTERN RAILWAY EXTENSION.—It is said that Sir Hugh Allan has actually tendered for the construction of the Eastern Extension to the Strait, that he wishes to commence operations in June,

LOCAL NEWS.

THE CITY RAIL CARS have ceased running which will cause some inconvenience, for a time at least. The manager of the company regards the extension of the Intercolonial into Lockman street as an infraction of the Company's charter and on Wednesday night on the government employees removing the rails to the side of the road—without however in the least obstructing the City Company's operations, it being all completed by twilight during the night—Mr. O'Brien protested against the proceeding and said the cars would run no longer. The horses of the establishment to the number of 50 are to be sold by auction to-morrow.

It is believed by many citizens that the company are well pleased with the opportunity to suspend, as the proceeds have not for some time been equal to the expenditure. It is supposed that there will be an action at law against the government for heavy damages.

A very handsome monument imported from Scotland has been erected in Camp Hill Cemetery to the memory of Hon. Alex. Keith.

Wm. H. Wylde, formerly member in Local Assembly for Guynsboro, has been appointed Commissioner of Inland Fisheries, in place of P. S. Hamilton.

AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING last week it was agreed to appropriate \$2000 for expenditure on Point Pleasant Park, and \$2000 for cleaning the streets.

MR. JOHN HACKETT who had been missing for several days was found quite dead on Tuesday of last week in a swamp near Rockhead. An inquest was held and the following verdict returned. "That the deceased, John Hackett, came to his death by exposure, he having probably fallen in the place where he was found and been stunned."

The Chief Justice Sir William Young arrived in New York on the 11th, and after visiting the Centennial Exhibition, returned to this city on Monday.

MR. KENNEDY and family are delighting large audiences at Temperance Hall, with Scottish Songs and his notes upon them.

S. of T.—The G. D. Journals are out bright and early, in a pamphlet of 32 pages. At the recent session there was a new Division organized with 59 charter members. During the past six months there have been thirteen new Divisions instituted. There are now 171 Divisions in the Province with a membership of 8060. During the year 1875, 155 were expelled for violation of their pledge, whilst 2936 were admitted by Initiation and card.

DARTMOUTH.—In the Police Court four boys charged with breaking windows were tried, and two of them fined \$1.00 each. Two other lads were charged with cutting down trees in Prince Arthur Park. They were remanded.

Several Church of England young ladies have purchased a new font and tablet, and presented it to their Church.

NEWPORT.—A young man named Arthur Caldwell was accidentally shot at Panuke Lake on Thursday last, while taking a gun from a boat. An inquest was held by Dr. Weeks, and a verdict of accidental death returned.

YARMOUTH.—The sudden and strange departure of Mr. B. Killam is at present unaccounted for. It is however affirmed that his monetary affairs are all correct.

Three vessels have just been launched at Yarmouth to be engaged in the shore fishery.

HANTS CO.—A man named George Shaw has been arrested for burglariously entering and robbing the store of Messrs. Stevens & Vaughan, at Ashdale.

TRURO is to be lighted with gasoline lamps, and a large number of shade trees are to be planted in the streets.

OUR COAL MINES.—The C. B. Advocate says the Mines around Sydney are doing a brisk business in getting out and shipping coal.

DIGBY has a Reformed Episcopal congregation. It was duly organized a week or so ago with 38 members and the following officers.

Wardens—G. A. Viets and the Hon. E. R. Oakes.

Vestrymen—John Holdsworth, John A. Clinton, Thomas Ruddock, G. W. Smith and Daniel Hawkesworth.

Vestry Clerk—John Daly.

PORT HAWKESBURY.—A seaman named John Morgan, of the P. E. I. brig Scylla Capt. McNeil, was brought ashore in a sick condition last week and died on the beach in about half an hour after being landed.

TWO QUESTIONS EASILY ANSWERED.—Why should men wear beards? Because they are a great protection to the throat and lungs, and add much to their personal appearance.

Why should we use "Bryan's Pulmonic Wafers?" Because when used for coughs, colds, tickling in the throat, Hoarseness, &c., they act like a charm. Ministers and Lawyers use them, physicians recommend them, and singers and public speakers say they are the very best medicine in existence for the cure of such complaint. Sold by all medicine dealers, at 25 cts per box.