

Baptist Convention of 1876.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION of the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island will be held with the Second Baptist Church at Sackville, N. B., beginning on August 26th, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

A large attendance of delegates and other members is solicited, as business of unusual importance will be presented for the consideration of the body.

THEODORE H. RAND, President. Fredericton, July 4th, 1876.

Ministers and Delegates purposing to attend the Annual Session of the Baptist Convention to be convened with the 2nd Baptist Church at Sackville, N. B., will confer a favor by forwarding their names to the pastor before the 1st of August next.

The list of names will be published as soon as received, together with the place where each will lodge during the Convention.

W. A. COLEMAN, Pastor. Sackville, July, 1st, 1876.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED ALUMNI OF ACADIA COLLEGE.

There will be a Special General Meeting of the Associated Alumni of Acadia College in the Second Baptist Church, at Sackville, N. B., on Saturday evening, August 26th, at 7 1/2 o'clock, to consider (1) the propriety of asking representation of the Alumni in the Convention, (2) whether the Alumni ought to enter their names on the Register of the Convocation of the University of Halifax, and (3) such other matters of business as shall properly come before the meeting.

The above hour is named as not likely to interfere with any of the meetings of the Convention.

By order of the Executive Committee of the Associated Alumni,

B. H. EATON, Secretary. Halifax, July 17th, 1876.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors in the Meeting House of the Second Baptist Church, Sackville, N. B., on Friday, Aug. 25th, 1876, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec. Wolfville, July 25th, 1876.

RECEIVED FOR FRENCH MISSION.

Will you be so kind as to acknowledge, through the Christian Messenger, the sum of \$1 received by me from Mr. Charles Pinkney of Clements, for the French Mission.

M. NORMONDAY, Saultierville, July 26, 1876.

CORRECTION.—In the communication signed "Alter," published last week, a typographical error occurs which obscures the sense. In the seventh paragraph, "Let us now allow ourselves to reason" should read "Let us not allow ourselves to reason."

Letters Received.

Rev. Jas. Meadows, \$2—A. P. Tippet, \$3.

LOCAL NEWS.

THE GRANVILLE STREET BAPTIST SABBATH SCHOOL and their friends purpose having their Annual Pic-Nic to-morrow on Lawlor's Island. The steamer will leave the Queen's wharf at 10 o'clock and 1/2 past 2. Tickets for a passage to the Island and return 25 cents.

BARNUM, the great showman, has been to Halifax, and has permitted the citizens to look on his benignant countenance. His philanthropic designs have been developed by receiving the 50 cents each from thousands of our citizens. He did not expect to make money by his visit to this province! No, he had such wonderful sights to exhibit, such an array of splendid horses, carriages, and men to feed and pay, so many remarkable wild animals in his menagerie obtained at such an enormous cost from their native haunts, that it required vast funds to remunerate him for giving so much pleasure to his patrons. T. P. Barnum understands well his business and has well been styled, perhaps by himself, "the prince of humbugs."

The wild animals in his menagerie and beasts of burden used in Eastern countries present a real and legitimate attraction to the most fastidious christian people. Then his trained animals and feats on horseback, divested of much of the vulgarity and indecency of the ordinary ring, offers a tempting bait to thousands of conscientious people who would scout the idea of going to see a common circus. But then it appears that he can for another quarter dollar give an exhibition of dancing and music, as far removed from christian propriety as it is safe to exhibit in this age of enlightenment. He can suit all tastes. Marvellous man! It is evident that Barnum knows well how to get the dollars from the pockets of the people. With the tattooed Greek Captain and the dwarfs, and the Japanese (or American, or perhaps Irish) feats of strength and dexterity, he makes his customers feel that they have received an equivalent for what they have expended, and so draws

the world after him. His procession through the streets was certainly a magnificent affair. Besides the large number of handsome horses with gilded carriages; two elephants; four camels; a ponderous bell in one carriage drawn by two horses; a chime of bells playing different tunes, in another, he had also what was perhaps the most curious musical instrument ever invented—a steam organ—each note of which is a powerful steam whistle. So powerful is this instrument that we heard the tune it was playing—every note distinctly across the harbor—a distance of perhaps about two miles.

THE ROBBERIES.—There is no doubt that some of the people along with those accompanying Barnum's Exhibition were prepared to make use of their opportunity to take whatever they could find within their reach. A very dear lesson has been taught some of our public officials and Bank managers. As the procession passed along the streets, every body left their shops and offices to look at it. The Receiver General's office was the first to receive a visit. It appears that the Receiver General and his deputy, locked their offices, and went to the door of the Province Building to see the sight. On their return they discovered that some one had by some means forced open the door of the Receiver General's office, and gone in and taken the cash box with about \$900, without being seen by any one.

Shortly afterwards it was found that the Bank of Nova Scotia had been relieved of a large sum of money—now said to be about \$22,000. It subsequently appeared that the clerks—like every body else—had looked the door of the Bank, and had gone out to see the big procession, setting one of their number to keep an eye on the door to see if any one came to the Bank. On their return they found that Notes to the above amount had disappeared from their desks. On enquiry it came out that a man had gone to the north private door of the Bank and asked Mrs. Anderson the messenger's wife, to allow him to go into the cellar, where he had dropped a paper down through the grating. She objected, but he persisted and pushing by her went to the cellar and shortly came up into the hall through the Directors' room and departed. Three men have since been arrested under the suspicion of their being concerned in these robberies. No clew has as yet been obtained, and it is a source of no small trouble for the Directors to know what to do. Taking these thefts in connection with Barnum's Great Show it will be a good while before his visit to our city will be forgotten. The investigation of the Bank robbery is still going on.

The Executive Committee of the Central Board of Agriculture held a meeting on Thursday morning, when it was resolved to make an importation from England of improved stock to be brought out in time to be sold at the Provincial Exhibition at Truro, during the second week of October, viz:—

- 4 short-horn Durham bulls.
4 short-horn cows or heifers.
2 Devon heifers.
4 Ayrshire heifers.
2 Ayrshire bulls.
5 Southdown rams.
5 Cotswold rams.
2 Ellesmere (Yorkshire) sows, of large size.
2 Berkshire sows, also of large size.

The President and Secretary were authorized to order the purchases through agents in England, and to make the necessary arrangements for conveyance of the animals from England to Truro.

On Saturday evening Mr. Healy of the firm of Healy, Whitman & Co., left their shop for a few minutes and on returning found that \$80 had been abstracted from the safe which had been left unlocked. Three newspaper boys, all about 14 years of age, two named Meagher and one Connors he left in the shop were subsequently charged with the theft. One of the Meaghers afterwards confessed the robbery. They were all three arrested.

THE HALIFAX CHAMBER OF COMMERCE held a special meeting on Thursday last which was largely attended by the principal merchants. The meeting was called to meet Mr. C. J. Brydges, and discuss Intercolonial Railway affairs. In the course of Mr. B's address he said within five or six weeks the work necessary for track-laying, on the new extension into Halifax would be completed, and by the 1st of October he expected that freight would be brought over to the new station. And if the proposal met with the approval of the business men he would make arrangements for receiving and delivering freight at the stores of its owners at fixed through rates, a sufficient sum being added to the railway rate to pay for the cartage.

Unless special directions were given to hold freight at the station for delivery all goods received over the railway would be taken by teams in connection with the railway and delivered at the door of the party to whom it was consigned. The new passenger station was a larger work than the freight building, and could not be completed for a considerable time. The main building would not be completed before next June, but Mr. Peters, the contractor, who was doing the work very efficiently, would be able to have the shed ready for the reception of passenger trains by the end of October. There was some talk of the Imperial au-

thorities concentrating their stores near the Dockyard, and if this were done the Queen's wharf might be obtained. If it was deemed necessary after the opening of the new freight terminus, barges and a steam tug could be provided to receive and deliver freight at the wharves. An expression of the opinion of the community in this matter, if conveyed to him, be promptly attended to.

A lengthened conversation followed on the possibility of making Halifax a depot for the shipment of the Produce of the Dominion and Western States. It did not appear that this could be easily done, as the cost of transportation would be too great.

Two United States men-of-war have been in our harbor the past week, the Plymouth and the Swatara, on a cruise for the health of crews. The extreme heat of last week will almost induce them to think that our heat is scarcely less than the coast of Mexico, where they have come from.

Archbishop Connolly's will has been filed. It is dated August 13, 1875, and appoints Messrs. William Stoker and Jeremiah Kenney, executors. After giving general directions as to the property of the Diocese, which is to be transmitted to his successor in trust, he directs that monies be invested sufficient to give Mary Dunphy and Thomas Grace \$100 yearly each; and \$50 yearly to Michael Berrigan; being three of his servants. He directs that \$100 be given to each servant that may be in his employ in any capacity at the time of his decease. He bequeaths \$4000 to the Sisters of Charity of this city; and \$4000 to William Stoker, Esq., his faithful friend and business man. No other bequests are made.

Messrs. William Compton and Patrick Duggan have been appointed to take the inventory and appraise the real and personal estate of the late Archbishop.

The troubles at Sydney are brought to a close by the intervention of A. McKay, Esq., of the International Company. The miners are again at work.

Two mechanics were reported on Monday as suffering from sunstroke.

DeWolfe's Hat Store, in Granville street, was entered sometime between Saturday night and Monday morning by means of the cellar grating. A few dollars left in the cash-box were taken. A boy named Connolly is arrested on suspicion.

Cow Bay, C. B.—Alex. McDonald, a coal-cutter employed in the Gowrie Mines, Cow Bay, was very seriously injured by a coal fall in the pit on Friday morning last. He and another man named Hugh Smith were working in the same room. McDonald was lying on the ground working underneath a "fall" of coal, when the entire block separated, and falling, crushed him underneath.—When extricated he was found to have sustained serious bodily injuries.—Cape Breton Advocate.

DIGBY.—The Rev. Mr. Maguire has formally accepted the call from the Vestry of the Reformed Episcopal Church, and the reverend gentleman will probably take up his residence here and preach on the third Sunday of the present month. The building of the church is steadily progressing, the foundation is nearly laid, and the frame will probably be raised during the latter part of the present month.—Courier.

Nelson Forres had his pocket picked of \$300 at Barnum's circus in Amherst on Friday.

HOT WEATHER.—On Monday afternoon, as we write this, the thermometer in our office stands at 92°. A fine refreshing shower fell about 2 o'clock, but the heat was hardly diminished at all by it. Sunday also was a hot day the thermometer reaching 91°, and it is said that in some parts of the city it reached 95° in the shade, and in the sun 110°. It is said by Mr. F. Allison, our Meteorologist, that there has not been a day so hot for the past 18 years.

A MAN OF A THOUSAND.

A CONSUMPTIVE CURED.

When death was hourly expected from CONSUMPTION, all remedies having failed, accident led to a discovery whereby Dr. H. James cured his only child with a preparation of CANAABIS INDICA. He now gives this recipe free on receipt of two stamps to pay expenses. There is not a single symptom of consumption that it does not dissipate—Night Sweats, Irritation of the Nerves, Difficult Expectorations, Sharp Pains in the Lungs, Nausea at the Stomach, Inaction of the Bowels, and Wasting of the Muscles. Address: CRADDOCK & CO., 1032 Race Street, Philadelphia, giving name of this paper. Pa., Oct. 21. 13w. eow.

\$12 a day at home. Agents wanted. Outfit and terms free. TRUE & CO., Augusta, Maine. March 8. 1yr.

\$5 to \$20 per day at home. Samples worth \$1 free. STINSON & CO., Portland, Maine. March 8. 1yr.

"CUSTOM TAILORING." H. G. Laurillard, 119 HOLLIS STREET, HALIFAX, N. S. Agency for New York Fashions Jan. 6.

BRITISH AMERICAN BIBLE, BOOK, TRACT, AND SABBATH SCHOOL DEPOSITORY. Religious Magazines, Sunday at Home, Family Treasury, Leisure Hour, &c. &c. Post paid, \$1.75. PAPERS FOR FAMILIES AND SABBATH SCHOOLS.—British Messenger, British Workman, Cottager and Artizan, Child's Companion, &c. &c. 28 cents. Band of Hope Review, Children's Paper, Children's Messenger, Gospel Trumpet, &c., \$0.14. International Lesson Papers, Bliss & Sankey's Hymns, Gall & Inglis' Spiritual Songs.

We desire to obtain a largely increased circulation for the above and other excellent Periodicals. To further this object we will give

PRIZES, for Clubs of New Subscribers, as follows: Club of 10 Papers to one address 1 paper at \$0.14 20 " " " 2 " " " 30 " " " 3 " " " 66 " " " 1 Chatterbox. 120 " " " 1 Sunday at Home.

We invite the boys and girls all over the Provinces to unite with our Society in earnest efforts to supply families with good, cheap, beautifully illustrated papers. Let your motive be "Love to your Lord and Saviour," and your desire, "to do good to all around you."

A. McBEAN, SECRETARY. April 26.

DRY GOODS! DRY GOODS!! STOCK COMPLETE.

150 Granville, and 25 Duke Sts.

We beg to announce the completion of our Spring Stock. Our buyer having been very early in the English market and purchased the stock under the most favorable circumstances, enables us to offer the

VERY BEST VALUE.

MILLINERY

and all kinds of FANCY GOODS our Stock is very complete.

Wholesale Warehouse (lately erected), No. 25 Duke Street.

RETAIL DEPARTMENT.

In this department our Stock is thoroughly adapted to the wants of both Country and City buyers.

Special attention is devoted to obtaining RELIABLE makes of goods, all of which are offered at lowest market rates.

SMITH BROS.

May 10.

1876 SPRING 1876 NEW GOODS.

WOOD BROS. & CO., Have received and are now showing one of the

LARGEST AND BEST ASSORTED STOCKS OF FASHIONABLE DRY GOODS IN THE CITY.

Worthy of special attention, DRESS GOODS, DRESS GOODS, COSTUMES

MOURNING GOODS, MANTLES, HOSIERY, MILLINERY, RIBBONS, KID GLOVES, HABERDASHERY, &c.

No lady should make her Spring selections without visiting our establishment and inspecting our Stock.

Wood Bros. & Co., 109 Granville Street.

April 26.

SEND 25c. to G. P. ROWELL & CO., New York, for Pamphlet of 100 pages, containing lists of 3000 newspapers, and estimates showing cost of advertising.

March 8. 1yr.

JUST PUBLISHED.

Grand Rounds, FOR JULY.

CONTENTS.—"Quis Separabit." Our Serial Story. "The Mocking-Bird." Our Historical Sketch. "My first Cottage-Meeting." Balaklava. Scenes in the Secret Societies of Paris. The Stranger. Light from the Word. Self-accused. The Prisoner of War. One of the old 74th. The New Year's Blessing. Thoughts by the Way. A little more about the English Dialects. Elvira. What will be Useful. The Donkey and the Bell. General's Inspection. Our Bible Class. Questions for July. French Lessons. Financial Report. To Our Subscribers. A Loyal Compliment.

May be obtained of the EDITOR, SOLDIERS' and SAILORS' HOME, 36 Brunswick Street, Halifax, at MR. BETCHERS', Corner Cornwallis and Lockman Streets, A. W. Mackinlay, M. A. Buckley, or at the "Messenger" Printing Office, Granville Street. Price 10 cents per number or \$1.20 a year, postage free. For Foreign parts 12 cents per number or yearly in advance \$1.40. May 28.

FITS! FITS! FITS!

CURE OF EPILEPSY; OR, FALLING FITS. BY HANCOCK'S EPILEPTIC PILLS.

Persons laboring under this distressing Malady, will find Hancock's Epileptic Pills to be the only remedy ever discovered for curing Epilepsy or Falling Fits. The following certificates should be read by all the afflicted; they are in every respect true, and should they be read by any one who is not afflicted himself, it will be a friend who is a sufferer, he will do a humane act by cutting this out and sending it to him.

A MOST REMARKABLE CURE.

PHILADELPHIA, June 28th, 1876. SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your advertisement, and I was induced to try your Epileptic Pills. I was attacked with Epilepsy in July, 1853. Immediately my physician was summoned, but he could give me no relief. I then consulted another, but he seemed to grow worse. I then tried the treatment of another, but without any good effect. I was a patient to my family physician, who was cured and had several different cases. I was generally attacked without any pronouncement symptoms. I had from two to five fits a day, at intervals of two weeks. I was often attacked in my sleep, and would fall wherever I would be, or whatever be occupied with, and was severely injured several times from the falls. I was affected so much that I lost all confidence in myself. I also was affected in my business, and I consider that your Epileptic Pills cured me. In February, 1855, I commenced to use your Pills, and only had two attacks afterwards. The last one was April 6th, 1856, and they were of a less serious character. With the blessing of Providence your medicine was made the instrument by which I was cured of that distressing affliction. I think that the Pills and their good effects should be made known everywhere, that persons who are similarly afflicted may have the benefit of them. Any person wishing more information can obtain it by calling at my residence, No. 835 North Third St., Philadelphia, Pa. WILLIAM ELDER.

IS THERE A CURE FOR EPILEPSY?

The subjoined will answer. GRANADA, Miss., June 20, 1876.—SIR:—Dear Sir:—I was afflicted with Epilepsy for thirteen years. I was the first person who tried your Pills in this part of the country. My son was severely afflicted with fits for two years. I wrote for and received two boxes of your Pills, which he took according to directions. He has never had a fit since. It was by your permission that Mr. Logan tried your Pills. His case was a very bad one; he had fits nearly all his life. Persons have written to me from Alabama and Texas on the subject, for the purpose of ascertaining my opinion in regard to your Pills. I have always recommended them, and in no instance where I have had a chance of hearing from the afflicted have they failed to cure. Yours, etc. C. H. GRY. Granada, Talahatcha County, Miss.

ANOTHER REMARKABLE CURE OF EPILEPSY; OR, FALLING FITS. BY HANCOCK'S EPILEPTIC PILLS.

MONTGOMERY, Texas, June 28th, 1876. TO SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your advertisement, and I was induced to try your Epileptic Pills. I was afflicted with Epilepsy for thirteen years. I was the first person who tried your Pills in this part of the country. My son was severely afflicted with fits for two years. I wrote for and received two boxes of your Pills, which he took according to directions. He has never had a fit since. It was by your permission that Mr. Logan tried your Pills. His case was a very bad one; he had fits nearly all his life. Persons have written to me from Alabama and Texas on the subject, for the purpose of ascertaining my opinion in regard to your Pills. I have always recommended them, and in no instance where I have had a chance of hearing from the afflicted have they failed to cure. Yours, etc. C. H. GRY. Granada, Talahatcha County, Miss.

STILL ANOTHER CURE.

Read the following testimonial from a respectable citizen of Granada, Mississippi. SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your advertisement, and I was induced to try your Epileptic Pills. I was afflicted with Epilepsy for thirteen years. I was the first person who tried your Pills in this part of the country. My son was severely afflicted with fits for two years. I wrote for and received two boxes of your Pills, which he took according to directions. He has never had a fit since. It was by your permission that Mr. Logan tried your Pills. His case was a very bad one; he had fits nearly all his life. Persons have written to me from Alabama and Texas on the subject, for the purpose of ascertaining my opinion in regard to your Pills. I have always recommended them, and in no instance where I have had a chance of hearing from the afflicted have they failed to cure. Yours, etc. C. H. GRY. Granada, Talahatcha County, Miss.

Sent to any part of the country, by mail, free of postage, on receipt of a remittance. Address, SETH S. HANCOCK, 103 North Third St., Baltimore, Md. Price, one box, \$3.00; two boxes, \$5.00. Please mention "where you saw this advertisement."

Aug. 4. 1 yr.

POST OFFICE, HALIFAX, N. S., 29th July, 1876.

Notice to the Public.

The sale of Postage Stamps to the Public, at the Halifax Post Office, will be discontinued after

Tuesday, the 1st of August.

Postage Stamps can be obtained from the following vendors:—

- G. E. Morton, Hollis St., T. P. Connolly, Granville St., M. A. Buckley, Granville St., A. W. Nicolson, Wesleyan Book Room, Granville St., A. McBean, Book and Tract Depository, Granville St., H. A. Taylor, Barrington St., J. Courteney, Pleasant St., R. Urquhart, Spring Garden Road, G. W. Jones, Birmingham St., A. P. Power, Brunswick St., H. C. Tully, Upper Water St., James Crawford, Upper Water St., G. T. Winsor, Lower Water St.

Edwards will shortly be issued to other vendors.

By order of the Postmaster-General, H. W. BLACKDAR, Postmaster.

Aug. 2.

POPHAM'S Asthma Specific

THE BEST ASTHMA REMEDY IN THE WORLD.

Persons suffering from Asthma, arising from whatever cause, will find in Popham's Asthma Specific a safe, certain and immediate relief. It has received, unsolicited, the highest testimonials from every part of the country, and from every station in life; and a medicine so highly recommended by the thousands who have been benefited by its use, merits a trial from all those who are suffering from the same disease. For sale in Packages, ONE DOLLAR each, or mailed FREE to any part of the Dominion, for \$1.13. HENRY A. TAYLOR, Druggist, &c., Barrington St. Jan. 26.—76 mths. The editor of the MESSENGER would add his testimony, from personal knowledge, value of this excellent "Specific" for Asthma.