

yet at times he was extremely happy in the love and grace of Jesus. He died in peace and in the full assurance of a glorious resurrection, when Jesus comes again to gather up his jewels out of dust. He leaves a widow to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband, and two sons a kind father, but they sorrow not as those without hope. May God sustain them by his presence and grant them comfort.

"Thus heaven is gathering one by one in its capacious breast,
All that is pure and permanent, the beautiful and blest;
The family is scattered not, though of one home and heart,
But militant, in earthly gloom—in heavenly glory, part."

But who can speak the rapture when the circle is complete?
And all the children sundered here before their father meet?
One fold, one Shepherd, one employ, an everlasting home:—
"Lo! I come quickly." Even so, "Lord Jesus come!"

T. M. MUNRO.
Macknaguack, N. B. April 28th, 1876.

FRANCIS EUGENE EATON, M. D.

son of Dea. Woodworth Eaton, of Lower Granville, departed this life at Granville Ferry, on the 5th day of April, aged 30 years, from diphtheria, superinduced by exhaustive labors, day and night in his profession. Dr. Eaton was a man of independent thought, with more than ordinary powers of mind, which was well cultivated. The success attending him as a physician, combined with his temperate habits, gentlemanly and tender bearing, gained for him many friends and an extensive practice. The poor were as well cared for by him as the rich. The day before he was taken sick he rode several miles in a storm, to visit a poor and helpless family, in which, is supposed, he contracted the cold which brought on the disease that so soon bore him from this sphere of usefulness and promise, to the brighter sphere above. He professed faith in Christ during the gracious revival at the Ferry at the beginning of this year, and was baptized on the 5th of March, with six others, and united with the Lower Granville Baptist Church. As soon as converted he went to work for the Master. Erected the family altar in his boarding-house. Prayed with his patients and urged his friends publicly, and from time to time to seek Christ. He took a deep interest in all religious and humane institutions. He was an active worker in the Y. M. C. Association. A true son of temperance. His christian career was short, earnest and true. His sickness was brief and painful, which was borne with christian resignation and unshaken confidence in Christ. Frequently remarking, "God makes no mistakes."

The closing scene, as penned by one present, is as follows:—"The seventh day of his sickness he told his friends it was impossible for him to live, that all would soon be over with him here, that he was soon to meet with God's ransomed ones, stating 'The Lord does all things well.' When asked by a friend if he was afraid to die, replied, 'No, Jesus is waiting to receive me.' He prayed frequently for himself and friends, and was heard several times thanking God that He had called him to serve Him before He called him to die. The evening before he died many of his relatives and friends gathered in his room, sad and weeping. The Dr. called them to his bedside one by one to bid them farewell. He had a word of comfort and admonition for each, using such expressions as, 'Be a Christian,' or, 'Give your heart to Jesus, and you will meet me in heaven.' His death cast a deep gloom over the place. His funeral was largely attended, and the mourners were many. Rev. J. Clark, of Bridgetown, took part in the services. A sermon was preached by the pastor from John xiii. 7. The Sons of Temperance and the Free Masons performed the closing services at the grave."

EDWARD S. FREEMAN,

born at Port Medway, Queen's Co., November 24th, 1825, died Feb. 25th, 1876. Early in life our departed brother was led to embrace the truth as it is in Jesus, and was baptized Feb. 3rd, 1856, by Rev. I. J. Skinner. For more than twenty years our brother lived a consistent christian life. Leader of the Choir, Superintendent of the Sabbath School and Treasurer of the church, were

offices which he faithfully discharged until a few days before his death. Whatever belonged to the welfare of his church or to the prosperity of the cause of God generally received his hearty sympathy and support, an affectionate husband and father, an earnest temperance man and in all respects a worthy citizen. One tenth of his income he devoted to religious and benevolent purposes. His last illness was brief. Two Sabbath-baths before his death he attended the forenoon services of his church, and as usual led in the singing. Meeting the writer at the door, he said he would be too ill to attend to his Sabbath School duties in the afternoon. Our brother's work was finished, on Saturday the 25th of February his soul went to its rest. The funeral services took place the following Tuesday. The Episcopal, Free Baptist and Baptist Sabbath Schools, together with the members of two large Temperance Organizations attended as mourners. The Baptist Church was crowded in every part; ministers from the different churches occupied seats in the pulpit. After a brief sermon, very impressive addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. DeWitt, Smith and Tuttle. The officers and members of "Ray of Light" Division, Sons of Temperance, conducted the services at the grave. Our brother has left five orphan children and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. May the Lord comfort the bereaved ones.

For the Christian Messenger.

New Glasgow.

Dear Brother,—

I ought to state that the church in New Glasgow have succeeded in securing a very eligible site for a meeting house and parsonage at a cost of \$600. I should have called on friends in different localities ere this to contribute towards paying for the lot and building a vestry but for two reasons, the present scarcity of money, and being engaged in revival work at River John. But I hope that all will feel the necessity of rendering immediate, and liberal aid to the feeble cause in this very promising locality, by sending donations as large as possible to Michael C. Olding, Esq., New Glasgow, N. S., (be careful and put the N. S.) I know of no place where there is a better prospect of building up a strong interest than here. Any one visiting New Glasgow and looking at its locality as the centre of railroad communication between Nova Scotia, P. E. Island and Cape Breton, and the head of ship navigation, its vast resources of coal and iron, and its facilities for the establishment of manufactories to any extent, the centre also of a good farming district, need not be a prophet to foretell the future growth of this community. If it is not to be the Birmingham of these Maritime provinces, then why not? Soon the Eastern extension railroad to Cape Breton will be under way, and there will be an influx of population. Already a few factories have been started and others will spring up. It is well for us to be laying the foundation of a Baptist Church in this place, to be ready to do our part in promoting the good of the people. Now is the time to encourage this work by sending in money or pledges to help it on. A good vestry costing probably \$2000 should be built immediately. Our meetings are increasingly interesting. If we had had a place of our own to meet in without interruption, I believe we should have been more extensively blest this spring. But the Temperance Hall where we meet is occupied other evenings and we can meet there only on stated times, and we have other interruptions in the same building. To grow here we must have a suitable place of our own to meet in. The little church are poor but they are doing all they can and more to support the hall, the Sabbath School, and the missionary. The ordinance of baptism was administered yesterday to one young lady and the happy little flock gathered around the Lord's table in remembrance of Him.

The following brethren have sent on donations towards our lot and building:
W. C. Bill, Esq. \$20 00
John King, Esq. Truro. 10 00
We shall be happy to acknowledge whatever friends may send.

Yours, &c.,

D. FREEMAN.

New Glasgow, May 1st, 1876.

P. S.—Bro. Carbonell is baptizing numbers in River John. We hope after this to have two missionaries in Pictou Co., one each side of the harbor.

For the Christian Messenger.

A word from Great Village.

Editor Messenger,—

Your readers have been pleased to learn of the progress of religion in so many places of late. In this every lover of Zion may rejoice, even though he has not the privilege of seeing the work of the Lord advancing in his locality.

The church at Great Village enjoyed a season of refreshing a year ago, and its fruit still appears. The young converts for the most part are doing well, and giving promise of future usefulness, the church, since the coming of the present pastor, has met with severe losses by death and removals. The recent decease of Deacon James Gourley is severely felt. If we do not report as much given for denominational work as formerly, our brethren may imagine the cause, and be charitable in their judgment. It is unfortunate when any of our churches become so crippled in their resources as to suppose they have nothing to spare for the cause abroad, because the tendency of caring only for self, even when the plea of necessity is urged, is to minister to the selfishness of which we all have too large a share, and which needs to be mortified by the constant exercise of benevolence towards others. It would be well for the more favored to consider that many of their brethren have to bear much greater burdens in order to enjoy the preaching of the gospel amongst themselves, than they who are fully provided for at home, and who give to send the word to others. We trust that the church at Great Village will, notwithstanding its losses, continue to forward its quota towards the furtherance of the work committed to the Baptists of these Provinces.

Bro. Samuel Thompson has assisted us in special services for a few weeks. We have, as yet, no additions to report but the church has been blessed, and we are thankful. The friends of the honored brother will be glad to hear that he is so far recovered as to be able to preach with a good degree of former earnestness and power. Besides speaking twice on the Sabbath, he usually preached every other evening when with us. While receiving reports of destitution of gospel preaching in so many places, one cannot but wish that some of these—(Margaree for example) could only be favored with such a one as this dear servant of God to dispense to them the word. Perhaps some field still nearer home may take the hint—"a word to the wise &c."

M. P. F.

May, 1876.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

GREENFIELD, ANNAPOLIS COUNTY.—Dear Editor,—While others are rejoicing in the work of Christ, we have been made to rejoice and bless God for his glorious hope.

The Rev. A. J. Cogswell came to labor with us last May, and has been the instrument in God's hands of doing much good. The Church then was in difficulties too numerous to mention.

The Church is now united in work and worship. Backsliding ones have returned, and souls have been born unto God; on Sunday the 9th of April, twelve willing converts followed Christ by baptism, one returned to the fold, and one was received by letter. Among the number was the daughter of our beloved Pastor. Give God the glory.

Middlefield is also rejoicing in God, they have been revived, cold ones have been warmed into more active christian life and two have followed Christ in Baptism, and the work still goes on. Labell, a branch of this church is also enjoying revival influence, some are expected to come forward for baptism shortly.

We thank God that the steps of our beloved Pastor have been directed to this part of his vineyard, and Sister Cogswell is also an earnest worker for Christ, and much beloved, and we hope they stay to labor in Christ's vineyard with us may be long and prosperous. Brethren let us all pray for souls and for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom.

E. H. F.

RIVER JOHN, PICTOU COUNTY.—Sabbath morning dawned bright and clear at River John, and before 10 o'clock a large concourse of people was assembled on

the bank of the river, where four happy believers were to follow in the footsteps of their Divine Master. The pastor, Rev. E. T. Carbonell read several passages appropriate to and descriptive of the sacred ordinance, and after prayer by Rev. D. W. Crandall, as one after another of the rejoicing candidates were buried with Christ in baptism, the Holy Spirit appeared to hover over the place, as on the day when our beloved Redeemer was laid beneath the wave and marked the path in which we must walk if we would live a life of perfect obedience to Him.

At 11 o'clock as many of the large assembly of people as could find room listened attentively to a deeply impressive and instructive discourse by the newly ordained Pastor, while another large congregation met in a beautiful grove, a short distance from the church edifice, and listened eagerly to the words of life addressed to them by Bro. Crandall. After the sermon the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was administered to the church.

In the afternoon the Town Hall was filled to its utmost capacity, while the large congregation listened with rapt attention to a solemn and affecting sermon by Mr. Crandall. The meetings held nightly under the direction of the pastor were very solemn, and a deep feeling prevails among all the people. This little church that has been so long in darkness is now receiving the answer to the prayers and tears of the few faithful ones, whose interest in and love for the true church has never flagged through the long and dark night of adversity, and now "the morning light is breaking," God's people are being strengthened and encouraged, and many are early seeking for the "old paths." God grant that this "little one" may "become a thousand."

The scenes of last Sabbath will long be remembered. May the seed that was then sown spring up and bear abundant fruit to the honor and glory of our dear Redeemer.

ONE PRESENT.

April 26th, 1876.

A MISSIONARY TOUR.—Last Sabbath I spent in missionary labor in a remote part of my field, near the residence of Eben. C. Munro, Esq., Judge of Probate for the County of Colchester. At the morning service every man, woman, and child in the district attended. We trust seed was sown which will bear an abundant harvest.

Yours,
S. MARCH.

KEMPT, HANTS CO.—Last Sabbath, April 30th, was a happy day for the Kempt Church. The eight persons spoken of in your last paper, received for baptism complied with that holy ordinance. At Brookville, in one branch of this church. Bro. Sweet preached with good acceptance to a crowded house after which the Pastor, Bro. Weathers had the pleasure in behalf of the church of welcoming the eight baptized and one restored into church fellowship. In the afternoon they came to Summerville, and after Bro. Weathers preached we visited the baptismal waters again where four young believers were buried in the liquid grave, showing the beautiful emblem of dying to sin and rising again to newness of life. God grant that they may be shining lights to lead many to Jesus. One of the number was the youngest daughter of Dea. Jos. Marsters—the last child of five to join the church, making a whole family of baptized believers. In the evening we went to the house of God again in Summerville where we listened to a very impressive sermon, there was much regret manifested because of his leaving. He has done a good work for his Heavenly Master. After preaching the pastor and members of the church individually welcomed the 14 who had been received, meanwhile appropriate pieces were sung. It was a solemn season, parents welcoming their children, and brothers and sisters each other. If angels rejoice over scenes on earth would there not be glad tidings of great joy carried home to the New Jerusalem concerning the doings in Summerville Church that night. The fourteen received added to the nine in Brookville make an addition of twenty-three to the Kempt church since the revival began; others are rejoicing in a newly found Saviour and wanderers are returning to their Father's house for which the church thank God and take courage. The peo-

ple in Summerville were much cheered and encouraged, and we trust many sinners aroused by the preaching of the Gospel from the lips of our aged Bro. Vidito whose words flowed forth with much power and eloquence during his visit of about a week among them. I heard many regretting that he could not stop longer.

There have also been some good meetings, sustained by different denominations in Chiverie Hall. May the Holy Spirit be poured out abundantly upon the people all along the Kempt Shore.

ONE INTERESTED.

KINGSTON.—Dear Editor,—On Sabbath last I had the privilege of receiving four persons into the fellowship of the Lower Aylesford and South Wilnot Church, three by baptism and one restored. The church is coming up nobly to action and our prospects for success are encouraging.

Yours very truly,
May 14th, 1876. E. O. READ.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—At Brussels Street Church, pastor Everett baptized one man last Sunday, making 55 persons baptized in connection with that church since the last of January. Several have also been received by letter, making a total recent accession of 70 new members.

MONCTON.—Baptism last Sabbath, and Baptism again to-morrow.

THOS. TODD,
April 29, 1875.—Visitor.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—204 immigrants arrived at Montreal on Sunday by the Polynesian, en route for Western Canada, where they intend to settle. These are the first arrivals via Quebec.

The Canada Gazette of Saturday last contains the appointment of John McLearn, of Souris, P. E. Island, to be sub-collector in Customs.

Freight sheds are being erected on the wharves at Quebec for the different steamship companies.

A meeting of the Roman Catholic Bishops will be held at Quebec on the 28th inst.

Senator Perry of Coburg died last week. He was upwards of 90 years of age.

Cape Rouge ice bridge started at six o'clock on Friday morning.

Fifty vessels were ice-bound in the Gulf.

500 laborers on the new canal at Thorold, Ont., have struck for higher wages.

The bricklayers and masons strike at Ottawa is ended. The contractors have agreed to pay good mechanics \$2.25.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Samuel Sharp, dropped dead in his yard on Brussels Street, St. John on Thursday afternoon.

Thomas O'Neill was arraigned in the Circuit Court on Thursday for the murder of Bridget Fothergill. He pleaded not guilty. The trial has been fixed for the 15th inst.

Varney Brown, confined in the Fredericton jail on a charge of arson and robbery escaped on Tuesday night.

Patrick Walsh found guilty of robbing Mrs. Lamb was sentenced to two years imprisonment in the Penitentiary. The late L. H. DeVeber of St. John left from \$350,000 to \$360,000, to be divided among his relatives.

At South Bay, near St. John, on Friday, Ida Godsoe, aged seven years, was poisoned by eating belladonna, and died in a few hours. Another child was also poisoned, but was living on Sunday.

The New Hotel at St. Andrews was sold at Auction by the Sheriff on Saturday last to Harris Hatch for \$450. It is estimated to have cost the stockholders and the town of St. Andrews \$16,000.

P. E. ISLAND.—Island papers inform us that four prisoners made a desperate attempt to break out of jail in Charlottetown. Their names were McDonald, Cole, Lenard, and Bethune. When the jailor was giving them their rations for the day, he was struck on the head whilst in a stooping posture, by Joseph McDonald, with a weapon in the fashion of a sling-shot, made by sowing a towel around a brick taken out of the hearth. Then they all rushed for the yard, and McDonald got an axe with which to hew down the gate; but the jailor used his revolver and checked the desperadoes until assistance came when they were overpowered.

UNITED STATES.—The United States direct cable was last week the only telegraphic line in operation between the United States and Europe.

Dom Pedro was last week detained at Promontory station, Utah, by a freight train running over a bull near Blue Creek. The engine and eleven cars were thrown off the track. Two tramps who were stealing a ride were killed. The engineer, fireman and brakeman were seriously injured.

The Empress of Brazil went to Philadelphia on Thursday.

A fire in the pattern shop of the Somerset Foundry, Pa., on Thursday, destroyed property amounting to \$200,000. The Ohio Woodenware Company's building, Cleveland, O., was also burned. Loss \$200,000.

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