Porter, causes my heart to rejoice exceedingly. The Lord grant the dear brother a revival of physical strength.

Homeville and Cow Bay, in this Island, are sharing in revival blessings. Last week the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us," flashed with such electric force over the wires from the former place as to lift me out of my work here and carry me over there to assist brother Caleb Huntington, a Licentiate of the Mira Church, on whose labors the Master is stamping the seal of His approval. Words are inadequate to express the feelings of joy and gratitude awakened within my soul on the receipt of brother H.'s message, " Revival at Homeville; come over and help us." At the time I felt pretty much as I imagine Elijah did when he gave to the Lord as the cause of his despondency, "I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken Thy covenant, thrown down Thine altars, and slain Thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life to destroy it." Substitute for "They have slain Thy prophets," They have carried away Thy prophets to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and P. E. I.; and for the words, "They seek my life to destroy it," Hard work seeks my life to destroy it, and you have a description, not less true than graphic, of my state of mind of late. But the above message carried me "upon the mount before the Lord," where I heard the "still small voice." And oh! how soothing to my troubled spirit, which has of late been so frequently shaken by the storm of anxiety, and convulsed by the earthquake of conflicting works, and all but consumed by firey zeal, in all of which I often felt the Lord was not. And I devoutly thanked the Lord, that even in destitute Cape Breton "Things are not what they seem." But I imagine some one calling

A BILL OF PARTICULARS.

Well let me give it. On my arrival at Cow Bay the 19th inst., on my way to Homeville I learned that there was to be no meeting at the latter place that evening, I therefore tarried one night at the former, where it was my privilege to preside over a deeply interesting prayer meeting. In the course of the meeting several spoke of their new-found hope and thus avowed themselves as anxious ly seeking salvation. At the urgent request of the brethren. I announced that I should preach on the evening of the Lord's day following.

Saturday forenoon, under the guidance of Deacon D. Spencer, who seems to understand that ministers are redained to work, I visited not all but some of the families in Cow Bay. Here there is evidently a deep religious awakening. In the afternoon Heft for Homeville, where I found my dear brother Huntington quietly and yet earnestly engaged in the good work. I lost no time in securing the programme of work for me, which was as follows: conference this evening at 7 o'clock and tomorrow Gaelic service at 10½ o'clock, A.M., English service immediately after and then baptism; then preaching at Mira at 3 o'clock, P. M. added Amen. I came to work, I am glad you have work for me, and I thank God that I am able to work.

The Conference was one long to be re membered. Aged brothers and sisters spoke of the faithfulness and loving kindness of a covenant-keeping God; the afflicted testified of the goodness of God to them in all their afflictions. The testimony of the latter particularly in terested me. It coincided so exactly with my own thoughts as I gazed at the starlit'sky on my way to the house of God. The atmosphere being exceedingly clear, the sky presented a jet-black appearance and caused the stars to shine with peculiar brilliancy, suggesting the sweet thought that the Tarker sorroundings the more glorious and precious the Saviour. Time would fail me to speak of the testimonies of others. I was constrained to exclaim "Verily God is in this place."

The first day of the week dawned on me with sweet thoughts of the resurrection morn and awakened consciousness of renewed energy with which to enter upon the arduous toils of the day. By the help of the Master I was enabled to follow out the above somewhat extensive programme, which including the appointment made at Cow Bay, involved the preaching of four sermons, the baptism of four believers and fifteen miles travelling.

In Sydney there is an extensive revival under Mr. Murray, the pastor of the new Presbyterian Congregation. This congregation have no place of worship of their own, the Baptist church gave them the use of their meeting house for the week evening services. This is as it should be. Is this act not worth more than any amount of cheap talk an open communion."

The Grand Jury, the Sessions of the County of Cape Breton, have refused to Grant Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. This is good. When will the countenance of law be withdrawn from this demoralizing Liquor Traffic in all sections of the Dominion? God speed the day.

Yours in Christian love, J. B. McDonald. North Sydney, Feb. 24th, 1876.

FROM REV. W. E. HALL .- Dear Broth er,-After writing you from New Germany, I went to Melvern Square, Wilmot, spent three Sabbaths with the Church there and I hope our united ef forts were not in vain. About two years ago Satan sowed some seeds of discord among them which had sprouted, taken root and grown to large dimensions. But we had the pleasure of seeing them plucked up, by the grace of God, and left to wither under the power of the Sun of righteousness. Our venerable Bro. Dr. Tupper is laboring statedly in the Church and is doing a large amount of work. Rev. Obed Parker lives in Mel vern and though he is in harmony and fellowship with the church and congrega tion he is not their pastor. They need a younger man, as much of the church is situated on the mountain.

At the close of our meeting on the 16th inst., the congregation all remained appointed Deacon Baker Chairman and N. B. Spinney, Secretary. Soon they presented me with a purse of \$50 cash and other useful articles. May the blessing of God reward them. From Melvern I returned to New Germany. Found the good work still going on. Bro. Williams of Mahone Bay was there. He went to New Germany soon after I left last month, has labored hard, and not without success. He baptized 7 on Sabbath the 13th inst. Last Sabbath I baptized 9 more and still the work goes on. As they are yet without a minister I have promised to return and spend a little time with them. They need a good laboured here, and crowds came to one speedily is the prayer of a former

WM. E. HALL. Black Point, Feb. 22, 1876.

CHESTER, - Dear Editor, - Many of your readers will be glad to know that the basement of the New Baptist Meet ing House in Chester is completed and opened for the worship of God. The Rev. E. Roberts of Bridgewater preached in it on Wednesday evening the 16th inst., an excellent and instructive sermon founded on Daniel ii. 44, in which the preacher described in clear and glowing colours the spiritual nature of Christ's Kingdom as diverse from all other kingdoms.

The basement consists of a lecture room in the centre capable of seating comfortably, nearly three hundred people. On one side of the room are two nice class rooms and, the other side is a room for fuel &c. It was well filled on the evening referred to with attentive listeners. This must be our audience room until the room above is finished, and our prayer is that God may make it his dwelling place and the birth place for many souls. Will our brethren and sisters unite with us in this petition? And here Mr. Editor allow me to say to our more wealthy brethren that we have a hard struggle before us to finish the upper part of the house, and any donations large or small-that God may dispose their hearts to give to cur building fund, will not be misappropriated, and any such contributions will be thankfully received by the undersigned on behalf of the Building Committee, and acknowledged in the Christian Messen ger, and faithfully appropriated.

Yours very truly. I. J. SKINNER.

Pubnico.-Rev. W. H. Richan writes: -I am pleased to inform you that the The news of God's gracious dealings in work of the Lord is progressing in Pubnico. The special meetings commenced other, is the means of awakening in the with the week of prayer, and were continued daily until last Sabbath. The thanksgiving and praise; and also, of Baptist and Free Baptist churches who leading them to more earnest prayer worship in the same house have been and effort for the revival of the Lord's greatly revived. Fifteen have been work at home; and who among the

added to the former, and five to the people of God but must feel that any latter, by baptism. Others are awakened | thing that will be the means of leading and the interest seems unabated. Perfect harmony exists between the churches. Bro. Weston the Free Baptist pastor was with us during a portion of the time. I desire to acknowledge with gratitude the receipt of eighty-nine dollars, the net proceeds of a tea-meeting provided by almost the entire community, without regard to creed. The evening was very stormy, otherwise the amount would have been much larger My Pubnico friends are very kind, and be filled with his glory !" the past six weeks of religious intercourse has endeared them to me more than ever. Five of the children of Deacon Isaac Larkin have professed conversion, three of whom have united with the church. Our brother's cup of village of Sussex) a week or two since joy is running over.

My Wood's Harbor friends have also aided me by a tea meeting. I do not yet know the amount of net proceeds. Yours fraternally,

W. H. RICHAN. Barrington, Feb. 15th, 1875.

HANTSPORT, N. S., March 2nd, 1876 .-Dear Sir,-The good work is still progressing. I baptized eight willing and joyful converts last Sabbath, and received them into the church in the

There are some thirty or forty more who have asked for prayers; many of whom profess to have obtained a hope, and will probably join the church.

The responsibility of both church and | me." pastor is increasing every day. I trust that we shall have an interest in the prayers of all, that wisdom equal to our day may be granted to us.

J. C. BLEAKNEY.

OSBORNE, SHELBUENE Co., Feb. 29 1876 .- Dear Brother, - We are rejoiced at the good news that every issue of your cheering Messenger brings of the cause of the Captain of our Salvation He is going forth with great power and glory in this our land, and "to him is now the gathering of the people" in all lands. We are glad, also, with the many churches blessed, to record the mercy and goodness of God to us here in Osborne. For eight weeks we earnest pastor. May God send them hear the word as if drawn by an invisible power. This morning we had the delightful privilege of baptising three able men, rejoicing in God.

> Yours in the work of the Lord. AUGUSTUS SHIELDS.

HALIFAX NORTH CHURCH .- Rev. J. W Manning baptized seven persons on Sunday evening last, five of whom were young men-two were sons of Dr. Clay, who took part in the service.

Sussex, N. B.—Dear Brother,—I intimated a week or two since, that I would drop another line for the Messenger at | for the perishing all around us. Let us an early day. Let me attempt to fulfil my promise-I say "attempt"-Well; it is Monday morning, and really, I am not sure that I shall succeed in getting anything that you will deem worth the trouble of printing-very Well then, cast the manuscript into the editor's waste-basket, and I will abide by your decision; and at some other time I will "Try again," only I will select Tuesday rather than Monday, as the base of operations, resolving, of course, to be submissive to the judgment of the edi torial chair.

Let me say, at the very outset, that we never prized the dear old Messenger more highly than we do now, here in our New Brunswick home. We cannot help feeling a tender interest in the state of the churches in our own native Province, and the columns of the Messenger keep us posted in some good degree in those matters. By the way, I believe the cause of Christ is benefitted by a fair and truthful statement in public-through the periodicals-of what God is doing for the churches. I think that a mistaken modesty, or humility, which witholds from the Christian public and the world a candid statement of the work of God in any community. one community, when conveyed to an hearts of true believers, a spirit of

Christians to cry to God and labor with men for the salvation of souls will prove a blessing to the church and the world?

My own heart has been greatly cheered and enouraged of late in reading the accounts of the Lord's work in so many of the churches of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick—as also in other places, Truly the Lord is doing "great things for his people. "Blessed be his holy name forever; and let the whole earth

Since I last wrote you the good work of grace has been advancing gloriously in Sussex and its surroundings. Some brethren in Roachville, (near to the and quite a number more stand ready to join them at an early day. A goodly | congregations by the Revs. J. King of with the Wesleyans and we hope the Baptists will be cheered with further additions to their numbers at no distant day. They had the privilege of welcoming to their membership 14 persons -between the ages of 14 and 50-last Sabbath (Feb. 20th), 12 of whom were received by baptism and two by letter: and yesterday three more were received -two by baptism and one on experi-

And so the work goes on; each day brings to notice some new case or cases of conversion to God-or of conviction of sin. Many are saying-"Pray for

We have a little band of young men who are working nobly for Christ. They go out in companies of four and five and hold cottage prayer meetings-and God is blessing their labors.

Here is a request brought by one of these young men to the prayer meeting in Sussex after he had attended a cottage prayer meeting a little out of the village. "The prayers of God's people are requested in behalf of nine persons who rose in a social prayer meeting held last evening some three miles distant."

Another-"The earnest prayers thirty-four persons who are anxious about their soul's salvation. This number includes some backsliders, who desire to return to Christ and follow Him through

Also -"A young man desires the prayers of God's people for the conversion of his associates."

Still another—"The prayers of God's people are requested by a member of the church in behalf of her unconverted school-mates. Oh! do pray for them; for I want to see them converted!"

These are only a few specimens of the urgent requests for prayer, that have been presented during the last week. The fields are white for harvest. Oh, for more of the Spirit of Christ to go out and gather in the sheaves! Brethren and sisters in the Lord, pray for us and pray for each other.

I fear my letter is already too long. So no more at present.

Yours in Christ, J. F. KEMPTON Sussex, N. B., Feb. 28, 1876.

TRURO.-Rev. J. E. Goucher baptized eight believers in the Lord Jesus on Sunday last.

BERWICK.—Dear Editor,—The revival intelligence you give from week to week from many of our churches, has greatly cheered my heart. It is my privilege now to gladden the hearts of others. The Lord has in great mercy again visited the 2nd Cornwallis Baptist church. I had the pleasure of baptising eleven happy converts into our fellowship yesterday. A very large congregation were attracted from all parts of the country to witness the administration of the solemn and impressive ordinance. The Scripture showing our authority and direction for the administration of Christian baptism was read, without note or comment, and seemed to produce a deep impression. The utmost order prevailed.

You will be gratified to learn that one of the converts, a fine promising youth, is a namesake of your own. The good work, I trust, is deepening and extend ing. Will your pious readers pray that it may!

Yours truly, ISA. WALLACE. March 6th, 1876.

The Canadian Baptist supplies us with some items of interest concerning the work of the churches.

Elder Dunnet writes from Villa Nova. Our people are taking a more general interest in the weekly prayer meetings, especially the younger members. The ordinance of baptism has been administered three times since our last Association. Nine have been baptized, and several others will be soon.

Rev. James. W. Mitchell, pastor of the Queen Street Church, Toronto, says: -I have been laboring on this field about three years and can truly say our labor has not been in vain. The Lord has plenteously poured out His Spirit upon us, the result of which is forty have been added to the church during our pastorate, thirty-five of whom were received by baptism. There are others, 16 or 18 united with the Free Christian like Agrippa, almost, persuaded to be Christians

At the third anniversary services in connection with College St. Baptist Church, sermons were preached to large number of the young converts will unite Yorkville, and A. H. Munro of Alexander St. Baptist Church. During the year there have been received to its membership 26, dismissed ten, leaving the total membership 1st Feb. 1876, 107 members, being an increase of 16. This is most encouraging considering that since the church's organization some 12 churches are now in existence in its immediate neighborhood where there were only previously 3 or 4.

In Guelph the ordinance of Christian baptism was administered to three candidates, by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Davidson, in the presence of an immense congregation; all the seats being completely filled, and many having to be accomodated with chairs.

Rev. Alex. McIntyre, of Sullivan, had the privilege of baptizing seven candidates recently. Others are expected.

At Collingwood, on Sabbath 6th 'inst. twelve persons received the right hand of fellowship, and on Sabbath 13th ult., nine persons were baptized on profesion of their faith in Christ in the presence of about 800 people. A precious work of grace seems to be quietly going on.

## DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA. -- In the discussion of the finances of the Dominion on Tuesday last in the House of Commons Mr. Jones is reported to have said if the Government had imposed an increased duty for purposes of revenue, not a member of the House from the Mari-God's people are requested in behalf of time Provinces would have raised his voice against it.

On the 2nd inst., Hon. Mr. Laird, introduced a bill to consolidate the laws relating to Indians, and to provide for their enfranchisement, and to apply said law to all the Provinces of the Dominion. One clause would provide for the enfranchisement of Indians after a period of six years' probation, and that after that time they would no longer be Indians, but have the same status as other voters of the Dominion.

Dr. Tupper criticised the policy of the Government and pointed out the better ability of the McDonald administration to successfully rule the destinies of the country. He spoke in favor of a policy which would give relief to our suffering manufacturers.

Colonel Laurie, of Nova Scotia, appeared before the Immigration committee at Ottawa on Friday last and gave interesting details of the work of placing orphan children in Canadian homes.

A letter from Victoria, B. C., says the dissatisfaction at the treatment by the Dominion Government is daily increasing, and a separate Government is openly advocated.

It was understood that the debate on the financial condition of the Dominion would be resumed yesterday and Mr. Workman would move an amendment in favor of increased protective duties, and endeavor to obtain a vote on the question of Protection vs. Free Trade.

NEW BRUNSWICK. - Kingsclear, - On Friday Jonathan B. Cliff, while cutting down a tree, received a blow of a limb, and died in two hours The blow on his. side made almost no mark.

Several changes in the employees of the Intercolonial Railway are reported. Mr. Luttrell becomes Superintendent of the railway instead of Assistant Superintendent as heretofore.

Fredericton.—A large influential temperance meeting was held here on Friday evening, Mr. George Bliss, clerk of the Assembly in the chair. The Lieutenant Governor and other influential gentlemen, members of the Legislature and others were present and addressed the meeting.

St. John,—Linde, the boy injured in the Carleton coasting accident, and Byrns, the rigger who fell from the forhead mast of a vessel, on Friday, both

The boy who collided with Linde will it is said, recover .- Chronicle. .

UNITED STATES .- A freight train on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad on Thursday was thrown from the track at Delaware Bend. The accident was caused by the train breaking in two. Conductor Keech and two brakemen were seriously and proably fatally injured.

An unknown Italian barque was wrecked on the North Carolina coast. Nine of her crew, and the life-boat crew of six persons, in attempting her rescue, were drowned.

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