

Our new house of worship at the Bay is being pushed forward, and will be opened for worship about the first of October. This is a large and commodious building, of 40 by 60 feet and will seat between four and five hundred persons, with vestry in the basement 30 by 40 feet. The work is being done by Mr. A. Marshall, builder. Who with his usual skill and energy is fast pushing it forward. Rev. George Goudy has been labouring with the church since last fall with good success.

C. C.

May 10th, 1877.

LOWER ECONOMY.—We received seven into the church at Lower Economy on the 6th inst., five of them were by baptism. Others are expected shortly.

Yours faithfully,
A. E. INGRAM.

BAPTISM AT BRIDGETOWN.—Two rejoicing believers were baptized on Sabbath morning, the 20th inst., by the Rev. J. Clark.

For the Christian Messenger.

Continuation of Notes from the Third Baptist Church.

How quickly time flies and events important and unimportant crowd upon us. Since the former notes were penned we are glad to report that others have been received for baptism, six in number, five of whom were baptized on Monday evening last. The good work is manifesting itself in our Sabbath School, and our children's service on Friday afternoons promise rich fruitfulness.

On Friday, the 10th, the sod was broken, and the builder, Mr. J. S. Edwards, commenced preliminary operations.

Knowing it to be against the rule to notice anonymous letters, I ask the insertion of the following epistle, trusting the unknown writer may cheer and stimulate others as he has my own soul, to increased faith and activity for God:

"I have been glad from time to time in reading the Messenger to learn of your efforts and success in raising funds for building a house for God in Halifax.

Enclosed please find four dollars for this object. The sum, although small in itself, will, I trust, serve in some measure, to encourage you in your "work and labour of love." And may the Great Head of the Church in the future as in the past, own and bless your untiring efforts, both in securing a house for His worship and in the conversion of many precious souls, is my prayer."

On Natal day, June 21st, we hope to celebrate the occasion by having a Building Bee; in other words, by allowing friends and well-wishers to lay with their own hands.

Those who cannot be present to hear the address, or take actual part, can do as a sister did in the States, send on a few dollars and request that a brick be laid by proxy.

For the Christian Messenger.

FROM JEDDORE, May 4th, 1877.—Dear Editor,—Diphtheria, which has slain so many during the past year has visited us. On Saturday last three loved ones, viz, Bertha and Annie, daughters of Simeon and Sophia Richardson, and Minnie, daughter of Richard and Deborah Richardson, aged three, eleven, and fifteen years, respectively, passed away to that land where the "wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest."

The parents and friends of the departed do not weep as those who have no hope. Little Annie left the assurance that she was going to be with Christ. Minnie had been a member of the church about fifteen months adorning her christian profession by a godly walk and conversation. We had hoped for her a long life of usefulness in the Master's vineyard here; but He has seen fit to remove her to another sphere, and we submit. I trust her dying appeal to her father, who is yet undecided, will have its desired effect. It was sad to see three so young, borne along at the same time in solemn procession—followed by weeping parents—to their last earthly resting place. May their young schoolmates heed the solemn warning, and prepare to meet their God.

JAS. MEADOWS.

Miss Lavinia V. K. Maskell, a young friend of the last mentioned deceased, writes a letter of warm affection of her departed friend and schoolmate. She speaks of the joy they had in singing together the beautiful words:—

"Oh how sweet it will be in that beautiful land,
So free from all sorrow and pain,
With songs on our lips, and with harps in our hands,
To meet one another again."

When she saw her parents weeping for her, she said, "Weep not for me for I shall soon be above sun, moon and stars, with my blessed Saviour." "Angels," she said "are hovering around me, and soon I shall be free from trouble; and shall rest forever with my Lord."

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—Friday last was the two hundred and thirty-sixth anniversary of Maissonenol's landing at Montreal.

A tidal wave or earthquake wave occurred in Lake Huron on Wednesday last, causing considerable consternation, but no damage. It flowed from West to East.

The first accounts of sales of Canadian shipments to Melbourne, Australia, per Ocean Gem, have just been received and show but little encouragement to continue the trade.

The Magdalen Island herring fisheries have been abundant during the past week. Over ninety sail of British and American vessels several of large tonnage were there and it is likely with fine weather all will obtain full cargoes.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—At St. John on Tuesday night Lewis Bennett, a pilot, was killed on board the barque St. Helena as he was coming up the Bay.

While Professor Henry Card was purchasing a ticket in the Intercolonial station, on Wednesday morning, he dropped dead. He had been for many years organist in the Masonic Lodges in St. John.

Wm. D. Lawrence, son of Mr. Joseph Lawrence, was drowned in a bath on Saturday night in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, St. John.

It was reported from Musquash on Saturday that George B. Clinch, son of George F. Clinch, had perished in the flames during the burning of shops.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—The Northern Shore of P. E. Island was on Thursday last blocked with ice. Four square rigged vessels for northern ports were caught in it, off Malpeque and three off West Cape. One was ashore at the latter point. The ice was now blocking Summerside harbour, and carried a number of schooners from their anchors.

UNITED STATES.—General Grant and family sailed for Europe on Thursday last.

Flour fluctuated considerably in New York last week rising and falling a dollar a barrel.

Great fires in the woods were reported in New Hampshire, New York, Wisconsin and Michigan the beginning of last week. Miles of valuable timber land have been burned over.

At the 109th annual banquet of the New York Chamber of Commerce, President Hayes was present, and made a short speech. Governor Tilden refused to attend.

At the Reformed Episcopal Council at Philadelphia, a resolution was adopted providing for the extension of that Church into Great Britain and authorizing the appointing of a bishop.

The Episcopal Convention at Chattanooga, was preached to by a colored minister. This is said to be the first time one of the race ever preached to a white Episcopal congregation in the U. States.

The steamer *Belgia* sailed from San Francisco on Wednesday last, for Hong Kong via Yokohama, carrying \$1,950,000 in treasure, mostly fine silver. Much of the shipment was on European account.

The Russian corvettes *Bayan*, *Albrecht* and *Osadnick*, sailed thence the same day under sealed orders, though it is given out that they return to the Siberian stations.

The Russian fleet left New York on Saturday in response to request from Washington to that effect. It is stated that the Russians recently completed contracts for 25,000 barrels of gunpowder, some 5,000 having already been delivered, 200 tons of brass metal, 5,000,000 cartridges, and 2,000,000 Smith & Wesson revolvers, 25,000,000 cartridges. Also contracted for the Khedive of Egypt.

The belief is prevalent that the Russian fleet is waiting off the shore in the expectation of capturing vessels from either Providence or New Haven with arms for the Turks.

Thomas Crayo of New Bedford, with his wife, will start from that port on Friday next, the 25th inst., to cross the Atlantic to London in a boat thirteen feet in length of the keel.

It is stated that all efforts to form a combination of coal companies have failed, and one company will this week offer coal fifteen cents per ton under schedule prices.

Fifty clerks in the New York Custom House will be dismissed by Collector Arthur on the first of June.

SOUTH AMERICA.—Lloyd's agent at Valparaiso telegraphs that 17 ships are probably lost on the coast of Peru and 40 damaged.

WEST INDIES.—Advices from Jamaica say that a French fleet is expected at

Hayti to enforce the payment of the Haytien debt, which the Haytien Congress repudiates.

ENGLAND.—In the debate in Parliament on Mr. Gladstone's war resolutions he said war might even now be ended within a fortnight, if England would consent to restore European concert. He pointed out what disgrace it would be to England if the liberty of Christians was secured by an agreement between Russia and Turkey alone.

His resolutions were rejected by 354 against 223. An amendment was subsequently adopted, without division, to the effect that the House declines to entertain any resolutions which may embarrass the Government in its maintenance of peace and protection of British interests, without indicating any alternative line of policy.

A special despatch, Thursday night, says:—"Embodied by his triumph in Parliament, and certain of support from the nation, Disraeli is believed to be preparing to precipitate England, joined by Austria, into a conflict with Russia. Diplomatic circles confess England's participation is a foregone conclusion."

The tone of the majority of the London and Provincial press is outspoken for instant intervention upon almost any pretext, and war measures are regarded with enthusiasm among the great bodies of merchants whose business is crippled by the blockade of the Black Sea, and the cessation of traffic with that region which, in Liverpool, Glasgow and London, more than equals transatlantic operations in English houses; even among the lower ranks the feeling of intense hostility against Russia is marked; they charge upon the Czar's covetous ambition the hardship arising from stagnation in business without its advantages. The war-party press clamor for instant protection of England's interests.

On Friday the London telegram informs us that the Russian ambassador has gone home to warn the Czar of the impending danger. Couriers follow him in rapid succession with reports of the situation, which are too compromising to be entrusted to post or telegraph.

In addition to this new war alarm it is intimated that precautionary arrangements are so far complete that the authorities reckon upon being able, if necessary, to embark about sixty thousand troops in about ten days.

The Pope, replying to the Scotch pilgrims, promised to reconstitute the hierarchy of Scotland when the number of Catholics was sufficient.

About 16,000 men are already locked out from the Clyde ship building yards. The number will be trebled in four days by the discharge of men now completing contracts.

FRANCE.—Some excitement has existed in Paris over the political situation, and has resulted in a change of ministry and a prorogation of the Assembly for a month. The general feeling appears to be that President McMahon has exceeded his powers and that his Cabinet are usurpers. The *Debats* of Friday last said France has taken a retrograde movement in which the efforts of four years for the advance of the Republic have been lost.

The Ministerial crisis is watched in Berlin with very keen interest. If Simon's fall is the result of Ultramontane intrigue the effect upon the relations between France and Germany may be grave.

As the French squadron was getting under sail one of the frigates (*La Revanche*)'s boiler burst, killing two persons and wounding sixty, twenty mortally.

The Spanish Government is endeavoring to obtain the expulsion of Don Carlos from France.

The *Journal des Debats* demands that the Government consult the country immediately and thus terminate the crisis.

The *Marseillaise* states that two deputies have drawn up a proposal for the impeachment of MacMahon.

The French Government has assured the Italian Government that the crisis will produce no change in its attitude.

TURKEY.—The Russians are massing large forces in the neighborhood of Kars. Cannonading is proceeding at various points on the Danube. The Turkish squadron bombarded the fortified town of Sukum Kaleh. A body of troops landed who set the Russians at defiance, and remained masters of the position. The population of the neighborhood joined the Turks.

A special from Erzeroum, 17th, says the Russians attempted to bombard Kars with four heavy siege guns; Kars replied briskly and the assailants retired.

Prince Hassan, son of the Khedive, and 6,000 Egyptians, will leave for Constantinople on Saturday.

The Turks are fortifying passes of the Balkans.

The insurrection in Caucasus is daily gaining ground.

The *Times*' Bucharest despatch says eight Turkish soldiers were captured near Ibrail, armed with American rifles, firing thirty-six cartridges without reloading.

A great battle is expected at Toprakkala. Severe fighting is imminent at Batavia. A large force of Circassian emigrants, with great stores of arms and ammunition have been shipped from the Bosphorus for a point upon the Black Sea coast. The expedition will be pro-

ted and assisted by two iron-clad frigates.

The Turks have despatched 16,000 men from Widdin garrison in all haste to the Dobrujscha.

Roumanian official reports estimate that four hundred were wounded during the recent intermittent Turkish bombardment of Kalafat, but do not mention the number of killed.

The Governor of Crete telegraphs that the reports about trouble in Crete are unfounded. The island is tranquil and the inhabitants are pursuing their vocations.

RUSSIA.—The Czar was to start for the Caucasus on Monday last.

Steamer communication with St. Petersburg is opened. Ice is broken up as far as is visible.

The Czar is reported in constant telegraphic communication with the Shah of Persia.

A despatch asserts that Persia has declared her intention not to join Russia.

A despatch from Bucharest gives the Roumanian list of 110 killed and wounded in an artillery engagement between Kalafat and Widdin.

The Russians have constructed a battery of heavy guns at Ghiacet, to stop navigation through an arm of the Danube. Extensive movements of Russian troops are taking place between Galatz and Polesi.

The commander of Sebastopol has ordered civilians to quit as an attack is expected.

The steamer "J. Bramall," from New Haven, with munitions of war worth \$1,000,000 for the Turkish army, arrived at Constantinople last Thursday.

The report of a Roumanian vessel full of Russian soldiers having been sunk by Turks is confirmed.

There was a two hours' cannonade between Tokolan and Oltenita, on Wednesday. The Russian batteries threw shells into the Turkish defences at Matchin.

The Czar, by his isolated action, has receded from the alliance of the three Emperors. Russia, however, is still bound to abstain from any action injurious to the interests of Austria and Germany.

The *Times*' despatch from Giurgevo on Thursday was as follows:—"A great battle is impending. Already heavy cannonading is in progress. For several days the Russians have been concentrating a large force at this point preparatory to forcing passage of the Danube. The army is in fine condition and good spirits. Opposite to us is Rutchuk. The Turks are in strong force. That they will resist our advance is certain, and to-morrow or the day after may witness a bloody struggle."

An official account of the battle of Ardahan, telegraphed by Gen. Melikoff to Grand Duke Michael says:—"The outworks of Ardahan, its fortifications, citadel of 60 guns, immense stores of provisions and ammunition, and camp formerly occupied by 14 battalions of Turks lie at the feet of the Czar. The troops are full of enthusiasm."

GERMANY.—An article in the *Strasbourg official Gazette*, which has attracted so much attention, contains the following:

"The turn affairs are taking in France is calculated to inspire Germany and her close friend Italy with most serious reflection. A victory of Ultramontanes in France, occurring simultaneously with an Ultramontane victory in the Italian Senate, is fraught with the greatest consequences. Germany cannot remain indifferent. It is incumbent on her to display the greatest watchfulness. A victory of the Roman Curia opens the prospect of a war of revenge, and it is only through an alliance with France that the Curia can find a possibility of waging war against Germany and Italy."

The Russian Government is engaging, at high wages, a great many German engine drivers for immediate service.

The change in the French Cabinet has greatly displeased the German Government.

There exists at Berlin well-founded fears of the results of Ultramontane intrigues.

GREECE.—A collision between Grecian and Turkish troops took place at Arniros on Tuesday. The Athens press demand war.

Local News.

REMARKABLE RESCUE.—Four of the schooner "Codseeker's" crew were rescued and brought into Barrington on Saturday. Two more were cut out of the fore-castle on Sunday by an American schooner's crew and landed on Monday of last week; a remarkable escape, as the men had been imprisoned in the fore-castle since the vessel capsized on Wednesday night.

A LITTLE HEROINE.—At Pictou there was a fire on Tuesday night in Mrs. Ives' room. She had gone out, locking in a girl of 6 and a boy of 4 years; in moving the lamp they set fire to some clothes that were hanging on the wall. The girl told the boy to wait, and jumped out of the window, but before she could get round to the door he had followed her. She struck on her feet and is comparatively uninjured; the boy's head was badly cut, but he is now considered out of danger. The window is 35 feet from the ground.

JOHN B. GOUGH, the famous Temperance orator is to lecture in the Rink in Halifax on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday next. The subject of the Lecture on Saturday is to be "Blunders" and His Honor the Lieutenant Governor will preside. The W. & A. Railway give return tickets for one fare and a third good to the 31st.

J. W. Turnbull's carriage factory at Bear River was burned on Thursday afternoon, with all its contents. Partially insured.

Mr. A. B. Wilmot, Superintendent of the Bedford fish breeding establishment, put 14,000 young Salmon in River Phillip during the past week.

GOOD FOR HIM.—A hack owner was fined \$2 in the Police Court, last week, for not keeping an engagement he had made to send his team for a gentleman.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.—*Yarmouth Co.*—To be Justice of the Peace, George R. Smith.

Digby Co.—To be Justices of the Peace, Whitfield Outhouse, of Tiverton, Alpheus Marshall and Asa Porter, Jr., of South Range. To be a Coroner, John H. Harris, Esq., M. D., of Beaver River.

Thursday, the 24th inst., being the Anniversary of the Birth of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, the Public Offices will be closed.

Hon. Wm. Annand is appointed Agent General of the Dominion of Canada in London.

By the falling of a rock in the new shaft of the Sydney mines, on Wednesday night, John Bonner was killed, and Angus McLennan seriously injured.

The wife of Americus Gray, section foreman Intercolonial Railway, London-derry, gave birth to three sons a few days ago. Mother and babes doing well at latest accounts.

The *Kentville Chronicle* says six head of cattle perished on the North Mountain on Thursday the 10th inst., during the storm. Several shorn sheep were also frozen to death. The depth of snow on the North Mountain on Thursday was 14 inches on the level. A bank on the East Halls Harbor road was 33 inches deep.

A car-load of Cumberland potatoes was sent last week from Amherst station to Detroit, Mich.

Yarmouth has fitted out a number of fishing vessels, probably a hundred, of which six are new.

Two millions worth of buildings, including the Provincial Buildings, are to be erected in Quebec this season.

TO THE PUBLIC.

READ WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY IN REGARD TO THE GREAT SHOSHONEES REMEDY & PILLS.—Levi Jones, Markham, says I had a very severe attack of Bronchitis. I was so bad that I could hardly get my breath. I sought for a quick remedy, and seeing the "Shoshonees Remedy" so highly recommended, I procured a bottle, and am happy to say, that by the time it was taken, I was entirely well and have remained so although, I was much exposed through the winter in travelling.

Rev. F. B. Stratton, Demorestville, writes—"I have found your remedies particularly beneficial for liver complaint dyspepsia and bronchial affections, and would advise all similarly affected to give them a trial."

John Finlayson, Athol, says—"When travelling one of my feet sore and broke out. I could not cure it and had to return home. It became better and afterwards much worse. I finally purchased a bottle of the "Remedy" and a box of "Pills," and before they were half gone I commenced to improve, and before they were finished my foot was completely cured. It is now 17 months since, but I have had no further attack. Price of the remedy in pint bottles \$1; Pills 25 cents a box.

Feb. 28. 1m.

WHAT NEXT.

A CONSUMPTIVE CURED.—When death was hourly expected, all remedies having failed, and Dr. H. JAMES was experimenting, he accidentally made a preparation of INDIAN HEMP, which cured his only child of consumption. He now gives this recipe free on receipt of two stamps, to pay expenses. HEMP also cures night sweat, nausea at the stomach, and will break a fresh cold in twenty-four hours. Address Craddock & Co., 1,032 Race Street, Philadelphia, naming this paper.

Feb. 7. 13 ins.

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March 8. 1yr.

ELECTRICITY! THOMAS' EXCELSIOR ELECTRIC OIL!—WORTH TEN TIMES ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD.—Pain cannot stay where it is used. It is the cheapest medicine ever made. One dose cures common sore throat. One bottle has cured bronchitis. Fifty cents' worth has cured an old standing cough. It positively cures catarrh, asthma and croup. Fifty cents' worth has cured crick in the back, and the same quantity lame back of eight years' standing. The following extracts are from a few of the many letters that have been received from different parts of Canada, which, we think, should be sufficient to satisfy the most sceptical: J. Collard, of Sparta, Ont., writes, "Send me 6 dozen Mr. Thomas' Electric Oil, have sold all I had from you, and want