

CHRONOLOGY OF THE WEEK.

- Jan. 22. Death of Henry Hallam, historian.....1859
23. Death of Sir Joshua Reynolds.....1792
Death of William Pitt.....1806
Assassination of the Regent Murray.....1570
24. The Long Parliament dissolved.....1653
26. Death of Dr. Jenner, who introduced vaccination....1823
27. Death of Rev. A. Booth.....1806
Death of Rev. T.H. Horne.....1862
Death of Dr. E. Robinson, the Palestinian traveller.....1863
28. Death of Peter the Great, of Russia.....1725
Death of W. H. Prescott, historian.....1859

We do not often see the Church Chronicle, and knew nothing of the letter of "J. L. Keating, Curate in church of the District Parish. The Rectory, Kentville," till our attention was called to it by the letter in another column from the Rev. Isaiah Wallace pastor of the Baptist Church at Berwick. This may account for our silence in reference to it last week. We are quite disappointed in this young clergyman; having known something of him from his early boyhood. What a pity the columns of the church paper should be disgraced by his writing in it such bigotry and nonsense. "No church in Berwick!" If Mr. Keating would visit less than half-a-dozen families in that beautiful village he might find that a Christian church was formed there and doing a hundred times more real Christian work, long before he was born, than he may ever hope to see under such teaching as this letter of his displays. There, too, the gospel has been preached ever since, and souls have been saved—men, women and children have confessed Christ, lived Christians, and have died and gone to heaven, leaving hundreds of others behind to enjoy the legacy on their labors and the blessings given if, answer to their prayers.

But this, we presume, is not the kind of church Mr. Keating wishes to see or find there. He would probably have a church in which the clergyman believes himself to be a genuine priest—dressed in the rags of Babylon,—offering up again, in the form of a piece of bread the Sacrifice which has been already offered up once for all. He would probably also have such a priest there as would receive the confessions of the people and give them or withhold from them absolution, and rule them with the authority and power assumed by Rome. Berwick perhaps has no such church. Let her people be thankful if that be the case. May it long continue. Mr. Keating says "\$500 is still wanted before the church of Jesus can open her lips in Berwick." Strange language! What can the man mean? We give it up.

"The failure of the Reformation in France," was the subject of a lecture delivered by J. Y. Payzant, Esq., on Friday last, before the Church of England Institute. He attributed the failure to the want of any settled policy in the reformers, and the absence of a sufficiently attractive substitute for Romanism.

At the close of the lecture remarks were made by representatives of the high and low parties in the church, shewing very distinctly the differences of opinion held by them—the sympathies of the latter being with Protestantism, and of the former with an exclusive Anglican Catholic Church, outside of which they make out salvation a matter of doubt.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Rev. A. L. Wylie, formerly of Great Village has taken charge of the congregations of Richmond and the North West Arm.

The Fort Massey congregation have increased the salary of their pastor, Rev. Dr. Burns, from \$2600 to \$3000. The St. James congregation at New Glasgow, have raised their pastor's salary from \$900 to \$1000, and a free manse.

It is a good sign when we find the old prejudices breaking away from the modern Jews in favor of the later types of Christian work and worship. A recent number of the Jewish Messenger referring to the work of Messrs. Moody and Sankey says:

"We want to see more Moodyism introduced into the Jewish form of service, some enthusiasm, some life—and congregational singing is a simple and commendable step in the right direction. Camp-meetings may be sensational and ephemeral in their hold on sinners, but we have frequently wished that a little of their warmth were transferred to our

synagogues and temples. If there were less scientific accuracy and more general participation in the singing in our shrines, it would be better for all of us. A hymn set to a simple melody, sung by an entire congregation, with all their hearts and all their lungs, is true worship."

The visit of Messrs. Davis and Carpenter from the Y. M. C. A. of New York to Halifax, has been very acceptable to the members of the Association and others in this city. Their addresses and Bible readings have been highly instructive. Mr. Davis gave an excellent address in Granville Street Church on Sunday evening last, on the duty of Christians in reference to the early training of their children.

WIDE AWAKE for February has come to hand bright and early, well freighted with pieces full of interest to the juveniles. "My visit to the birth place of the Siamese Twins" gives some curious things in relation to the early life of those two remarkable men. The writer says:

"In answer to my questions, the mother said that during their early childhood, Chang and Eng used to talk to each other quite as often as to those about them; but as they grew older they seemed to understand that, as they were always together, and saw and heard the same things, there was little need of conversation between themselves. She seemed surprised when I asked if she had ever thought that they were actuated by the same mind or impulse, and said promptly that she was sure it was not so, for they always played together as two, not as one; that one sometimes cried while she was nursing the other; that if one struck his head or hand his brother felt no pain; only when the ligament that united them was touched both were conscious of it. One was occasionally sick and the other well, nor did she remember that both were ever very ill at the same time, except when they had the small-pox."

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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

TO THE MEMBERS OF W. M. A. SOCIETIES, AND FRIENDS OF MISSIONS IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Dear Sisters and Friends,—

The Central Board held its first meeting for this year on Tuesday, the 16th, when it was resolved, That, as our missionary friends have now been away from Nova Scotia some years, it seems advisable that we should show in some small measure our remembrance of them, and the great interest which we feel in their work, by sending

A MISSION BOX

this year, containing offerings of love and respect from all who may wish to contribute. The Central Board recommends the consideration of this subject to all members of the Women's Mission Aid Societies, and others in our congregations who may desire to aid in this way, the cause of Missions. A letter from Mrs. Armstrong is appended, shewing what are some of the things needed. In addition may be mentioned, all kinds of clothing for their own and children's use, as well as sheets, pillow-slips, quilts, &c.—There will be no occasion to start any separate organization to accomplish this. Each family can work this winter for whichever of the missionaries they know most of, and in the spring all can be put together, and sent from each place or society in one parcel, properly directed to the parties they wish should receive them.

Two or more sisters in Halifax will be willing to have these parcels sent to their address in the Spring, when they will be securely packed and forwarded, of which arrangement notice will be given in due time.

It is hoped that all will participate in this enterprise. Money will be needed to purchase some of the articles, and for necessary expenses; so that offerings of all kinds will be acceptable. Should any further directions be received from Mrs. Armstrong or any of the missionaries, they will at once be inserted in the pages of the Messenger, for the information of all.

The Central Board remember with gratitude the response made to their appeal some years ago, when a Box was sent out to Miss Norris, and they are certain that the subject only needs this brief introduction, to ensure the hearty sympathy and co-operation of all the friends of Missions in Nova Scotia.

By order of the Central Board, M. R. SELDEN, Secretary.

KIMEDY, Sept. 14th, 1876.

My Dear Mrs. Selden,—

I have been thinking, as I could get time, for a whole month, as to what I should tell you we need most in our mission work. Pictures are one of the principal things, anything from which moral stories can be drawn, the best of all are those which illustrate some passage of Scripture. Dr. Cramp's selections of Bible Illustrations sent by Mr. Armstrong are invaluable. The copies of the Christian Weekly sent previously by Mr. Selden have done good service, though they are almost worn out now. Children's Pictorial Papers would be of great service to us, illustrations fix the attention and carry home truth, as nothing else will.

Nau-nau wishes me to say for her that there is nothing else she would like so much as some packets of Scripture Illustrations on small cards to help her in explaining the Bible. She said she did not like to speak of it for fear it would cost too much or give too much trouble, but I told her I would mention it, and if you could procure them easily I did not doubt you would send them.

Another thing that we want is Scripture texts to give the children. I wonder if some of the young ladies at home would not like to make Telugu illuminated cards for us, we have neither time nor material—I enclose three texts in letters sufficiently large, I think, these might serve for copies for any one who will add flowers or whatever they fancy to make them attractive, simply painted prettily on cards, would do very well, or perhaps some would prefer to work them on cardboard. I have given the English translation above, of course that would not be needed in the copy. I think it most likely that Mr. or Mrs. Boggs could furnish you with other texts, if not, I will send them from here, provided the plan meets with your approval.

Another thing that would be useful is knick-knacks of any sort for rewards and presents, not given to excite envy so much as for regular attendance, obedience, &c., moral rather than intellectual incentives. I would like to have a quantity of little thimbles, (needles, I fear would rust) thread however, particularly white thread, about No. 40 we use a great deal of in teaching sewing. Then we can make use of a quantity of printed cotton for jackets, for the girls and boys, you may judge of what they like from the sample I sent you. This, however, is procurable here, and it would not be wise to send much of it perhaps. If I have an orphanage, as I hope to have, for destitute children, I should be thankful for some home cotton to clothe them, it wears so much better. This, however, is all in the future. Some cheap merino would be very valuable for the rains, as there is no medium between cotton and flannel here, while some light woolen material is most desirable in the rains. I know Nau-nau would appreciate material for a few jackets of some woolen fabric very much indeed.

I have thought very much about how you could sew for us, I do not see any way. If you attempted to make jackets I am very much afraid they might not suit afterwards, and the girls need to make their own jackets in order to learn how, indeed, there is little else we can give them to sew. The lower garments they wear have no seam nor sewing in them, save as we teach them to darn and mend.

You ask what we want for our little ones. I need most something from which to teach Katie to read; for the house I should dearly like some framed pictures, for our sitting-room, illuminated texts or any other thing pleasant to the eye and suggestive of good and happy thoughts. I should not like to speak of this, notwithstanding your kind inquiry, were it not that I hope others might share in the benefit.

Another thing (are they very many?) that I could make good use of is a pocket-lens,—stereoscopes, &c., require prepared pictures,—but a good magnifying lens, by bringing the landscape nearer, and showing hidden beauties in minute things would be very marvellous to the native eye. I do not know whether they can be easily procured or not.

There, Dear Mrs. Selden, I have given you some suggestions, choose any that recommend themselves, and make what additions you please, indeed, few things come amiss, out here, that are useful at home.—You see, I have dealt most practically with your idea of sending a box, you never can know the pleasure it gives us all to have things from you with love in them, as well as money. Surely "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these,

ye have done it unto me," saith our Master. And that reminds me—you know we have engaged two native preachers here, Apollonarisiah, the one in town, has a wife and a little girl, the other, Bagavonbara, has a wife and two little girls, would not some one like to put something in the box for them? Ever lovingly yours, H. M. N. ARMSTRONG.

QUESTION DEPARTMENT.

"A Sabbath School scholar" asks, When were Sabbath Schools first instituted? and by whom?

It appears that the first Sabbath School was founded by Ludwig Hacker, between the years 1740 and 1747, at Ephrata, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, among the Seventh-Day Baptists there. The school-room was used as a hospital after the battle of Brandywine, in the American War, which broke up the School.

In England the first Sunday School was established at Gloucester by Robert Raikes, a printer of that city, conjointly with Dr. Stock about the year 1871.

We are pleased to notice in one of our London exchanges the following from the Baptist Church in which we were first privileged with membership:

HASTINGS.—A few evenings ago a pleasant surprise awaited the Rev. W. Barker, minister of the Wellington-square Chapel. Mr. Barker was invited to the house of Mr. Harvey, one of the deacons, and presented with the means to put himself and his wife also, on the Baptist Union Annuity Fund. For this purpose a considerable sum of money (amounting to over £100) had been raised by the congregation.

Notices.

- RECEIVED FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.
Jan. 17. Per John W. Spurden, Esq., Baptist Church, Fredericton, N. B.....\$ 19 50
Per Mrs. M. R. Selden, Treas. Central Board, W. M. A. Societies, N.S. 270 87
Per Rev. W. P. Everett, from a friend of Missions, Billtown, N. S.... 5 00
Per Mr. Gideon Flick, Indian Harbor (East) Church and S. School. 2 75
Holland's Harbor Ch. and Sunday School..... 2 51
THOS. P. DAVIES, Treas. F. M. Board. St. John, N. B., Jan. 19, 1877.

"The next Session of the P. E. Island Baptist Quarterly Meeting will take place D. V. at Alberton, on Friday 26th Jan. Opening sermon by Bro. D. McDonald. Ministers and other brethren from all the churches of the Island are urgently invited to attend." A. CHIPMAN.

SABBATH SCHOOL MEMORIAL CONCERT.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.—Letter from Rev. J. H. Saunders, and one concerning Rev. Thos. Todd, received and will appear in our next.

Acknowledgments.

Dear Editor,—It is my duty again to record the kindness of our friends here who on the 26th ult. came and spent a social evening with us, and left us valuable tokens of kindness, honorable to themselves and very profitable to us, for which, with all other gifts received, we wish to express our gratitude and pray that the donors may never want any good thing in this life and have the reward of the faithful in the next. Yours in Christ Jesus, A. W. BARRS.

PORT HAWKESBURY, Jan. 8th, 1876.—

Dear Editor,—It is always pleasing to ministers (also would-be ministers) to see the nations moving in the right direction. And they generally feel that some nations at least, are moving in that direction, when the Do-nations are moving toward the parsonages. It was the privilege of one of the latter class of ministers to witness such a move last week, when a number of ladies (less than twenty) came in and took possession of my study for a few hours, and then went away very quietly leaving it very much the better of their visit. My study is now neat and attractive, and I must endeavor to recompense the donors, by spending more of my time in it, and pray that the Lord may reward this people for their kindness to me. C. J. G.

Letters Received.

- W. Cummings, (2) \$4. H. E. S. Maider, \$2. W. H. Gavel. A. J. Leadbetter, \$4.50. Thos. Brown, \$2. S. F. Smith, \$1. L. McDonald, \$4. L. O. Neily, \$5. N. Miller, Esq., \$21.50. J. E. Lockwood, (Erratum), \$4. J. Gough, \$2. M. E. Marshall, \$5. Rev. J. H. Saunders, \$9. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 1 sub. W. S. West, \$4. W. Phinney, \$4. Rev. T. Todd. T. H. Archibald, \$1. J. B. McNutt, Esq., \$2. J. F. Masters, Esq., \$10.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



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OUR PROGRAMME FOR 1877.

WE would direct attention to the special features which we intend to introduce with our February number of

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