

REV. J. A. DURKEE, we learn, has gone from Paradise, having accepted an invitation to the pastorate of the church at Guelph, a flourishing town of Ontario, on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway, about fifty miles west of Toronto.

This church was formerly under the pastorate of the Rev. T. L. Davidson, D. D., who has now become the traveling agent of the Missionary Convention of Ontario. Guelph is a town of about 10,000 inhabitants, and has a handsome Baptist Church edifice, perhaps one of the finest in Canada.

We much regret the removal of Bro. Durkee so far as our own province is concerned. During his short ministerial career he has shewn himself to be "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed," and has been blessed in his labors.

On the Lord's Day, before Bro. Durkee left the church at Paradise, he baptized one believer in Christ. The church gave him a very affectionate address at parting, and mutual expressions of warm attachment were given and received by the members generally.

"UNSUCCESSFUL CHURCHES."—At the suggestion, and for the most part at the expense, of a worthy Baptist deacon, the Circular Letter of the Western Baptist Association, recently held at Liverpool, has been neatly printed in pamphlet form.

Treating as it does on the important subject of "Unsuccessful Churches," it might be profitably placed in the hands of all our church members. Packages of copies will be sent to any address gratuitously on application to the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Missionary Board, at Yarmouth, with stamps to prepay the postage.

Rev. R. R. Philp has been spending a few weeks, since the Central Association in Kings County. Rev. S. B. Kempton informed us last week that he (Mr. Philp) preached at Canard on the previous Sunday morning with much acceptance. We have also heard of his preaching at Berwick.

We understand that the Revs. J. E. Goucher, of Truro; M. P. Freeman, of Great Village; A. E. Ingram, of Economy, and W. H. Warren, of Yarmouth, are spending their vacation in P. E. Island.

Only forty years ago Fiji Islanders feasted on human flesh. Now no less than forty thousand children attend Sunday-school, and thousands of the people are earnest, consistent Christians.

Students in Horten Collegiate Academy, and persons intending to become students, should notice the advertisement in another column, and govern themselves accordingly.

Rev. J. D. Pope, pastor of the Leinster Street Church, St. John, N. B., passed through our city on Tuesday of last week, on his way to England, in the mail steamer, for the purpose of presenting the case of the two Baptist churches in St. John, N. B.,—Leinster Street and Germain Street—to the benevolent consideration of the Christian people of Great Britain.

DEAF AND DUMB.—Public meetings will be held in behalf of this Institution at Musquodoboit Harbor. Friday Aug. 3rd Jeddore. Sat. 4th Ship Harbor. Monday 6th Tangier. Tuesday 7th Spry Bay. Wed. 8th Sheet Harbor. Thurs. 9th Salmon River. Friday 10th Moser River. Sat. 11th

THE TEMPERANCE REFORM in Halifax is marching on most grandly. Blessings on the men, and women too, who are actively co-operating in this blessed work.

Here is the simple instrument that has wrought such a change in hundreds of homes in this city:—

PLEDGE—"Believing that the use of intoxicating liquors destroys health, promotes vice and poverty and imperils the welfare of the soul:—I hereby solemnly pledge and bind myself that, by God's assistance, I will abstain entirely from all intoxicating liquors, and that I will endeavour to persuade others to do the same."

On Monday last the Club numbered about 1,400.

Arrangements are being made for holding the SEVENTH ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES, in this city on the 30th inst.

Sunday Schools throughout the Maritime Provinces are expected to send delegates to represent them at this Convention.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The first Christian church in Constantinople was founded in 1846; there are now seventy-six in the Turkish empire, about a third of which are self-supporting and all self-governing. Four "Evangelical Unions" have been formed for mutual counsel and aid; one at Harpoot, in Mesopotamia, of twenty six churches; another in Southern Asia Minor of twenty-three churches; and another in Bithynia of eleven churches.

Jerusalem may in a manner be said to be the emporium of religious nationalities. There are about 5,000 Mohammedans, 4,000 Christians, 7,000 Jews. There are 2,000 members of the Greek Church, 900 Roman Catholics, 350 Armenians, besides Syrians, Abyssinians, Copts, and Protestants.

A missionary, writing from Cape Town, says the Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa has exhibited more life and energy in the last twenty or thirty years than in two hundred years previously. From 1665 to 1855 the church had only established 37 congregations. Now there are 118 congregations, with 220,000 souls, 40 ministers, and many churches, manses and schools.

Sixty years ago there was not a solitary native Christian in Polynesia. Now more than 300 Islands of Eastern and Southern Polynesia have abandoned idolatry.

Notices.

Table listing contributions for foreign missions, including names like E. Hickson, Carlton Baptist Church, and amounts.

SPECIAL NOTICE. As the Treasurer's books are to be closed on the 10th August, 1877, it is necessary that any person or churches desiring their contributions to be acknowledged in the Annual Report of the present year should forward the amount to our Treasury before the above date.

THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF NOVA SCOTIA, New Brunswick and P. E. Island will be held with the Baptist Church at Wolfville, commencing on Saturday, the 25th of August, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Dear Editor,—Our Board wish to acknowledge the receipt of the following amounts:— For Home Missions. J. H. Haley, Esq., Yarmouth, \$ 8.00 New Tusket Church, per J. G. Nowlan, Esq., 4.82 Port Hawkesbury Church, per E. J. Grant, 4.00 Books sold, 39.23 Eastern Association, per R. C. Fulton, Esq., 294.37 For French Missions. Eastern Association, per R. C. Fulton, Esq., 40.40 Total, \$390.82 G. E. DAY. Yarmouth, July 27, 1877.

Delegates and friends expecting to attend the approaching meeting of the Baptist Convention at Wolfville, are requested to send in their names to Burpe Witter, Esq., Clerk of the Baptist Church, Wolfville, previous to the 10th day of August next. Parties bringing their own teams are requested to make mention of the fact.

Letters Received. N. R. Morse, \$2. J. D. Goodeck, \$4. W. Turner, \$4. W. Turner, \$2. Rev. C. Randall, 1 sub. C. W. Sanders, \$15.

Marriages.

At Pine Grove, July 4th, by the Rev. W. G. Parker, Mr. William H. Jacques, of Wilmot, to Miss Jennie Gould, of Aylesford.

At Lawrencetown, July 18th, by the same, Mr. William A. Bradshaw, of St. Martin's, N. B., to Miss Alberta Phinney, of Lawrencetown, Annapolis Co.

At Hampton, on the 19th inst., by Elder J. E. Blakeney, Benjamin Rhodes, of New Germany, to Theresia Farnsworth, of Hampton.

At Lower Freetown, P. E. I., July 17th, by Rev. A. Chipman, Chas. Reid, Esq., of Wilmot Valley, to Miss Mary Eva Burns, of Freetown, daughter of Stewart Burns, Esq.

At the Parsonage, Canard, July 21st, by the Rev. S. B. Kempton, Isaac G. Newcomb, son of William M. Newcomb, Esq., of Centreville, Cornwallis, to Mary, daughter of the late Elias Best, Esq., of Aylesford.

At Dartmouth, on the evening of the 23rd inst., by the Rev. A. S. Hunt, Mr. William G. Thomas to Miss Sarah J. Coulter, daughter of the late David Coulter, all of Dartmouth.

At Halifax, July 23, by the Rev. J. W. Manning, A. B., Mr. Shervington Vance, to Miss Rebecca McCully, both of Londonderry, Colchester.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Every Birth is required to be registered, within SIXTY DAYS after the date thereof. Penalty for neglecting to register, \$2. Every Death must be registered, within TEN DAYS after the date thereof. Penalty for neglecting to register, \$5.

Deaths.

At Parrsboro' on Saturday, the 21st inst., little Anna Bell Bennett, aged eight years. Anna was a dear child, and we believe, died trusting in Jesus. For a week or more she appeared to look forward to death without alarm.

At Hantsport, July 9th, Mrs. Fred Davidson, daughter of Capt. Asa Davidson, aged 20. At Hantsport, July 19th, of diphtheria, Sarah, aged three years, and on the 21st, Lizzie, aged 7 years, children of Capt. Theodore Davidson. At Hantsport, July 21st, very suddenly, Mr. W. H. Rupert, aged twenty-nine, leaving a wife and two children to mourn their loss.

On Thursday, 26th inst., Catherine, eldest daughter of Thomas Cahalane, in the 18th year of her age.

On Friday, Mr. James Walsh, aged 58 years.

On Thursday, July 26th, Allan Dixon, in the 73rd year of his age.

At Yarmouth, on Wednesday evening, 18th inst., Ella S., youngest daughter of John K. and Abby Ryerson, aged 15 years. At Yarmouth, on the 22nd inst., Frances, wife of Mr. John McKenzie, and only daughter of John M. and Adelaide S. McCain, in the 2nd year of her age. At Great Village, on the 19th inst., in the 27th year of his age, Hiram H. McLellan, eldest son of R. N. B. McLellan, Esq. On Monday, 23rd, Henry Hamilton, aged 36 years. At Pictou, on Tuesday, the 17th inst., William McLeod, of Cape John, Pictou Co., aged 24 years.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WOOD BROS. & CO., 109 GRANVILLE STREET, Are offering special inducement in LINEN COSTUMES, LINEN WRAPPERS, DRESS GOODS, STRAW HATS, PARASOLS, &c., &c. Which they are selling at greatly reduced prices to clear. ALSO: Trimmed Millinery AT COST. Aug. 1.

HORTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY, WOLFVILLE, N. S. THE next Term begins on Tuesday, September 4th. Applications for rooms should be made without delay. For further information apply to the Principal, J. F. TUFTS. August 1. 2m.

THE RIVULET. AS the compiler of this collection of Hymns and Songs will leave for England in a few weeks, the remaining stock will be sold at \$6.00 per hundred, post free. Rev. J. BROWN, Milton, Queens Co. After August 1st, care of Mr. Selden, 71 Granville St. P. O. Orders payable at Halifax. August 1.

Dr. William Gray's Specific Medicine. The Great English Remedy will promptly and radically cure any and every case of Nervous Debility and Weakness, result of indiscretion, excess or overwork of the brain and nervous system; is perfectly harmless, acts like magic, and has been extensively used for over thirty years with great success.



WM. GRAY & CO., Windsor, Ontario, Canada. For sale by all Druggists, J. K. Bent, H. A. Taylor, J. Godfrey Smith and Forsyth & Co., Agents, Halifax. Aug. 1. MILLINERY. WHOLESALE: 25--- Duke St ---25 SMITH BROTHERS Are shewing large stocks of Flowers, Bonnet Shapes, Feathers, Ribbons, Straw, Millinery Goods, Trimmings. The stock was replenished last month and further arrivals are expected. SMITH BROS., 25 DUKE ST. July 25. 'WOOLANDS' WILMOT, Private School. THIS property, familiarly known as "DR. BAYARD PLACE," the most delightfully situated in the Annapolis Valley, will be fitted, Sept 3rd, for the reception of a few lads, under the direction of W. M. McVicar, A. M., for some years Principal of Liverpool Academy. Charges reasonable. For particulars address, W. M. McVICAR, Wilmot. July 18. 3m.

C. L. WEEKS, LONDON HOUSE BUILDING, WATER STREET, WINDSOR. SAVE 15 CENTS in every DOLLAR by purchasing your BOOTS and SHOES, HATS and CAPS from C. L. WEEKS. April 14. Employment. ANY PERSON of ordinary intelligence can earn a living by canvassing for The Illustrated Weekly. Experience is not necessary—the only requisites being, as in all successful business, industry and energy. Send for particulars. Address CHAS. CLUCAS & CO., 14 Warren St. N. Y.

THE BAPTIST HYMN BOOK

published by the Baptist Publication Society, may be obtained at the CHRISTIAN MESSENGER OFFICE, HALIFAX.

CHEAP EDITION.—Square 18 mo. Clear Agate type. 1,000 Hymns for 50 cents. Bound in morocco. POCKET EDITION.—24mo. Handsome Minion type. Sheep, 75 cents. Extra Turkey, \$2. PEW EDITION.—18mo. Sheep, \$1.25. Extra Turkey, \$3.25. PULPIT EDITION.—12mo. Small Pica type. Sheep, \$2.00. Extra Turkey, \$4.00.

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Price \$1.00. It is strongly and beautifully bound in the finest English Muslin and best style, with red edges—special attention is given to the strength of the binding.

ONE THOUSAND HYMNS, AND THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE TUNES FOR ONLY \$1.00. THE HYMN & TUNE BOOK costs for postage 4 cents. Parties wishing a copy by mail sending \$1.04 will have a copy sent by return mail. Orders received and filled for the Society's publications or any other books CHRISTIAN MESSENGER OFFICE, No. 71 GRANVILLE ST., HALIFAX, Sept. 16.

SPECIAL OFFER. A monthly outlay of less than seven cents upon BUDS AND BLOSSOMS will not be regretted, and will provide choice and pleasant reading for the family. Rev. J. F. Avery supplies an excellent bouquet for his readers.—CHRISTIAN MESSENGER. BUDS AND BLOSSOMS is the pleasant title of a monthly magazine of 16 pages. It contains a sermon and portrait, and is really rich in family reading.—PRESBYTERIAN WITNESS. BUDS AND BLOSSOMS is a neat and spicy little paper, and we wish it success. It contains besides the portraits, a deal of valuable reading matter, breathes an excellent spirit and is well worthy of patronage.—HALIFAX REPORTER. Having made arrangement our next year's issue will be prompt and improved. We now want to increase our subscription list for next year commencing July, 1877, any new subscribers sending 75 cents will be supplied with the paper post free, for one year, and we give as a premium THE VOYAGE OF LIFE. Send to REV. J. F. AVERY, 18 Moren St., Halifax, N. S. May 16. 3m.

NEW AND POPULAR MUSIC BOOKS.

"HEAVENWARD." The new collection of Sunday-school Songs by Jas. R. Murray, P. P. Bliss, and other favorite writers, including the best hymns and music of the late P. P. Bliss. THIS IS THE ONLY NEW SONG-BOOK CONTAINING MR. BLISS'S BEST SONGS—THE ONES THAT HAVE MADE HIS NAME FAMOUS THROUGHOUT EUROPE AND AMERICA. THE WELCOME JOYFUL SONGS, PURE DIAMONDS. Three choice collections of Sunday-school Songs, which should be examined by all Sunday-school workers. They are unsurpassed, and contain some of the best Sunday-school Songs written.

SONGS OF FAITH, A collection of New GOSPEL HYMNS AND SACRED SONGS by the best writers, including MOODY and SANKEY'S famous songs. For Revival, Praise, and Camp meetings it is unrivalled. Send for sample copy. Price of each of above, 35 cents; \$30 per hundred. CHAPEL ANTHEMS. New Anthem-book by Dr. J. B. Herbert, assisted by the best writers. Just published and will be found just what is needed for Choirs, Conventions, etc. Sample copy mailed, \$1.25. SONGS OF P. P. BLISS. A collection of the best Songs, Duets, Quartets etc., Secular and Sacred, by the late P. P. BLISS, with Portrait and Sketch of his life. Price, in boards, 30cts.; cloth, 50cts. cloth, full gilt, 75cts. Sold by Book and Music Dealers, or mailed, post-paid, on receipt of price. S. BRAINARD'S SONS, PUBLISHERS, Cleveland, O. July 18.

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Mr. T. J. B. HARDING GENTLY.—Dear Sir,—Being desirous that others may know something of the merits of your Constitutional Catarrh Remedy, I wish to inform you what it has done for me. I am 59 years old; had been out of health for about five years. I had employed three or four different doctors, and used various medicines, without receiving any permanent benefit. I continued rather to grow worse, until last fall, when I had become so bad as to be unable to do an hour's work at a time. Had severe soreness and pain under the shoulder blades and through the shoulders, with very lame back, and a feeling in my right lung as though there was a weight bearing it down, with continual droppings in the throat and down upon the lungs. Such was my condition, when I commenced to take your Catarrh Remedy, one bottle of which ceased my pain and gave me an improved appetite, and after taking four bottles I was restored to health, so as to be able to endure hard and continued labor, such as chopping and clearing land, at which I have been engaged the past season. My very sincere thanks, with God's blessing, to the use of one Catarrh Remedy. Yours truly, D. P. Price \$1 per bottle. BENNY SNIDER, April 4.