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Board - the first associated Baptist Minister that was ever there. His tours thither were repeated almost every year for a quarter of a century. Other valued and faithful missionaries laboured there with good effect. These labors were continued on the Islands named to a greater or less extent till the former Boards were superseded by the establishment of the Home Missionary Union.

What primary and secondary results have flowed from these evangelistic labors! Unquestionably many precious souls have been made the happy recipients of saving grace, not a few gospel churches have been established, and numbers of zealous and successful ministers of Christ-with subsequent culture have been sent forth into His vineyard. To God alone let all the glory be given (Ps. xivi. 8; 1 Cor. iii. 5-7). I do not doubt that our former methods of working are susceptible of improvements; but such as attempt to make these will do well to remember our blessed Lord's remark to His disciples, "Other men labored, and ye are entered into their labors." Jno. iv. 38.

Affectionately yours, CHARLES TUPPER. Tremont, Aylesford, Sept. 3, 1877.

For the Christian Messenger. Notes from the Third Baptist Church.

On June the 10th we commenced by breaking the sod, and on June 21st we laid the corner-stone. So far progress has been made in a satisfactory manner, and now the walls are almost complete, and the builders are preparing to put on the roof; as soon as that is done we want to fulfil our part of the contract, which is to pay our third \$1000, according to agreement. How to do this seems to many an unsurmountable obstacle, but we do not, and would show our faith by our works. By issuing this appeal trusting that as in the past so in the future the Lord will carry us through. We know you will not refuse to lend us some aid, so as to enable us to raise \$1,500, which sum will enable us to worship under our own vine and fig-tree. It will be rude and incomplete it is true, but we can then better aid ourselves. And we shall be so far established in a home as to silence doubters and encourage the faint-hearted.

Brethren and sisters of Nova Scotia say not, 'This is your work, see to it: rather remember, one is our Master and we are brethren, of one body and Head Let us then cast together our mites, and show how the many can aid one. Then I trust, when the tug of war is past with us, you will find that the Third Baptist Church is not selfish, but ready to help others, remembering that in the time of need the charity of the sister churches was not found wanting. If you have not cash to spare, send a barrel of apples, etc., or any article you like for our Bazaar, we can exchange it for the needful. I was much encouraged by receiving a five dollar bill from Mr. J. Brown, of Yarmouth, this week, and hope many more will follow from various parts of the province, from friends unknown, who will thus show their appreciation of our efforts, and their interest in Christ's work in Halifax. The boys and girls of our Sabbath School have established a Building Fund and raised over \$60 in a few weeks, and presently they will apply to others to aid them.

J. F. AVERY. P. S.—Whilst writings post bring the \$1.00 for a former member.

In Memoriam.

MR. SAMUEL HAYDEN.

Died at Sable River, July 1877, aged 76 years. Brother Hayden was for many years a member of the First Ragged Island Church. He was an upright man, walking before the world as one "looking for a city out of sight, whose maker and builder is God."

For some years he was keeper of the Light House at the entrance of Lockeport Harbour, which duty he discharged to the satisfaction of all concerned .-Growing weary of a life so secluded, and surrounded with a family whom he felt very anxious to do something for, he left and purchased a farm at Sable River, where he spent the remainder of his

Bro. H. was always ready to help in the cause of God, and took delight in | ed to escape, but was prevented.

attending the means of grace. The prosperity of the church and the conversion of sinners to God was always good news to him.

unable to attend the house of God, yet during his affliction he never forgot the goodness and mercy of his Heavenly Father.

The writer always found him firm in the gospel of Christ, trusting only in His righteousness. To him death had lost his sting and the grave his victory. He has left a wife and five children to mourn his loss. May God sustain them.

In the absence of the pastor, the Rev. A. H. Lavers being present, preached the sermon to a large and attentive congregation.

JOHN F. MCKENNA. East Ragged Islands, September 1st, 1877.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The Irish Presbyterian Church reports this year 107,000 members, a falling off of 1,000. They have 965 Sabbath schools, with an average attendance of 70,000 scholars. The sum raised for all purposes was over \$713,000, of which \$66, 000 was for missionary purposes, and of this nearly \$50,000 for foreign mis-

Montreal.—The Canadian Baptist says: We are pleased to learn that pastor Campbell'slabors are being largely blessed in his new sphere of labor—St-Catherine Street, Montreal. On several occasions since his settlement the ordinance of baptism has been administered. Four have been baptized this month. Others are coming forward. Altogether the outlook is most hopeful, and pastor and people are greatly encouraged.

Rev. Jno. Gordon, pastor of the Olivet Baptist Church, Montreal, has declined the call of the Bowdoin Square Church, Boston. Mr. Gordon, occupied Dr. Lorimer's pulpit five Sabbaths. He was very much liked by the people.

We had hoped that ere this the Olivet folks would be in their new Sabbath home; but we understand that there are difficulties in the way of building on the originally selected site, difficulties over which they have no control.

GEORGETOWN.—It was Pastor McGreg ors' privilege to baptise in Georgetown on two recent occasions; and to baptize in Farlton also a short time ago.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS

DOMINION OF CANADA.—Lord Dufferin left Keewatin on Thursday last for the Saskatchewan.

It is proposed to send a number of Ontario and Quebec teachers to the Paris Exposition.

The Dominion Government proposes to have at the Paris Exposition a complete exhibition of the newspapers of the Dominion.

Montreal is largely increasing its trade with the west by giving excursions on the railway. Five or six thousand people a day arrived last week it was consequently reported that the past week has witnessed more activity in general trade than has been experienced in any corresponding period for some years past. At the Harbor Commissioners' meet-

ing on Thursday last Mr. Cramp, chairman, said the decrease in the revenue of the port was due chiefly to the falling off in exports, but he anticipated a great recovery during the autumn months.

The 19th annual Convention of the Baptist Missionary Society East, opened at Montreal on Tuesday last and continued on Wednesday.

The total number of sea going vessels arrived in Montreal up to the first of September was 267, as compared with 505 in the same period of 1864.

On Thursday last \$33,000 worth of Buffalo robes were sold at auction on account of the Hudson Bay Company. This showed a decrease of 20 per cent.

on the prices of last year. Mr. Fradette, M. P. P., a well-known diver of Quebec, has set three or four divers at work on the wreck of a barge loaded with car wheels, which foundered opposite Long Point some five years since. The wreck lies in 22 ft. of water, and is said to contain 375 car wheels.

An exhibition given at Montreal of the working of the new labor-saving, self-adjusting ballast-car, was very satis

factory. The Protestant Female College at St. Hyacynthe, was destroyed by fire on

Tuesday of last week. A young girl named Ann Duffy, an idiot, lately discharged as harmless, was refused admittance by her relatives, wandered to a friend's house at Aneaster, where she arrived at night. The owners of the house thought robbers were attempting to enter and shot her. She died in a few hours.

Mr. Pierre Catier, of Sorel, has completed a chart of the Dominion, with the name of every place written in stenography deploye system. The chart has been accepted by the Commissioners to

the Paris Exposition. At Montreal, after the silk robber, McKay, had been sentenced by the Judge of Sessions on Saturday, he leaped over the railing of the dock and attempt-

MAGDALEN ISLANDS.—A telegram via Pictou, says: The cod and mackerel boat fisheries have not been good during the past week. Bait for codfish is scarce. Mackerel are abundant, but Our dear brother was for some time | they will not bite, and quantities of small mackerel are found on the coast. From twenty to twenty-five sail of Am erican vessels were fishing round the Islands last week, and are reported doing well.

On Thursday, the 30th ult., a sudden and terrific squall of wind and rain passed over the Islands. In Pleasant Bay about sixty boats were out fishing. Six were driven off the ground, and in all probability would have been lost had they not succeeded in reaching some American fishing vessels lying off shore. The crews of two others were obliged to cut away their masts. Fortunately no lives were lost.

The Canadian harvest is spoken of as the largest crop for fifteen years. Chief justice Richards, Dorion and Harrison have been Knighted by the Queen.

NEW BRUNSWICK .- The Annual Convention of the Y. M. C. Associations of the Maritime Province was held at Chatham last week. The first sitting was on Thursday. There was a large attendance from each of the provinces, also T. K. Cree, Esq., the representative from the Executive Committee of Y. M. C. A. of United States. Good speeches were given at the Welcome Meeting by J. B. Morrow, Esq., Rev. John Read, A. W. Patterson, Esq., and F. W. Hales,

The following is the list of officers for the current year:

President-J. B. Morrow, Halifax. Vice-Presidents-J. E. Ervine, St. John; T. C. James, Charlottetown: W. Patterson, Chatham; W. H. Wiswell, Halifax; W. E. McNutt, M. D., Truro; Thos. Logan, Fredericton; John Hillson, Amherst.

Secretaries-W. B. McNutt, Halifax W. R. Whidden, Antigonish; J. M.

Oxley, Halifax. Captain Powers, residing about four miles above Fredericton, fell from a load of oats. A pitchfork on the load passed entirely through his body. The captain was still living but in a very precarious condition.

The special session of the N. B. Legislature closed on Wednesday. Twentytwo bills, chiefly relating to St John affairs, were passed. Governor Tilley's speech at the close was very brief and appropriate, as follows:

"I have pleasure in relieving you from further attendence upon your legislative duties. I trust that the several important Acts relating to the city of St. John, to which I have just given my assent, will conduce to its material advantage.' John Degan was drowned in Courtenay Bay on Saturday night. He was intoxi-

UNITED STATES. - Brigham Young's estate, \$2,000,000, is divided equitably among his 17 wives and 44 children.

At the Apostles' meeting at Salt Lake City, it was agreed that a quorum of the Apostles assume control of the church. John Taylor, the head of the Apostles, is therefore virtually the head of the Mormon church.

Frank Leslie, the well known publisher, has made an assignment; liabilities \$320,000. His publications will

The army worms are devastating cotton fields in Tennessee. Many planters state that their fields look as though fires had swept through them. Serious damage has been done.

By an explosion on the Phœnix Park mines near Pattsville, Pa. on Friday, a short time King of Spain, met with eight miners were burned, three seriously, one of whom, John Jenkins, horses of his carriage took fright and

Longworth St. Cincinnati, below the head. foundation of house No. 74, undermined the wall of the building adjoining it which fell with a tremendous crash. burying a number of people in the ruins. Four women were buried in the wreck. One Giskean was killed. Three were released uninjured. Five men were injured more or less severely, two of them it is thought fatally. It is stated that four persons are still in the ruins, and forces of men are endeavoring to release them.

The Pennsylvania Republican State Convention have adopted resolutions endorsing the Southern policy of Presi

dent Hayes. Great are the mysteries of freight rates. Merchants from Wellsburg, Pa. are purchasing goods in Chicago in preference to New York, on account of the railroad freight arrangements, the frieght on goods from New York to Wellsburg being \$1 per hundred, while from New York to Chicago it is only 25 cents per hundred, and the same from Chicago back to Wellsburg by water route. In other words, the freight from New York to Chicago and back to Wellsburg is only half as much as from New York to Wellsburg, which is less than

half the distance between the two cities. President Hayes and party were received at Marietta, Ohio, on Friday by immense crowds and participated in a great reunion of the soldiers of the late

Mexico.-The government of Mexico | the war. will send 1,500 troops to occupy the territory bordering on the Rio Grande, tile to the Americans, and unwilling to abide by the terms of the treaty.

CUBA -A Havana letter says that official reports show the number of sick reached two thousand, while that of and wounded Spanish soldiers on the their opponents was not over five hunisland to be 22,000. An order of the day has been issued by the Cuban executive to indiscriminately devastate all territory trod by the army of the Republic.

England.—The Times' leader urges that England should offer mediation with the concurrence of the other neutral powers. Offers of mediation could be based on the recommendations made by the Constantinople conference.

The Earl of Derby, speaking at Liverpool, said he did not think the present movement favorable for any interposition by third parties in favor of peace but the time might come and it might not be far distant when England's good offices would be accepted. He assured his hearers that whenever in the Government's judgment that time arrived they would not lose the opportunity.

The rumors of intervention have drawn forth identical answers from the Cabinets of London, Berlin, and Vienna, that the time has not yet arrived.

France. - Ex-President Thiers died suddenly at St. Germain on Monday evening of last week.

His death was caused by apoplexy. His sufferings were apparently slight. He was apparently in good health in the morning, and took his usual walk. After luncheon he felt symptoms of illness which speedily developed into an apo plectic fit. He remained unconscious apparently without pain. No event short of a coup d'etat or communist rising could have created so profound an impression throughout France. Its effect on the present political crisis cannot yet be properly weighed.

Deputations from many provincial towns went to Paris to witness the funeral.

Upwards of ten thousand persons lef their cards at Thiers' Paris residence. M. Thiers leaves two wills; one exclusively relates to his fortune, the best part of which goes to Mde. Thiers and her sister. The other is political and literary.

M. Grevy, Jules Simon, and other eminent men were expected to speak at the The Republicans feel it to be a serious

loss. Gambetta is now the foremost man of the party.

At the funeral on Saturday the hearse drawn by six horses, on which the coffin rested, was covered with palm branches, wreaths of flowers, immortelles, and trio-colored bows and rosettes. The whole route was lined by an immense number of people. Perfect tranquility prevailed

GERMANY.—According to semi-official advices Austria and Germany have declared they do not deem the present state of affairs one to induce them to offer mediation to either of the belligerents, yet they would support vigorously an offer of mediation from any power.

immediate danger is apprehended. He resumed his audiences on Thursday. It is asserted that Nuncios are instructed to.inform the Vatican as to prevailing opinion relative to the next Papal elec-

It is rumored that a struggle is impending, involving the largest portion of Western Europe. It is believed a secret treaty exists between Italy and Germany. It is stated that Italy is making immense preparations for war.

Prince Amadeus of Italy, who was for an accident at Turin lately. The ran away, and the Prince jumping from The Excavation that is being dug on the vehicle was severely contused in the

> TURKEY.—Turkish Parliament has been convoked for November 13th.

Councils of war under the Presidency of Prince Milan continue to discuss plans of campaign, and all officers have been ordered to join their regiments by the 13th inst.

Even according to the Turkish financial estimate, there is a deficit of eleven million Turkish pounds anticipated for the year 1877-78, which must be raised by special taxation.

Reports from Hobart Pasha to the Porte represent the new fortifications of Sebastopol as strong enough, even without the addition of torpedoes in the harbor, to destroy the finest fleet afloat which would venture to attack them.

Mehemet Ali telegraphs from Kitchluwa: "To-day Eyeoub Pasha's army corps attacked the 12th Russian corps, supported by a division on the bank of the Lom. The Russians were defeated and re-crossed Lom in disorder. They abandoned fortified positions near Kechlova, and lost 3000 killed and wounded. The commander of their cavalry was killed. We lost 200 killed and 700 wounded."

The Russian force which captured Lovatz, twenty-two thousand strong with one division in reserve, was surprised.

It is stated that Osman Pasha's attack on the Russian position at Pelisata was one of the most hardly fought battles of

that their loss in killed and wounded dred. In the course of one hour a redoubt was taken by the Turks, retaken by the Russians, and again taken by the Turks, retaken by the Russians, and again taken by the Turks. The close of the battle is described as follows :-The Turks advanced on the Russian trenches under a terrible fire but were completely broken and withdrew suddenly, firing and carrying off their wounded and many of their dead. They fell back on the redoubt which they had first taken, apparently with the intention of holding it, but they were not allowed to remain long there. Another attack on the Russian centre had been equally as unsuccessful as that on the Russian trenches on the left. The Russians pursued the retreating Turks with a murderous fire. Then six companies went at them with bayonets and swept them out of the redoubt like a whirlwind.

Russia.—The Russians are purchasing material for two hundred thousand barracks. Engineers are ordered to prepare for a regular siege of Rustchuk.

The Russians officially estimate their loss at Shipka Pass at twelve hundred killed and three thousand wounded. The Emperor will present General Radetzky with a sword set with dia-

monds, for his defence of Shipka. A Roumanian Envoy entered into definite arrangements for eventual combined action between Servian and Roumanian armies.

A Russian official bulletin says the Russians lost 1000 killed and wounded at the capture of Lovatz. The Turkish loss was great, and included 100

prisoners. The battle of Kiziltepe, which resulted in the Russians being driven from Kedalar, cost the Turks 430 killed and 1400 wounded. Kiziltepe hill was held by five battalions of Russian infantry, and attacked at 2 a. m., August 24th, by two divisions under Ali Pasha and Mahomed Bey. They were both wounded. The Russians outnumbered ten to one. The Turks fought bravely, making three unsuccessful attempts to storm the hill.

Russian official despatch announces that the Russians have occupied Sukum Kaleh. Abchasian coast is now clear of Turks, and insurrection in the interior

has been suppressed. Emir, of Bokhara, considering that Russia, by attacking Turkey, threatens the whole Mahometan world, has placed his army on a war-footing. Russia has advised him to disarm. In the event of his refusal, Russia will attack Bokhara, and hopes to defeat Emir in a few

It is stated the Russian Government have ordered all arrears of taxes to be paid within eight days, or they will be

A Russian official account of the fighting at Kudikoi, near Rustchuk says:-On Tuesday a Turkish force from Rust-ITALY.—The Pope's condition is not chuk and Rasgrad, captured Kadikoi so good as for some time past. His and occupied it for a time, but was sublimbs are partially paralyzed, but no sequently driven out with great loss by seven battalions of infantry and eight solnians of Cossacks with twenty-two guns. The Russian loss was about thirty killed and one hundred and fifty wounded.

> An official despatch from Prince Mertinsky says :- Loftchee was taken after twelve hours' fighting, despite its natural strength and strong fortifications, and the stubborn resistance of the Turks. Our loss is not yet exactly ascertained. General Kasjildrajeff is wounded.

Austria. - An abundant harvest, coupled with the present war and state of European markets will, it is believed, enable Austro-Hungary to recover from the commercial depression of the past few years.

Local Aches.

The General Thanksgiving Day throughout the Dominion is to be on Thursday the 22nd of November.

H. M. ships Bellerophon (bearing the flag of the Vice-Admiral Sir A. Cooper Key), Encounter and Argus, arrived on Saturday morning at half-past six o'clock after a four days passage from

Remember the Third Baptist Sabbath School Pic-Nic at Woolnough's Grounds, McNab's Island, this day Wednesday, Steamer "Mic-Mac" leaves North Ferry wharf at 91, 121 and 2 o'clock, and City Wharf at 10 and 21. Boat Tickets 25 cents. The 21 o'clock boat will sail up the Arm.

Professor Lawson, Secretary of the Central Board of Agriculture, is to deliver a lecture at Lower Truro, three miles from Truro town, on the 26th of September at 6.30 p. m. The subject of the lecture is: "The soil as the feeder of the plant; the plant as the feeder of the animal; the animal as the feeder of the soil.

The following telegram is from the Chronicle of Wednesday last .-- A daughter of Mr. Wm. Harvey, Port Philip, about fifteen years old, has been lost in the woods since Saturday night. Another report says the Turkish re- About eighty men were searching for connoisance in force against the Mus- her yesterday, and to-day large bands the local authorities being bitterly hos- covite position at Pelisat, on 31st, proved of men are scouring the woods in all dimore disastrous to the Ottomans than rections. Up to the present the search was at first reported, it being estimated has been fruitless.