

and class-leader. Brethren Rhodes and Havley both delivered able addresses at the waterside to a large audience, which were listened to with marked attention, and will no doubt be the means of doing much to dispel these popish errors.

Rev. J. M. Perryman, a Presbyterian minister, and Superintendent of the Muscogee Female Institute, Creek Nation, was recently baptized by Rev. H. F. Buckner, Baptist Indian Missionary.

Rev. Joseph Cook, of Boston, recently said that the world is indebted to the Baptists for the preservation of the doctrine of a converted church-membership, and the non-secularization of the churches.

There is a remarkable revival going on among the Baptists in Sweden. The church at Stockholm has received one hundred members since the beginning of the year, and hundreds and thousands have been converted in the country.

In Memoriam.

LINES TO MRS KEATING UPON THE DEATH OF HER DAUGHTER, MRS. ROBERT WILE.
She cannot die; she's only gone before
Across the darksome valley; not alone
Her weary feet trod all that lonely way
Seeking for rest; a hand from out the gloom
Grasped her own hand in firm but warm
Embrace,
And from the stillness of surrounding night
A voice in tender accents whispered,
"Peace."

Not for herself she lived; another's love
Made her life happy. In the exercise
Of kindly thought and feeling bounding forth
From youth's ecstatic heart she found
Her life,
And in the sweet return of kindlier thought,
More dear, from one—to her a dearer self—
That life was trust, hope, purity and love.

Not for herself she died; another life
She purchased with her own. Oh what the strength
Of womanly affection? *Strong as Death.*
As incense sweet from ancient altars rose,
Accept, kind Heaven, in this a tribute rare,
Divinest emblem of thine own pure love
When for our lives Thou freely gav'st
Thine own.

Rest weary soul! thy toil is done; no more
Shall earth's cold blasts of sorrow chill thy heart.
The voice thou heard'st, "Come weary one to Me
And I will give you rest." Tho' hearts here mourn
Thou'st found sweet rest above and beckon'st on
To brighter joys beyond earth's cloudy sky
Where God shall wipe all tears from sorrow's eye.
Paradise, N. S., June 16, 1877.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

New Baptist Church at Isaac's Harbor.

Mr. Editor,
The New Baptist Meeting House at Isaac's Harbor, was opened for divine service, by appropriate religious exercise, on Sunday last, Oct. 14th.

At 11 o'clock, A. M., the dedication Sermon was preached by Rev. S. B. Kempton, from 1 Cor. iii. 9. "Ye are God's building." There was preaching again at 3 o'clock, P. M., by Rev. F. O. Weeks, from 2 Cor. iv. 18.

In the evening Rev. H. Eagles preached from 1 Cor. iii. 23. The congregations were large at all the services, and much interest was shown.

The pastor of the Church, Rev. J. B. McQuillin was present, directing and aiding in all the services. He and the brethren engaged with him, feel very thankful for the completion of a work, that has cost them much care and anxiety. They have had very valuable aid from C. B. Whidden, Esq., and other friends in Antigonish.

The New House is very neat, handsome and commodious. It stands on a site commanding a fine view of the Harbor, and is itself an ornament and a credit to the place.

The building is 70 by 36 feet. It has a fine spire on the top, springing from a well-proportioned tower. Beneath is a brick basement, neatly finished within, and furnished with sittings for 250 persons.

The cost of the building is about \$4000. The larger part of this cost the committee hope to meet, by the sale of the pews.—*Com. by S. B. K.*
Oct. 18th, 1877.

BROOKFIELD, COLCHESTER Co.—Three were received by baptism here yesterday.

Yours truly,
H. B. SHAFFNER.

Oct. 15th, 1877.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—It is said that about twenty thousand head of cattle were exported from Ontario to England this season.

Governor Laird has returned to Battleford, having successfully settled all treaty matters with the Blackfoot Indians.

A great fire occurred at Whitby, Ont. Loss one hundred thousand dollars.

Hon. A. B. Foster was recently placed in prison for non-payment of an alleged debt, an account of which was presented to him for the first time when arrested.

The Toronto City Treasurer has addressed a communication to the City Executive regarding the corporation's financial situation, which he views with alarm.

Miss Scofield, of Woodstock, Ont., committed suicide by jumping over Niagara Falls on Tuesday last.

Dr. Major, of Montreal, is attached to the Turkish army at Plevna.

Col. Frank Bond, son of the Dean of Montreal and a prominent business man of that city, and John Campbell, commercial editor of the *Daily Herald*, were arrested and bound over for trial on Thursday, on a charge of conspiracy against the City and District Savings Bank.

The Toronto City Council has passed a bye-law granting \$300,000 bonus to the Toronto and Ottawa R. R. The Ottawa Council passed a similar bye-law granting \$200,000 to the same road. It will run direct from Ottawa to Toronto.

The first cargo of Manitoba wheat was shipped at Winnipeg on Friday last for Glasgow Scotland.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—St. John has again been visited with a terrible destruction by fire. The papers last week reported an alarming increase in cases of attempted incendiarism. On Saturday a fire commenced about 3 o'clock in the morning in a barn on Acadia Street, Portland, not far from the commencement of the former fire, but it went in another direction and continued until it had destroyed five blocks of buildings including the Methodist Church, and the Temperance Hall. It is said that about 175 houses were burned. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. Two persons were killed and two others seriously injured. The burnt district contained 220 families last spring, but since the late St. John fire it is estimated that there were about 450 families, reckoning an average of about 5 persons to each would give about 2250 persons, rendered homeless by this calamity. Some of the houses were crowded even more, and it is thought by some that 3000 would be nearer the number turned out of house and home. This is a dreadful visitation and will be felt because of the season, even more than the former fire.

The burnt district extends on Main Street, from Acadia Street to Portland Street; east side of Portland Street to the water's edge, with the exception of one house; both sides of Acadia Street from Main Street to water; both sides of Chapel Street from Portland Street, to Acadia Street south side of High Street, from Simond's Street to Portland street, and both sides of High street, from Portland to Acadia streets, as well as both sides of Camden street. With two or three exceptions, all were wooden buildings.

The fire was not stopped till 9 or 10 o'clock in the morning.
A telegram on Sunday said the man Spinlow and the boy Gilles, both of whom were killed by the falling in of the brick vault in Prince William street, the lad George Day's death is reported.
The general Relief Committee are giving temporary relief to Portland and may undertake the care of the sufferers.
The Irish Friendly Society of St. John propose raising money by a lottery to rebuild their Hall and Reading-Room.

UNITED STATES.—General Grant writes he is exhausted by the hospitality of the English people, and will accept a naval vessel tendered by his own Government to take him to the Mediterranean.
All the collieries in the Lackawanna Valley have voted for work by an immense majority. This ends the last vestige of the strike.
The wrecked steamer Massachusetts from Greenport has arrived in tow, and is now in the sectional dry dock.
The steamer Knapton Hall of New York was sunk at sea by collision with an unknown vessel. Twelve lives were lost.
The buildings burned on Eighth Street on Wednesday morning were—Huntzinger's chair factory, Roux's cabinet factory, two story brick building adjoining and three smaller ones. Total loss nearly half a million dollars.

A despatch from Washington says:—"The friends of protection are alarmed at the indication of a general assault upon the tariff next winter."

Accounts from all parts show the wheat crop is the largest ever produced in this country.
A bill is introduced in the Senate at Washington authorizing the coining of standard silver dollars, and restoring its legal tender character.

While preparing to resume work at the Jermins shaft at Green Ridge near Scranton Pennsylvania last week, fire damp was discovered on Wednesday. It caught fire from a miner's lamp. The city fire department are unable to extinguish the flames which cover about an acre. The mine may have to be flooded.

ENGLAND.—Sir John Bennett, three times elected alderman for the Ward of Cheapside, has been the third time rejected by the Board of Aldermen, as a person unfit for office. This time the Board will themselves select an alderman.

The objection to Sir John, we are told, is not that he is morally unfit but from his general boisterousness and love of fun, he interferes with the order of the Board.

The strike in the cotton mills in Bolton is approaching its close. Factory operatives have decided to resume work upon their master's terms.

The Shah of Persia intends to visit London and Paris next spring.

The Employers' and Operators' Association held a meeting at Bolton on Thursday for the purpose of endeavoring to settle the labor disputes.

The crew of the American ship New World, of New York, from London, mutinied when off the Nore light. The captain shot dead the leader of the mutiny and the mate wounded another of the crew. The British marines boarded and brought the vessel back to London. United States Minister Pierrepont claimed that the British marines had no right to bring the vessel to London, she being at the time of the mutiny on the high seas.

An explosion occurred in a colliery at High Bolantyne, near Glasgow on Monday. 400 men were in the mine at the time.

It is feared that they have all perished, not one has yet been got out alive.

FRANCE.—7,793,000 persons voted on Sunday 31st inst the largest number known since 1847, when 7,893,000 voted.

The Cabinet is resolved to remain in office and preside over the elections for Councils General.

The general Republican papers speak of the investigation the elections must undergo in the chamber. The *Seciele* urges the Chamber to use unsparing justice in this respect. Complete returns, except from the colonies show 314 Republicans, 201 Conservatives—elected.

Le Temps says there is reason to believe that the Cabinet has resolved to resign and that notification of its resignation will appear November 5th, the day after the elections for Council General.

As regards the personal influence of President MacMahon, it is noticeable that the arrondissement in which his country seat is situated, returned a Republican by an overwhelming majority. The Press is loudly calling for the Government to resign. Party bitterness is steadily increasing.

GERMANY.—A special to the *Post* from Berlin says Prince Hohenlohe, German Ambassador to France, has arrived at Paris to receive instructions, and ascertain the views of the Government relative to the French elections on Wednesday.

ITALY.—The Vatican is reported to be plotting a proclamation of the temporal power of the Pope. The Pope's health remains good. 5 or 6 new Cardinals will be appointed in the Consistory to be held about Christmas.

Cardinal Copalti died at Rome on Friday, aged sixty-six years.

The Pope likes to receive visitors and is chatty with them, he seems to have ceased to take interest in the affairs of the church, and almost invariably dismisses any one who comes to talk to him on business. Affairs of the papacy are being conducted simply by heads of the various State departments and by presidents of the various congregations. Jealousy reigns among these bodies, and as each does as it suits itself, the Papal Government is threatened with division and anarchy.

CHINA.—China will send a special embassy to Corea for the purpose, as supposed, of watching the proceedings of the Japanese Envoy, who goes there to arrange for the opening of new ports according to treaty.

The quarrel between Spain and China, in consequence of injuries inflicted upon the crew of a Spanish ship on the coast of Formosa 15 years ago, is nearly settled. The King and Government agree to pay \$13,000 indemnity.

Social disturbances have occurred at Hong Kong between the new Governor, Pope Hennessy, and the community, in consequence of the Governor having insisted upon treating the Chinese population of the colony with more humanity than was shown by his predecessors, and his abrogation of the severe laws and customs affecting the Chinese there. There has been much excitement through the colony and formal appeals to the Home Government, against the conduct of the governor, is threatened by the British colonists.

INDIA.—The consul at Calcutta has forwarded to the Department of State circulars issued by the Government of India, offering a prize of five thousand pounds for the best, and a thousand for the second best machine or process for the preparation of the Rhea or Ramie fiber.

TURKEY.—Kars is said to be already partially blockaded; it is also rumored that Russians have occupied Penck. Heavy cannonade has recommenced in Shipka Pass.

A despatch from Constantinople says it is reported that the Russians made an attack in force upon Plevna, but were repulsed. The Turks reconnoitered on the Roumanian bank of the Danube beyond Salazo Island.

The Russians before Plevna have received reinforcements of 10,000 infantry.

M. Ristic, the Servian Premier, has sent a despatch to M. Christics, Servian agent at Constantinople, stating that the demand of the Porte for Servia to disarm would produce serious complications in that principality.

A Constantinople despatch says the Turkish army has broken through the Russian lines and rallied at Kars.

Interview between the Sultan and the Patriarch.—At an interview with the Sultan recently accorded to Monsignor Nerses, the Armenian Patriarch, much was said on both sides of the fidelity of the Armenian subjects of the Porte, and of the rewards which are in store for them. The Patriarch said—"Majesty! All the thoughts of my nation are fixed upon you and upon your army, for whose success we never cease to pray, forgetting even ourselves in our anxiety for you." To this the Sultan replied—"Truly I groan continually over the miseries of the present time. I, who would not willingly tread upon an ant, am deeply grieved that so much innocent blood is being shed. But God knows that I am not responsible for this horrid war." "You are the greatest of Monarchs, sire," replied the Patriarch. "You have surpassed all your predecessors who ascended the throne of Osman in prosperous times, whilst you have crowned the Ottoman flag with glory in the midst of trials and difficulties of every kind. Since you ascended the throne you have not had an instant of repose; and it is in this that your greatness consists. The entire nation prays night and day for success of your arms and for the termination of these disastrous days in order that your Majesty may be able to fulfil the promises made in your solemn Hatt, and devote yourself to the development of agriculture, commerce, art and education." "I am entirely satisfied with my Armenian nation," said the Sultan. "I thank the Armenians with all my heart, and I desire you to convey to the Armenian nation the expression of my satisfaction and the assurance of my regard. I make no distinction between Mahometans and Christians. All are Ottomans. Their religion is between them and their God. I have given them *La Constitution* (the Sultan used here the French word) in order that they may all prosper in fraternal equality."

The Patriarch then offered up a long prayer for the preservation of the Sultan's life, for the success of his armies and the accomplishment of his great designs. The Sultan listened with his hands crossed on his breast and his head bowed as if in prayer also.
The *Daily News* states that 18,000 men and 40 cannon were captured by the Russians in their recent victory over Ghazi Mukhtar.
The Russian loss in the carrying of Aladja Dagh, on the 15th, is officially reported at 1,441.

RUSSIA.—A telegram from Karajal, Armenia on the 17th Inst., said: General Logaroff, with 27 battalions of infantry and 40 guns, began a flank movement from here towards the south west against Mukhtar Pasha's position on the morning of the 16th. The Russians began attack on the Turkish position, making a serious assault on Amillias Hill and re-doubt at Lonard in the centre of Turkish position. It was an artillery engagement in which only shrapnels were used, the range being very short and execution terrible. At noon the Circassian grenadiers stormed Amillias Hill and re-doubt with great success. The Turkish position was captured with 3 Krupp guns. The Turks obstinately defended until overwhelmed by Russians. The Turks now retired precipitately and were sharply pursued. Everywhere they abandoned great quantities of arms. The Turkish camp was captured. Turks retreated in great disorder in three directions, south westerly southerly and south-easterly, being cut off in the rear from Kars. The number killed and wounded is unknown, but the Turks suffered severely in their retreat. This is only the beginning of important offensive operations which may end in the crushing of Mukhtar Pasha's army.

A special from Tiflis says it was estimated that the Russians captured in the battle of Monday last 32 battalions of Turks, 4 brigades of artillery, 100 officers and 200 horses. Among the killed are the son of the Circassian Chieftain Schamy, and the Turkish general of cavalry, Monessa Pasha. The Russians estimate the total Turkish loss at 1600 men with great stores of munitions and provisions.

A St. Petersburg *Galos* special from Idgry, 17th, says: "On receiving information of Mookhtar Pasha's defeat, Ismael Pasha withdrew from the neighborhood of Idgry to the heights of Zor near the frontier. It is believed he is on the point of completely evacuating our territory."

The Czarowitch has removed his headquarters from Dolmamonasye to Bristo-

voo, further north between Lomand the Jantra.

The Russian contractor has informed the Grand Duke Nicholas that the material ordered in England for the construction of their iron huts for the troops, has been confiscated by the British Government as contraband of war.

The Czar, in addressing his general staff on Wednesday, declared that he and all members of the Imperial family will remain with the army to share in the labor and fortunes of the war, and witness the deeds of the soldiers. He concluded: "I myself will care for the wants of the army, and if necessary all Russia will, as once before, take up arms."

Local News.

A prisoner in the Penitentiary named Fairfield Nolan committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell on Saturday last. He was under sentence of three years for horse-stealing at Berwick. He had given great trouble to the keepers, and proceeded in a very determined way to carry his design into execution. There was no inquest, as the government have made no provision for paying jurors in coroners' inquests.

At the meeting of the City Council on Friday last His Worship the Mayor asked the attention of the Aldermen to the question of liquor licenses, and stated that the matter was at present in a very unsatisfactory state. The Recorder decided that only shop and tavern licenses could be granted in Halifax, general licenses could not be given.

The Rev. Henry W. Rugg, of Providence, R. I., has accepted the invitation to become pastor of the Universalist Church of this city. He will commence his labors the second Sunday in Nov'r.

The wedding of the Vice-Admiral Sir Astley Cooper Key caused quite a sensation in certain circles on Tuesday last. The lady, Miss Evelyn Bartolucci, arrived from England in the mail steamer a day or two previous. The Bishop's Chapel was gaily decorated for the occasion and was crowded by a host of ladies, who, it is said, were with some difficulty brought to a condition of silence, so that the ceremony could be proceeded with. The choir in white surplices was supplemented by ten boys from the Admiral's ship dressed in blue pants and white jackets. The "Bellerophon" and the other ships-of-war in port were decorated with wreaths and flags from stem to stern. The Admiral and bride left for Truro, where they are occupying the residence of the Hon. the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Customs Department of Halifax has had a movement in two of its leading officials, John U. Ross, Esq., Surveyor of Customs, is to be superannuated on the 1st of November, having been in the service since 1848. Joseph Austen, Esq., who has been in the department since 1842, is to take his place. This promotion is well-earned. Mr. A's long and efficient services as prof-officer have for some time marked him for a more lucrative position. We doubt not he will secure for himself the same respect in his new position as he has hitherto in the department.

Mr. Geo. A. Sandford, Marble Worker, of Halifax, has just set up two splendid monuments, one in the Falmonth churchyard to the memory of the late John Y. Young, the handsomest obelisk in the County. The shaft is 14 feet high and is set upon three granite bases. The other monument is erected by the children of the Windsor Presbyterian Sunday School, to the memory of the late Rev. J. L. Murdock, and is placed over the grave of the deceased in the old Church Burying Ground. It stands 12 feet high and rests upon two bases.

Chas. Haverstock, the "sneak thief" who escaped from the City Prison some time ago was found on Saturday last dressed in a most gorgeous style, and was passing himself off for the captain of a schooner who had a cargo of coal to sell. He was endeavoring to obtain money in advance on his cargo when interviewed. He was taken before the magistrate and fined \$10 or 90 days for the cargo story and sent back to serve out his unexpired term.

A soldier of the 20th Regt., was dial covered on Thursday evening stealing clothes from a line in a yard off Albro Street. He was caught by a sergeant with it in his possession going into the Wellington Barracks.

DARTMOUTH is moving forward in the path of improvement. The names of the streets are to be put on the lamp-posts. The old town hall is to have a tower for a fire-bell and for the drying of hose, and other improvements. A proposition is made to have one of its medical men on the staff of the Halifax Dispensary.

The trial in the cause of Woodworth vs. the *Morning Chronicle* for libel, was brought to a close on Friday, when the jury returned a verdict finding the plaintiff not guilty of any of the charges, and fixing damages at \$500.

The *Eastern Chronicle* reports typhoid fever, diphtheria and other contagious maladies are still committing havoc in various parts of Pictou country.