

applicant for a letter of dismissal refuses to accede may be of an important character, and in almost any case does it not seem harsh and unreasonable to withhold a letter of dismissal from a member against whose christian character there is not the slightest charge? We are not much in favor of retaining members, who really are in good standing, against their decided wish to go. Besides, though when a majority is against one he may well question the soundness of his own judgment, yet it is not the fact that majorities are always right.

If a member of a church walks disorderly and is excluded from its fellowship, can another church of the same faith and order, according to baptist usage, receive such as a member upon his christian experience?

This is purely a question of fact and so far as our knowledge enables us to judge, the answer must be in the negative. The Baptist Churches of these three Provinces have voluntarily associated themselves together for certain objects there being in all six Associations, each of which is accustomed to send delegates to the others as occasion prompts; and though each church is perfectly independent of every other church in matters of discipline &c. yet it is not considered consistent with the principle of association that one church should so far disregard the discipline of another as to receive an excluded member simply on his statement of christian experience.

Notices.

FOR HOME MISSIONS. Dear Editor,—Our Board gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following sums for Home Missions: Lockport Church, per Austin Locke, Esq., \$100 00 Rev. J. D. Skinner, Newton Centre, 1 00 Total, \$101 00 G. E. DAY, Yarmouth, March 2, 1877.

RECEIVED FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS. Feb. 22, Per Jas. S. McDonald, Esq., Wolfville Baptist Sabbath School, \$25 00 " Per Jas. Desbressy, Esq., Geo. Davies, Esq., Charlottetown P. E. I., 100 00 " 26, Per E. C. Hickson, Esq., Carlton Bap. Church, 16 00 March 2, Per Rev. George Armstrong, Master A. C. Jones, Moncton, 0 50 Master Geo. P. Jones, do, 0 50 THOS. P. DAVIES, Treas. F. M. Board. St. John, N. B., 1877.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES. Halifax, Granville St. Church, Miss Selden, \$20 00 Cleveland, Miss Z. E. Parker, 4 00 M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y. Halifax, March 6th, 1877. Treasurers of Baptist Funds.

- 1. HOME MISSIONARY UNION—Pearl D. Kinney, Yarmouth. 2. FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD—Thos. P. Davies, St. John, N. B. 3. ACADIA COLLEGE AND HORTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY—Andrew D. W. Barss, M. D., Wolfville. 4. ACADIA FRENCH MISSION—Pearl D. Kinney, Yarmouth. 5. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND—Jno. W. Barss, Wolfville. 6. NOVA SCOTIA WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY—Mrs. M. R. Selden, Halifax. 7. WESTERN ASSOCIATION INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND—Rev. Wm. H. Warren, Yarmouth. 8. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND—Charles F. Eaton, Canard, Cornwallis. 9. EASTERN ASSOCIATION INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND—Benj. L. Douglas, Amherst. 10. PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND—James Des-Brasay, Charlottetown.

Acknowledgments.

On the evening of Jan. 30th, there was a large and cheerful gathering of the members and friends of the Lower Granville Baptist Church at the Parsonage to tender greetings to their Pastor and present him with their annual donation. The evening was pleasant, and a right good time, as all present said, was enjoyed. The entertainment of the evening consisted of a sumptuous tea, which was well enjoyed, good music, vocal and instrumental, interesting and well-timed speeches, and the presenting their Pastor with \$130.50. Also, at the lower section of the church, the friends met at the house of Deacon James Anthony, on Feb. 8th. After an excellent tea and spending a very pleasant evening they presented their Pastor a donation of \$30.00, making in all \$160.50.

May the Giver of all good bless the donors, filling their hearts with the good things of the Spirit, making them strong for the truth as it is in Jesus, holy and pure in heart, life, and principle, and the donee humble, earnest, faithful and true, is the prayer of their pastor. P. R. FOSTER.

Allow me to acknowledge the great kindness of my people of the First Ragged Island Baptist Church. Since our settlement among them 7 months ago. But their former offerings were far outdone on the evening of Feb. 7th, when about 80 of our friends made us happy with their company and the money and useful articles which they left behind them. As we are about entering on special services, how earnestly do we desire the richer blessing of our Father to rest upon their souls making them rich for eternity. E. N. ARCHIBALD.

Letters Received.

Rev. P. F. Murray, \$2. Rev. W. E. Hall, \$2. Rev. S. J. Neily, \$8. J. W. Stevens, Esq., \$2. J. Woodbury, Esq., \$10. C. Jost, \$2. Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, \$2. Joseph Ham, \$2. A. Logan, \$2. I. McNay, Esq., \$3. Rev. T. M. Munro, \$2. B. L. Telfer, \$1. J. B. McNutt, Esq., \$2. Rev. E. N. Archibald, \$4. R. Delap. H. Logan, \$2. D. Blair, \$4. G. J. Creed, \$3.

Local News.

The boy Dillon who was hurt by a piece of brick striking him in the head on Friday, the 23rd ult., a notice of which appeared in our news last week, died on Monday, the 26th, from the effects of the injury. A coroner's inquest was held on the body, when it appeared that some parties had seen a Mr. Matthew L. Henry throw the brick. Evidence to that effect was taken from Mr. F. Morris and three boys, John Murray, Thos. Diggins and Henry McAlpine. The jury then brought in the following verdict: "That the deceased, William Joseph Dillon, came to his death on Monday, the 26th of Feb., from injuries received on his skull and brain, from a brick thrown from the hand of Matthew L. Henry, on the night of Friday, the 23rd of Feb., with the intention of doing him bodily harm."

Mr. Henry left the city the day after the injury was done and was traced as far as Digby.

Three rough characters, Cornelius Ford, James Pendergrast and John Lamb, were taken up on Saturday night making a disturbance in Albermarle Street. They violently resisted the Police. It is a great pity that such characters should not be made to work hard and earn their own living when put in the city prison as they spend so much of their time there.

Captain Wilson, of the brig, Albion, which arrived on Sunday last from Cienfuegos reports that three days after leaving port he had fallen in with a Spanish brig which had been visited by a crew of pirates who had come on board and robbed them.

The Annual Meeting of the Industrial School was held on Thursday evening. We learn that the work shop was open between 7 and 8 o'clock to enable the visitors to see the boys at work. On entering the workshop about a dozen boys were seen at work sawing, splitting, piling and tying up wood, and the alacrity with which they prosecuted their work was remarkable. The steam engine is worked by a little fellow of about fourteen summers. From the wood visitors proceeded to the shoe-shop and there saw seventeen or eighteen boys at work making excellent shoes. At eight o'clock the visitors proceeded to the school room, which was beautifully decorated and comfortably filled.

J. S. McLean, Esq. occupied the chair and read the Report. From this document we learn that there are 28 boys at present in the institution. Mr. Hart the successor of Mr. Grierson appears to give satisfaction in the office he holds. Among the visitors were a number of men who had been inmates of the school when boys, and who through its instrumentality were placed in respectable positions in society.

At Yarmouth the Atlantic Insurance Company held its eleventh annual meeting on Wednesday last. It divides \$37,500, or \$250 per share, among its one-hundred and fifty shareholders, payable on June 1st—about sixty-five per cent. of the net premiums for the year, which has been one of the most successful since the organization of the company.

On Friday, Detective Hutt and a Yarmouth constable captured Mr. R. R. Andrews, of Halifax, charged with fraud, and lodged him in jail. He was in a Barrington schooner, bound for Portland, which put into Yarmouth two days before and went to sea again on Thursday evening. The vessel returned on Friday when Mr. Andrews was arrested on board and brought to Halifax on Saturday.

On Tuesday of last week was the 21st birthday of the triplets borne by Mrs. Jas. McGlinch of Johnson's Crossing. They are all three in good health, and both their parents are still living.

At Annapolis, early on Sunday morning last, a fire broke out in the grocery store of T. A. Gavaza & Son and after burning that building it spread southward to the building lately known as the post-office, and northward to the store owned and occupied by Messrs. Pickles & Mills which was also destroyed. Gavaza's loss amounted to \$4000. Insurance, \$1600 on building, \$2000 on stock. Pickles & Mill's loss will be about \$5000. Insurance \$1000 on building, and \$1000 on stock, which is partly saved.

Pictou has had attempts at burglary last week. The Western Union Telegraph office was entered through a back window and a door between it and the store of Murdoch & Co., in the same building, was forced. He tried Murdoch & Co.'s safe, but could not get into it. He took what change was in the drawer.

Rev. G. M. Grant gave a lecture on Thursday evening before the Y. M. C. A. He did not fully take the ground of total abstinence, but thought it necessary to introduce a system of substitution instead of suppression; and advocated a system of inspection of liquors for sale, to ascertain if it were good liquor and not poison.

This doctrine would be very comforting to liquor-sellers and moderate drinkers.

A fire broke out in McKiel Cabinet-maker's shop in Barrington Street on Tuesday night, and destroyed the building and the one adjoining south—the Boston Hair Store. There was some defect in the operation of the water works at the time, which prevented the usual supply. This should not be after the vast expense laid out for our water works.

Flora Salome, a Mic-Mac squaw, died at Antigonish on the 24th ult., at the great age of 101 years and 11 months. She was the oldest person of the Mic-Mac tribe in the Eastern section of the Province, and probably the oldest in the country.

In 1876 there were about 360,000 gallons of liquor imported to Halifax valued at \$240,000.—An encouraging feature of this traffic is that for some years back the quantity imported by this city is gradually decreasing.

The Starr Manufacturing Company have added to their premises in Dartmouth a new steam engine for fire purposes, and have purchased 400 feet of hose, with couplings of the same size as those used by the town of Dartmouth, so that it may be utilized in case of emergency. This Company keeps 130 hands busily employed.

We learn from the Witness that a series of very pleasant social meetings in connection with St. Matthew's Sabbath School were held last week. On Thursday evening the scholars of the intermediate department were entertained. On Friday evening the teachers and senior scholars had their chance, and the primary department had a good time on Saturday afternoon.

A petition to the House of Assembly from Hants County, thirteen feet in length, twelve feet being occupied with the signatures was presented last week, asking for consideration and aid to a railway project, a branch line of fourteen miles from Elmsdale to East Gore.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals met on Thursday and organized for the ensuing year. M. H. Richey, Q. C. Mayor, was elected President. Vice-Presidents—Hon. P. C. Hill, Halifax; Professor Lawson, John P. Mott, Esq., J. J. MacKinnon, M. P. P. Antigonish; Dr. Nathan Tupper, Amherst; Israel Longworth, Esq., Truro; James G. MacKenzie, Esq. Port Hastings; Thomas Flint, Esq., Yarmouth; Dr. Shaw, Kentville; D. Matheson, Esq., Pictou; T. C. Hill, Esq., Sydney; C. E. Kaulback, Esq., Lunenburg. Executive Committee—A. H. Woodill, Esq., M. D., B. G. Gray, Esq.; Revd. R. Murray; J. C. Mackintosh, Esq.; S. M. Brookfield, Esq.; J. Harvey Frith, Esq., J. F. Kenny, Esq. Counsel—Messrs. Henry & Weston. Secretary—John Naylor, Esq. Treasurer—G. Hedley, Esq.

Two New York Colleges last week turned out 300 new doctors. A few of them belong to these provinces.

A branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia has been opened in Bridgetown, and another at Digby.

The Windsor Mail says the school trustees of New Glasgow gave their scholars a half holiday to go and see a horse race.

The Mail is agitating for a fish market at Windsor.

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 receipt 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.

SEND 25c. to G. P. ROWELL & CO. New York, for Pamphlet of 100 pages, containing lists of 3000 newspapers, and estimates showing cost of advertising. March 8. 1yr.

POSITIVE RESULTS.—There are numerous remedies that cure sometimes and become trusted as useful, but none have ever proved so effectual—cured so many and such remarkable cases—as Dr. Ayer's medicines. The Cherry Pectoral has restored great numbers of patients who were believed to be hopelessly affected with consumption. Ague Cure breaks up chills and fever quickly and surely.

Ayer's Compound Extract of Sarsaparilla eradicates scrofula and impurities of the blood, cleanses the system and restores it to vigorous health. By its timely use many troublesome disorders that cause a decline of health are expelled or cured. Ayer's Pills and their effects are too well known everywhere to require any commendation from us here.—Scranton (Pa) Times.

TO THE PUBLIC.

READ WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY IN REGARD TO THE GREAT SHOSHONE'S 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 "Shoshone's 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 came 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.

D. LANGELL'S ASTHMA & CATARRH REMEDY. Having struggled twenty years between life and death with ASTHMA I experimented by compounding roots and herbs and finding the medicine. I fortunately discovered a sure cure for ASTHMA and CATARRH. Warranted to relieve any case of Asthma instantly, as the patient can lie down to sleep. By mail \$1.00 per box. Address D. LANGELL, Apple Creek, Ohio. For sale by Druggists. Feb. 7. 13 ins. 6ow.

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 April 14.

TO THE WORKING CLASS.—We are prepared to furnish all classes with constant employment at home, the whole of the time, for their spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50 cents to \$5 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all who see this notice may send their address, and test the business we make this unparalleled offer: To such as are not well satisfied we will send one dollar to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, samples worth several dollars to commence work on, and a copy of Home and Fireside, one of the largest and best illustrated Publications, all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work, address: GEORGE STINSON & Co., Portland, Maine. Feb. 14. 3 mths.

WILLIAM J. FRASER, COMMISSION MERCHANT, IMPORTER AND DEALER IN Teas, Sugars, Molasses, Flour, &c., &c. 271 Barrington St., Corner of Jacob Street, HALIFAX, N. S. Samples sent by mail when desired. Feb. 28. 1y.

MOLASSES.—Puns Cienfuegos. R. N. BECKWITH, Feb. 28. Head Commercial Wharf.

DRIED APPLES.—Barrels Baltimore Sliced. R. N. BECKWITH, Feb. 28.

TEA, TEA.—Chests Choice Congou. R. N. BECKWITH, Feb. 28.

SOAP, SOAP.—200 boxes Brown; 100 do. Ivory Bar; 100 do. Queen's Laundry; 50 do. Toilet Soaps. R. N. BECKWITH, Feb. 28.

SPICES, SPICES.—A full assortment of all kinds. R. N. BECKWITH, Feb. 28.

\$5 to \$20 per day at home. Samples worth \$1 free. STINSON & Co., Portland, Maine. March 8. 1yr. GOOD PAY and steady work for one or two enterprising men or women in each county. Address J. LATHAM & CO., 419 Washington St., Boston, Mass. Dec. 13. 6 m.

STAPLE AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR 1877.

COTTONS. English and Unbleached Cottons. Am. Unbleached Cottons. Unbleached Sheetings. English White Cottons. Horrockses Shirtings (full assortment.) American White Cottons. Heavy Domestic Shirtings. English White Cotton Sheetings. American White Cotton Sheetings 38, 40, 45, 54 in. Pillow Cottons. LINENS. Linen Sheetings. 40, 45, 54 Pillow Linens. Bleached Huckabacks. H. B. Huckabacks. Diaper Towellings. Glass Towellings. Linen Dowlas. Bleached Table Damasks. H. B. Table Damasks. Damask Napkins. Damask D'Oylies, etc. These goods are all standard makes, and are offered at LOWEST MARKET PRICES. SMITH BROS., 150 Granville St., and 25 Duke St. Jan. 31.

THE RIVULET, A COLLECTION of over one hundred Hymns, TEMPERANCE SONGS and RECITATIONS for Bands of Hope and Temperance Meetings, compiled by REV. J. BROWN, From English and American Sources. Price 8 cents or \$7.00 per 100 copies. May be had of J. F. L. PARSONS, Halifax, or REV. J. BROWN, Milton, Queens County. To be had also at the CHRISTIAN MESSENGER OFFICE, Granville Street, Halifax. Dec. 31.

If you wish to grow Vegetables for sale, read Gardening for Profit. If you wish to become a Commercial Florist, read Practical Floriculture! If you wish to Garden for Home use only, read Gardening for Pleasure! All by PETER HENDERSON. Price \$1.50 each, post paid by mail. Our Combined CATALOGUE for 1877, OF EVERYTHING FOR THE GARDEN. Numbering 175 pages, with 3 colored plates sent FREE! to all our customers of past years, or to those who have purchased any of the above books; to others on receipt of 25 cents. Plain Plant or Seed Catalogues without plate, free to all applicants. PETER HENDERSON & CO., Seedsman, Market Gardeners and Florists. 35 CORTLANDT ST., NEW YORK. Dec. 6. 10 ins.



JOYFUL NEWS FOR THE AFFLICTED.

DR. GATES, DEAR SIR:—This is to certify that in the autumn of 1872 I had a severe attack of spinal disease, I applied to several physicians for medical assistance but could obtain no permanent relief from any of them. For six months I suffered day and night every thing but death. I was then advised by friends to resort to your valuable medicine, I did so and after taking seventeen bottles of your LIFE OF MAN BITTERS, &c. I was as well as ever. I have had no symptoms of the disease since, and can now perform my work better than before I was sick. I am thankful to God that he made your medicines an instrument in his hands of restoring my health. Yours very respectfully, Mrs. ISRAEL CHAMBERS. St. Croix, N. S., Dec. 4th, 1876. Jan. 24.

GRANVILLE STREET CHAPEL FOR SALE.

THE Granville Street Baptist Church, having it in contemplation to erect a place of Worship on their property on Spring Garden Road, and being desirous of disposing of the Stone Chapel at present occupied by them—the ground connected with which measures one hundred feet or more on Granville Street, by sixty feet in depth.—Tenders for this purpose (addressed to the office of the CHRISTIAN MESSENGER,) will be received until 1st of March. The Committee do not bind themselves to accept the highest offer or any tender. Feb. 14.

Nova Scotia Book Bindery, C. & T. PHILLIPS, Corner Granville & Seakville Streets. BOOK BINDERS, PAPERS RULERS, BLANK BOOKS, Manufacturers, Performers, Steam Machine PAPER BAG Manufacturers. Cheapest in the Market. Jan. 31.