

Verney Lovett Cameron, C. B.; D. C. L., has written a work in two vols. entitled "Across Africa."

It fell to the lot of the author to conduct the expedition which was brought to a stand by the intelligence of 1871 that Stanley had found Livingstone.

Samuel Smiles has written the life of Thomas Edward—a Scotch Naturalist. Edward was born in 1814. His father lived in Aberdeen.

We regret to learn that the N. B. Legislature have decreased the grant to the Halifax Deaf and Dumb Institution by \$250.

QUESTION DEPARTMENT.

"What are the grounds on which the Government Grants to Colleges are justified?"

We believe that the view generally accepted by the Baptists of this Province is, that if the Government aids the institutions of one portion of the people, it should aid all sections impartially.

It may be added that the Baptists of this Province have generally held that the Baptists of this Province have generally held that the object of the Academy and College is such, that state aid may be accepted by them without interfering with the independence of the church in her proper work.

EDUCATIONAL RECORD.

A correspondent suggests that some statistical notes which have from time to time appeared in this department, might seem to show that an efficient system of public education may be inimical to the interests of morality.

LIBERTY OF EDUCATION IN SPAIN.—In a debate that lately occurred in the Spanish Cortes on the subject of education, the Minister of Grace and Justice took occasion to declare that "those who were not members of the Roman Catholic Church could not be professors in any of the State Universities."

"Does not the minister comprehend, does not the committee understand that if you make science subordinate to theology, you lose completely all the intellectual progress made by the Spanish nation during the last century?"

After stating that the idea that professors must all belong to the Catholic religion was entirely opposed to the sentiment and practice of Europe, and giving numerous instances in proof of his assertion, he added:

"You do not wish for professors, those who dissent from the State religion! Then, I ask you, will you submit your civil laws to the judgment of the Church? Are you going to suppress the liberty of the press? Are you going to submit books to ecclesiastical censure? to restore the power of coercion to the Church? . . . And if you will not submit to the Church the transitory civil laws, how can you be willing to submit to it the eternal laws and properties of science?"

An example of one of the methods used at times to quicken the moral sensibilities of children, we subjoin an extract from a speech recently delivered by a gentleman who has devoted much time and money to works of benevolence.

"The French Minister of Public Instruction ordered the publications of the French Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to be circulated in the French schools, and called the attention of all the teachers in France to the importance of educating the children humanely.

pupil from each of about 500 London schools, in the great hall of St. James, by the Baroness Burdett Coutts. The three previous years they were distributed by the Queen's daughters.

In one American Kindergarten School the children have been taught to save all the crumbs of their luncheon, which are put daily into what they call the "contribution box," and given to the birds.

Notices.

Dear Editor,—Our Board wish to acknowledge thankfully the receipt of the following sums: FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Wolville Sab. School, per J. S. McDonald, Esq. \$28 00 Mrs. S. A. Webber, Ship Harbor. 1 00 Rev. W. B. Boggs & wife, Sydney 2 00

FOR FRENCH MISSION. J. W. Barss, Esq., Wolville. \$5 00 N. A. D., Hants Co. 5 00 Mrs. S. A. Webber. 1 00 Rev. W. B. Boggs & wife. 1 00 Total. \$43 00 G. E. DAY.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES. Wolville,—Miss Barss. \$13.50 Barrington,—Mrs. M. Forbes. 2.54 M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y. Halifax, Feb. 27th, 1877.

Brethren will allow us to suggest that notices of death sent without any date are valueless, and if published might lead to the supposition that the printer had made the omission.

We regret that Rev. J. F. Avery's visit to Jeddore came too late. It will appear next week.

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Acknowledgments.

On Thursday evening, December 21st, a goodly number of my church and congregation at Bedeque, gathered at the Parsonage, presented substantial expressions of their regard for the temporal wants of Pastor and family, and after a mutually pleasant evening left the inmates of the Parsonage happy and thankful, and retired to their homes none the poorer for their thoughtful kindness.

A. CHIPMAN. Bedeque, P. E. I., Jan. 20, 1877. [The above acknowledgement came to hand two or three weeks since, but as the paper on which it was written had not been put with copy at the time of its reception, and was unfortunately overlooked. Brother Chipman and our friends at Bedeque will please excuse the apparent neglect.—Ed. C. M.]

DONATION AT WESTPORT.—A large number of the members of the Baptist Church, together with many who are friendly to the pastor and the cause, met at the parsonage in this place, on the evening of the 22nd inst., and brought with them pleasant faces, and generous gifts.

BROOKFIELD, COLCHESTER COUNTY, Feb. 17th, 1877.—Dear Bro. Selden.—Being desirous of informing my friends, who have a deep interest in the welfare of myself and family, I have concluded to send to your valuable paper a few words respecting the kindness of the people to whom I try to tell the "Old, old story of the Cross."

God, I trust, is blessing the people, and they are comforting their pastor and family with better than words of kindness, although they do not forget to bestow them. On the 8th inst., they came in a body to the house used as a Parsonage, and after spending a very pleasant evening, they left us, together with previous offerings, about 100 dollars better off.

MACKNAQUACK, N. B.—In December last the people of my church and congregation provided me with a year's wood. In January a certain friend sent me a barrel of flour worth \$9.50. This is the fourth one I have received from the same christian gentleman.

Allow me to record my thanks in your paper to my church and congregation for the handsome donation they have made this winter. A part of the church met at the parsonage and left with me in cash and produce, sixty-two dollars and thirty-five cents.

Letters Received. J. P. Dodge, \$2. George Neiley, Esq., \$4. Rev. F. R. Foster—all correct—\$3. Eliphalet Read, \$4. Thos. Shipley, \$2. J. W. Frail, \$2. G. E. Layton, \$2. H. G. Freeman—all correct—\$9. J. D. Half-yard, Esq., \$9.83. James W. Simpson, \$3. Arnold Martell, \$2. Rev. C. F. Myers, \$7.50. D. F. Crowe, \$2. W. R. Doty, Esq., \$23.50. Rev. J. Brown, \$3. Rev. L. B. Gates, \$1.

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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. 21.

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.

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