

Church must put forth far greater efforts to preach the gospel in all the world.

These words of Jesus, in connection with His command, to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, are very encouraging.

Within three hundred years it appears that Romish missions, in connection with Portugal, gave the people of Congo some information of the Christian religion, so as to have left permanent traces existing there at the present day.

In Livingstone's time (see p. 426 of the 1857 edition of his travels), the Prince of Congo was professedly a Christian, and report said there were some churches there kept in partial repair, and that many of the inhabitants could read and write.

Commander Grandy, who was sent out under the Royal Geographical Society of England to explore the Congo River, in answer to a letter from me, in a communication dated '13, Ladbrooke Grove, Notting Hill, W., December 22nd, 1874, writes:—"Only three or four of the inhabitants of Congo, the San Salvador of the Portuguese, can read and write."

The King's secretary and two of his sons I know can speak and write Portuguese. The inhabitants of Congo are partly Christianized and follow the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church; but the King of Congo, hearing I held service on Sundays, attended twice, remained the whole time, and showed much attention.

He afterwards told me he came from motives of curiosity the first time, as he had been told we knew nothing about religion, but now that he saw us reading from books and praying and singing he was convinced ours was a good religion.

At several of the native towns where we remained on Sundays, and service was read, the natives attended, squatting in a circle, and remaining always quiet and observant.

The language of the Court of Congo is the original African, Muxicongo. There is also a secret language called, Enkimba, employed by the chiefs. Portuguese is employed only in dealing with the factories on the river, and in correspondence with the Governor of Loanda, or the Chiefs of Bembe, or Ambrize.

The old king strongly expressed his hopes to me that some English (white men) would come to them.

It is, therefore, a great satisfaction and a high and sacred pleasure to me to offer one thousand pounds if the Baptist Missionary Society will undertake at once to visit these benighted, interesting people with the blessed light of the Gospel, teach them to read and write, and give them in imperishable letters the words of eternal truth.

By-and-by, possibly, we may be able to extend the mission eastwards on the Congo at a point above the rapids.

But, however that may be, I hope that soon we shall have a steamer on the Congo, if it should be found requisite, and carry the Gospel eastward and south and north of the river, as the way may open as far as Nyangwe.

Yours in the Lord, ROBERT ARTHINGTON.

An exploring party will be shortly sent out. Africa's time is come!

Notices.

RECEIVED FOR HOME MISSIONS. From Kentville Church.....\$11 00 Rev. A. J. Stevens..... 1 00

J. C. ANDERSON, Treasurer. Yarmouth, Oct. 5, 1877.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES. Halifax, North Church, - Mrs. Clements.....\$ 75 Osborne, - Mrs. C. Doleman..... 7 55 M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y. Halifax, Oct. 9th, 1877.

The new Meeting-house at Isaac's Harbour will be publicly dedicated on Sunday, Oct. 14th. Ministering brethren and others who may feel disposed to visit us on that occasion may be assured of a warm welcome.

Letters Received.

M. E. Marshall, \$1.20. Rev. J. J. Skinner, \$4.00. W. Sanders, \$5. J. C. King, \$5. Rev. G. O. Colver, \$1. J. O. Halsey, \$2. Walter Wilson, \$7. H. A. Vidito, \$1. Rev. J. W. Weeks, \$1.

Local News.

The trial of the city fire-engines and new hose on Wednesday last was most satisfactory. The Provincial Building was made the centre of operations, and was pretty well covered with water.

The Temperance Club and other temperance bodies of the city, assembled together on Thursday night in the Rink, to the number of about 1,200, to welcome Mr. D. Banks McKenzie. Rev. J. F. Avery was in the chair. Rev. W. J. Ancient opened the meeting by prayer.

Two barns belonging to Mr. Lawrence Keillor, Amherst Point, were destroyed by fire on Saturday week.

Henry McNeill, a workman in the Spring Hill coal mine, was severely burned on Monday of last week by an explosion of gas in the mine.

When an encounter takes place, sheep vs. railway locomotive, it becomes bad for the sheep. We are told that one day last week a flock of sheep got on the track of the W. & A. railway when too late to stop the engine.

The late case at Liverpool of Mr. Hemeon against Capt. Morine was concluded on Saturday afternoon. Although the judge charged against the accused, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, which was received by cheers from the concourse present.

A man named Matthew Dunlap, belonging to Gay's River, on Saturday night, at Bedford station, went on board the Western Counties train for Halifax. When the train was near Moir & Co's mills, about a mile this side of Bedford, he walked out of the car and fell off the side of the platform.

On Monday of last week a little girl, three years of age, and daughter of Mr. James A. Nichols, while playing near a fire outdoors, which had been made for the purpose of boiling potatoes, accidentally set fire to her clothing, and was so severely burned before assistance could be rendered as to cause her death on the following day.

Bridgewater had a little railway excitement on Friday last, when Mrs. Kaulback, wife of the Senator, turned the first sod of the "Nova Scotia, Nictaux, and Atlantic Central Railway."

On Wednesday last over one hundred of the Pictou Temperance Reform Club went to Charlottetown to take part in the torch-light demonstration there in the evening.

Diphtheria appears still to be prevalent in many parts of Pictou County. The local papers report quite a number of fatal cases, chiefly among the young. Building operations have been lively at New Glasgow during the summer.

At Antigonish, on Tuesday last, a barn belonging to Joseph McDonald, late M. P. P., Meadow Green, was burned with its contents. Loss eight hundred dollars; supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

CONCERT.—A Sunday School Concert was held at Clarence, near Paradise, on the 26th ult. All the classes took part, in their collected form; and went through several capital dialogues, recitations, etc., and all this, with the well-chosen pieces which were so well sung, made it an occasion of very great enjoyment, making one wish that such concerts came somewhat oftener than once a year.

The bridge crossing the Cornwallis River at Port Williams is in a sad state. Without some immediate repairs a first-class accident is in the not far distant future. The bridge crossing the same river at Kentville is also exceedingly "shaky."

Capt. Sheridan is at Arlochat, C. B., engaged in raising the wrecks of the schooners George Peabody and Grace Girdler.

SEE WHAT THE CLERGY SAY.—Rev. R. H. Craig, Princeton, N. J. says—"Last summer when I was in Canada I caught a bad cold in my throat. It became so bad that often in the middle of my sermon my throat and tongue would become so dry I could hardly speak.

Rev. Geo. W. GROUT, Stirling, Ont., says—"Mrs. George Francis was severely afflicted with kidney disease, and had been under the care of three physicians without any beneficial result.

Rev. T. C. BROWN, Brooklyn, Ont., says—"My wife was very low with lung disease, and given up by her physician. I bought a bottle of the "Shoshonees Remedy," and at the end of two days she was much better.

Marriages.

At Kentville, on the 29th September, by Rev. C. B. Welton, Mr. Moses Cross, of Hall's Harbor, and Miss Mary Ann Bates, of Billtown.

At Bridgetown, on the 26th ult., by the Rev. J. Clark, Mr. Stephen Eaton, to Mrs. E. A. Fox, both of Granville Centre.

At the Bishop's Chapel, on Tuesday, 2nd inst., by the Rev. Dr. Hill, Howard C. Evans to Laura A. Fay.

At Acadia Mines, 25th inst., by Rev. John A. Logan, Frederick McRae, of Baddeck, to Christy Ann Matheson, of Victoria, C. B.

At Rawdon, by the Rev. J. Sargent, James Pryor, Esq., of Halifax, to Susan Jeffery, daughter of the late W. J. Murphy, Esq., of Jamaica.

On the 3rd inst., at the New Third Baptist Church, Brunswick Street, by the Rev. J. F. Avery, William E. Crowe, of Halifax, to Addie O. Wilson, of Chelsea, Mass.—(Boston papers please copy.)

At Tremont, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. E. O. Read, Mr. Howard I. Munro, of Clarence, and Janie C. daughter of Mr. Isaac Parker of Tremont, Aylesford.

At Beaver River on the 15th of Sept. by the Rev. G. B. Titus, Mr. C. Melvin Raymond, to Henrietta, daughter of Foster Piper, Esq.

At Norton, 4th inst., by Rev. E. A. Warnford, William Lithgow, of Halifax N. S., to Annie, adopted daughter of Capt. John Leavitt, of Bloomfield, Kings County.

At the Baptist Parsonage, Liverpool, on the 18th Sept., by the Rev. Geo. O. Gates, A. M., Mr. John L. Eldridge and Miss Mary E. Smith, of Port Mouton, Queen's Co., N. S.

By the same, at the bridegroom's residence, Sept. 21st, Mr. Alfred A. Fraser and Miss Margaret A. Wood, of Brooklin, Queen's Co., N. S.

By the same, Sept. 27th, Mr. Edmund J. Boyd, of Liverpool, and Miss Mary C. Carter, of Port Mouton, Queen's Co.

At Upper Economy, on the 4th ult., by the Rev. A. E. Ingram, Mr. Adam Lewis, to Miss Margaret Jane Fletcher.—"Christian Visitor" please copy.)

At Chebogue Point, Sept. 22, by Rev. J. H. Robbins (brother of the bride), assisted by Rev. J. Rowe, Capt. Cerezo J. Kelly and Miss Agnes H. Robbins, daughter of Chandler Robbins, Esq.

At Grafton Street Methodist Church, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. W. H. Hertz, Mr. Watson Reilly to Miss Matilda Kirby, both of Halifax.

On Sunday, the 1st inst., by the Rev. Dr. Emerson, of Boston, at Fern Cottage, Dartmouth, Frank Coburn, of Windsor, N. S., to Maria, daughter of the late James Bowes, Esq.

Deaths.

At Maccan, on 15th July, of consumption, Mrs. C. Read. She was baptized sixteen years ago and has lived a consistent Christian life. She was the only remaining daughter of our sister, Mrs. John Harrison, who has had seven of her children taken away by death, all having reached adult age.

At Westport, on the 3rd September, 1877, Capt. Charles Saunders, aged 64 years. Bro. S. was a faithful and consistent member of the Baptist Church in this place. For many years he served the Westport Baptist Church in the office of deacon; "purchasing to himself a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus." His sickness was lingering, and painful; all of which he bore with Christian resignation, only desiring to "depart and be with Christ."

On the 3rd inst., U. MacIn, in the 53rd year of his age.

At Halifax, N. S., on the 29th ult., of diphtheria, Maximilian St. Clair, third son of Major J. Macgregor Grant, of St. John.

At the Poor's Asylum, on the 1st Oct., 1877, Charles Langdon, aged 84 years.

On the 1st inst., Charles Harding, in the 30th year of his age.

At the Poor's Asylum, on 2nd October, 1877, Peter Lloyd, aged 65 years.

On Thursday, 4th October, Miss Frances Edwards aged 98 years.

At River John 24th Sept. Alice Amelia, daughter of John Holmes, aged 11 years.

At River John 29th September Mr. Wm. Gould, blacksmith, aged 77 years.

At Fraser's Mountain, 2nd inst., Marion Cameron, beloved wife of John Rose, aged 40 years.

At Truro, Sept. 26th, Thomas Miller, Esq., Elder, aged 71 years.

Oct. 3rd, Susannah St. Luke, widow of the late John St. Luke, in the eighty-second year of her age.

Oct 3rd, Mary Little, wife of Lewis Evans, aged 20 years.

Oct. 4th, Patrick Moran, aged 72 years.

At Wallace, on Friday, Oct. 5th, B. H. Huestis, Esq., aged 53 years.

At Sydney Mines, on the 29th ult., John White, aged 73 years.

At Port Williams, on the 23rd ult., Mrs. Mary Seabean, aged 59 years.

At Berwick, on the 5th inst., Margaret, beloved wife of Mr. William Cerlon, aged 60 years.

On Sunday last, Louise T. Tidmarsh, aged 77 years.

At Otter Brook, Upper Stewiacke, Sep. 23rd, of Cholera Infantum, Helen Myra, aged 6 months; and on the 27th, LaForrest Stevens, (only son), aged 4 years, children of Helen M. and Crofton Dickey.

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WALTER WILSON. Oct. 10.

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TENDERS addressed to the POST-MASTER GENERAL will be received at OTTAWA, until noon on Saturday, the 22nd September, for the Conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, three times per week each way between

Brookfield and Upper Stewiacke, under a proposed contract, for four years, from the 1st October next.

Printed notices containing further information as to the conditions of the contract may be seen, and forms of tender obtained at the Post Offices at Brookfield and Upper Stewiacke, or at the office of the subscriber.

F. M. PASSOW, Post Office Inspector, Post Office Inspector's Office, Halifax, 1st Sept., 1877. Sept. 12.



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