

he found that these "pounders" were some of his faithful members, who had felt it their duty to combine to make their pastors Christmas "a merry" one in deeds, rather than by words.

THE GREAT POLITICAL CONTEST will be decided before our present issue has reached our readers. We regret that we are unable to announce the result, but as we go to press before the closing of the polls, we must wait till next week, when the returns will be all in, and we shall be able to assure our readers who the voice of the people has decided shall represent our city in the House of Commons for the remainder of the present parliament.

Here is a brief letter we received a few days ago from a sensible man:—"Please find enclosed \$2.00. (Two dollars) for our weekly friend (the Christian Messenger). I find on the trial of it for one year that the two dollars are well spent, so please send it on for another year."

The farmers know how to enjoy themselves at this time of the year. Our country exchanges tell us of various re-unions, socials, olios, concerts, temperance-meetings, and donation visits, which latter seem more popular than any. It does ones heart good to hear of such things. The participants must find it truly blessed, and some even "more blessed."

PERSONAL.—A letter from Rev. James Stevens informs us that he has been confined to the house for nearly four weeks with a badly sprained ankle, but hopes to be able to move about again soon. In common with his numerous friends we regret to hear of this affliction, and trust that his hopes may be fully and shortly realized.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Rev. A. V. Timpany writes the Can. Baptist. Bro. McLaurin writing Nov. 29th says:—"I have just returned from a tour on the field. I was gone about 20 days and had a good time. I felt just about as well as ever. Baptized 18 people into the churches. This makes 97 baptisms so far this year. At the beginning of this year I had hoped very ardently that the Lord would give us 100 during the year. I believe He will. There are quite a number here and there, asking baptism, whom I have been unable to see, and of course, of whom there is some doubt. There are some also in Cocanada. But we are sufficiently near to take it for granted that our prayers have been answered."

I sent the money to Ramapatam, (money given by Brother Moseley of Montreal, for the famine sufferers) and had word from Brother Newhall to say it was just in time to do a great deal of good. I no doubt saved from starvation A. V. T. The rest I am using here. I am glad to say we have but few on our field who are really suffering, though a good deal of very hard times."

Notices.

RECEIVED TOWARDS THE FUND FOR RE-BUILDING ACADIA COLLEGE.

- Willard P. King, Esq., Antigonish \$100.00
Chas. B. Whidden, Esq., " 100.00
Rev. F. O. Weeks, " 50.00
Arthur Cogswell, Esq., " 5.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robbins, Yarmouth 25.00
Abram Newcomb, Esq., Stewiacke 10.00
Miss Kate Miller, Halifax 2.50
Mrs. Hon. J. Simpson, Charlottetown, P. E. I. 20.00
Mrs. J. C. Clarke, do 25.00
Wm. Jones, Esq., do 20.00

A. D. W. BARRS, Treasurer of Acadia College. Wolfville, Jan. 26th, 1878.

Rev. A. H. Lavers wishes all correspondence for him addressed Acadia, Yarmouth Co., where he was warmly welcomed a few weeks since, and now resides.

RECEIVED FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

- Jan 14. A friend, Germain St., Baptist Church 1 00
16. Per Jas. Des Brisay, Esq., A friend to Foreign Missions (G. D.) 100 00
Donation from Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols, Grand River 4 00
To W. M. Aid Society, Mite collection from Grand River Church 3 00
21. Per Chas. Covey, Esq., Indian Harbor West Baptist Church 6 00
Per Mrs. M. R. Selden, Sec. & Treas. W. M. A. Societies, N. S. 234 07
Per S. Selden, from John Haverstock Hammond's Plains, N.S. 6 50
John Bew, Arichat 6 00
25. Per Rev. A. Cohoon, Hebron Baptist Church, Yarmouth Co., N. S. 20 00
Per Rev. Geo. F. Miles, Mr. Robt. Slack, Middleborough, Wallace, N. S., 60c, less stamp, 3c 0 57
THOS. P. DAVIES, Treasurer, F. M. Board. St. John, N. B., Jan. 26, 1878.

RECEIVED FOR HOME MISSIONS.

- Bridgetown 3 50
Balance of subscription J. H. ROBBINS, H. M. Agent.

Letters Received.

- Rev. Jas. A. Stubbert, \$5. Ch. Jost, Esq., \$23.32. W. A. Pickels, \$2. J. L. Fulton, \$2. S. M. Freeman, \$4. Wm. Frizzle, \$2. Rev. Dr. Tupper, \$13. J. F. Masters, \$4. C. L. Ilisby, \$2. omitted before. E. H. Duval, \$4. J. Hunt, \$2. W. J. Gates, \$11. E. Griffin, \$4. J. Davies, \$4. W. Smith, \$2, and \$2, for Foreign Missions. Rev. L. J. Skinner, \$4. I. Thurber, Esq., \$2. Rev. J. Williams, \$2. Rev. J. C. Morse, \$2. Joseph Dimock, Esq., \$2.50. W. M. McVicar, \$4. W. Charlton, \$7, and 1.25. Rev. W. E. Hall, \$4. H. C. Creed, \$2.50. Mrs. Wilson, \$2.00.

Local News.

A fire was discovered on Friday evening in one of the upper parts of Mr. Yates's store in George Street. It is said to have been caused by a large fire in an open fire place of the new bank building adjoining. It was extinguished by a few buckets of water.

A ship carpenter named John Room while at work on board the steamship Minnia, on Thursday last struck his foot with his broad ax, almost cutting off three of his toes.

The annual meeting of the Y. M. C. Association was postponed on Saturday evening last till next Saturday at 8 p.m.

THE DIGBY ELECTION returns came in after our last issue, making a slight change in the numbers. It appears that the corrected returns show that Mr. Wade had 1210 and Vail 845 votes giving a majority for Wade of 365.

Windsor is pronounced (by the Mail) as well off to-day in a business point of view as any other place of double its size in the Province, but wants a few more things. Amongst the most important of them are the following:—

- Incorporation.
Water Works.
Fire Extinguishing Apparatus.
Steam Communication on the Basin.
Extra Railway Accommodation.
Reform Club House.
Free Bridge to Falmouth.
A Bridge across the St. Croix.

The Mail says very little has been done by the citizens of Windsor for years past towards building up the town. Until all these wants are accomplished, so as to make Windsor a sort of Midland Counties business centre, we can hope for no great improvement in trade.

GUYSBOROUGH has had Temperance matters brought prominently before them by a series of lectures from Rev. D. R. Cummings, of St. Mary's. A Reform Club is formed with a membership of 270. The Club resolved to go in a body, on Saturday with the Manchester and Intervale Divisions, and demand that the liquor dealers should stop selling or take the consequences. The merchants have pledged themselves not to allow liquor to be landed on their wharves.

SHELburne is preparing for an election to the Local Legislature. It is expected that the Hon. Robert Robertson will resign his place in the Lower House, and probably be put into the Legislative Council. A meeting was held at Barrington on Thursday for the purpose of nominating Mr. Thomas Robertson in place of his father. Mr. N. W. White is the opposing candidate.

The Amherst Gazette of last week says: We have received some violets which were picked a few days ago in the garden of A. J. Hill, Esq. They could not have looked prettier if, instead of blooming amid the snow of mid winter, they had awaited the genial warmth of a May-day sun.

A sad accident occurred on board the barque Charlie while on the passage from Rotterdam to New York, a few days ago. During a gale, when the vessel was within two hundred miles of New York, three men fell from the deck and the other, Fred. L. son of Mr. Aaron Young, of Wolfville, fell into the sea and was drowned. One of the other men had an arm and another his ribs broken. Mr. Young was in his 18th year, and was a very smart seaman and a fine young man.—Berwick Star.

A few days ago a man named Thomas Reeves, of Kemptville, Yarmouth Co., accidentally cut his thumb. The wound was not considered dangerous in any way, but last week Reeves was taken with lock-jaw and the doctors pronounced his case hopeless.

THE COLE HARBOR DYKE is going on well, the hull of a condemned schooner was towed down from Halifax and is being sunk to fill the gap.

The first grand torchlight procession of the Darthmouth Reform Club is to be on the evening of Thursday, 31st inst. It is reported that the International Mines have been leased to Messrs. Dodd & Gillies, of Sydney. During last year the old Sydney Mines shipped 85,500 tons of coal.

Daniel McDonald got his arm badly smashed and broken on Tuesday last, at Williams' Point, while engaged in working on the railroad on H. S. Beebe's section of contract.

GRPHAM'S PAIN ERADICATOR.—Mr. Henry Morris, Senr., Harborville, N. S., has been afflicted with Rheumatism for forty years; was unable to strengthen himself, suffered great pain, and was scarcely able to walk across the room, was cured by less than a bottle.

From Mr. Roberts, of the Firm of Roberts, Reinhold & Co., Lithographers and Chromo Printers, Montreal.

13 Place D'Armes, Montreal, Feb. 6, 1868.—Messrs. T. Graham & Son.—I had such a severe attack of Rheumatism in my shoulder and arm that for sometime I could not put on my coat without assistance, when I used your Pain Eradicator, and have been cured by three applications.—Yours, &c., WILLIAM ROBERTS.

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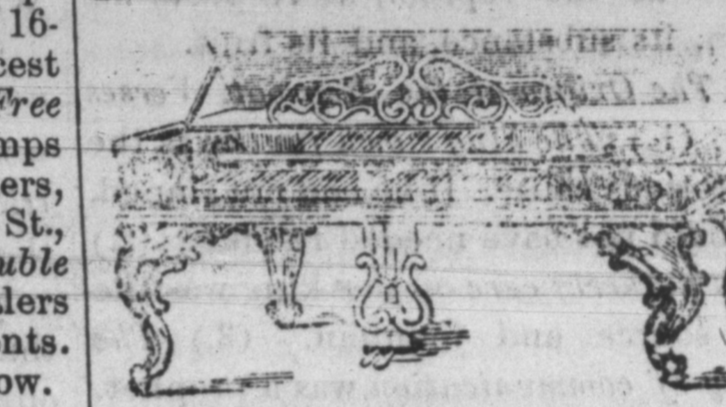
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WINDSOR & ANNAPOLIS Railway. TIME TABLE. Commencing Monday, October 15, 1877.

Table with columns: STATIONS, Steamboat, Express, Mail, and Freight, Passengers and Freight, and Passengers and Freight. Rows include Windsor, Hantsport, Horton Landing, Grand Pre, Wolfville, Port Williams, Kentville, Do, Waterville, Berwick, Aylesford, Kingston, Wilmot, Middleton, Lawrenceport, Paradise, Bridgetown, Annapolis, and St. John.

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N. B.—Express Trains leave Windsor at 8 a. m. every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, connecting at Annapolis with steamer for St. John. These trains offer special facilities for the conveyance of Passengers, Freight and Live Stock, enabling the same to be landed in St. John the same evening. International steamers leave St. John every Monday and Thursday at 8 a. m. for Eastport, Portland and Boston. E. and N. A. Railway Trains leave St. John at 8.15 a. m. daily, for Bangor, Portland, Boston and all parts of the United States and Canada. Through tickets may be obtained at the principal Stations. P. J. JONES, General Manager. Kentville, 10th Oct., 1877. Oct. 17.

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