

WHAT MAKES A GOOD EDITOR.—The Christian at Work in publishing a series of contributions entitled "Some things about Newspapers," says:—

"A good editor must know what to leave out as well as to put in. The ferment of thought and the rush of events bring such a mass of material to his hand that leaving out comes to be, in one aspect of the case, about the chief part of his work. And nothing more distinctly marks the difference between a good paper and a poor one. In some papers every column shows that the editor has carefully culled and condensed his matter. You are quite sure that anything you find there will be worth reading. In sharp contrast to such papers are those which seem if they had been filled by shovelling in what came handiest.

The editor ought to stand as a break-water to protect his readers from the rubbish and falsehood that float on the news of the day; from the petty views that partisans and hobbyists try to push into undesired prominence. He must have the sixth sense that tells him when the honestly told adventure which the average reader would swallow as truth without suspicion is a hoax out of whole cloth. He must have an instinct for exaggerations in first reports; for divining the meaning and importance of ecclesiastical, political, and commercial movements. He makes the best paper for present use who makes the one that will read best when it is a year old.

And yet every writer of a few stanzas of poor poetry, or a piece on some personal matter, thinks himself injured if they are not put in print immediately; and if an obituary notice is improved by having its redundancies and repetitions eliminated the writer often makes it a life long grievance with the editor.

The editor of the St. John Religious Intelligencer recently made a visit to Halifax. He writes home and speaks of what he saw and heard on Sunday. He complains that one of the Post Office clerks was "saucy." He asks:

OUR HOME MISSIONS.

At the meeting of the H. M. Board yesterday reports were read from twelve missionaries. These reports were very satisfactory and show that a large amount of good work is being done in the home fields. Twelve baptisms reported. Orders were drawn on the Treasury to the amount of \$325.00. Thus far we have been able to pay all salaries as they have become due; but we cannot do so much longer unless Brethren and Churches come to our aid. Will you not send us your half yearly donations so that your missionaries may have their pay as it falls due. Remember they are working on small pay and delay in receiving it will cause serious inconvenience.

MISSION APPOINTMENTS.

1. Rev. A. W. Bars of Canso, was appointed a mission of eight weeks to the Church at Crow Harbor and Whitehead—mission to extend from October to May 31st.

1. Brother A. H. Deakins was appointed a mission of six weeks to the colored people of Tracadie and Guysboro,—mission to be continued if deemed desirable.

AID PROMISED

1. To the churches at Folly Lake, Wentworth and Williamsdale, the sum of seventy-five dollars, to assist them in securing the services of Rev. T. B. Layton from October to May 31st.

2. To the churches at Margaree and Mabou C. B., aid at the rate of one hundred dollars from the time of their securing a pastor till May 31st, 1879.

A good man is needed for this very interesting field. Any one willing to go will please write to the Church at Margaree C. B., or to myself.

The grant of one hundred dollars before reported for Montague. P. E. I., should have been for Montague and Murray's River.

A. COHOON, Cor. Secretary. Hebron, Oct. 8, 1878.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Rev. J. Phillips of the Free Baptist Mission in India writes, July 18th:—

"We are greatly afflicted by this lack of funds for carrying on the different departments of the work, and just now to find that there is great danger of James L. (Dr. Phillips, who spoke at our Convention Missionary Meeting.—Ed. C. M.) and party being detained still another year at home, as well as reinforcements held back for want of means to send them out. This does seem quite too bad. When, O when, will Christians come to take equal interest in the work of the Lord as in their own? The arrival of remittance

for schools and preachers has since been announced.

The annual car festival or Ruth-Jattin, at Pooree, which used to draw hundreds of thousands of pilgrims from all parts of India, has just passed, and report says there were not more than 20,000 in attendance this year all told, home and foreign. This is scarcely more than formerly passed our place at Jellapore in a single day. The terrible famine in many parts of the country has, no doubt, been one great cause of the falling off. Added to this, the heat and transportation of the Jaja of Pooree for a case of inhuman torture, resulting in death, has also had something to do probably in inducing people to stay away. But, after all, there is no mistaking the fact, Hinduism is on the decline. There is at present no enthusiasm for its support compared with former days, still it dies a hard death. One might think so to see the devotion of Bengalee women, who compose a large majority of the Pooree pilgrims, who pass this place. We are here about 196 miles from the shrine of Jaggernath at Pooree. Before sunset on the seventh day after the idol has been exhibited in Pooree Bengalee women are seen thus far on their way home, having walked 28 miles per day for seven consecutive days, over the hot, burning gravelly road. No wonder that they are sore footed, feet bound up in old rags, and look weary, worn, wan, and ready to drop down and die. A majority of these poor deluded creatures have, either on the head or hip, a palm leaf basket containing Mahoprasad (grace of Jaggernath) cooked rice, which they carry home for family use. Surely here are zeal and devotion worthy of a better cause.

Zenana teachers are also called for, but thus far, owing to Mrs. P.'s poor health and our failure to have our daughter Ida (we suppose Miss Phillips, who is sustained by the N. S. Free Baptists.—Ed.) with us for the present, we have been unable to inaugurate this branch of mission work here in Danton."

Notices.

CASH RECEIVED TOWARDS FUND FOR RE-BUILDING OF ACADIA COLLEGE.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Benjamin Eaton, D. Mann, John Robertson, etc.

TOWARD ENDOWMENT FUND.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes W. L. Goff, Ezra Fraser, Geo. L. Scott, etc.

A. D. W. BARSS, Treasurer. Wolfville, Oct. 12th, 1878. (Christian Visitor Please copy.)

HORTON 1st—100 YEARS OLD.

The Centennial services of the 1st Horton Baptist Church, Wolfville, will be held at the Meeting-House Wolfville, on Tuesday the 29th inst. Meetings will be held at 11, 3, and 7 o'clock. Ministering brethren and former brethren and sisters of the church are respectfully invited to be present with us.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Wolfville, Oct. 9, 1878.

CORRECTION.—In the article "The Question of the Hour" in our last the closing sentence of the paragraph before the last, should read, "Besides, if our Dominion be not strong enough to build an Institution for Theology, how is it possible that any part of it can be, how can it possibly build up two?" The italicised words were omitted in the published letter.

CORRECTION.—Rev. Dr. Tupper writes: In my letter to Bro. Ingram, I am made to say in the year 1818 twenty-four persons were baptized by me, at Five Islands. There should have been a period (.) after the word me. There were indeed, that number baptized by me in that year; but only four of them at Five Islands, viz: Elijah Crocker, etc. I subsequently visited that place a number of times, and baptized others but not in that year.

Our aged brother Rev. Dr. Tupper adds, in his own hand writing: P. S. I am still very feeble.

In connection with the above we may mention that a long paragraph was omitted from Dr. Tupper's letter by the person sending the copy to us. We do not know whether or no he intended to do so.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Deerfield, Mrs. M. C. Stubbert, Truro, Miss Layton, etc.

RECEIVED FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes A. Collection New Glasgow, Rev. P. S. McGregor, etc.

J. C. ANDERSON, Treas. H. M. Board. Yarmouth, Sept. 30th, 1878.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. E. M. Saunders. Sabbath School in the New Vestry Spring Garden Road at 2.45 P. M. Prayer-meetings in the same place on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH, GOTTINGEN STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Manning. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

TABERNACLE, NORTH-BRENSWICK ST.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. F. Avery, now on a visit to England. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

DAIRMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. John Clark. Sabbath School 9.30 A. M. Bible Class at 3 P. M. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30.

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Letters Received.

Mrs. R. D. Peers, \$1. T. A. Martin, \$1.75. J. Soley, \$2.25; whatever irregularity exists in your receiving your papers must arise from something wrong at the Post Office, if the address is correct, as we mail at the same time every Tuesday evening. Rev. J. Williams, \$4. W. Harding, all right. Rev. M. Ross, \$2. M. Atkinson, \$2. John Davison, all correct, paid to Dec. 31, 1878. M. Freeland, \$2.1 sub. H. B. Shaffner, \$4. W. O. Taylor, \$5.

Miscellaneous.

The vicar of Lower Milton, Stourport, has taken objection to the colour of a pair of trousers which were worn by one of his curates while officiating, and the result is that the curate has had to leave. In a farewell sermon the latter said he was sorry if he had offended anyone in word, deed, or raiment!

At Charity Church, Frome, a fortnight ago, a swarm of bees took possession of the building, and after a good deal of trouble to eject them, they took refuge in the tower. On Saturday week, however, they returned to their former quarters in the sacred edifice, and, as this time they refused to accept notice to quit, it was found necessary to dispense with the services on the Sunday, a Bath clergyman who was to have officiated having been ordered "not to come."

M. Favre reckons that 3,000,000 persons in France are afflicted with inability to distinguish colours. The number of women so affected, as compared with the number of men, is in the proportion of one to ten. Nine cases out of ten may be easily cured in young subjects. The best means of treatment consists in methodical exercise upon coloured objects.

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The subjects taught are: Ethics and Political Economy, Principal Ross; Logic and Metaphysics, Prof. Lyall; Mathematics, Prof. Macdonald; Greek and Latin, Prof. Johnson; Chemistry, Prof. Lawson; History and Rhetoric, Prof. DeMill; Physics, Prof. Mackenzie; French, German, Spanish, Prof. Liechti; Organic Chemistry and Analysis, Prof. Bayne; Geology, Prof. Honeyman.

This season, additions to the value of \$2,500 have been made to the apparatus in the Chemical and Physical Laboratories, and the top flat of the College building has been converted into a Students' Laboratory. The Library contains upwards of 2,000 volumes of the most recent editions, specially selected to assist students in their class-work.

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Oct. 2.

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By Order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, 21st Sept., 1878. Oct. 2. 4 ins.

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SEPTEMBER, 1878.

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Rev. D. D. Currie, Methodist Minister of Moncton, N. B., AND

Rev. A. W. Nicolson, Editor of the "Wesleyan," Halifax, N.S.

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TEA-MEETING

AT

Hubbard's Cove.

THE Ladies of the Baptist Church at Hubbard's Cove intend holding a Tea-meeting and Sale of Refreshments on Tuesday, the 15th October, prox.

Proceeds to be devoted towards paying a debt now due on the church. Door of Refreshment Room open at 1 P. M. Tea served at 3 P. M. Tea 40c; children half-price.

By Order, JOSEPH SHANKEL.

N. B. Should the weather prove unfavorable on the 15th the meeting will be held on the first fine day after. September 24th, 1878. Oct. 2. 2ins.



WESTERN COUNTIES RAILWAY.

1878--Summer Arrangement--1878

TRAINS LEAVE HALIFAX

- 7.30 a. m.—(Express daily) for Windsor and Annapolis. 8.00 a. m.—(Passengers and Freight) Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for Windsor and Annapolis. 3.10 p. m.—(Accommodation for Windsor daily, and for Kentville, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays.

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