

and four by letter. We administered the ordinance of believers' baptism on Sabbath morning at Upper Economy in the presence of a large and attentive audience, and the right hand of fellowship was given in the afternoon at Port-au-pique, a feeling of deep solemnity rested upon the large congregations in each place, and we earnestly hope that many others may be led to believe and be baptized in accordance with the Word of God.

The good work at Five Islands and Lower Economy is continuing, others are coming. Truth is prevailing. To God be the praise. Yours in the gospel, A. E. INGRAM.

June 21st, 1878.

ACADIA MINES, N. S., July 1st, 1878.—Dear Brother,—You noticed the baptism of four converts in this place three weeks ago; yesterday I had the pleasure of seeing Bro. Rev. G. F. Miles baptize six more believers, in the presence of many witnesses, and hear him preach the truth with power to a very large and interested congregation.

Yours fraternally, T. B. LAYTON.

For the Christian Messenger.

Received towards the Fund for Re-building Acadia College.

- Mrs. Mayhew Beckwith, Cornwallis... \$ 50 00
Rev. Joseph Coffin, Grand Pre... 5 00
Enoch Griffin, Cornwallis... 20 00
Rev. T. A. Higgins, Annapolis... 10 00
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S. Withers, Annapolis... 5 00
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Mrs. L. J. Walker, Truro... 12 50
Carrie Walker, Truro... 6 25
Rev. J. E. Goucher, Truro... 12 50
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A. Longley, M. P. F., Paradise... 20 00
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DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—Earl Dufferin is said to have accepted another four years appointment as Governor General of Canada.

The general election will probably take place late in September or early in October.

All doubt about the payment of the fishery award has been set at rest. Information from a reliable source indicates that the money will be forthcoming in due time.

The Quebec Legislature is expected to adjourn about the 6th of July. The nations of the world stand in the following order as shipowners: Great Britain, United States, Norway, Italy, Canada, Germany, France.

The Provinces of the Dominion stand: Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, P. E. Island, British Columbia, Manitoba.

New BRUNSWICK.—The following gentlemen compose the new House of Assembly:— St. John City.—Hon. Wm. Wedderburn; Robert Marshall.

St. John City and County.—William Elder, Esq., St. John; David McLellan, Esq., Portland; Edward Willis, Esq., St. John; Robert S. Ritchie, Esq., St. John.

Westmorland.—Peter A. Landry, Esq., Dorchester; Amassa E. Killam, Esq., Moncton; Daniel L. Hanington, Esq., Dorchester; Joseph L. Black, Esq., Sackville.

Charlotte.—George F. Hill, Esq., St. Stephen; Hon. B. R. Stevenson, St. Andrews; J. E. Lynott, Esq., St. George; T. Cotterell, Esq., St. James.

Northumberland.—Michael Adams, Esq., Newcastle; Ernest Hutchison, Esq., Douglasstown; Thomas F. Gillespie, Esq., Chatham; A. A. Davidson, Esq., Newcastle.

Gloucester.—Patrick Ryan, Esq.; Francis McManus, Esq.

Restigouche.—Cunard Barbarie, Dalhousie; Thomas Kenny.

Kent.—Charles J. Sayre, Richibucto; Urban Johnson, Acadieville.

Albert.—Dr. Lewis, Hillsboro; Gaius S. Turner, Harvey.

There was no insurance. The loss is heavy.

Mr. E. Sproul also lost a large quantity of fine seasoned lumber by the fire.

UNITED STATES.—Earl Dufferin attended the commencement dinner at Harvard College on Wednesday and was received with cheers. His speech was warmly applauded.

The Socialists held a great mass meeting on Tuesday night to celebrate the anniversary of the social revolution of the 24th in France. The hall was crowded, and red flags floated all round.

Col. Bernard with 500 men surprised 1,500 Bannock Indians and defeated them, the latter fleeing in dismay, leaving large numbers killed.

There were several cases of sunstroke on Saturday and Sunday in New York.

ENGLAND.—The weather the past few days was intensely hot in England—hotter than ever known in June.

The Mark Lane Express says of the crops: The wheat plant generally looks sickly and yellow which augers unfavorably for a heavy sheaf at harvest.

A good deal of low lying land in Scotland was flooded by the recent rains. Ireland is more favored.

A clerk in the Foreign Office has just been arraigned in the police court charged with having communicated the memorandum of agreement between England and Russia to the Daily Globe.

A despatch from Berlin states that the Queen of England was informed on Wednesday that the Congress would probably end in ten days.

FRANCE.—Extensive arrangements were made for the grand festival in honor of the Exposition, on Sunday. The official programme provided for decorations, illuminations, triumphal arches, fireworks and orchestral and choral music in each arrondissement.

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tions, especially on the part of Bismarck the Turkish delegates in Congress continue stubborn, and their obstinacy is calculated to lessen the probability of peace.

On the opening of the sitting on Friday Andrassy read a memorandum setting forth the alarm and expense caused to Austria by continued disturbances in Bulgaria.

Beaconsfield declared that England could do nothing but adhere to Salisbury's proposed plan. He reminded the Turks that they had previously been unable to maintain order in the provinces under discussion.

Congress nominated a Commission to draw up final report of proceedings. It has declared in favor of the independence of Serbia, subject, however, to the proviso for amelioration of the treatment of the Jews.

The Turks refuse to surrender Shumla unless the Russians withdraw to Adrianople, and threaten to leave Congress if cession of territory to Greece is even discussed.

It is stated that Salisbury announced that Congress would probably end on the sixth of July, and that all questions relative to Eastern Roumelia and Bulgaria are settled.

The Prince of Hanover has agreed to renounce his royal title, and Prussia has agreed to restore the sequestrated property of the late king.

An Englishman named Bishop, charged with bribing officials to obtain plans of the fortresses in Germany, was convicted and sentenced to two years and six months imprisonment.

The Standard's correspondent at Berlin hears that the Russians, within the past few days, have bought at Hamburg three steamships belonging to the Hamburg-American Line.

TURKEY.—A Constantinople despatch says the dissatisfaction there at the progress of affairs at Congress is increasing.

A Therapia despatch reports that about twenty obscure persons have been arrested, suspected of complicity in the conspiracy in favor of ex-Sultan Murad.

The party opposed to the Sultan appears to have gained strength. A report of the Minister of Police to this effect has increased the Sultan's agitation, impaired his health and caused him to summon 15,000 fresh troops to Constantinople.

The Turkish Admiral has requested all foreign ships in the harbor of Canes to leave.

Fighting was going on for three days at Apocrona.

RUSSIA.—The Russians have 54,426 sick in the Balkan peninsula, and of the recruits raised in 1877 for the Armenian campaign 25 per cent. are dead.

Telegrams from Bucharest report progress making in the construction of earth works at the northern outlets of Carpathian passes. It is also stated certain mountain roads are being made practicable for artillery on both sides of the frontier.

GREECE.—Greece has concluded a loan in Paris of ten million dollars.

The Greek representatives received notice of Congress' decision to admit them, and it is supposed that the final decision of the question is reserved until the questions affecting Greece are taken up for discussion.

AUSTRIA.—Austrian Minister of War left Vienna on Tuesday on a tour of inspection to the Bosnian and Herzegovinian frontiers. Army maps have also been distributed in Bosnia, Herzegovina, Dalmatia and Montenegro.

A Berlin correspondent states that until three days ago the proposal for the occupation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austrian troops was entirely disapproved of by Congress, but a total change has occurred and the plenipotentiaries are now resolved to empower Austria to occupy those provinces.

HOLLAND.—An American was arrested at Amsterdam, on Thursday for offering to sell \$10,000 of Russia bonds of '62, stolen last year in Calais France.

SWITZERLAND.—The Swiss Federal Council has resolved to present to the Chamber a project for national subsidy of 6,500,000 francs to the St. Gothard Railway Company.

SPAIN.—Queen Moedes died on Wednesday last.

For several days the lace in which the Queen lay dying was the centre of incessant and vigilant inquiries. Hopes were raised that the crisis of the Queen's disease that her vigors constitution might triumph over complications of maladies, but her condition was made doubly perilous by the fact that she was expected to become a mother before the end of the year, and finally her case became hopeless.

She died about noon in the arms of the King surrounded by the Royal family.

The President of the Medical Faculty of the Royal Palace attributes the death of Queen Moedes to nervous gastric fever accompanied by vere intestinal hemorrhage.

On Friday King Amso received telegrams of condolence from all the European courts. The body of the late Queen was to lie in state three days.

Local News.

The Ladies of the Dartmouth Baptist congregation respectfully invite their friends and the public to a strawberry Festival and Fancy sale which will be held by them tomorrow Thursday afternoon, 4th of July in the basement of the Presbyterian Church. Proceeds to go towards the Building Fund. Doors open at 2 1/2. Admission 10 cents. Tea at 6 1/2. Tickets 30 cents.

SAD ACCIDENT AT CHESTER BASIN.—Mr. Editor.—While attending the Central Association at Canard, on the 25th inst., I received a telegram bringing the sad intelligence that four young men had been drowned on the previous Sabbath by the upsetting of a boat in the harbor at Chester Basin.

On returning home I learned the following particulars. On Sunday afternoon, eight young men or lads, as they might be called, went on board of a small boat at Middle River bridge and went out for a sail. They went a distance of about a mile and a half to a place known as Borgald's point, when they put about and started on their return.

By some mismanagement the boat was upset and they were all thrown into the water. They were seen by Mr. Alven Eisenhauer, who proceeded as fast as possible to the scene of disaster and succeeded in saving four of them from a watery grave. The other four, Cornelius Bezanson, aged 19; Samuel Bennett Eisenor, aged 16; George Shuffer, aged 15; and Albert Dimel, aged 14 years, sank to rise no more.

On Monday the bodies were recovered and taken to their respective homes and prepared for the solemn funeral service which took place on Wednesday, 26th, at 1 o'clock. It was a long procession and a sad one. Many tears were shed as the remains of those four promising lads were taken from their homes no more to return.

Thus four families are thrown into the deepest sorrow. They weep for their children and refuse to be comforted because they are not. May God overlook this sad and mysterious event for the good of survivors and for his own glory.

It be to us all a salutary lesson of the uncertainty of human life, and a warning, especially to the young, to "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." May the sorely bereaved parents and guardians (one of them lived with an uncle and aunt) be sustained and supported by the Almighty Hand that guides and governs all things, and may they be comforted with the thought that the All-wise Disposer of events is able to bring good out of the seeming evil, and that "all things work together for good to them who love God."

Yours truly, I. J. SKINNER.

Chester, June 29, 1878.

A boy named Thomas Williams, four teen years old, was drowned at Steviack wharf, on Friday last while bathing. He was one of the boys brought out by Mrs. Birt about three years ago.

On Friday night 21st ult the store of S. F. Morrison, at Folly Village, Colchester County, was entered. A watch and a quantity of goods were stolen valued at upwards of forty dollars.

At Bridgewater on Thursday last, Robert Smith was killed at Cook's Mills, while attending the lath machine. A piece of wood struck him near the heart, killing him instantly.

The Thunder and lightning was very severe in Kings County last week. On Tuesday it was accompanied by very heavy rains.

The Truro Sun is informed that the army worm has made its appearance at Pembroke, Upper Stewiacke.

Reports from the Magdalen Islands state that a greater abundance of fish of all kinds are to be found in the Gulf this season than for several years previous.

During the past week the hooking of mackerel has begun in Pleasant Bay. The codfishery both on the inshore and the outer Banks, continue good.

Sunday last was decidedly the hottest of the season thus far. The thermometer in many places stood at 95° in the shade, and at 121° in the sun. The season does not as yet fulfil the predictions which said that the summer was to be unusually cool.

Stealing flowers from graves is a contemptible business, and yet there are people mean enough to do this in Halifax and Dartmouth. We hope they may be discovered and severely punished.

BLIND ASYLUM.—The following is a correct list of prizes awarded at the recent examinations at the Blind Asylum:

Literary Department.—Prize 1st, E. P. Fletcher; 2nd, Jane Atwood.

Musical Department.—Prize 1st, E. P. Fletcher; 2nd, Edward Ledham.

Girls' Work Department.—Jane Atwood.

Boys' Work Department.—Prize 1st, John Ross; 2nd, Charles Cole.

Special prizes.—The prize offered by Mr. John Duffus to the pupil under 15 years of age who passed the best general examination has been won by Amos Macneil, of Alberton, P. E. Island. The prize presented by Mr. J. S. Maclean for the pupil who has made the greatest progress in instrumental music has been won by A. M. Chisholm, of Londonderry.