

THE NEW YEAR will shortly be upon us. We are from time to time receiving additions to our list of subscribers, and not seldom from those who were formerly subscribers, but from having removed their residence, or the force of other circumstances had been under the necessity of discontinuing, but finding that they miss the visits of the *Christian Messenger*, wish for its reappearance and embrace the first opportunity of renewing their subscriptions. The names of such persons we always welcome most cordially. Next to these we are glad to hear from the sons or daughters of our good old subscribers, who, having left the parental roof, and themselves become housekeepers, wish to have our visits continued in their own homes, though, perhaps, now living at a considerable distance away. The names of such new subscribers are specially welcome. Then the young intelligent people who have taken their stand on the side of Christ and his kingdom; the names of these are a joy to us when received either from themselves or their friends. Families, too, having a number of young people in them who hitherto have not enjoyed the benefits of a regular weekly Christian newspaper; to these we particularly wish for an introduction, and to such we always desire to bring our quota of information, instruction and news of passing events, religious and general.

Who will assist us in this our responsible mission? GENTLE READER, may we have your generous and kind co-operation in this work? A word of commendation to any such persons may result in their sending on their names with one dollar for six months, or two dollars for a year. Please try, and you shall have our best thanks.

We have a HIGHLY INTERESTING SERIAL with which to commence the New Year, and in which we doubt not our readers of all ages will be greatly delighted.

New Subscribers for 1879 will receive the *Messenger* from the time they send on their subscription

To JANUARY 1st, 1880, the remainder of 1878 being given in.

Rev. Dr. Caylor is bringing out a new book entitled, "Golden Thoughts on Mother, Home and Heaven." From poetic and prose literature of all ages and all lands." It will doubtless be a very valuable compilation, better than gold. Published by E. B. Treat, 805 Broadway, New York.

The following gem by Fanny J. Crossby was written expressly for this work:—

HEAVEN.  
O! where shall human grief be stilled  
And joy for pain be given,  
Where dwells the sunshine of a love  
In which the soul may always rove?  
A sweet voice answered—Heaven.

O, heart, I said, when death shall come  
And all thy cords be riven,  
What lies beyond the swelling tide?  
The same sweet voice to mine replied  
In loving accents—Heaven.

Where, where shall friendship never die?  
Nor parting hand be given?  
My heart was filled with strange delight,  
For in that silent hush of night,  
I heard the answer—Heaven.

O, voyager on life's fitful sea;  
By stormy billows driven;  
Say, what can soothe thy aching breast,  
Or, give thee comfort, joy and rest,  
Like Mother, Home and Heaven?

HISTORY OF THE DOMINION OF CANADA: From the discovery of America to the present time, including a History of the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Manitoba; of the Northwest Territory, and of the island of Newfoundland. By Wm. H. Withrow, M. A., author of "Catacombs of Rome," "School History of Canada," etc., etc.

This book contains a narrative of the voyages and discoveries of the early explorers of the New World; especially of the several provinces of the Dominion of Canada; an account of the manners and customs of the Indian Tribes, of the thrilling adventures of the early settlers, and their conflict with the savages; of the long and heroic strife between the English and the French for the possession of the continent, and of its conquest by the English; a narrative of the American Revolutionary War, especially as affecting Canada; an account of the N. E. Loyalists, and of the settlement and early progress of Upper Canada; a detailed history of the War of 1812-15, with its heroic achievements and hard-fought battles; an account of the social development and political constitution in the several provinces; of the strife of parties and growth of the principles

of civil liberty; a full account of the Rebellion of 1837-8 in Upper and Lower Canada; of the Confederation of the Provinces and Political constitution of the Dominion; a narrative of the Fenian invasion of 1866, and of the Red River Rebellion of 1869-70 to the present time.

The author is a native of Canada. By permission the work is dedicated to Earl Dufferin.

The book contains about 600 pages octavo, illustrated by fine steel engravings of Her Majesty Queen Victoria and Lord Dufferin; also a group plate of Gov. Tilley and Alex. Gibson, Mayor Earle and John Boyd of St. John; a map of the Dominion, with fifty or more wood-cuts of public institutions, natural scenes, etc.

If another edition should be called for there will probably be some addition to the pictorial representations of Nova Scotia; it has now but one—the High School at Yarmouth.

OUR HOME MISSIONS.

The H. M. Board met in regular monthly session on Monday the 4th inst.

Reports were read from four Missionaries giving a total of 13 baptisms. The brethren receiving aid are working hard and God is blessing their labours. Pray for them, and for your Board, that we may know the right and have courage to do it.

- VOTES.
1. A grant of \$75.00 to the Shelburne field to aid them in supporting their pastor till May 31st, 1879. Rev. G. H. Goudy has accepted a call to that field.
  2. A grant of \$175.00 to New Glasgow to assist them in securing ministerial labour till May 31st, 1879. Rev. D. Freeman is expected to resume work on that field.
  3. Brother H. E. S. Maider, Lic. of Mahone Bay was requested to preach at New Canada and adjacent sections two Sabbaths out of four till May 31st, 1879.

FUNDS.

The amount of orders drawn exceeded the amount in Treasury by about \$100.00, so that we are in immediate need of funds. At the beginning of next month there will be salaries due to the amount of about \$400.00. We should therefore receive at least \$500.00 before the December meeting.

P. E. ISLAND.

The statement received from Bro. James DesBrisay shows that about all the funds in his hands have been paid out. We trust the Island Brethren will immediately put him in position to pay the orders that will be sent to him next month.

APOLOGY.

I am sorry that my communication in the last *Messenger* should even seem to throw cold water on a good enterprise. I know that the brethren in Hants Co., (I know of no others) have adopted quarterly contributions and right heartily do I approve of their efforts as well as other work that they are doing in the interests of Home Missions.

I spoke of the half yearly contribution because so many churches do not attempt anything more than the yearly; but especially because the first half of the mission year was so nearly ended, November being the last month. Brethren say to those members who tell you that the Secretary only asks for a half-yearly contribution that he prefers the half-yearly to the yearly and the quarterly to the half-yearly.

A. COHOON, Cor. Sec.  
Hebron, Nov. 7th 1878.

Notices.

RECEIVED FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Collection from Margaret Ch., per Rev. James Stubbert.....\$111 01  
Col. from New Ross, per C. Haverstock..... 56 28  
Col. from New Glasgow, per Rev. P. S. McGregor..... 24 16  
Col. from Fall River, per R. M. Hunt..... 16 05  
Col. from New and Coddle Harbors, per Rev. A. W. Barrs... 30 23  
Col. from Baptist Ch., Falmouth, per Aux. Board, Hants Co.... 6 85  
Col. from Baptist Church, Newport, Poplar Grove Section, per Aux. Board, Hants Co..... 5 05  
Donation fm. W. F. Harlow, Sable River, for French Miss. 1 00  
Donation fm. Wm. Weddleton, 1st Yarmouth Church..... 5 00  
Col. fm. Clyde River Ch., P. E. I. 9 45

\$265 08

J. C. ANDERSON,  
Trea. H. M. Board.  
Yarmouth, Oct. 31, 1878

FOREIGN MISSION.

The following contributions to the Foreign Mission have been received since my last report:—

From Nova Scotia:

Mission Band of Temple Church, Yarmouth, per Miss E. Lewis, \$ 17 00  
Second Church, Hillsburg..... 8 71  
Brookfield Church, Colchester Co. 2 50  
Wentworth Church, per Rev. D. W. Crandall..... 4 50  
Weymouth Church..... 3 45  
Melrose Church, per Rev. J. B. McQuillin..... 4 25  
Acadia Mines Church, per Rev. G. F. Miles..... 5 00  
Donation from Mr. G. F. Miller, Bear River..... 20 00  
Mrs. Joseph Shaw, Milton, Yarmouth County..... 25 00  
Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D., Wolfville..... 10 00  
Annual donation from Mrs. C. C. Scott, Truro, for the support of K. B. Mahanty, native preacher in Jeypore..... 50 00  
Mrs. M. R. Selden, Treasurer of N. S. Central Board of W. M. A. Societies..... 138 02

From New Brunswick:

From J. W. Spurden, Treasurer of Convention, Fredericton, being collections taken at Convention..... 80 67  
Convention expenses..... 12 50 68 17

Jacksonville Church, per Rev. G. E. Good..... 5 57  
Donation from Deacon C. Connolly, Jacksontown..... 3 00  
Woodstock Church..... 6 75  
Grand Falls Church..... 1 00  
Upper Queensbury Church..... 0 30  
Olivet Church, Otnabog..... 0 50  
Springfield, York Co., Church, per Rev. D. P. Harris..... 3 00  
First Kingsclear Church..... 7 28  
Maonaque Church, per Rev. P. R. Knight..... 7 75  
North River Church..... 2 00  
Donation of Mr. J. H. Fowler, Havelock, N. B..... 2 00  
Collection taken at Missionary Meeting in Baillie, Charlotte Co., by Mrs. J. T. Eaton..... 1 31  
per Rev. G. M. W. Carey, from an unknown friend, Chatham, Collection in Germain Street Church, St. John, Sept. 9th..... 26 00  
THOS. P. DAVIES,  
Treas. F. M. Board.  
St. John, N. B., Nov. 28, 1878.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Upper Wilnot.—Mrs. Hall.....\$5 00  
Canard.—Mrs. S. B. Kempton... 3 00  
Pugwash.—Miss Florence Page. 2 00  
M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.  
Halifax, Nov. 13th, 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 BRUNSWICK 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.

DARTMOUTH 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.

Letters Received.

Leo, \$2, 1 sub. B. C. Robbins, all correct to March 30, 1879. Rev. Isa. Wallace, 1 sub. Rev. E. N. Archibald, 1 sub. T. A. Margeson, \$2.50. S. T. R. Bill, Esq., \$4. Rev. J. H. Robbins, \$2. J. S. Witter, \$4. Rev. J. H. Robbins, \$2, 1 sub. W. S. West, \$2. Rev. I. J. Skinner, \$2. No signature, Albany, \$2. Mrs. R. Upham, \$6. Rev. John Shaw, \$4.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

Summer Arrangement, 1878

TRAINS leave Halifax:—  
At 8.50 a. m. (Express) for St. John.  
At 6.10 p. m. (Express) for Riviere du Loup.  
At 8.50 a. m., and 4.40 p. m., for Pictou.  
WILL ARRIVE:—  
At 10.40 a. m., (Express) from Riviere du Loup.  
At 8 p. m., (Express) from St. John.  
At 9.15 a. m., (Accommodation) from Truro.  
At 3 p. m., (Express) from Pictou.  
April 25.

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March 8. 1878

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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St. NICHOLAS,  
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For Girls and Boys.  
An Ideal Children's Magazine.  
Messrs. Scribner & Co., in 1873, began the publication of St. NICHOLAS, an illustrated Magazine for Girls and Boys, with Mrs. Mary Mapes Dodge as editor. Five years have passed since the first number was issued, and the magazine has won the highest position. It has a monthly circulation of  
Over 50,000 Copies.  
It is published simultaneously in London and New York, and the transatlantic recognition is almost as general and hearty as the American. Although the progress of the magazine has been a steady advance, it has not reached its editor's ideas of best, because her ideal continually outruns it, and the magazine as swiftly follows after. To-day St. NICHOLAS stands  
Alone in the World of Books.

The New York 'Tribune' has said of it: "St. NICHOLAS has reached a higher platform, and commands for its service wider resources in art and letters than any of its predecessors or contemporaries." The London 'Literary World' says: "There is no magazine for the young that can be said to equal this choice production of Scribner's press."  
Good Things for 1878-9.  
The arrangements for literary and art contributions for the new volume—the sixth—are complete, drawing from already favorite sources, as well as from promising new ones. Mr. Frank R. Stockton's new serial story for boys, "A Jolly Fellowship,"

Will run through the twelve monthly parts, beginning with the number for November, 1878, the first of the volume, and will be illustrated by James E. Kelly. The scene of this story, like that of the very successful one, "What Might Have Been Expected," published in St. NICHOLAS, is laid in the South. For the girls, a continued tale,  
"Half a Dozen Housekeepers,"  
By Katharine D. Smith, with illustrations by Frederick Diehlman, begins in the same number; and a fresh serial by Susan Coolidge, entitled "Eyebright," with plenty of pictures, will be commenced early in the volume. There will also be a continued fairy-tale called  
"Rumpty Dudget's Tower,"  
Written by Julian Hawthorne, and illustrated by Alfred Fredericks. About the other familiar features of St. NICHOLAS, the editor preserves a good-humored silence, content, perhaps, to let her five volumes already issued, prophesy concerning the sixth, in respect to short stories, pictures, poems, humor, instructive sketches, and the lure and lore of "Jack-in-the-Pulpit," the "Very Little Folks" department, and the "Letter-box," and "Riddle-box."

The November Number.  
Attention is especially invited to the November number, which in many respects approaches nearer to our ideal than any number we have issued. It contains 72 pages, and its illustrations throughout are fine and varied. It begins two splendid serials. Its shorter papers represent a wide range of subject,—History, Travel, Fun, Poetry, Adventure, Science, Natural History, Home-Life, Sport, and lively narrative,—the whole crowned by an appropriate Thanksgiving story.  
Throughout are seen evidences and fruit of the editor's recent travel across the continent, and Mrs. Dodge's inimitable touches everywhere show the heartiness and zeal with which she resumes active editorial management. One long article and two poems in this number bear her signature, and in the Letter-Box she talks pleasantly with the young folks about her delightful journey to California. There is a fine portrait of FRANK R. STOCKTON, accompanied by a sketch of his life.  
Terms \$3.00 a year; 25 cents a Number. Subscriptions received by the publishers of this paper, and by all booksellers and postmasters.

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Nov. 13.

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Most especially is the application of Electricity in this form beneficial to those disorders arising from youthful indiscretion, sexual excess or dissipation of any kind, whereby the pro-creative powers are lessened and Impotency threatened. No false delicacy or sense of shame should prevent the sufferer, subject to restless nights, night-mare, dreams, palpitation of the heart, neuralgia, dimness of sight and other symptoms of nervous and physical debility, applying to the undersigned for relief.  
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0	Windsor.....	Leave	A. M. 11 30	P. M. 5 45
18	Wolfville	do	10 30 12 49	5 51
25	Kentville	Arrive	10 50 1 20	7 15
	"	Leave	11 10 1 40	
53	Wilmot	Leave	12 27 3 35	
84	Annapolis	Arrive	2 00 5 40	
	[St. John, do]		7 30	

Miles.	GOING EAST.	Pass. and Freight, Mon, Wed, & Fri.	Pass. and Freight, Tues, Thurs, & Sat.	Express daily.
	St. John,	Leave	A. M. 8 00	P. M. 8 00
	Annapolis,	do	7 15 2 25	
31	Wilmot,	Leave	9 15 3 51	
59	Kentville,	Arrive	11 15 5 05	
	do	Leave	7 00 11 40 5 15	
66	Wolfville,	do	7 27 12 10 5 35	
84	Windsor,	Arrive	8 30 1 50 6 30	

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Nov. 13.

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