

gole. Oh that we had a hundred men and women like those we sent out last year! There are places ready for all, and it makes my heart ache to hear so many villages plead for a preacher—a school-teacher—some one to read the Bible, and teach all who wish to learn."

Ongole, Aug. 5, 1878.

Rev. J. C. Bleakney in a letter dated Sept. 9th complains that the notice of the late installation service at Hantsport in *Christian Messenger* of July 31st does him injustice.

The following is the sentence to which our brother takes exception:—

"The singing of the doxology and pronouncing the benediction closed one of the most interesting meetings ever held by the Baptist church at Hantsport, and the union existing between the newly induced pastor and people, and his adaptability to fill the wants of the church, long felt, indicate a greater degree of prosperity than the church has enjoyed for some years past.

ONE PRESENT."

The notice came to us with the following private note which we regarded as sufficient to relieve us of all responsibility in its publication:

Dear Brother Selden,—Enclosed I send you for publication in the *Christian Messenger* a brief statement of the induction services held here. Please put it in the next issue as it has been delayed some time already.

Yours, &c.,
W. A. PORTER.

We should not have referred thus publicly to this matter, but after correspondence with our brother Bleakney he assumed that we endorse the above statement, seeing that it appeared without a proper name appended. We are sorry that our brother should put such a construction upon it seeing it is the expression of an opinion.

The organs of the Government party through the country have some difficulty in meeting the facts of the election, and making them agree with their predictions. The *Eastern Chronicle* says:

"We can solemnly assure our readers that there was no intention to deceive nor no mere bounce in our assuring them of bright prospects of success in the contest that has just ended so unfavorably to the Reform cause."

The Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec put forth in the *Baptist* of the 29th ult. the following exhibit of their financial condition:—

\$7,450 WANTED BY OCTOBER 10TH, FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Estimate for present year less Bro. McLaurin's expense for passage Home..... \$ 8,400
Due Bank for last year..... 2,000

\$10,400

Receipts till 29th July for present year, only..... 2,950

Amount yet required..... \$ 7,450

The Toronto *Globe* of Sep. 13th has a good likeness of Rev. George M. Grant, D. D., late of Halifax, but now Principal of Queen's College, Kingston, Ont. It is accompanied with a well-written notice of his character and labors up to the present time.

POLITICAL.

Surprises are not confined to the political world on the other side of the Atlantic. The result of the elections to the Dominion House of Commons seem to have been a surprise to all parties in the several provinces. Of course each party, as usual, prophesied that a majority would be returned in its own favor and predicted what they themselves wished; but we fancy the most sanguine of the winning party did not venture to anticipate a majority so large as appears to have been cast in opposition to the present government, especially amongst the leading men.

Three members of the Cabinet were defeated—Hon. Mr. Cartwright, Minister of Finance, Hon. Mr. Coffin, Receiver General, and Hon. A. G. Jones, Minister of Militia. Mr. Blake also, one of the most prominent of the government supporters, lost his election, and Mr. Dymond of the Toronto *Globe*.

The information so far as received is as follows.—

FOR HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Province,	Govt.	Opp.
Ontario.....	35	53
Quebec.....	23	42
Nova Scotia.....	7	14
New Brunswick.....	10	1 Indpt.
P. E. Island.....	1	4
Manitoba.....	0	4

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The NOVA SCOTIA MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS are as follows:—

COUNTIES.	GOVT.	OPP.	MAJ.
Annapolis	A. McIsaac,	A. Longley, 138	2
Antigonish, Cape Breton,		W. McDonald, Hugh McLeod, Thos. McKay, Hon. Dr. Tupper, 502	376
Cumberland, Digby, Guysboro, Halifax,		J. C. Wade, Alfred Weston, M. H. Richey, M. B. Daly, W. H. Allison, S. McDonnell,	18 164 669 603
Hants, Inverness, Lunenburg, Queens, Richmond, Victoria, Yarmouth,	Dr. Borden, E. P. Flynn, T. Robertson, D. McDonald, F. Killam,	E. Kaulback, S. T. R. Bill,	43 68 521

This leaves but a fragment of the government to go through the formalities of a resignation of their offices. The fact of Sir John A. McDonald, the leader of the Opposition, being not elected for Kingston, is a slight modification of the grounds for boasting. Although he did not find it difficult to secure return from another place—eighteen seats have been tendered to him the day after the election—yet it was a triumph for the government party that they succeeded in putting another person in for that city, the place he had before represented. Hon. Dr. Tupper was returned by an enlarged majority. It was not supposed we understand by the best informed of his opponents that any change would be made in Cumberland. Some of the majorities were small. Mr. Longley's for Annapolis was but 2, and Hon. Mr. Tilley for St. John but 4. This was a surprise to many, considering the former great popularity of Mr. T.

Some action may be expected shortly for the assembling of Parliament and the changes being made in the members of the Cabinet. The circumstance of this change of government it was expected would detain Earl Dufferin so as to get the change over before the arrival of the Marquis of Lorne in November, but late telegrams indicate that the General-in-Command of the Forces will administer the government in the interim.

The surprise at the result of the Elections to the House of Commons was not greater than the change that appears in the men returned to the Local Legislature.

The following are the names of the gentlemen elected to the

NOVA SCOTIA HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

County,	Government.	Opposition.
Annapolis,		W. B. Troop, Mr. Shuter, J. S. D. Thompson
Antigonish, Cape Breton,	Angus McGillivray,	T. Mosely, D. T. MacLennan, W. H. Patterson
Cumberland,		W. B. Blair, E. Vickery, C. J. Townshend, Mr. Van Blarcom, A. N. MacLennan, J. D. MacLennan, W. D. Harrington, John Pugh, C. J. McDonald, N. Spence, Alex. Campbell, J. S. McDonald, W. C. Bill, Chas. Smith, Edward James, S. H. Holmes, Alex. McKay, A. E. Bell, T. S. Ford, J. C. Bartling, A. McCuish, Capt. McGraw, N. W. White, J. Morrison, Hon. A. Gayton, J. LeBlanc, W. H. McCurdy, J. R. Hinney, Independent.
Digby, Guysboro,	H. Robichau	
Halifax,		
Hants, Inverness, King's,	J. B. Smith, Dr. Campbell	J. S. McDonald, W. C. Bill, Chas. Smith, Edward James, S. H. Holmes, Alex. McKay, A. E. Bell, T. S. Ford, J. C. Bartling, A. McCuish, Capt. McGraw, N. W. White, J. Morrison, Hon. A. Gayton, J. LeBlanc, W. H. McCurdy, J. R. Hinney, Independent.
Lunenburg,		
Pictou,		
Queens,		
Richmond, Shelburne,		
Victoria, Yarmouth,		

The greatest surprise of all perhaps is the large majority that went for the local members for Halifax. Four years ago Hon. P. C. Hi was elected by a majority of over 100 votes, now by a majority of over 500 votes, now he loses his election, being in a minority of near 500 votes. Every member of the Local Government except Hon. Mr. Gayton has been defeated. It thus appears that there are but 7 of the supporters of the government and 21 opposition in the House of Assembly. Modifications might be ex-

pected under some circumstances, but it is likely that with such a majority against them the government will take immediate steps for handing in their resignations, so that a new set of men may go in and take the places.

The following are the numbers of votes polled at the Halifax County election:—

FOR HOUSE OF COMMONS.	
M. H. Richey,	3532 votes.
M. B. Daly,	3466 "
A. G. Jones,	2863 "
P. Power,	2695 "

FOR LOCAL LEGISLATURE.	
C. J. McDonald,	3375 votes.
W. D. Harrington	3353 "
John Pugh,	3133 "
P. C. Hill,	2886 "
M. J. Power,	2739 "
D. Archibald,	2722 "

THE RECEPTION given to Hon. Dr. Tupper, Hon. Jas. McDonald, and Messrs. Richey & Daly, and other members of the House of Commons on Monday evening was a magnificent affair. The line carriages and horsemen with torches reached probably a mile and a half through the streets of our city. There were four bands

of music at different points of the procession. Thousands thronged the sidewalks, colored lights were shown at different points as the procession passed along. They then went to the rink where an address was read and speeches occupied the time till after midnight.

After coming to the Rink, the Dartmouth contingent drove to the Ferry, and the three steamers were occupied in taking them over. The reception committee had arranged a general turnout to receive the members from Cumberland and Pictou. The horsemen to the number of near 200, were standing on either side of Portland Street with torches. At about eleven o'clock the ferry steamer arrived with the carriage conveying the hon. gentlemen. In the square above the ferry wharf the Warden read a highly complimentary address, which was replied to by Dr. Tupper in a brief appropriate speech. Hon. Jas. McDonald also spoke very briefly. The procession was re-formed and passed through several of the streets and accompanied them to the residence of the Hon. Dr. Parker, where Hon. Dr. Tupper will remain a short time.

"They that gladly received His word were baptized, and the same day there were added unto them about 3000 souls."—Acts ii. 41.

Andreas Wiberg, A. M., in his treatise on baptism says, "From this passage of Scripture the objectors of baptism by immersion think it improbable that 3000 souls should be immersed in one day." He says, "The Scriptures do not say they were baptized in one day, but only about that number were added to them the same day."

His interpretation has caused me to think upon the subject, especially since reading Genesis ii. 4, which reads thus: "In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens." Here the word day covers the whole six days that God took in creating the universe. Does this interpretation give light upon the above Scripture, Acts ii. 41? If any of our brethren would give their opinion in the *Christian Messenger* they would much oblige

AN ENQUIRER.

The *Canadian Missionary Link*, September, has appeared. The projectors of this small paper state that the number of subscribers—1000—has going monthly, in the interest of Foreign Mission Societies of Canada, 25 cents per annum in advance. The lady editors, Mrs. Rose and Mrs. Freeland, will please accept our congratulations on the appearance of their neat periodical. We wish for it abundant success.

Rev. John Brown has just returned to Paradise from visit to Boston and New York. He spent last Sabbath in St. John on his way home and was to preach to the Leinster Street Church in the City Hall.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TIMES SCHOLARS' QUARTERLY, Fourth Quarter, 1878, contains the International Bible Lessons with Notes, Questions and various suggestions, as helps to study, supplying a useful compact compendium for Teachers as well as Scholars, also two maps of Palestine published at the office of the Sunday School Times, Philadelphia.

Notices.

HANTS COUNTY MINISTERS' MEETING. The Hants Co. Pastors' Meeting will be held in the Poplar Grove Baptist Church at 11 a. m., and there will be a meeting of the Auxiliary Board at 2 p. m., on the first Tuesday of October.

J. A. MCLEAN, Sec'y.

P. E. ISLAND QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Quarterly Meeting of the P. E. Island Baptist Ministers will (D. V.) take place at Alberton on Tuesday, Oct. 8th, at 7½ p. m. Pastor J. A. Gordon will preach the first sermon. This is an important field. Pastors and others, come together and let us expect a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord."

D. G. MCDONALD, Sec'y.

Charlottetown, Sept. 16, 1878.

The New Baptist Meeting-house at Riverdale, Yarmouth, will be opened (D. V.) for divine worship on Sunday, October 6th. The Rev. A. Cahoon, A. M., will preach at 10½ A. M.; the Rev. J. B. McQuillin may be expected to preach at 2½ P. M.; the Rev. A. H. Layters at 7 P. M. Collections will be taken up in aid of defraying expenses of building.

Ministering brethren and others interested are invited to be present.

P. R. FOSTER, Pastor.

CASH RECEIVED TOWARDS FUND FOR RE-BUILDING ACADIA COLLEGE.		
Winfield Wallace, Wolfville....	\$ 5 00	
Eager Wallace, do	2 00	
J. W. Bigelow, do	1000 00	
Jacob Denton, do	10 00	
Mrs. J. Crosscup, Truro.....	5 00	
Collection at Fredericton, per J. W. Spurden, Esq.....	14 72	
Rev. J. A. McLean, Poplar Grove, Hants Co.....	5 00	

per, and the name of Northrop and Lyman are blown in the bottle, and TAKE NO OTHER. Sold by all medicine dealers. Price, 25 cts. NORTHROP & LYMAN Toronto, Ont., Proprietors for the Dominion.

NOTE—ELECTRIC—Selected and Elec-

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June 26. 2m. eow.

Marriages.

At Eastville, Londonderry, Sept. 18th, by Rev. M. F. Freeman, Mr. Albert M. McLellan, to Miss Nancy A. Elliott, of Masstown.

At Truro, on Thursday, Sept. 19th, by the Rev. S. W. deBlois, A. M., Henry Chip