For the Christian Messenger. Another at Rest.

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W. A. D. MACKINLAY, ESQ., A. B., formerly of Charlottetown, P. E. Island. Being constitutionally weak he spent many years seeking a congenial climate in different parts of the United States. During the past summer he resided in Petersburg, Virginia, with the family of his brother-in-law, Rev W. B. Bradshaw.

On Saturday, the 8th inst., he came to Bridgetown N. S., intending to spend the winter with his sister, Mrs. W. H. Warren. The fatigue occasioned by the journey, together with the enfeebled state of his health, evidently exceeded his power of endurance. He sank rapidly after his arrival, and passed away to rest on the following Tuesday, in the 34th year of his age.

Mr. Mackinlay was a young man of most amiable and gentlemanly disposition, and was endowed with an intellect which placed him in the very first rank of successful students. He pursued a course of studies at the Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, P. E. Island, and subsequently graduated with honors at Acadia.

His aspirations were high, but constitutional infirmities seemed to defeat his best efforts to realize the ideal of his life. But few know how patiently and persistently he struggled to overcome the difficulties which beset him, and to bear with submissiveness the necessary burdens of life. At times his spirits seemed to glow with radiant hope, and again the light faded away leaving the darkness of disappointment and hopelessness. His conflicting feelings are finely described in the following lines found written on one of his scraps of paper :-

LIGHT AND DARKNESS.

Why live, when life is sad, Death only sweet? Why fight, when closest fight Ends in defeat? Why pray, when purest prayer Dark thoughts assail? Why strive, and strive again. Only to fail? Why hope, when life has proved Our best hopes vain? Why love, when love is fraught With so much pain? Why not cool heart and brain In the deep wave? Why not lie down and rest In the still grave?

Live-there are many round thee Needing thy care; Pray-there is One at hand Helping thy prayer; Fight-for the love of God, Not for renown; Strive—but in His great strength, Not in thine own; Hope-there is heaven's joy Laid up for thee;

Love-for true love outlives Its agony; Fight, pray, and wrestle on, Loving God best, Then, when thy work is done,

Lie down and rest.

That longed-for rest has at last been obtained, and the dim twilight of life's uncertain hopes has, we feel assured, given place to the noon-day glory of the life beyond.

The remains of the deceased, accompanied by Rev. W. H. Warren, arrived at Charlottetown by steamer on Friday last, and were conveyed thence to the old home at Franklin Point. On Saturday appropriate funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. C. Burgess, and a large number of relatives and friends followed the body to its last resting place in the Cornwall cemetry. W. H. W.

Nov. 13, 1879.

For the Christian Messenger. Dear Brother Selden,-

When I commenced my series of articles on the Coming of the Lord, I supposed "Luke" had brought his to a close. I with others of your readers, was glad to learn that you had no wish to confine your columns to one

side of the question. And so having "waited," like the Elihu of old, I felt constrained to "shew mine opinion." But it seems that "Luke" had not finished up in his "former treatise, O Theophilus." I do not know as he could justly claim a right to the "floor."

you," or keep them by you, till they idea of having this discussion indefinitecan be published without over cramming ly drawn out when we inserted the -I quite agree with an " Elder " friend earlier articles on the subject. We It is our painful duty to record the that the opinions of men, whether ancient were willing to give considerable latideath of another of Acadia's honored or modern, are of very little weight. But tude so long as light could be thrown, the Book, the PRECIOUS BIBLE, you and the plain teachings of the Scripcannot give us too much of that, as I tures brought to bear upon it. But we am confident " An Elder" will readily are not inclined any more than our

PAUL.

For the Christian Messenger.

Mr. Editor,-

reply to the letter accompanying the readers, than by resting, at so much publication of the report of our Associ- length, upon what the fathers have tion on Home and Foreign Missions, I said. The difference between the will ask room enough to make my bow parties who argue for a literal inand retire. I do not wish to discuss terpretation, and others is mostly the question whether my reply has in the extent to which they hold done " Home Missionary Man " justice | that prophecies are to be taken as ren are true to all our interests, I fail tation of unfulfilled prophesy being to see the object of the criticism except | wholly literal. it was to correct my methods of expression which I must say is cause too triffing for such an array of letters. As my to us than the most correct opinion we brother's reply does not bear so much | may hold on " the Second Coming of on the point at issue as on my answer | Christ" is His spiritual presence with to his criticism and because some of his expressions are less dignified than becomes a critic, I desire to dimiss the Association adopted the report they unconveyed no ideas damaging to Foreign | given in the Divine Word is, we believe, discussed.

HERBERT FOSHAY.

Charlottetown P. E. I. P. S. When our Foreign Missions be gin to suffer the want of funds as our Home Missions do from year to year we shall in all probability feel as much interest in the former as in the latter. I speak with consideration. It is a shame the way some of our Home Missionaries are left to suffer want. Are these not the men who are doing the hard work of the denomination? That many of our Home Missionaries do not receive a comfortable support is not the fault of the Board but of the denomination. have a good many plain things to say concerning this matter and can hardly restrain my pen. We shall be obliged however to await the results of the new financial scheme of the Convention. Apologizing for the space I have taken in your paper as also for the UNDUE length of this post-script.

I remain yours &c.,

For the Christian Messenger. Yarmouth County Baptist Sabbath School Convention.

Dear Editor, - The ninth semi-annual session of the Yarmouth County Baptist Sabbath School Convention met with the Lake George Church, Oct. 28th 1879.

Three sessions were held as usual. This being the yearly meeting, the morning session was occupied principally with the reading of letters, election of officers, etc. H. H. Crosby, Esq., of Hebron was chosen President.

The afternoon session was occupied by the discussion of the following sub-

1st. Illustrations an important part in S. School teaching.

Opened by Rev. J. B. McQuillin. 2nd. Are Union Sunday Schools de-

Opened by Rev. A. Cohoon. The subject was discussed with much earnnestness, and unanimously condemned.

The Model class was taught by Rev. John Clark, pastor of Temple Church. The evening session was taken up in discussing-What the Sabbath Schools expects of parents and scholars.

Opened by Rev. John Clark. Thirteen schools were represented by 36 delegates, 83 male, 42 female teachers. 468 male, 612 female scholars, half year average 670. Church members in school 315, Books in libraries 1772. Money raised \$311 36.

The Christian Messenger.

W. E. HEUSTIS, Sec'ty.

Halifax, N. S., November 19, 1879.

The Second Coming of Our Lord is doubtless a matter of very deep interest to all Christians, and one in which after so long a pause; but I will readily those who choose to give it their close concede; especially as he is coming attention may devote any amount of nearer to the "standard, the Book of time, space and research. It may be a Books;" and so the "books and espe- profitable subject of consideration, or cially the parchments," which I left- otherwise, according as persons are in-(happily there is no "cloak" in the clined to make it so, but there are

"Elder" correspondent of last week to have it extended so as to weary our readers. It is unwise in writers to pursue such course. They awaken more favor for a subject by less prolixity and by putting their own thoughts Without wishing to make a formal distinctly and briefly before their or injustice I meant to do him justice. literal, and how much is to be under-If (as he acknowledges) the intention of stood as figurative. We hold that it is the report was good and the Island breth- the merest folly to talk of an interpre-

Perhaps a far more important matter us now,-His dwelling in our own hearts and in the hearts of men and women generally and ruling over them subject. I will only add that when the as Lord and Master, and His reigning King in Zion-his church. The subderstood that it became theirs: that it mission of his people to the commands Missions; and that the brethren were the best preparation for his appearing, fully awake when the vote was taken and a far better indication of our readiof his plans in Providence, and the bestowment of his grace to change men in this world, and raise them up and make them a people to His praise. If we can do anything to awaken our fellowmen to a consideration of their state, and to a reception of the Truth which makes them His free subjects, we shall be following more in the Master's footsteps than by speculation as to his Second Appearing.

> It is due to our brother Rev. J. A McLean to explain that his article has been accidentally delayed for several weeks in its transmission to us. This will explain to "Luke" the lateness at which it appears.

A valuable suggestion to all whom may concern; Remittances for the Christian Messenger are always in demand. Please forward early.

"FIGHTING IN THE DARK" is the title chosen by Mr. C. F. Fraser, who is himself blind, and is the superintendent of the Institution for the Blind, for a little book on the condition of that Institution and of the blind generally. He gives some particulars of the remarkable cases of Laura Bridgman and Oliver Caswell who were both blind and deaf and who both of them have attained a wonderful degree of intelligence and ability to communicate their thoughts under the instruction of Dr. Howe Director of the Perkins Institute for the Blind in Boston.

The graphic picture Dr. Howe presents in describing the development of Oliver Caswell's mental powers is most striking. Laura Bridgman had been for some time in the Institution before he came. Dr. H., says :-

vivid and pleasant impressions upon my mind than did that of these two young children of nature, helping each other to work their way through the thick wall which cut them off from intelligitheir fellow-creatures. They must have cell, through chinks in the wall of which they got a few vague and incomprehensible signs of the existence of persons like themselves in form and nature. Would that the picture could be drawn vividly enough to impress the minds of others as strongly and pleasantly as it did my own! I seem to see the two, sitting side by side, at a school desk, with a piece of pasteboard, embossed with tangible signs representing letters, before them and under their hands. Laura grasping one of Oliver's and guiding his forefinger along the outline; while, with the other hand, she

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any sign of understanding the lesson; while her own handsome and express ive face is turned towards his; every feature of her countenance absolutely radiant with intense emotions, among which curiosity and hope shine most brightly. Oliver, with his head thrown back shows curiosity amounting to wonder; and his parted lips and relaxing facial muscle express keen pleasure, until they beam with that fun and drollery which always characterizes him.

No scene on the boards of a pantomi mic theatre could exceed this real, living, but silent, intercourse between two sorely bereaved but happy youth, who never thought of the impression which departure of our worthy Bro. Payson. they made upon beholders.

Thus Oliver points my moral and adorns my tale here, by giving living proof that a blind and deaf mute man may pass his his life usefully and happily; and may make himself independent by the trained work of his own hands, and lay up a surplus in the bank for his

In a list of sixteen Blind Asylums in the United States and Ontario. shewing the cost per pupil, it appears that the one in Halifax costs less than any of them. They vary from \$400 to \$150, which latter sum is the cost per pupil here.

A photograph of the Halifax Institution is given as a frontispiece to the able visit on Saturday last. He was book, which is neatly gotten up by the on his way to Margaree, there to spend N. S. Printing Company. Mr. Fraser | the winter. The Divine blessing havwill please accept our thanks for a ing rested so remarkably on his labors capy of the book. We hope it will in that locality the Home Mission Board awaken new interest in an Institution | have done well to invite him to return which is one of our city ornaments.

In our list of Deaths will be seen as they were also while it was being ness to receive him, whenever he shall that of REV. JOHN CHASE, at Wolf- away to his home in New Brunswick appear, than the most correct and Scrip- ville. He had retired from active tural opinions it is possible for us to service in the ministry for several hold. This is our great work in this years. He was ordained July 1, 1835, world. We have to help on with all and was for some time pastor of the our powers in promoting his kingdom. church at Bridgetown. He had been By doing this we shall best subserve greatly afflicted for some years, yet the cause of truth and righteousness in always actively concerned for the spiritthe world. This is the "coming" we | ual, and especially educational interests | pathy on his great loss, his aged prefer to consider. We can afford to of the body. His remains were taken leave the future developments of his to Canard. Cornwallis, on Saturday appearing in this world to the unfolding last. A further notice will probably

> ACADIA COLLEGE has a larger number of students the present term than ever before. We are informed that there are about eighty students in all the classes.

HORTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY has between sixty and seventy students in the Male Department. The Female Department has about 14 young ladies in its classes. Seventeen of these are of JANUARY FOR NOTHING!! occupying the excellent accomodations of the new Seminary Boarding House. This will give a population of about 200 on College Hill, besides professors, teachers, &c., which must make that locality quite a lively place, at certain times of the day.

The corps of teachers in each of, the Institutions is such as may be a guarantee of the best results.

The Committee of Management have been very fortunate in securing the services of W.M. McVicar, Esq., as successor to Dr. Hall, as Vice Principal of the Academy. Mr. McVicar has had a very successful private Academy at Woodlands, Wilmot, for several years past, and is a very competent and efficient Teacher.

REV. E. M. SAUNDERS has preached on the two past Lord's Day mornings sermons bearings on our denominational position. That on the 9th Inst. was a powerful defence of Christian Baptism making special reference to the more recent statements of learned men, especially of Dean Stanley on the scripturalness of the views and practices of Baptists. The sermon preached last Sabbath morning was on the Nature of a Christian Church, its officers, its ordinances and its order. We were "No scene in a long life has left more intending to have given our readers the utterances of Dean Stanley in separate article in the columns of the Messenger, but as a number of persons have expressed a wish for the publicable and sympathetic relations with all | tion of Mr. Saunders' sermon in the Messenger, we concluded to reserve felt as if immured in a dark and silent our statements till afterwards, and shall in our next give our subscribers an opportunity of reading the said sermon, which will well repay perusal.

> PERSONALS .- HOLLAND E. PAYson, Esq., of Westport Brier Island passed away to his rest on Tuesday the 4th Inst.

A letter just received from his son, C. H. Payson, Esq., informs us that case left with Carpus and I am not just limits of time and space which must be observed in its discussion, which by ing on)—you can "bring them with limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by ing on)—you can "bring them with limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by ing on)—you can "bring them with limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by ing on)—you can "bring them with limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by ing on)—you can "bring them with limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by ing on)—you can "bring them with limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by ing on)—you can "bring them with limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by ing on the limits of time and space which must be feels the changes in the features of his observed in its discussion, which by face, to find whether, by any motion of ed, but conversed with perfect freedom limits of time and space which must be observed in its discussion. This is a neat new book of pieces are constant.

and enjoyed much of the Divine Presence yet seemed to long for the time when he would be with Christ, which is far better. He will be greatly missed by a large number of relatives and friends.

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Our long acquaintance with our departed brother has been of the most pleasant character. We were looking forward to making another visit to his hospitable home with the next session of the Western Association. If spared to meet with our brethren on that occasion we shall, in common with the brethren generally, feel greatly the

REV. S. W. DEBLOIS preached in the North Baptist Churchon Sunday last in exchange with the pastor Rev. J. W. Manning, who preached at Wolfville.

REV. S. B. KEMPTON preached in the Dartmouth Baptist Church last Lord's Day morning and evening. Mr. H. A. Spencer, of Dartmouth Church was with the First Cornwallis Church, and supplied Mr. Kempton's pulpit. He had been for several days in Cornwallis presenting the case of the Dartmouth Baptist Church, with some suc-

REV. P. R. FOSTER made us an agreeand spend some longer period with

REV. E. M. KIERSTEAD was called on Tuesday last by the death of his mother who has been long afflicted. Our bereaved brother informs us her sufferings had been severe, but her departure was peaceful and without a

Bro. Kierstead will accept our symfather also, the Rev. Elias Kierstead of Collina, N. B. She was buried on Thursday last. Rev. W. A. Corey, of Sussex, preached on Rev. xiv. 18, to a congregation crowding the church.

An interesting letter from REV. I. E. BILL came too late for our present issue, will appear in our next. Also one from Miss Payne and one from Rev. H. Morrow, missionaries in Burmah.

Do not forget that New Subscri-BERS FOR 1880, paying in advance, receive the Messenger UP TO THE 1ST

HARPER'S YOUNG PEOPLE; an illustrated weekly has just made its appearance from Harper & Brothers, New York. Will to make

This is, as the name indicates, for young people. Its contents are suited intelligent boys and girls who can understand and enjoy what they read. The contents are full of instruction and the illustrations good. It costs \$1.50

MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST: the great wheat-fields and stock raising districts of Canada. Facts and information for settlers with a map of the country.

A large amount of information is here given in the space of 24 pages, published under the authority of the Hudson's Bay Company, C. J. Brydges, Land Commissioner, shewing the great productiveness of the soil, and the probabilities of Manitoba becoming the great wheat-producing country of Great Britain. When the railways now in course of construction are completed, say, in about two years, the cost of transporting wheat thence to Liverpool, G. B., will be about 45 cents per bushel. "Farmers in Manitoba now state that the cost of raising wheat does not exceed, if it reaches 40 cents a bushel," so that the cost of raising and sending wheat to England would be 85 cents a bushel or 28s. 4d. a quarter. Whilst wheat there in England sells for 40s. per quarter a good profit is to be made.

The average price of wheat in England for the 30 years from 1849 to 1878 was 53s. a quarter—the highest price being 73s. 11d. in 1855, and the lowest 39s. 7d. in 1851."

With these as established facts there will doubtless soon be a large emigration from Europe to those western lands of the Dominion.

WHITE ROBES. - A Choice Collechis death was occasioned by internal tion of Songs, Quartets and Choruses stout hands with her graceful fingers injury sustained from a severe fit of for Sunday Schools and Devotional coughing. He had been sick but a Meetings. By A. J. Abbey and M. J.