

For the Christian Messenger. Tabernacle Notes.

Dear Brethren, think not that because our notes of late, have not been continuous, therefore we have been idling in the vineyard, and that there has been no gleanings or vintage gathered, although sometimes we have sought figs and only found leaves, nevertheless we are greatly encouraged in the work of the Lord. In our Sabbath School we verily believe we have faithful keepers of the vineyards, who are anxious about the tender grapes, and wise to catch the little foxes which spoil the vines.

The summer heat has revealed, that some house-top plants, had not much earth, and others manifest that the thorns and cares of life are choking the good seed. But our hope and prayer for such, is, that they may be saved.

During my visit to the Sabbath School Convention at Windsor, my heart was cheered by a sister's enquiry, "Are all the 'chairs of welcome' sold yet, I should like to purchase one in the Tabernacle, I may never use it myself, but some strangers may, and the Lord bless them, my means are small, will you accept 40 cents?" It was a freewill offering, and at our next prayer meeting I said, let us thank God for this and take courage, almost directly after, a person, rose to tell us that they had a cheque for \$100 from Ruben Hart Esquire of this city, for us. It came at a time specially useful, and herein we see the manifold wisdom and goodness of God towards us. For we have now a call for the almost immediate outlay of this sum on the building.

Brethren, as you gather in your harvest we trust that you will remember us and our work at the Tabernacle, we are gathering the strangers, and many of the Lord's poor. We want to fit up our stoves which will cost about 40 dollars, and as the Lord may enable us we want to often light and heat the place for service, during the coming winter; and next spring to plaster the vestry, 2,000 dollars are needed. Many of our brethren are out of employ, the Lord has ever given us a little meal, a handful in the barrel, and we look to Him still to influence His stewards to give unto us.

J. F. Avery, Pastor.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

N. E. MARGAREE, C. B.—It gives me much pleasure to inform you and servants of the Lord who have visited and labored faithfully in this place, that after years of death and excruciating trials, the great Head of the Church has commanded copious showers of blessings to come down upon many of the inhabitants of this locality. Bro. P. R. Foster came here two months ago after a few weeks of persevering labor and toils. In the pulpit and with tears from house to house, he and others began to find that there was a shaking among the dry bones in this valley.

The little Zion here had almost said, "The Lord hath forsaken me, and my God hath forgotten me." Now we can say, "Sing O heavens, and be joyful O earth and break forth into singing, O mountains for the Lord hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted."

Our place of worship has become too strait for us, and we are crowded every evening with anxious enquirers. Large numbers have found peace in believing and experiencing the power and love of Christ Jesus to save. We expect to have a happy day next Sabbath when a number are expected to put on Christ, in the ordinance of Baptism. The awakening is spreading into every part of the place, strong men are made to bow. There have been several revivals in this place since it was first settled, the opinion with many is that this is the most extensive ever seen here.

Brother Foster is happy in his work. May the Lord sustain him to bring home the sheep that went astray from the fold of God. By giving this a corner in your valuable paper, you will oblige, Yours in the hope of Eternal Life. L. McDONALD.

Sept. 11, 1879.

CHESTER.—Rev. I. J. Skinner in a P. S., writes:—"I had the privilege of baptizing one young person on the first Lord's day in this month. Another is received as a candidate for baptism.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—The Dominion Exhibition at Ottawa closed on Friday last. The railway and steamboat returns show 25,000 visitors during the week.

The scene on Friday evening was most brilliant, when in the Senate Chamber the Princess Louise presented the gold Exhibition medals. Those of silver and bronze are to be presented by the Commission.

On Wednesday it is said that 30,000 people visited the Exhibition grounds. The weather was fine and the Exhibition was a grand financial success. The principal attractions were Manitoba hall, the fish tanks and art gallery. Horticultural hall was gorgeous with flowers and fruit. There were no Nova Scotia exhibits. The American visitors express themselves astonished and delighted at the Exhibition. Frankly confess that they had no idea of the beauty of the place and the resources of the country.

The Mail, in a cablegram from London, dated 24th, says:—"Vice Admiral Sir Leopold McClintock has been definitely named as the officer who is to succeed Sir Edward Ingfield in the command of Her Majesty's ships on the North American and West Indian stations. Sir Leopold is an old Arctic explorer, and a very popular officer in the branch of the service to which he belongs."

The Government has received intimation that the delegates from England, Ireland, Scotland, and Sweden will visit Canada this fall, for the purpose of learning its advantages for emigrants. Some of the delegates are pastors of congregations, suffering from difficulties in Europe.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—On Thursday last Mrs. Margaret McCourt, of Middle St., St. John, dropped dead while hanging out clothes.

P. E. ISLAND.—Mr. Edward Manning, Superintendent of Education in P. E. Island, has been dismissed and Mr. Donald Montgomery, M. P. P., of Belfast, appointed in his stead.

Charlottetown exhibits a cauliflower, weighing 6 1/2 lbs., and a broccoli, weighing 5 1/2 lbs.

UNITED STATES.—The Walking mania and Running Contests seem to have broken out with fresh virulence in the United States. Twelve men were engaged for several days in a contest last week in New York. Large stakes were pending. The charge for admission to the grounds amounted on Friday to \$72,000. The expenses would amount to \$42,000. The first man would receive \$26,500.

A telegram from New York on Monday said: "At the end of the contest for the Astley Belt Rowell had scored 530 miles, Merritt 515, Hazael 500, Hart 482, Guyen 471, Weston 455, Ennis 450, Koehne 450, Taylor 250."

The directors of the penitentiary at Charleston, S. C., on Friday last, discussed the terrible death rate among convicts hired out under the contract system the past year. Of 200 hired to Greenwood and Augusta over 100 died.

A shocking tragedy occurred at Stamford, Conn., on Wednesday morning. Rev. David L. Loundsburg, Rector of Christ Church, was shot by his wife as he lay asleep and instantly killed. His wife has been ill and was temporarily deranged at the time of the tragedy.

At Carroll, Io., the greater portion of the business centre, over forty business blocks, has been burned. Loss \$200,000. Rebuilding has already commenced.

On Friday morning at Deadwood, a fire broke out in a bakery in Sherman Street and consumed almost the entire business portion of the city. Thousands of people are homeless and in a destitute condition. Loss estimated at \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000. Little or no insurance.

ENGLAND.—The Board of Trade has suspended for six months the certificate of the captain of the Cunard steamer Brest, which recently went ashore.

Another party of tenant farmers sailed on the Sarmatian on Thursday for Canada. Seventy Swedish farmers also sailed for Manitoba, to be followed by 600 more if they receive a favorable report.

The pig iron market is active. Prices are higher than at any time these eighteen months. Revival is due to large orders from America.

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of four thousand, twelve hundred, and eight hundred slaves respectively, emancipated them and contracted with them for services for five years. Other slave holders intend following their example. The Spanish Government sends five hundred troops to Cuba, forthwith. Several deputies have resolved to move in the Cortes for the immediate abolition of slavery in Cuba, without indemnity to slave owners.

GERMANY.—A special to Prussian electors, in behalf of Bismarck, is published, urging them to trust him once more in the approaching elections for the Landtag. It directs the attention of Catholics to the fact that the Chancellor has been actually negotiating with a distinguished envoy at Gastien, without, however, giving any hint of the result, while it assured the Liberals, from official sources, that the supreme power of the State, in State affairs, will be in nowise sacrificed. It offers to the military and upper classes the spectacle of a bold and open consolidation of Austrian alliance, and to all it promises reduction of direct taxes.

The correspondent thinks there is no doubt that the expressions of certain Russian newspapers about the occupation of Bosnia and Herzegovina have contributed in a high degree to bring about a consolidation of the interests of the whole group of German speaking people.

The congress of persons interested in America opened at Brussels on Tuesday last. The King of Belgium and President Blanco of Venezuela were present. Several countries are represented.

AUSTRIA.—A despatch from Vienna on Wednesday says: "There is good reason to believe that Andrassy has received an assurance of English sympathy with the understanding arrived at with Germany. The Emperor Francis Joseph, in an audience given to Bismarck, said Baron Von Haymerle would maintain friendly relations with Germany."

The conference between Bismarck and Andrassy has resulted in an agreement that the German and Austrian interests are identical and the condition of Europe is such as will leave no doubt that the two Empires will be able to assert those interests peaceably.

Bismarck and Andrassy have made an arrangement concerning their respective tariff regulations and means of communication between Austria and Germany. Bismarck visited the Papal Nuncio in Vienna.

ITALY.—A fruitless attempt was made to upset the train from Brindisi, carrying the Indian mails, by obstructing the track with stones.

RUSSIA.—The semi-official Agency Russe denies that Russia is intriguing with Afghanistan. That journal says: "Had Russia wished to create difficulties for England she would have liberated Abdul Rhamar, the pretender to the Afghan throne, whom on the contrary, she is watching in Samarcand, and preventing his flight to Afghanistan. Events at Cabul and in the Turcoman territory tend to prove the necessity of a good understanding between England and Russia."

The Chinese Ambassador and suite have gone to Livadia to visit the Czar and exchange the ratification of treaty between Russia and China, by which the latter acquires Khuldjar.

JAPAN.—The German quarrel with Japan is getting to be more serious. A German steamer was recently authorized by the German Envoy to the Mikado to break down the cholera blockade at Yokohama, in consequence of which Japan is changing the cholera regulations concerted by three Japan and Christian powers. America sides with Japan, but England supports Germany.

TURKEY.—At Bucharest, the Deputies rejected a motion to disregard the provisions of the Treaty of Berlin relative to the emancipation of the Jews. The Government's project provides for immediate enfranchisement of 1,200 Jews.

INDIA.—The Viceroy of India confirms the report that the Russian advance column of the expedition in Central Asia was defeated by the Turkomans at Geok Tepe a loss of 700 killed.

A body of Mongols laylaid a returning convoy near Shutargarden, and waylaid nine seapoys and sixteen muleteers and carried off 64 mules.

Mahmunds are threatening the border forts. Native infantry and cavalry will be largely augmented.

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News.

Shelburne is moving for building a floating dry dock. At a public meeting on Tuesday night last \$3000 of stock was subscribed. The total cost is estimated at \$7000.

The Ninth Annual Session of the Sunday School Convention of the Maritime Provinces was held in the Methodist Church at Amherst last week, commencing on Thursday. Sixty-five delegates were present at the opening. The officers elected were: President, A. McQueen; Vice-Presidents, Hon. H. J. Colback, A. N. Archibald, T. R. Black; Secretary, S. Waddell; Recording Secretaries, James Forrest, Isora Gaetz.

The Railway between Yarmouth and Digby, so long anticipated and longed for, was opened on Monday last. The first through train from Digby to Yarmouth, left Digby at 2.30, and arrived at Yarmouth at 6 o'clock on Saturday, making the run in three hours and thirty minutes, without accident or detention of any kind.

Two new first-class cars were attached to the train. Mr. Plunkett, Hon. Judge James and lady—Mr. Sharp, of St. John; Mr. C. A. Harrington and several others were on board. At Weymouth, Mr. Plunkett entertained the party at luncheon. The road is in excellent condition, smooth and perfectly easy for riding. The Weymouth bridge is completed and there remains no gap on the line. The bridge is a vast and substantial structure of wood and iron, and has been tested by very heavy trains.

There were some two thousand people at Yarmouth on Monday morning, to see the train start. Two handsome first class cars were filled with passengers coming to the Provincial Exhibition. The journey was effected at the rate of 20 miles an hour. A salute was fired at Digby, in honor of the event at their arrival. It is intended to run Excursion trains between Yarmouth and Digby daily, till the 10th inst., and the formal opening of the road to be about the 1st of November.

L. H. Burnaby, of Milton, Queens, has wheat on his place that is said to weigh 65 lbs. to the bushel.

The Gold operations in Queens Co. are causing great excitement. Strangers in considerable numbers are visiting the gold localities.

Mr. Fishwick has placed on the River between Bridgetown and Annapolis the schr. Good Intent, to carry all freight that may offer between these places, connecting with steamer Edgar Stuart at Annapolis, free of any charge whatever, giving shippers from these points the same rates as from Annapolis.

REV. MR. MINARD has accepted a call of the Starr Street Free Baptist Church. He was to arrive by the steamer from Boston on Monday.

Mr. J. T. Mellish, A. M., late principal of the Albro Street School, is appointed Mathematical and Chemical teacher in the High School vice Dr. Bayne.

It is stated that Wyld's Cove, Port Mulgrave, has been selected as the terminus of the Eastern Railroad.

Rheumatism is the most painful and most troublesome disease that afflicts humanity. It comes when we least expect it and when we have no time to be interviewed by it. The only reliable remedy that we ever found is Johnson's Anodyne Liniment.

Nearly all diseases that afflict humanity originate in the stomach, liver or bowels, and might be prevented if people would use a little common sense; but they will not. They rather take Parsons' Purgative Pills, because one is a dose.

The Russian Court invited Dr. Ayer and his family to the Archduke's wedding in the Royal Palace. This distinction was awarded him not only because he was an American, but also because his name as a physician had become favorably known in Russia on its passage round the world.—Pueblo (Col.) People.

NO. 19 LOCKMAN STREET, HALIFAX. January 30, 1879.

I had, some years ago, a very severe attack of Inflammatory Rheumatism from which I suffered for more than nine months, although under medical treatment most of that time; and only those who have been afflicted with that complaint can form an idea of what I have suffered. This winter I was again attacked in the same way only its earlier stages were more severe, and I had reason to dread a similar painful experience, until I tried Graham's Pain Eradicator using it freely both internally and externally as directed, and have been cured in two days and used but one 25 cent bottle.

Sept. 1. WILLIAM GRANT.

The Sailors' Home is to be in Seaton's building in Bedford Row.

Dr. ANDERSON, dentist, respectfully informs the people of Halifax that he has located himself in the city. Having had long experience he is prepared to guarantee satisfaction for honest, punctual work. Perfect fitting dentistry is assured, and with as little mass in the mouth as possible for retention and durability. Upper or lower sets of teeth from \$10 to \$15. At latter price the very best stock used. Extracting from 25c. to 50c. Ordinary fillings from 50c. to \$1.00. I am using a new carbonized metallic filling (my own), by which any tooth can be saved with not the slightest liability to ache, and with nerve preserved living and healthy. Remember, all work guaranteed, and the times are too hard to pay those old enormous prices. Office, 38 Hollis Street, Mrs. Harrington's A discount made to clergy, men, teachers and clerks. Im. Sep. 3.

ANOTHER COMMUNICATION from Mr. Geo. Sewell, dated Moncton, N. E., June 22, 1878.

J. H. Robinson, Esq.—Dear Sir—I wrote you in May last informing you of the wonderful cure your "Phosphorized Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil with Lactophosphate of Lime" had made in my case, and, at the same time promising to write from time to time to let you know how I was getting along. I am much better in every way; am stronger; can walk a good long distance without getting tired. Sleep well and eat a hearty meal. In fact I am a new man in every respect, and those who saw me three months ago and see me now, can hardly believe that I am the same person.

The above are facts, and believing that ingratitude is one of the unpardonable sins, I feel it a duty to tell you of what, under a kind Providence, your preparation has done for me. Wishing you every success, &c., &c. Price \$1.00 per bottle; six bottles for \$5.00.

Brown & Webb; and Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., Halifax, Wholesale Agents. Nov. 6. 2 ins.

ELECTRICITY! THOMAS' EXCELSIOR ELECTRIC OIL! WORTH TEN TIMES ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD.—Pain cannot stay where it is used. It is the cheapest medicine ever made. One dose cures common sore throat. One bottle has cured bronchitis. Fifty cents has cured an old standing cough. It positively cures catarrh, asthma and croup. Fifty cents worth has cured crick in the back, and the same quantity lame back, of eight years' standing. The following are extracts from a few of the many letters that have been received from different parts of Canada, which, we think, should be sufficient to satisfy the most skeptical.—J. Collard, of Sparta, Ont., writes, "Send me 6 dozen Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, have sold all I had from you, and want more now, its cures are truly wonderful."—Wm. McGuire, of Franklin, writes, "I have sold all the agent left, it acts like a charm—it was slow at first, but takes splendid now."—H. Cole, of Iona, writes, "Please forward 6 dozen Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, I am nearly out, nothing equals it."—J. Bedford, of Thamesville, writes, "Send me at once a further supply of Electric Oil, I have only one bottle left. I never saw anything sell so well and give such general satisfaction."—J. Thompson, Woodford, writes, "Send me some more Electric Oil, I have sold entirely out. Nothing takes like it."—Miller & Reid, Ulverton, P. Q., write "The Electric Oil, is getting a great reputation here, and is daily called for. Send us a further supply without delay."

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.—Ask for Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. See that the signature of S. N. THOMAS is on the wrapper, 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 Electrized. Oct. 1. 2m. cow.

Marriages.

At Clementsvalle, on the 24th ult., by Rev. J. A. McLean, Mr. Simeon Freeman of Maitland, Annapolis Co., to Miss Jane Ringer, of Hillsborough, Digby Co.

Sept. 23rd, by Rev. Stephen March, at the residence of the bride's father, Middle Pereaux, Sadie L., second daughter of Elijah C. West, Esq., to David D. Layton, Esq., merchant, of Parrsboro.

On the 18th inst., by the Rev. A. Simpson, M. A. J. Dunbrack, formerly of Musquodibit, to Miss Janet Yates, of West River Pictou Co.

Sept. 17th, by Rev. W. J. Ancient, A. H. Gardner, of Philadelphia, to Miss Alice Baysley, of Halifax.

At Windsor, on the 24th inst., by Rev. R. Brecken, Rupert E. Wickwire, of Wolfville, to Margaret Elizabeth, eldest daughter of H. B. Murphy, Esq., of Windsor.

On the 23rd inst., at the residence of William H. Knowles, by Rev. Robert A. Daniel, Mr. Manning Knowles, of Avondale, to Miss Matilda L. Rathburn of the same place.

At Billtown Cornwallis, on Wednesday the 17th inst., by the Rev. Sydney Welton, Mr. Thomas E. Smith, to Miss Lotty L. Dodge daughter of Joel Lamont, Esq.

On the 22nd inst., by the Rev. W. J. Ancient, Albert K. G. Nye, to Emma H. Woods.

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