

"Amen," don't rush off, as if he had small-pox, or were armed with a revolver. Show yourselves friendly: It is well to look at him through a pair of glass eyes, or out of a Doctor of Divinity's, but this is not the strongest expression of christian love. Train your "Deacons," and "leading Brethren," to pass by in front of the pulpit, so that he may have an opportunity of squeezing their love through the tips of their fingers. Be kind and attentive as you will through life, but for once therefore be as lovely as you can, and I will give you "Secondly," bye and bye, for there is more to follow.

Yours,  
JOHNNY PEER.

In Memoriam.

MRS. JOSEPH WILSON,

of Clarence, Annapolis Co., departed this life, March 1st, 1879, aged 68 years. Happy the souls of those who die  
In certain hope of endless joy,  
Of life immortal, sacred peace  
That death can never more destroy.

Our aged sister in the Lord,  
Sustained by truth and grace divine,  
Rejoiced in Jesus' power to save,  
And on His promise did recline.

'Mid toils and cares of earthly life  
She found a happy calm retreat,  
Where, lovingly she often met  
Her Saviour, at the mercy-seat.

She trusted three and forty years  
In him who died on Calvary;  
She meekly lived and testified  
That, "Jesus' blood has ransomed me."

And when the Master quickly came  
To call her from this vale of tears,  
Triumphantly she passed away,  
Relieved from all her doubts and fears.

From husband, children and from friends,  
Her joyful spirit took its flight;  
To meet her loved ones gone before,  
And dwell with them in glory bright.

We can no more her form behold  
While living in this world below;  
But when with Jesus we appear,  
Weshall our friends and kindred know.

May 7th, 1879.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

PEREAUX, May 20th, 1879.—Had the privilege of baptizing one rejoicing believer on Lord's day morning last, at Pereaux and welcoming her into the fellowship of the church. We hope this is the first fruits of a harvest to be gathered for the Lord.

S. M.

QUEENS COUNTY.—Dear Brother,—Since my last communication to the Messenger, I have had the pleasure of again visiting North Brookfield. Held a Conference there Saturday last, and the following Sabbath morning baptized eight happy believers in the Lord Jesus. The N. B. Church in common with our Churches in North Queens is still pastorless. Is there no one called of God to proclaim to this part of his moral vineyard the Word of Life. A rich harvest may there be gathered—even now the field is ready for the harvest. Others will follow in the ordinance of baptism in Brookfield at earliest opportunity.

As ever,  
Your brother in the work,  
GEO. O. GATES.  
Liverpool, May 23, 1879.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

Montreal has, during the past week been one continued scene of excitement; first in the preparation for and then the celebration of

THE QUEEN'S BIRTH DAY,

with the addition of the visit of the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise. Thousands of visitors from the New England States as well as from all parts of Canada, crowded the streets. The presence of the 13th Regt. U. S. Infantry, 537 strong, with its officers mounted and its chaplain—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher—on a complimentary visit—added immensely to the attractions of the day. The despatches say

THE TROOPS

were accompanied through the city by dense crowds, and enthusiastic cheers were given by the masses, who lined the sidewalks all the way to the ground. The Brooklyn Regiment, in their bright grey uniforms, received a perfect ovation as they marched along to popular British airs, played by their magnificent band of forty-one pieces. On arriving upon the ground the regiments took up their positions as follows: The place of honor, in the centre, was given to the Brooklyn Regiment, with the Fifth and Sixth Fusiliers, Governor General's Foot

Guards, Engineers and St. Jean Baptiste Infantry, Kingston Cadets, artillery and cavalry to the left; whilst to the right were the 65th Rifles, First Prince of Wales Rifles, Eighth Royal Rifles, Queen's Own Rifles and Third Victoria Rifles, forming a line extending the whole length of the review ground.

At 11.50 it was announced that His Excellency the Governor General and Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise were coming under escort of the Princess Louise Dragon Guards. On their entrance they were cheered most enthusiastically by the 30,000 people who were assembled to witness the pageant.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AND PRINCESS were mounted on splendid English chargers, and both looked exceedingly well. Her Royal Highness was dressed in a dark riding habit, black hat and light veil. His Excellency was in civilian dress, his only decoration being the Colonial Order of St. Michael and St. George on his left breast.

Shortly after, accompanied by the General in Chief, His Excellency and the Princess rode along the line of troops, the bands playing the National Anthem and the artillery thundering forth a royal salute of 21 guns. When His Excellency arrived in front of the American regiment he took off his hat and addressed Col. Austen as follows: "Officers and men of the gallant 13th, I welcome you to Canada to honor Her Majesty's birthday. We are brothers of one blood in nationality and religion, and I am proud to welcome you to-day as brothers in arms."

The *feu de joie* was next in order. At the sound of the seventh gun from the batteries came the rattle of musketry all along the line; after the third round hats were taken off, and three cheers were given in honor of Her Majesty.

The cheering of the gallant army of 4,000 men had scarcely died away when it was echoed back from the throats of the loyal multitude.

As the Brooklyn regiment came opposite the Governor General and Princess their band played "God Save the Queen," whilst the crowd of people on the stand behind jumped to their feet and sent up a rousing cheer. The marching of the regiment received unqualified praise. After

A GRAND SHAM FIGHT

in which all the troops took part, the cease firing was sounded and the troops re-assembled and a line of contiguous quarter column was formed, the entire parade advanced to their Excellencies and saluted with colours drooped. This perhaps, was the performance most admired, and the salutes were remarkably well executed.

STATESMEN KNIGHTED.

Returning to the Windsor Hotel from the field the Governor General, by command of Her Majesty created the following statesmen,

KNIGHT COMMANDERS OF THE ORDER OF ST. MICHAEL AND ST. GEORGE.

HON. S. L. TILLEY,  
HON. ALEX. CAMPBELL,  
HON. CHARLES TUPPER,  
HON. WM. PIERCE HOWLAND,  
HON. RICHARD JOHN CARTWRIGHT.

In the evening at a grand banquet the Governor General proposed, in a brief but earnest manner, the health of the president of the United States. Rev. Mr. Beecher, replied.

On Sunday the St. James Street Methodist Church was crowded with a vast surging throng long before the hour for divine service, where Mr. Beecher was to preach to his regiment. His text was 1st Corinthians, xiii. 13. It was pronounced generally the most eloquent exposition of divine truth ever delivered by that celebrated preacher.

At their departure, the line of route from the Skating Rink to the Bonaventure Station was one vast concourse of citizens. Souvenirs of all kinds were freely exchanged. The men of the 13th cut the buttons off their coats and asked for buttons in return. Copper cents, and Lorne badges served the purpose of reminiscent decorations. Miniature British flags, and other tokens innumerable, were carried home by our departing guests, as emblems of a great international friendship long to be remembered, and let us hope, never to be broken.

On Friday at the reception given to the 13th Brooklyn Regiment the Mayor of Montreal presented them with an Address of Welcome accompanied with a silk flag from the ladies; Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, Chaplain, made a happy speech in reply.

On Tuesday last Harman Peer, of Teeterville, Ont., successfully performed the unprecedented feat of jumping from the new suspension bridge, a short distance below the Niagara Falls into the river beneath, a distance of 196 feet. There was a large crowd of spectators. He repeats the performance on July 4th. St. Bartholomew's (Anglican) congregation in Ottawa with which the Vice-Royal house holds worship, has petitioned Bishop Lewis to remove their pastor, whom they decline to support on account of ritualistic practices.

It is rumored that Letellier's trip to Europe for the good of his health is preparatory to his retirement.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—A despatch from Sackville says a two story dwelling, owned by the Mount Allison Institute and occupied by a French family named White, was burned between 12 and 1

o'clock on Monday morning. The occupants had long been objectionable to the residents in the vicinity and some of them are supposed to have taken this method to clear them from the neighborhood. After the fire was well started the incendiaries aroused the inmates by pelting the house with rocks and then drove off.

This seems a somewhat high-handed and barbarous mode of ejection.

UNITED STATES.—The new St. Patrick's Cathedral, corner of Fifth Avenue and Fiftieth street, was dedicated for public worship on Sunday last, with solemn and imposing service. 4,000 or 5,000 people were within the building.

The high altar was lighted with countless candles. At the other end was a grand organ, a marvel of artistic skill and beauty.

Six Archbishops and a number of bishops and priests were present. The choir consisted of 100 men and boys and a full orchestra of wind and string instruments.

At San Francisco, on Friday last Indian Jack was hanged at Shasto for the murder of a Chinaman last September. The execution was witnessed by some fifty Indians and a number of whites. Between 200 and 300 Indians congregated outside the Court yard and kept up a fearful howling and tearing of hair during the execution.

Fifty thousand Sabbath school children paraded in Brooklyn New York on Thursday celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Brooklyn Sunday School Union. At Detroit, Mich., the menagerie of J. M. French was burned on Wednesday. Elephant Sultan, five lions, zebra, leopard, stag and many other valuable animals cremated.

Sales of cotton on Monday and Tuesday of last week reached the enormous total of 250,000 bales at advance of 1/2 ct. to 1 ct. per pound.

The Italian barque Amalfi, cargo of petroleum, anchored off Staten Island, caught fire and burned to the water's edge. Crew saved. Loss \$30,000. She was bound to Barcelona.

Wm. Nelson, a colored man, has been sentenced to the Indiana penitentiary for a year and to pay a fine of \$1,000 for marrying a white woman.

On Saturday & Sunday a fire in Brooklyn, burned the seed oil mills of Fowler, Crampton & Co., and the stores of Bartlett & Green, containing jute, hemp, cotton, &c. Loss \$1,000,000.

MEXICO.—A passenger on the French mail steamer Vera Cruz says that on the morning of the 16th a severe earthquake occurred at that port. Telegraphic communication beyond Cordova was interrupted. Damage in Vera Cruz was slight but it is apprehended as serious in the interior.

ENGLAND.—At a meeting of the Royal Agricultural Society on Thursday, the Council were recommended to instruct qualified commissioners to publish reports as to the corn and meal raising capabilities of the United States, Canada, Russia, India and Australia, with regard to the probable food supply intended for the English market.

It is probable that the steamer Faraday will begin taking in cable this week for the new French Cable Company. It is expected that the shore ends will be laid before July.

In the House of Commons the Irish University Bill was considered. After an animated discussion, during which the Scotch members strongly opposed the bill, the debate was adjourned at the suggestion of Sir Stafford Northcote, who urged that the House required more light on the scheme. The Catholic hierarchy and newspapers of Ireland maintain profound silence respecting it.

In the House of Commons on Thursday Hon. Edward Stanhope, Under Secretary for India, in introducing the Indian budget, said that independently of results of inquiry into army administration, and expenditure on unproductive public works, the Government believed it would be able to economize a million pounds yearly, and had no doubts of its ability to establish financial equilibrium. Mr. Fawcett, in consequence of this statement, withdrew his amendment, expressing alarm at the increase of expenditure.

Mr. Gladstone congratulated Mr. Stanhope on the presentment he had been able to make of the financial condition of India.

Coal miners are all at work, but it is feared that the Germans have acquired the coal trade of the Baltic ports during the strikes.

The Government has ordered the prosecution of the Directors of the West of England and South Wales Bank at Bristol, on a charge of being guilty of misrepresentations in their annual reports.

The Duke of Argyle has left London on his way to Canada.

On Friday the House of Commons devoted their attention to the Indian budget. Mr. Lowe advocated a paper currency for India. Lord George Hamilton said a paper currency would tend further to depreciate silver.

FRANCE.—Owing to advices from the South of France and Italy, reporting the rapid destruction of silk worms by bad weather, the silk market was excited and prices buoyant.

The tariff committee has adopted a report urging an average increase of 50 per cent. in duties on cotton threads. The debate on Saturday in the Cham-

ber of Deputies promises to be a turning point in the history of the Cabinet, and will show a distinct division of the left into moderates and radicals.

Radical members of Deputies were to propose an order of the day, respecting the Government distribution of pardons that is practically a resolution of censure, and would involve the fall of the Cabinet. It will therefore, it is believed demand the order of the day, pure and simple.

It is understood that only 500 Communists will be excluded from the amnesty.

SWITZERLAND.—The Swiss Plebiscite does not actually revive capital punishment, but leaves each canton at liberty, as was the case until 1874, to enact or not. Both conditions of validity, namely, an aggregate majority and a majority of cantons, have been secured in favor of this permissive measure. Both Catholics and Conservatives advocate the measure, pointing out the increase of murders since the death punishment has been abolished.

SPAIN.—A Madrid letter of *Journal Des Debats* says: "A deficit of 80,000,000 francs in the Spanish budget for the current year is expected."

Restoration of the state of seige in the Basque Provinces has been postponed. The question will be referred to the Cortes.

GERMANY.—The German Government has resolved to restrict the sales of silver, temporarily, and possibly suspend them together. It is believed this indicates a disposition to increase silver coinage.

The *Bourse Gazette* says the suspension of sales of silver was solely attributable to low prices, which cause a loss of 15 per cent. to the Government.

In the Reichstag on Wednesday Bismarck made a two hours' speech in support of the grain duties. He strove to show that imposition of duties by bettering the purses of the agricultural class would give an impetus to industrial activity. The landed interest is now urging the protection of wool.

The Clericals, evidently inspired by the Vatican, are now friends of the Government and hasten to pull down the Liberal flag.

AUSTRIA.—Nearly all the Austrian villages between Pesth and Bazais have water in the streets. The water is within two feet of the highest point recorded, and is still rising. The floods continuing so late in the season must cause great damage to crops.

All the grain and other growing produce in Roumania, Bulgaria and Austro-Hungary, not within reach of high water, are looking finely and promise a bountiful harvest.

The Theiss has inundated ninety square miles of grain fields, near Beca, destroying two villages. The Drave overflowed and destroyed hundreds of houses.

An imperial patent has been issued, dissolving the lower house of the Reichsrath and ordering elections immediately.

RUSSIA.—Russia is adding a number of swift cruisers to her navy.

A panic occurred at Sumara in consequence of placards announcing that the town would be burned on the 13th May. The fire brigade paraded the streets all night, St. Petersburg police being reinforced by 150 soldiers.

It is stated that the Czar has determined to shorten the service in the line by three years, which will permit an immense increase in the number of recruits.

Prince Alexander of Bulgaria is shortly to marry Princess Jussupoff, a Russian heiress.

Sophie Von Hersfeld and a male accomplice, condemned at Kieff, will be shot for belonging to an illegal society, forging passports and attempting to kill policemen.

TURKEY.—An official despatch has been received by the Minister of War, announcing that an engagement had taken place between Turkish troops and insurgents at Perlasia, Thessaly. The Turks lost 450 men in killed and wounded, and the insurgents 70 men, including their leaders.

Khareiddin Pasha, Grand Vizier, has tendered his resignation, as certain rivalries have been very active lately.

The Prince of Bulgaria has declared his intention of issuing a proclamation when he assumes the sovereignty, discountenancing any agitation against the Treaty of Berlin.

GREECE.—It is reported that Greece is preparing to mobilize 30,000 men, and that she has sent officers to the United States to purchase two ironclads.

INDIA.—The *Times* states that, according to the treaty with Yakob Khan, Great Britain will treat the Kuram Sibi and Pishin Valley as assigned, not annexed, territory, and will hand the surplus revenue over to Yakob Khan, who will also be guaranteed a subsidy of £120,000 yearly.

Among the stipulations of the treaty between India and Afghanistan is the cession of Ali Kheyi (Peiwar Pass) Lundi Khotal, (Khyber Pass) and Pishin Valley, beyond Quetta. The British will restore Candahar and Jellalabad, and ultimately Dakka.

A despatch on Friday says: Negotiations between Major Cavagnari and the Ameer of Afghanistan are proceeding

satisfactorily, the main basis of the treaty being settled.

All fears of serious disturbance in the Deccan are dissipated, many ring-leaders having been arrested.

SOUTH AFRICA.—Two men were killed and nineteen injured on the steamship China at Simon's Bay while heaving an anchor.

Sir Bartle Frere telegraphs, asking that a battery of artillery be despatched to Transvaal to over-awe the Boers. Fever and dysentery prevails in Col. Crealock's division. The advance on Zululand will commence in a few days.

Notes.

The Agent of the Bible Society, Mr. John Toland, will, D. V., visit in the interest of that institution, the following places in New Brunswick on the days mentioned below, viz:

New Castle,	5th June.
Chatham,	6 "
Bellefleur,	8 "
Jacquet River,	8 "
Charlo,	9 "
Dalhousie,	10 "
Campbellton,	11 "
Bathurst,	12 "
Welford,	13 "
Bass River,	15 "
Kingston,	16 "
Richibucto,	17 "

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.—*Lumenburg Co.*—To be Justices of the Peace—John Gaul, Getson's Cove; James J. Norwood, Baker Settlement.

*Digby Co.*—To be a Justice of the Peace—James E. Gilland, Digby Neck. *Pictou Co.*—To be a Coroner—Murdoch Sutherland, M. D., Westville.

The Board of Works are doing good work in tearing up the street rails. There is a large pile of them on the Parade.

On Monday week at an early hour Mrs. Crowell, who lives near the head of the Arm, went to draw the blind of her window when she was struck by lightning and temporarily rendered unconscious.

Archbishop Hannan and Rev. Messrs. Dannabar and Power went to New York to assist in the dedication of the new Cathedral in that city.

Where is the Sugar refinery to be erected? is still an open question. All the possible and impossible sites have been pretty fully discussed, Dartmouth offers a bonus of \$10,000 for it to be there. Messrs. Moir & Co. it is said, offer a free site and free supply of water at Bedford, and it is understood that several parties have offered free sites elsewhere. We have some doubts about the wisdom of the Dartmouth offer. If the public meeting had offered to take \$10,000 of stock and the people \$10,000, in case the Refinery were erected in that municipality, it would, we think, have been more likely to induce a company to take hold of the matter.

THE PUBLIC GARDENS AND GROUNDS have been so much improved this winter that they will present a splendid appearance in a few weeks especially if the old rink building should be removed and a handsome fountain erected in its place.

The Frost of Thursday night last did serious damage to the forward crops of potatoes, beans, &c. The thermometer registered 27° in Dartmouth.

Messrs. Macdonald & Co. Brass founders in Lockman Street had a dangerous fire in their foundry on Tuesday last. But for the excellent fire arrangements of our city, and the brave company of firemen it would have been a serious conflagration.

The Queen's Birthday was celebrated on Saturday last by a public holiday, which on so unsuitable a day did not amount to much. Many of the places of business were half open. It is probable that quite a number of the employees went to the country and may have caught some fish, and quite likely too, many caught colds, as the weather was not auspicious.

On Thursday last Mr. Thos. Edwards, formerly a pilot, his two daughters and two sons, and a neighbor named Henneberry, of Devil's Island at the mouth of Halifax harbor, came up to town in a boat to attend service at St. Mary's Cathedral. About three o'clock they started to row home. When in the Eastern Passage their boat was upset by a squall. One of the occupants, Miss Jane Edwards, sunk to the bottom, but the others managed to keep themselves afloat till they were rescued by Lieut. Hussey in a sail boat. Boats were engaged in grappling for the body, but it was not found till Sunday morning.

The rains of last week have caused heavy freshets in different parts of the country. At Middle Musquodobit on Tuesday a man named Donald Grant was driving a team, and the road being covered with water so that it could not be seen, he got drawn into the river. He saw the danger at once and jumped clear of the wagon, and being a strong swimmer he succeeded in getting to land. His horse and wagon were whirled away by the flood and lost.

It is reported that at Somerset, Kings Co., a calf was recently born with seven legs.