

family. We were greatly cheered on the evening of Jan. 5th, by a visit at our house from our old friends of Canning and Pereaux, King's County. They came in sleigh loads. Some came after tea and some bringing refreshments with them. Brother H. Robinson being made chairman of the meeting, Deacon L. C. Woodworth presented a pleasing address, with a purse, and a list of useful articles, to which we responded as well as we could in the circumstances. This was followed by appropriate remarks from brethren H. B. Shaffner, W. M. Sanford, Deacon Davison, D. H. Newcomb, Esq., J. S. Witter, Esq., Holmes Davison, and the chairman, interspersed with music. It is not too late to acknowledge a similar favor more than a year ago, at the house of Brother and Sister D. H. Newcomb, of Lower Pereaux, who at considerable sacrifice kindly entertained us and our friends, among whom were Rev. S. March and his lady, and who at that time conferred similar tokens of christian love. We shall feel encouraged by these kind acts and words, when we are at home in the summer months, still to teach and preach the gospel to the poor in destitute places.

Permit me to add that here and there in my present field of labor, are souls apparently not far from the kingdom of God, and ask that prayer be offered for them that they may speedily enjoy the one thing needful. Our people will do what they can for the objects of the Convention. We are circulating printed envelopes furnished by the Home Mission, among our families; and all, old and young are being enrolled, as donors to our benevolent schemes. We hope the results will approximate to a dollar a member.

Yours in the good work,  
D. FREEMAN.

For the Christian Messenger.  
Westport Notes.

Dear Editor,—

A few notes from this place may be acceptable to some of your readers.—Christmas, with its usual festivities, was heartily entered into and enjoyed by the friends here. The ladies of the church and congregation held a bazaar and tea meeting on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 18th and 19th, which was largely patronised, and a good round sum raised for church purposes.

I am sorry to have to relate a sad accident which occurred here on Dec 28th, whereby two fine promising men lost their lives, Gerrish Coggins, aged 21, eldest son of Mr. Wallace Coggins, and Gardiner Bailey, aged 18, son of Ezra Bailey, left their homes on the morning of the day aforementioned for a few hours fishing, and before they returned a heavy gale of wind came on, and while they were endeavouring to round the northern point of the Island, the boat in which they were sailing suddenly capsized. The young men both managed to reach and cling to the keel of the boat in which perilous position they were seen by the father of the young man Bailey, and Arthur, the only brother of the young man Coggins, but as there was a heavy sea running at the time, and no boats near at hand, it was impossible to render them any assistance. Gardiner Bailey was the first to succumb, and in the sight of a number of friends the sea washed him from his position and he was drowned. An effort was then made to get a boat across the Island, a distance of some half mile, and in a few minutes she would have been afloat, but by that time, some hour and a half since they were first seen, the young man Coggins' strength became exhausted, and within about three boat's length of the shore, and within the reach of the voices of many friends, the sea washed him from his position into the depths beneath.

The bodies were both recovered, that of young Coggins the day after the accident, the other on Sabbath morning last, and on Monday they were laid in the grave in the village burying ground. Both funerals occurring at the same time. The service was held in the Baptist Meeting house which was comfortably filled by a congregation who seemed to feel very deeply the solemnity of the circumstances. The introductory exercises were participated in by Revs. H. Murray, pastor of Church of Disciples, Milton, Queens Co., L. M. Weeks, Baptist of Freeport. A short discourse was

preached by the writer from Matt. xxiv. 44, followed by an address by Rev. Mr. Ford, pastor of Church of Disciples, of this place. The accident is unparalleled in the history of this community, and has consequently cast a deep gloom over the people, we hope however that out of the darkness may arise the light of the knowledge of the gospel of Christ. May God comfort the bereaved parents and friends under their heavy afflictions.

We are celebrating the Week of Prayer, the tokens are favourable. May the Holy Spirit fill the hearts of his people. Dear brethren we beseech you to pray earnestly for us. May God grant the presence and power of his Spirit in the midst of the churches, and may "the time to favour Zion" come immediately to all of us, is the earnest prayer of  
Yours in the gospel of Christ,  
A. E. INGRAM.  
Westport, N. S., Jan. 8th, 1880.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

A WIDE FIELD OF LABOR.—Rev. W. H. Richan writes from Barrington:—"I expect to commence labor with the Osborne Church next Sabbath, and to divide my time during the ensuing year between Osborne, Barrington and Wood's Harbor. This will give me a monthly ride of 60 miles between the extreme stations.

Yours fraternally,  
W. H. RICHAN.

HILLSBURGH, N. S.—We are enjoying a refreshing from the presence of the Lord. My time is therefore fully occupied, but I am not done with "Luke." He will, in due time, share my attention. And your readers may look for strange revelations.

Yours truly,  
J. A. McIL.  
Jan. 16th, 1880.

YARMOUTH.—Rev. J. Clark writes, "The religious aspect of this locality is hopeful."

SACKVILLE, N. B.—Rev. G. E. Good writes from this place on the 16th and says: "We have quite a revival here. Baptized four Jan. 11th."

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—Acting on the strict injunctions of his medical advisors Mr. Masson has deemed it expedient to resign his position of Minister of Militia. The following changes therefore ensue: Mr. Masson, to be President of the Council; Sir A. Campbell to be Minister of Militia; Mr. O'Connor, to be Postmaster General.

Mr. Moylan, Inspector of Penitentiaries, says there are at present confined in the penitentiaries no less than 1,300; considerable increase over last year. Of these 32 are females.

On Friday last about sixty workmen assembled at the Ottawa City Hall demanding work from the Mayor. He promised to try to get them some stone breaking and they dispersed. Operations have begun for the laying of a track across the ice. The sleepers will be fastened to the ice by sprinkling with snow and water.

P. E. ISLAND.—Oats sold as high as forty cents at Charlottetown on Saturday last.

A man named John McKinnon, of Rocky Point, perished in a late snow storm. The team arrived home without him, and the next day his frozen body was found.

UNITED STATES.—At Tacen'er, Washington Territory, a tree was blown against a schoolhouse, demolishing it. 20 children were in the building. A son and daughter of John W. Bartlett were instantly killed; another daughter was dangerously injured.

On the 9th inst. Portland was visited by the most severe storm ever known since the settlement of the country. The steeple of the first Presbyterian Church was prostrated, seven small houses were blown down; many roofs were ripped off, including the roof of the Court House; 4 persons were buried under the ruins of one building, one was killed and one badly injured.

The annual sale of pews in Beecher's Church on Thursday of last week realized \$40,287, \$541 less than last year.

ENGLAND.—On Wednesday last 60 able-bodied men, with families were admitted to the Killarney workhouse.

The Press of Vienna is of the opinion that a collision between Russia and England is inevitable. General Skobloff recently declared at a banquet that Russia is on the eve of a national war.

Princess Louise is to leave England to-morrow for Halifax.

FRANCE.—Gambetta was re-elected President of the Chamber of Deputies by 259 out of 308 vote recorded.

RUSSIA.—Russia declares that the con-

centration of her troops in Poland need not alarm Germany.

AUSTRIA.—Rioting has prevailed at Pesth, on Thursday last the gas lamps in front of the Casino Club House were broken, shots from revolvers were fired at the police and one policeman wounded. 21 rioters were arrested.

INDIA.—Mahomed Jaan having surrounded Ghuzne with a strong force, killed Governor Abdu Kadir and looted the city. Priest Mooshi Alum has severed his connection with Mahomed Jaan, in consequence.

SOUTH AMERICA.—The Chilians have destroyed the Lobos guano deposit.

WEST INDIES.—There were floods on Sunday on the Island of St. Kitts, by which 200 lives were lost; property to the extent of a quarter of a million of dollars was destroyed, and the whole island devastated.

St. Kitts has known no such calamity since 1722.

News.

THE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.—Meetings were held in the several counties of the Province on Tuesday of the past week, for the purpose of organization under the new Municipalities Act. The principal officers were elected as follows:

- | COUNTIES.   | WARDEN.              | CLERK.          |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Halifax     | Col. Laurie          | W. H. Wiswell   |
| Colchester  | Eliak Tupper         | A. Mackenzie    |
| West Hants  | Elias Dimock         | W. O'Brien      |
| Digby       | J. Holdsworth        | W. B. Stewart   |
| Annapolis   | Geo. Kennedy         | J. N. H. Parker |
| Kings       | J. W. Barrs          | L. D. V. Chip   |
| Lunenburg   | T. K. Craig          | D. Owen         |
| Cumberland  | J. R. Pipes          | D. J. McLeod    |
| Queens      | J. W. Mack           | Wm. Ford        |
| Shelburne   | Jacob Locke          | Wm. Crews       |
| Yarmouth    | W. H. Moody          | I. B. Crosby    |
| Pictou      | D. Hockin            | D. Matheson     |
| Antigonish  | T. M. King           | D. McDonald     |
| Cape Breton | Mr. Buchanan         | Mr. Gillies     |
| Richmond    | W. Levesconte        | T. Jean         |
| Inverness   | J. McKeen            | Dr. Campbell    |
| Victoria    | No election (a tie.) |                 |

Mr. C. F. Fraser, Superintendent of the Institution for the Blind will lecture at the Academy of Music on Thursday evening, Jan. 22, on "The Great Pyramid of Cheops."

Use Auraline for deafness.

The Halifax City Prison has eighty inmates. Of their religion the *Witness* says: seven-twelfths are Roman Catholics, four-twelfths Episcopalians, and one-twelfth Baptist, Presbyterian, and Methodist.

On Tuesday last Commissary General Beswick and lady entertained the employes of the Ordnance Yard in the large room of the yard. The room was handsomely decorated. After supper an exhibition of magic lantern views was given, making for all a very pleasant time.

A few days ago two or three able-bodied men who had come out as emigrants from the "old country" applied to the city authorities for aid, as they could get no work.

The authorities have been in communication with England, and the immigrants have been sent on to the Upper Provinces.

Use Auraline for earache.

The Fruit Growers' Association held its annual meeting at Wolfville, on Tuesday last. The President Dr. C. C. Hamilton delivered an address. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Secretary, Treasurer—D. W. Starr.  
Corresponding Secretary—D. F. Higgins, M. A.

R. B. Boggs, has been appointed manager of the Windsor Branch.

The steamer Brooklyn, of the Dominion Line, on Friday, took 180 head of Nova Scotia cattle for England. One hundred and fifty of these have been purchased in Annapolis on Canadian account, and the others, together with forty tons of meat, are shipped by the Amherst company.

Auraline is a great healer.

The Western Counties Railway closed for traffic on Friday evening. This will leave our Western capital in a worse position than before the road was opened.

ANOTHER COMMUNICATION from Mr. Geo. Sewell, dated Moncton, N. B., 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.

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Nov. 6. 2 ins.

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Mr. Ellershausen is developing the copper mine at Gabarus, C. B.

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Dec. and Jan. cow.

Marriages.

At Cheverie, Nov. 1st, by Rev. G. A. Wethers, Mr. Hiram Smith, to Mrs. Mercy Boyd.

At Brookville, Jan. 8th, by the same, Amos Spearing, to Miss Eliza Procter.

At Advocate Harbor, Cum. Co., Jan. 7th, 1880, by the Rev. J. F. Kempton, Captain Stephen Knowlton, to Miss Marjorie Knowlton.

At Parrsboro', N. S., Dec. 28th, 1879, by the same, Mr. Henry Epps, to Miss Etta Robertson.

At Laphand, on the 10th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, Nathan Crouse, of Montreal, Lunenburg Co., to Clara, fifth daughter of Dea. Frederick Zwicker.

December 30th, Truro, by the Rev. A. Burrows, A. B., Thomas F. McKeazie, Esq., of Economy, to Sophia, third daughter of S. McCully, Esq.

At River Hebert Jan. 7th, by Rev. Isaac R. Skinner, Mr. Albert Day, of Westfield, N. B., to Miss Caroline Walter of River Hebert N. S.

At Bridgetown, on the 14th inst., by Rev. W. H. Warren, Mr. Charles A. Banks, of Aylesford, to Miss Alice M. Marshall of Clarence.

At Nictaux, Dec. 25th, 2879, by the Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney, Major Roop, of Springfield, and Bessie Mullock of the same place.

At Torbrook, Nictaux, Dec. 25th, 1879, by the same, Henry Ruben Roberts, of Torbrook, and Adelia W. Pierce, of the same place.

Deaths.

At Bridgewater, Jan. 6th, 1880, after a brief illness, Fheebie, eighth daughter of Edward and Catherine Kobart, of Greenfield, Queens Co., in the 24th year of her age. Her funeral was largely attended, and a sermon preached by Rev. S. March, from Job ix. 12. May God sustain and comfort the mourners.

On Wednesday the 14th inst., John Prickett, in the 65th year of his age.

On Thursday evening, the 13th instant, Susanna Catherine, aged 70 years, relict of the late William Warner of Springfield.

On Wednesday, Maria Ann, wife of Mr. William Smith, aged 68 years.

On Wednesday, the 14th inst., James Patrick Devlin, aged 14 years.

At the Provincial and City Hospital, Jan. 13th, Louisa Lee, aged 40 years.

At Wallace on the 13th, Mr. William McCann, aged 70.

At Wallace, on the 14th, Baldwin Tuttle aged 75.

On the 15th inst., John, son of the late Jeremiah Donovan, in the 45th year of his age.

At Brookfield, on Tuesday, 6th inst., Benjamin Tupper, Esq., in the 81st year of his age.

At Bridge End, Inverness County, on the 2nd of January, Mr. John McAuley, at the ripe age of 77 years.

At Digby, on Saturday, the 10th inst., in the 67th year of her age, Louisa, beloved wife of James A. Dennison, Barrister.

At the residence of William Marey, Nictaux, on the 5th of January, Mr. John Edgar, aged 77 years. Known for many years as an honest and liberal man—a member of the Episcopal Church, and in the days of his prosperity gave liberally to his church. He was buried at Nictaux in the Baptist burying ground. His funeral sermon was preached by Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney.

At Nictaux, Jan. 10th, 1880, Robt. Grant, aged 28 years, youngest son of Mr. John Grant. Our brother experienced religion nearly six years ago, and united with the Church; respected by all who knew him. He left parents, brothers, sisters, and wife and little son to mourn their loss. Our brother died strong in the faith, expressing his firm confidence in Christ till the last. May God bless and support the mourning ones.

At Nictaux Jan. 14th, Mrs. James Vidito, aged 54 years. During her sickness she threw away her old hope built on rites and ceremonies received in infancy, and accepted Christ and His righteousness. A few moments before death she said Christ was her only hope. W. A. J. B.

CORRECTION.—In the notice of the death of Mrs. Patty Rood, in C. M. Jan. 7th, instead of widow of the late Alexander Rood, it should have said widow of the late Asa Rood, &c.

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