

For the Christian Messenger. Temperance Meeting.

On Wednesday evening last, a large and influential Public Temperance Meeting was convened at the Baptist meeting house in Springfield, to discuss the adoption of the Canada Temperance Act, at which addresses in its favor were delivered. Henry Roop, Esq., Chairman, Bro. J. H. Freeman, Clerk.

Prominent among the speakers were the chairman, Avar Longley, Esq., M.P., Revs. S. March, Joshua T. Eaton, W. M. Brown, J. E. Blakeney, H. B. Shaffner, and Bros. W. H. Balcom, Willard Shaffner and others. It was resolved to petition in its favor, and persons were appointed to circulate the petitions in the Section. S. M.

In Memoriam.

Mrs. LOUISA M. SPINNEY, wife of Mr. Joseph Spinney, of Aylesford, died June 25, 1880, at the age of 61 years, leaving a sorrowing husband and 5 children. The subject of this notice obtained a feeble hope in the Saviour early in life; but fears with reference to her acceptance in the Beloved seem to have deterred her from making a public profession of faith at that time. Upwards of thirty years ago she received strength, in a season of revival, to confess Christ publicly; but she neglected still to unite with any denomination of Christians. She was, however, religiously disposed, and was a kind neighbor, an affectionate wife and mother, and a person held in general esteem.

In her last illness Mrs. Spinney regretted that she had not taken a more decided stand for Jesus, observed his ordinances, and walked with his professing people. She expressed much doubt and fear respecting her eternal salvation. The writer who had frequently in times past endeavored to promote her spiritual welfare, visited her, and labored to strengthen her confidence in the gracious Redeemer; and after his my departure on a journey abroad, Bro. Rideout kindly discharged the same duty. Through Divine goodness our dear sister, sometime before her departure obtained a steadfast hope, and strong consolation. She gave kind and faithful admonitions to her husband, children, and friends. She composedly selected the text and the hymns to be used at her burial, namely, Ps. xlvii. 10, the hymn commencing, "The hour of my departure's come," and in the Psalmist, Nos. 1077 & 1078. Having judiciously made all needful arrangements, she passed quietly away without a struggle or a groan.

At her interment, Rev. W. C. Rideout delivered an appropriate discourse from the words chosen, "Be still, and know that I am God."—Com. by Rev. C. TUPPER.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Ordination at Springfield.

Pursuant to a call from the Baptist Church at Springfield, Annapolis County, a Council was convened at the Baptist meeting house on Wednesday, August 11th, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to consider the propriety of setting apart Brother Henry B. Shaffner to the work of the gospel ministry.

The Rev. Thos. A. Higgins, was called to the chair, and Rev. S. March requested to act as clerk.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. E. Hall. After singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name," the clerk of the Springfield Church read a list of the churches who had been invited to send delegates, to which the following churches and brethren responded.

- Bridgewater,—Rev. S. March.
New Germany,—Rev. M. W. Brown, Deacons David Lantz, and Geo. Barss.
New Albany,—Dea. Daniel Whitman, and Bro. Albert Oakes.
Upper Wilmot,—Rev. W. E. Hall, and Bro. Robert Morse.
Wilmot Mountain,—Rev. James E. Blakeney, and Bro. Walter Graves.
Nictaux,—Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney, Deas. John Shaffner and Thos. Banks.
Wilmot,—Rev. Joshua T. Eaton, Deas. W. H. Balcom, and Avar Longley.
Annapolis,—Rev. T. A. Higgins.
East Dalhousie,—Deacons Thomas A. Wilson, and Walter Wilson.
Springfield,—Deacons Isaac McNayr, Thomas McNayr, and Bro. Wm. McGill.
Invited,—Bro. Asaph Whitman, (Lic.)
Upon motion Rev. T. A. Higgins was

appointed President of Council, and Rev. S. March, Clerk.

By request of the President the Minutes of church meeting calling for this Council and the ordination of Bro. H. B. Shaffner were read.

Upon enquiry it appeared that suitable and satisfactory provision had been made for our brother's support by the Springfield Church, in conjunction with the churches at New Albany and East Dalhousie.

Upon motion Bro. H. B. Shaffner related in brief his Christian experience, call to the work of the ministry, and views of Christian doctrine.

He was then requested to retire. The Council after careful consultation and enquiry passed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Council having listened to the narration of our brother's Christian experience, call to the work of the ministry, and views of scripture doctrine, and having duly deliberated thereon, hereby decide to recommend the Springfield Church to proceed with his ordination as their pastor, in conjunction with the churches at New Albany and East Dalhousie,

Resolved, That the following be the order of the exercises, at the service this afternoon at 2 p. m.:

Reading Scriptures and Prayer by Rev. M. W. Brown.

Ordination Sermon by Rev. T. A. Higgins.

Usual questions by Rev. Joshua T. Eaton.

Ordaining Prayer by Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney.

Right Hand of Fellowship by Rev. James E. Blakeney.

Charge to Pastor by Rev. W. E. Hall.

Charge to Church by Rev. S. March.

Benediction by Rev. H. B. Shaffner.

Resolved, That the Minutes of this Council be forwarded to Christian Messenger, and Christian Visitor for publication.

Prayer by Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney.

Upon motion the Council adjourned.

The services were held according to appointment in the afternoon at 2 o'clock, when a large and deeply interested congregation gathered, and Rev. T. A. Higgins delivered a forcible and appropriate discourse from Daniel xii. 3, and the various duties were discharged by the brethren above named, in impressive and suitable terms.

Our Brother enters upon his work in this field with hopefulness, and we wish for him and those among whom he labors the most abundant success.

STEPHEN MARCH, Clerk of Council.

Ordination of Bro. A. W. Jordan.

Upon invitation from the Baptist Church at Tracadie, Antigonish County, a Council convened at that place at 10 o'clock on Tuesday, August 10th, 1880, to consider the expediency of ordaining Bro. A. W. Jordan to the Gospel ministry.

The Council was organized by calling Rev. L. M. Weeks to the chair, and appointing Secretary.

Delegates present:—

Tracadie Church, Dea. Alexander Bowden and Bro. Fred. Bowden.

Antigonish Church, Revs. L. M. Weeks, and F. O. Weeks.

Isaac's Harbour, 2nd St. Mary's and Goshen, Rev. A. Freeman.

The candidate being called upon, made a clear and satisfactory statement of his Christian experience and call to the ministry.

After a close examination of the Brother in Christian doctrine and church practice, the Council resolved to proceed with the ordination, influenced perhaps quite as much by the decidedly expressed opinion of both ministerial and lay brethren not present, as by personal conviction.

It was arranged that the Ordination service take place at 1 o'clock p. m., and that Rev. F. O. Weeks, preach the ordination sermon. Rev. L. M. Weeks to offer the ordination prayer and give the Right Hand of Fellowship and charge to the candidate; and Rev. A. Freeman give the charge to the Church.

Quite a large congregation met in the afternoon and listened with deep interest to a very forcible gospel sermon from 1 Cor. iii. 9, "For we are labourers together with God." One could hardly listen to the manly utterances of the preacher and observe the appropriateness of the other exercises, and the enthusiasm of the audience, without regretting that there were not present more delegates from sister churches.

A. FREEMAN, Secretary of Council.

WILLIAMSDALE AND MILLVALE, August 9th, 1880.—Since I wrote to you last we have been made to rejoice in seeing more coming to the blessed Redeemer. Last Lord's day we had the satisfaction of baptizing four more rejoicing converts into the likeness of Christ's death. A good "John the Baptist" spoken of in my former letter "did what he could" and again neatly prepared a Baptistry for us. One of the four baptized was one of his daughters. The day was exceedingly beautiful, and many came to witness the scene. We were much gratified to see the good behaviour of all who assembled on the bank of the river. We read from God's book our authority for performing the rite and for the manner of its administration. And as in days gone by, some went away rejoicing, while others "rejected the counsel of God against themselves."

After the baptism we preached a short Sermon from Mark xvi. 15, 16. After the discourse the right hand of fellowship was given, and all the brethren and sisters rejoiced with their whole hearts.

In the afternoon we held a social meeting in which each one of the new converts took a hearty part. The people of God here are rejoicing and praising God for His wonderful work, but Satan and his emissaries are active as usual. But blessed be the name of the Lord Jesus, "He shall not fail nor be discouraged till He have set judgment in the earth, and the isles shall wait for his law."

D. McLEOD.

St. JOHN, N. B.—The Rev. A. J. Wilcox has resigned the pastorate of the Brussell St. Church, and left for his old home in New York State. The pulpit is now being supplied by Rev. J. E. Hopper.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—The Ottawa Citizen says: "We learn by telegraph that Sir John Macdonald, Sir C. Tupper and Hon. Mr. Pope have bespoken passages on the coming steamer from Liverpool on the 2nd of Sept. It is probable that several of the negotiating capitalists for the Canada Pacific Railway will take passage at the same time. The Toronto Globe of Friday morning contains the following special: LONDON, Aug. 12.

Sir John Macdonald's Pacific Railway negotiations are within a few hours of completion. A city firm of the highest standing and solvency is willing to take the matter over from the Dominion Government.

The Railway Commission at Ottawa, commenced taking evidence on the 12th. The Deputy Minister of Railways, Mr. Trudel, was the first person examined.

It is stated that the evidence taken before the Commission has consisted largely of errors in calculating the schedule of tenders. The largest error was made by Sanford Fleming, amounting to \$116,000 on Thompson's telegraph tender. Mr. Fleming will shortly be called to give his testimony.

The Free Press, says a private gentleman of Montreal, stated that Lord Dunsmore is Chairman of the Syndicate for undertaking the construction of the Canada Pacific Railway.

UNITED STATES.—A serious trouble is feared at Rockaway, N. York; the 420 Canadian workmen not having been paid on Friday last, they threatened the hotel and its contractors.

A train on the New York and New Jersey Railroad, running from Stony Point, N. Y., to Jersey City, when a mile from Spring Valley, ran off the track, a truck wheel of the tender having broken. About twenty passengers were severely injured.

Fires at Boston on Friday night destroyed stock in the carriage factory of Sargent & Howe, aggregating \$25,000, and goods in the silk house of Lewis Brown & Co., Summer Street, to the amount of \$75,000.

A freight train on the St. Paul and Duluth Railway was wrecked near Pine City on Friday morning. Three boys living at Allinlaholis, who were stowed away in a freight car to steal a ride, were killed.

By an accident on Wednesday at Atlantic City, N. J., to an excursion train, three persons were killed and thirty wounded. It was caused by the engine of the second train running into the rear of the preceding train as it was making a siding to allow the express to pass. The brakes on the second train failed to work. The collision forced open the cylinder heads of the engine, scalding nearly all in the car. The excursionists belong to St. Ann's Catholic Church, Philadelphia.

The round house of the Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain Railroad, containing five locomotives was destroyed by fire on Sunday morning. Loss, \$100,000.

ENGLAND.—Mr. Gladstone was present at the Cabinet Council on Saturday, to attend which he returned from Windsor. The crisis is so serious that Mr. Glad-

stone, although not in a condition physically to resume his functions in full, feels that the need of his supervision and influence demands the risk.

A great number of sinister looking persons having an American air are seen about the cities and towns of Ireland, and within the last few days about 400 stand of the best fire arms have been purchased in Dublin by such persons.

The Times says, "So hurried have shipments been made that there are said to be large quantities of American grain here unsold. The present magnificent weather enhances the value of home crops and lessens the urgency in the demand for foreign supplies."

On Thursday morning, nearly one hundred armed Irishmen, in six boats, boarded the Norwegian ship Juno, repairing at Passage, Ireland, fastened the crew in the fore-castle and the captain and revenue officers in the cabin, placed armed sentinels over them. Then they removed three cases of smooth bore muskets and 47 guns from her hold, and escaped. The robbers cut the telegraph wires to Cork, and the news was sent to the police by horse express. The captain of the Juno says he saw an injured man taken out of a boat and landed. He appeared to be dead. He probably fell into the hold, as a portion of a scalp was found there. The captain has received a letter bearing the Cork postmark, apologizing for the trouble given him, and stating that the guns were not what were expected. The raiders thought they were breech loaders and if such had been the case they would have given him a draft on their friends in New York for their value.

The N. Y. Herald's Cork correspondent reports that the Fenian organization in England, Scotland and Ireland numbers nearly fifty thousand men, of whom twelve thousand in Ireland alone are armed with Snider rifles. Arms are being surreptitiously landed on the Irish coast and drilling goes on at night. It is rumored that 400 Enfield rifles have been sent from London to Dublin.

The Cork Constitution says: "The present state of the Western part of Limerick is very disturbed. Illegal drilling is extensively carried on and Fenianism is again beginning to feel its way. A large number of well known Fenian emissaries are working up the movement and exciting the peasantry to rebellion.

A meeting convened by Theroold Rogers M. P. was held the 10th June to form a company for the purchase and sale of land in the United States to further emigration of small farmers and assist such by loans on security of land sold and occupied.

In a railway accident near Berwick-on-Tweed on Tuesday last, the rails were torn up and the engine and carriages broken up. The damage to the rolling stock is very great. Only two or three passengers were hurt.

The Marquis of Waterford received a letter warning him against attending the Royal Agricultural Society's meetings, saying that if he did he would be shot, but the Marquis attended notwithstanding. He voted against the Compensation Bill.

The boiler makers at Barrows have demanded an advance in wages. Should a strike result 12,000 hands will be affected.

FRANCE.—A mass of earth fell on Thursday last and crushed two houses at Vieuxport, near Partiers. Ten bodies were recovered; ten more were under the ruins.

GREECE.—Greece is reported to have sent a communication to Serbia dwelling on the past friendship between Serbians and Greeks as a reason for combined action in the event of a conflict with Turkey.

At Athens the volunteers are enrolling everywhere. Camps are forming in the environs, and recruits drill in the streets.

INDIA.—A telegram from Camp at Butkaka, on Wednesday said Gen. Stewart affected a withdrawal of all the troops from Cabul, in admirable order. Perfect tranquillity prevails. There are no signs of disorder in any district of North Afghanistan. The news from General Roberts is favorable. The country is quiet, and the people friendly. The Ameer came to Cabul to visit General Stewart and Mr. Griffin, when a satisfactory interview was held. The Ameer favorably impressed all the English officers. He expresses great gratitude to the British.

News received from Cawan Choki as late as Monday the 9th, disposes of rumors of the disaster received from that quarter on Tuesday. All communications by post or wire with General Roberts have ceased, though letters may be occasionally sent. General Roberts has but five days' provisions, which he will use only in an emergency, to eke out supplies obtainable in the country.

The accession of Abdurrahman Khan to the Afghan throne was celebrated at all the principal towns in Afghanistan.

A despatch from Candahar, dated August 11, reports all well. The enemy are throwing up siege works around the city, which at present are insignificant. The enemy have many guns, 50,000 infantry and 5,000 Ghazis.

NEW ZEALAND.—Gold discoveries are reported in various parts of New Zealand.

READ CAREFULLY

SAMUEL OSBORNE, Sophiasburg, says: I was afflicted with Dyspepsia for nearly four years, my lungs becoming affected towards the last. I was induced to try the Shoshonees Remedy. After using three or four bottles I felt much better and gained strength rapidly, my health improved steadily and rapidly, and when I had taken three or four bottles more, I was quite restored to health and strength and have experienced better health than for forty years before. I had been under the treatment of a number of physicians before, but never received any material aid until I used your remedy.

A. McKAY, Truro, N. S., says: He was very bad with Liver Complaint, but used the Shoshonees Remedy, and in a month was as well as I had ever been in my life. I am now in business and wish you to send me three dozen by steamer.

A. WOOD, Consecor, says: That he has tried the Remedy for Liver Complaint and Dyspepsia with great success. I have also used the Shoshonees Pills and find that they are as good as any I ever tried.

HENRY KING, Geneva, N. Y., says: My wife was intensely afflicted with dyspepsia for a long time. We consulted physicians of three different schools, and received no benefit. She has taken three bottles of the great Shoshonees Remedy and is now hearty and well.

Rev. JOHN SCOTT, says: Dr. McKenzie Botting suffered from an attack of Rheumatism, and was unable to move without help; but after taking a few bottles of the Shoshonees, was able to walk as well as ever. Price of the Remedy in pint bottles \$1; Pills, 25 cents a box. Sold by all medicine dealers.

March & April, 1880, COW, THIS DAY

Deaths.

At Hillsburgh, by the Rev. J. A. McLean, on the 9th inst., Mr. John W. Berry, of Clements, Annapolis Co., to Miss Georgina Miller, of the same place.

At Lapland, Lunenburg Co., on the 7th inst., by Rev. S. March, Mr. Charles W. Thompson, to Miss Victoria, Margaret Wile, both of the above place.

August 9th, at Truro, by the Rev. J. A. Kaulback, Edward Crooks, of St. Margaret's Bay, to Bessie, daughter of James A. Hamilton.

At Truro, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, Saml. Trider, Engine Driver, I. C. R., and Maggie Slack.

On the 9th inst., at Halifax, by Rev. J. F. Avery, Wm. R. G. McLeod, to Emily S. Verge, both of Halifax.

At Portauquique, on the 12th inst., by Rev. A. Cameron, Mr. Page Fletcher, to Susan Bell, eldest daughter of B. Lewis, Esq., of Upper Economy.

At Halifax, N. S., August 2nd, by the Rev. Alexander Bailey, Mr. Geo. Brown, to Miss Emma Carvery, both of Halifax, N. S.

Elizabeth, wife of Valentine Lawrence, departed this life, after a short illness, at her home, Woodville, King's Co., on Monday the 5th of July, at the age of 59 years. She had been for many years a member of the Billtown Baptist Church. Her funeral was attended by a large number of mourners and friends. An appropriate discourse was delivered on the occasion by the pastor, Rev. Sydney Welton. One son and three daughters remain to mourn their loss.

On Wednesday, the 11th inst., Frances A., only daughter of Elizabeth and the late Chas. E. Tyler, in the 21st year of her age.

On the 12th inst., after a long and painful illness, Ellen Mary, beloved wife of Chas. Kaizer, in the 30th year of her age.

On the 11th August, Frances McNeill, in the 28th year of his age.

On Wednesday, August 11th, Mary E. widow of the late William G. Anderson, in the 73rd year of her age.

On the 11th inst., Christina, widow of the late John Keith.

On Sunday, 8th inst., Isabel, relict of Casper Arenburg, aged 77 years.

At Middle LaHave, 7th inst., Mrs. John Hunter, aged 70 years.

On the 18th inst., in the 8th year of her age, Stella Catherine, beloved daughter of George M. and Sarah Smith.

On the 13th inst., Catherine, relict of the late William Furlong, in the 72nd year of her age.

At Truro, N. S., Mrs. G. W. Marsters, aged 51 years.

At Little River, Yarmouth, on the 7th inst., Mr. Elijah Pinkney, Sr., aged 70 years.

At Lochaber, on the 31st ult., Mary, widow of Jas. Stewart, at the advanced age of 80 years.

On the 12th inst., Mr. Michael Hennessey, aged 60 years.

At St. Peter's Road, P. E. I., Aug. 6th, Mrs. Jessie Scott, relict of the late Wm. Scott, aged 87 years. For over sixty years she was a consistent member of the Baptist Church here. Her works do follow her. C. C. B.

On Saturday, August 14th, Ellen, the beloved daughter of John and the late Frances Newman, in the 30th year of her age.

On Sunday, 15th August, Margaret Yeomans, widow of the late Edward Cunard, Esq.

On the 15th inst., Mr. Robert Walker, in the 81st year of his age.

Suddenly, on Friday, the 13th August, Daniel McLeod, aged 37 years, a native of Cape Breton.

NEWTON THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION. FALL TERM begins TUESDAY, Sept. 14th. Tuition and Room-rent free. For particulars address the President, ALVAH HOVEY, Newton Centre, Mass., Aug. 11. 3 ins.