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REV. FATHER KEARNS delivered a lecture in St. Mary's Cathedral, on Sunday the 5th inst., on "the Divine Constitution of the Church," to which the public were especially invited. The lecture was afterwards published in one of our morning papers. Some of the things advanced were unquestionably true and very well put. But when the lecturer passed from the infallibility of the church to the infallibility of the Pope he had a far more difficult task, and was not equally successful We need not say that the evidence adduced to shew the supremacy of Peter, was without any reliable foundation.

THE REV. MR. PADFIELD of the Church of England in a subsequent issue of the same paper assumes the task of replying to Father Kearns. This he does by affirming that the Roman Catholic Church has failed to establish its claim to the successorship to the Apostles; He argues that—

"The Papacy is an intermittent office, becoming continually vacant, and then filled and conferred by a merely human election. One Pope cannot be said to hand over his gifts to his successor, because that successor is not appointed until after his death, sometimes a long time afterwards."

But on the other hand, he proceeds to say:

"In the case of the Episcopacy this is very different, one Bishop receives his orders from other Bishops, and so the power is handed on without break or diminution. To give an illustration: Hibbert, Bishop of Nova Scotia, was consecrated in the year 1851, by John Bird, Archbishop of Canterbury, and three other Bishops, and we can trace on the line of succession to St. Augustine Bishop of Canterbury, and through him to Apostolic times. This is not a matter of opinion or faith even, but of historical fact, of which the records are extant."

This line of argument may please those of our Episcopalian friends who indulge in such follies. It might help us to believe that they are the genuine successors of the Apostles, if there were were any such persons. But we find nothing in the Scripture, or anywhere else to warrant us in adopting such a Popish notion. It is a very sad thing if this is their only claim to the succession,

Having the characteristics of the Apostles, and doing the same work as they did, we regard as the only things that prove the succession. However directly they may have descended, if if they have no other claim, it will be of as little worth to them as it was to those in the church at Ephesus who said they were apostles, and it was found they were not. Rev. ii. 2.

THE PHILADELPHIA BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY are making a number of improvements in their periodicals for the coming year. We have received from the Depository at Philadelphia, and from the Boston Agent George H. Springer, 4 Beacon Street, specimen copies for January of the various Lesson Helps, which indicate what may be expected of them in the succeeding months:

THE BAPTIST TEACHER, is edited by Dr. Henson and others. It is enlarged from 36 to 48 large 8vo pages. Notwithstanding the additional outlay, the price remains the same: 50 cents per copy in clubs of five and upwards. Single copies 75 cents a years.

The following are in the January table of contents:

Editorials: A Fresh Start. Plus Ultra. Adaptation. Bring Him to Me. Faithful unto Death. Blackboards. *Contributions:* Making the Soul Felt. Diamonds, Baptist Training School.

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OUR LITTLE ONES, is a beautiful paper for Infant Classes, 50 cents a year, or 5 copies or more to one address 25 cents per copy for a year.

THE LESSON CALENDAR FOR 1881, published by the *Sunday School Times* on a stiff card for hanging up. It has the dates in large type for one week, on each sheet. It also has a short passage of Scripture marked for each day, with the title of the weeks' lesson, and an appropriate text for each day. It is a clever arrangement, by taking off the sheet of the past week, a new one is commenced every Monday.

THE GEM, just published by Rev. J. E. Hopper, in Saint John, N. B., is a cheap and good four page monthly sheet, for young children. It may be had for 15 cents a year, or 10 copies to one address for 8 cents a year.

Notices.

P. E. ISLAND BAPTIST S. S. CONVENTION.

The P. E. I. Baptist S. S. Convention will meet in its annual session, with the church at Alexandra, at 10 a. m., on Saturday, 8th January, 1881. A large representation is earnestly requested.

M. G. MACLEOD, *Sec'y.*

Charlottetown, Dec. 7th, 1880.

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Wolfville, Dec. 11, 1880.

REV. JOSEPH MURRAY has removed to Clinch Mills, St John, N. B., and wishes all correspondence for him addressed to that place.

A Public Examination of classes in Horton Academy and Acadia Seminary will take place to-morrow Thursday, the 16th, in the Academy Hall, commencing at 9 o'clock, A. M., and 2 o'clock, P.M. The subjects for morning session will be Latin, Geography, Natural Philosophy, Physiology, for the afternoon, French and German. The exercises will be varied by readings and recitations by members of the Academy and Seminary. The public are cordially invited.

WANTED.

Minutes of the New Brunswick Baptist Association, from 1822 to 1840, and 1845 and 1847.

Also, Minutes of the Eastern New Brunswick Association, for 1850, and of the 19th session held in 1866, also 1876 and 1878. Any person having these, or any of them would confer a great favor by sending them to the "Christian Messenger" Office, Halifax, N. S., or, by a postal card, naming terms for them.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

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M. R. SELDEN, *Treasurer.*

Halifax, Dec. 14, 1880.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH. — Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. E. M. Saunders. Sabbath School in the New Vestry Spring Garden Road at 2.45 P. M. Prayer-meetings in the same place on Wednesday and Bible studies on Friday evenings at 7.30.

NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH, GOTTINGEN STREET.—Lord s Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Manning. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

TABERNACLE, NORTH BRUNSWICK ST.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. F. Avery. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

DARTMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 3 P.M. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30.

AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH, CORNWALLIS STREET. — Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. Wilton R. Boone. Sabbath School in the vestry at 3 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 8 o'clock.

News.

The Ladies of the Dartmouth Baptist Congregation, respectfully invite their friends and the public to a Fancy Sale and Tea-meeting, to be held in the Town Hall, on Tuesday the 21st inst. Among the attractions of the evening, will be Christmas trees, laden with articles suitable for Christmas presents. Doors open at 2 p. m. Admission 10c. Tea from 6 to 8. Tickets 25 cents.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.—*Victoria Co.*—To be a Coroner—John L. Bethune Esquire, M. D, of Baddeck.

Queens Co.—To be a Commissioner of Schools for the Southern District,—The Rev. James I. DeWolfe, of Milton.

Kings Co.—To be a Commissioner of Schools in place of Benjamin Kinsman, Resigned,—George M. Burgess, of Woodville.

Cumberland Co.—To be Commissioners for taking Affidavits &c.,—Gilbert Seaman, Esquire, of Minudie, and Alexander Stewart Townshend, Esquire, of Parrsborough.

Halifax Co.—To be Commissioners for taking Affidavits &c.,—Albert Peters Esquire, Barrister, and Fenwick W. Johnston, Esquire, Barrister, both of the City of Halifax. To be a Commissioner for giving relief to Insolvent Debtors,—James M. Oxley, Esquire, Barrister, of Halifax.

Cape Breton Co.—To be a Justice of the Peace,—Cenric E. Rees of Cow Bay.

The barque Chili arrived last week from Manilla, (Phillipine Isles), May 14th, with a cargo of sugar for the St. Lawrence Refining Company, Montreal, which will be landed at the depot and transhipped by rail. The vessel would have arrived here much sooner but for repeated attempts to get into the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

A meeting was held in the African Baptist Church on Wednesday evening last, on the subject of the education provided for the children of African descent. Rev. W. R. Boone introduced a series of resolutions, the object of which was to secure improved arrangements in the public schools, so as to admit them on the same footing as the white population.

The Women's Temperance Union held their second church-to church meeting, in the Tabernacle on Thursday evening. Many young men attended and Rev. Mr. Avery, Mr. W. G. Lane, G. W. Chief Templar, I. O. G. T., Mr. Theakston and others spoke on the common interest of all Christian people in the temperance cause.

The *Alliance Journal*, Temperance paper is to be superceded at the begining of the New year, by the *Watchman*, to be published by Mr. James A. Halliday, on behalf of the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance.

Citizens of Halifax are warned against allowing a waste of water in their houses.

The Skating Rink in the Exhibition Building was opened on Friday and a large number of skaters were in attendance.

Dr. Fortin claims that the new telegraph system in the Gulf has already resulted in the saving of one vessel and of two wrecked crews. The line on the Magdalen Islands has been completed, and 140 miles of poles have been placed on Anticosti.

A movement is on foot to have the Canada Temperance Act adopted in Cape Breton County.

A recent bazaar, in aid of the Baptist Church, Acadian Mines, realized the handsome sum of $450.

Robberies are frequent in Liverpool. Several stores have been burglarized, clothes lines robbed and cellars broken into.

Messrs. Healy & Pickles' bucket factory at Round Hill caught fire about 5 o'clock on Wednesday and was totally destroyed. Fortunately there was not much stock in the factory, so the loss will not be very heavy. No insurance.

The Gammell Will case at Sydney was brought to a close last week, the court admitting the last will to Probate, and decreeing it proved in solemn form. The effect of this decision will be to set aside the first will, and distribute the property of the testator among his heirs, including his widow.

Mr. McKay, Counsel for Gammell, gave notice of appeal.

The Annual Meeting of the HALIFAX INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND was held on Saturday last.

The Manager's Report shewed them a very efficient body of gentlemen for their work.

The Superintendent's Report gave a very full and thorough review of the interior operations of the Institution.

The adoption of the Report was moved by Rev. Dr. Hill, and seconded by Rev. E. M. Saunders. Other gentlemen also spoke in the warmest terms of approval of the admirable way in which the Institution had been managed.

Ayer's Hair Vigor, as its name implies, invigorates and strengthens the hair. It not only restores the original color to gray or faded hair, but by its stimulating action at the roots, produces a vigorous growth, and gives it that beautiful lustre which results only from a strong, healthy growth of hair.

The following appears in the Truro *Sun* from Mr. Broderick, the agricultural delegate from England who visited this Province during the summer:

"I was very agreeably surprised to find Nova Scotia so much superior to my anticipations. I see no reason why it should not become a second England. Its coal and iron mines are something astonishing. The land is good, but the cultivation is not what would be considered first-rate in England. I believe many of the farmers do not know the real value of their own land. With an improved breed of cattle, the Maritime Provinces would almost have a monopoly of the English market. This, in my opinion, is the kind of farming they should cultivate. They cannot compete with the West in wheat growing."

Marriages.

At Pugwash, on 30th Nov., by Rev. H. Bool, Mr. James W. Smith, of Pugwash, to Helen Jane, daughter of Mr. Donald McLeod, of Centreville.

At the Baptist Church, Springfield, Sabbath evening the 5th inst., by the Rev. H. B. Shaffner, James E. Bent, of Springfield, to Mary F. Gates, of Inglesville.

At Lake George, Yarmouth, Nov. 26th, by the Rev. Aaron Cogswell, Mr. Harley Saunders, of Tusket Lakes, and Miss Annie Crowell, of Deerfield.

At Deerfield, by the Rev. Aaron Cogswell, Nov. 30th, Mr. Isaiah Moses, of Brenton, and Miss Marietta Spinney, of Deerfield.

At Clementsport, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. J. M. Parker, Thomas Burrell, son of Capt. Josiah Burrell, of Clementsport, to Drucilla A., only daughter of Wm. Potter, of Clementsport.

On the 1st inst., by the Rev. C. B. Welton, assisted by the Rev. C. W. Hamilton, E. C. Randall, M. D., of Hillsborough, N. B., to Maggie, daughter of James McLatchy, Esq., of the same place.

At Amherst, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. D. A. Steele, A. M., Mr. Dimock Archibald, to Amelia, only daughter of Cyrus Black, Esq.

On the 8th inst., at Mahone Bay, by the Rev. L. B. Gates, Edward Curren Smith, Esq., to Miss Annie F. Crogskill, all of Chester.

At North East Margaree, on Nov. 24th, by the Rev. P. R. Foster, Mr. Hector McKay, to Phebe, daughter of the late Dea. Wm. B Hart of Margaree.

Deaths.

At Springfield, on the 18th ult., Miss Isabella Grinton, aged and respected.

At Port Hilford, formerly Indian Harbor, Nov. 23rd, after a short illness, Mrs. Margaret Drake, widow of the late Jas. Drake, in the 76th year of her age, an affectionate mother and kind neighbour. We trust that her hope was grounded in Christ. May the Lord bless the surviving relatives and friends. H. E.

At Port Lorne, on the 2nd Nov., of Inflammation, Lizzie, second daughter of Joseph and Lucy Cropley, in the 20th year of her age. She made a profession of religion in 1877, and united with the Wilmot Mountain Church. Her sufferings were severe, but short.

At Moncton, on the 8th inst., Henry Augustus Jacobs, M. D., aged 48 years, eldest son of the late Godfrey Jacobs, M. D., of Lunenburg, N. S.

At Meteghan, Nov. 11th, Mr. Sylvain Robicheau, in the 51st year of his age.

At Barrington on the 27th Nov. Elizabeth Doane, widow of the late Samuel O. Doane, aged 66 years. Her end was peace.

At Levis, Quebec, 2nd inst., Flora Roy, wife of Mr. Stephen Bussault, of that place, aged 37 years.

In Victoria, Texas, on the 18th Nov., after a long and painful illness, Mrs. Susan T. Moody, widow of the late Mr. James A. Moody, formerly of Yarmouth, N. S., in the 67th year of her age.

At Willow Park, Dec. 8, of appolexy, Colonel Bennett H. Hornsby, of Louisville, Kentucky, in the 61st year of his age.

At Dartmouth, 8th inst., Elizabeth S., wife of George Cockburn, aged 67 years.

On the 8th inst., Annie Warner, aged 27 years,

At Conquerall Bank, Lunenburg Co., at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Solomon Rafuse, Capt. Geo. Richard, aged 87 years.

At Granville, on the 25th inst., Elizabeth, widow of the late Capt. James Webber, of Granville Ferry, aged 82 years.

At Lawrencetown, on the 10th inst., James J. Conrod, in the 23rd year of his age.

At Antigonish Harbor, on the 2nd inst., Charles Dunn, aged 75 years.

At Amherst, on the 3rd inst., Captain Wm. Mitchell, aged 59 years.

At Isaacs Harbor, Nov. 23rd, in the 75th year of her age, Mrs. Abigail Clarke, relict of the late James Clarke. She was born at Onslow, Feb. 1806, and moved early in life to Mabou, C.B., where she was married, professed religion, and was baptized into the fellowship of the church. In the 1848 she moved with her family to Isaacs Harbor. Her simple life and constant conformity to christian principle, won for her "the love of the brethren," and the confidence of all. Her last illness was short, and borne with christian resignation; her last words were of peace and trust in Jesus.

At the Poor's Asylum, Dec. 7th, John Moor, aged 68 years. Dec. 5, Margaret Whitman, aged 80 years.

On the 9th inst., Charles Miles, aged 50 years.

At the British American House, Mark H. Levitt, a native of Scarborough, Maine, in the 32nd year of his age.

At Truro, on the 3rd inst., Mr. Wm. Weatherbe, aged 81 years.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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A statement of conditions, dates and subjects of examinations, &c., may be obtained on application to the Principal, Dalhousie College, Halifax, N. S.

Dec. 15. 4 ins.

INFORMATION WANTED.

On the 22nd of October, 1805, the transport "Two Friends," with a number of passengers on board, mostly troops, was wrecked off the coast of Cape Breton. Among the passengers was ENSIGN WM. EVELYN, of the 41st Foot. His friends received the account of his death, and are now desirous of knowing whether his body was found and buried. Persons having access to Registers of burials may examine them and ascertain the fact. Any information on the subject, if communicated to the publisher of this paper, will be forwarded to England, through agents in Montreal. Reasonable expenses incurred, will be paid.

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