

restored, he declined to continue in that position, and returned to his "life work."

During the absence of Dr. Yates, his excellent and talented wife, Eliza, took the charge of the Mission, and the oversight of the native preachers; and, by the Divine blessing, the great work still advanced.

For the Christian Messenger.
Rev. W. H. Richan vs. Crito.

Mr. Editor,—
If Crito writes again, I hope he will give either his real name, or a translation of his Greek 'Nom de plume.'

He thinks that the same word cannot indicate a person, and at the same time symbolize his office. Let an example answer his objection. Good shepherd is applied to Jesus. Does the title not symbolize the office he performs, in calling, leading, feeding and protecting his flock? And the same may be said of many titles applied to our Lord. Crito thinks the question "how" is not answered without a full description of the whole process. If my child looking at a steamboat asks me how she is propelled, and I answer, "By steam," is my child's question not answered until I have given a full description of the machinery, the properties of steam, the manner of its generation, the mode of application, etc.? Having given this brief answer, I may proceed to explain as far as my child is capable of understanding. This is just what the Saviour did in his conversation with Nicodemus, as I shewed in my first article. Crito asks, "Where in scripture is the word designated 'water'; that is 'the word' merely, no more, no less?"

Why, I care not to restrict the meaning of the symbol "water" to "word merely." What if it does include gracious influences flowing from the word, so long as the word is the central idea, as it evidently is.

Crito says that "loution does not mean, though it may imply water." Then Donnegan has made a great mistake in giving water as the primary meaning, and other lexicographers are not much better who have included water in their definition. Of course none of them pretend that the word everywhere conveys the same identical idea. Surely "Crito" has translated enough from Greek and Latin to know that if he rigidly restricts each word to precisely the same sense wherever it occurs, he will have tautology as unmeaning as that which he has ascribed to me.

With reference to my rendering (by Dean Alford's authority) of Eph. v. 26. "That he might sanctify it having cleansed it with the washing of water even by the word," he says, "he has gained his point by eliminating *en* (by, in, in conformity with.)" What does he mean? I ask him to look again.

He endeavours to weaken the force of my quotation from Dean Alford, by saying that "that learned commentator exegetically takes water as meaning baptismal water." What has that to do with the "grammatical critique." I did not appeal to Alford as a theologian but as a scholar; and I am glad to perceive that, as such, he commands respect, even from Crito.

Crito says, "Either all three passages Titus iii. 5; Eph. v. 26; Heb. x. 22 refer to baptism or neither of them does." As that *ipse dixit* is decisive, we need not dwell upon it.

With reference to 1 Peter iii. 21, "the like figure whereunto baptism doth now save us," he says, "It appears plain that if baptism is a figure and yet baptism saves us, the salvation must be of a corresponding character that is in figure. . . . Thus this passage and my exegesis, of John iii. 5 substantially agree." That is to say, if I understand him, "baptism" in Peter's statement, is a figure of a figurative salvation; and "water" in John iii. 5 means baptism, which is a figure of a figurative regeneration. To this I can only reply in his own language: "This may be clear enough but mankind has not yet learned to talk and write in that way."

Oct. 18th, 1880. W. H. RICHAN.

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For the Christian Messenger.
From Yarmouth.

Dear Editor.—
The Exhibition, which in every particular was a very creditable one, is over, and the many visitors to it are 'home ward bound.' Yarmouth has been, and is yet a 'live place.' There is an air of sociability among the business men, and others also, noticeable to even a stranger. In this, our first visit, we were forcibly reminded of our Centennial visit to the Quaker City, in 1876, where such marked attention was paid to strangers by the Philadelphians.

The streets here are wide and comfortable; gravelled sidewalks, ornamental shade trees, neat residences, and very tastily laid out and decorated fronts, with beautiful English style of lawns, &c.

Yarmouth is really a pleasant place, and, thanks to our old friend Dr. Randall, was made doubly so, by our drives around town and the suburbs.

On Sabbath, Rev. Mr. Warren, (pastor of Temple Church two years ago and for five years previously,) delivered two excellent discourses in this church. He expressed pleasure in again standing before that people, to behold familiar countenances, and would direct their attention to the impressive words of the Patriarch, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." The speaker made very pleasing allusion to the past, and an appropriate application of the subject to the people before him, showing that, whether in prosperity or adversity, when the coils of financial difficulties tightened around one, or affliction visited one, when His children have in faith laid the matter before the mercy seat the force of the text would be realized and strength gained for the future.

The Temple was crowded in the evening, proving how highly this good brother is appreciated by the people of Yarmouth.

It is pleasing to find the broken ranks of the ministry being filled up by such able workers. W. J. G.
Oct. 18, 1880.

For the Christian Messenger.
Donation Visit at Newport.

It is indeed very encouraging to a minister of the gospel to know that his services are appreciated by his people; and that he has the sympathy and love of those to whom he ministers. Tangible expressions of sympathy on the part of churches of the Lord Jesus toward their pastors, have been common since the time of the apostles, yea even before that time; for we read of a "donation visit" being made by the church in the wilderness to Moses and Aaron their ministers, Exodus xxxv. 21. And again, of one being made to Job, after his affliction, Job. xl. 11.

This same spirit has of late pervaded the minds of the friends of Newport, so that on the evening of the 7th inst., they assembled in the church at Scotch Village, where, after enjoying a friendly greeting, and kindly exchange of thought, and the wants of the inner man were supplied from the baskets filled with good things brought by the sisters, a box containing \$44.82 was presented to me by Bro. Isaiah Wallace, in behalf of the Newport church and congregation.

After appropriate remarks were made by Rev. I. Wallace, and the recipient of the donation, and "Sweet by and bye" was sung, we separated, feeling satisfied that such friendly greetings are calculated to bind pastor and people more closely together.

May the Lord of Hosts continue to bless the people of Newport more abundantly with all needed temporal and spiritual blessings is the prayer of their pastor,
A. T. DYKEMAN.

The Great Village, Baptist Church and congregation had a *sociable* on the evening of the 19th inst., for the benefit of their pastor. The proceeds amounted to \$55.63. Articles for household use were contributed in addition. Revs. G. F. Miles and T. B. Layton were present, and other brethren from a distance, who added to the interest of the occasion. The music and addresses were excellent. The friends left, feeling well repaid in the enjoyment of the evening, and the minister went to his home so well satisfied that he did not envy those who received the blessing of the General Donor.
M. P. FREEMAN.

In Memoriam.

MRS. RICHARD CARTER,
departed this life at DeBert River, Londonderry, Oct. 4th, aged 87 1/2 years. In early life she experienced a change of heart, and was baptized by Rev. Mr. Cleaveland at Onslow. She subsequently had her membership transferred to the Church at Upper Londonderry, where she resided. She was born in April, married in the same month, and afterwards in the same month was converted. She was a devoted and exemplary Christian, and a "mother in Israel." During her illness she was favored with special manifestations of Divine favor. She was raised to the mount of rapture. Undisturbed by doubt, and unshaken by fear, she awaited the summons to a better home. On one occasion, she said to her pastor, "I cannot describe my feeling—it is beyond my power to express the joy I have in Christ." This confidence remained to the last. To an inquiry of one of her sons, as she approached her end, she replied,
"Jesus can make a dying bed
Feel soft as downy pillows are,
While on his breast I lean my head
And breath my life out sweetly there."

An aged husband survives and one sister to continue life's pilgrimage a little longer. The memory of the departed will be long enshrined in the hearts of many surviving relatives and friends.
M. P. F.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.—Dear Messenger.—Allow me to say, for the information of the friends who have kindly assisted us in building a meeting-house at the Lake Road, that the outside of the building is now finished so that we can occupy it. The opening sermon was preached last Lord's Day morning by Bro. E. B. Phelan, of Amherst.

Bro. Phelan is an excellent preacher and a devoted Christian. Any of our churches destitute of a pastor would do well to secure his services.
Fraternally yours,
D. W. CRANDAL.

MAHONE BAY, Oct. 21st.—Dear Editor,—Please allow me a few words in your paper, in reference to this place. In the first place I wish to say, that persons making their first visit to Mahone Bay, on arriving at the high lands that overlook the place—are impressed with the beauty of the scenery. Nestling around the waters of the beautiful bay, surrounded with sloping green fields and thrifty shrubbery, is a little town, which has the appearance of both temporal and moral improvement. And then again, as the visitor notices the five grand church edifices, including a capacity sufficient to convene all the inhabitants of the town on each sabbath morning, to be taught in the way of life and salvation, he concludes that spirituality has a high place in the hearts of the people. Now, Mr. Editor, while I confess that temporalities are receiving a moderate share of attention, yet the place is not as prosperous as appears at first sight. Business is very dull, and money very scarce. But as to each of the other very essential interests, mentioned, I am constrained to say, that morality has run mad, and that spirituality is down to low water mark. It is true that the religious car is dragging along a number of cold and lifeless forms, many of which had better be buried forever out of sight; but the real ever living, springing spiritual life, that ought to equal, nay, outshine the scenery around us, is in the shade. But we are not discouraged, for God speaks of his hidden ones, and Paul says that, the life of the christian is hid with Christ in God. Now, Mr. Editor, I had no thought of saying so much when I commenced, but what I want to put before you, and your readers, is some of the discouragements under which the Baptists are laboring here. Now besides the things already mentioned, there is a heavy debt on our Meeting-house. This has a very depressing affect upon our people; as it costs them a hard struggle to support their minister, and pay the interest on (\$3,200.00) three thousand two hundred dollars. Assistance is very much needed, but times are almost too hard to call for any. I made a short tour at the time of the Convention, into the Western part of this Province, for the purpose of trying to collect something, but did not

meet with much success. I must, however, acknowledge the kindness of some of my friends at Westport, who assisted me. I will give their names and donations respectively.

For the Baptist Meeting-house at Mahone Bay:

Henry Glaven.....	\$1 00
Frank Suthern.....	3 00
Elisha Bowers.....	1 00
William Smith.....	1 00
A friend.....	2 00
Sunday Collection.....	9 00

Centreville Collection.....	17 00
Mrs. A. Messenger.....	1 00

Total.....	\$19 00

Assistance from any friends who feel disposed to aid us, will be most highly appreciated.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—The number of men sent to the lumber regions this fall is unprecedented, and the cut of timber is expected to be greater than in any previous year.

A telegram announces the successful completion of a submarine cable between Gaspe and Anticosti.

The Brazilian Parliament has voted a subsidy of \$50,000 a year to the line of steamers to ply between Canada and Brazil. Two vessels will be placed on the route at once.

Bishop Duhamel has expressed his willingness to meet a deputation of Roman Catholics and discuss the school question, and if it can be shown that Catholic children suffer in the race of life in competition with Protestants, on account of the defects of the Separate schools, he is prepared to govern himself accordingly.

UNITED STATES.—The steamship Main, which arrived at New York on Friday, brought \$2,288,915 in francs.

Despatches received from Fort Buford, Dakota Territory, of the 15th, state that General Terry authorized Col. Allison to receive the surrender of Sitting Bull and his Indians, the latter to give up all arms and ponies; the latter to be sold, and cattle purchased for them with the proceeds. If Sitting Bull does not surrender, the troops will move in force against him.

At Raleigh, N. C., on Wednesday last, a freight train ran into a crowded excursion train coming to the State fair. The engines and cars were wrecked, three persons killed, and fourteen wounded, three seriously. They were mostly on the platform.

At Cincinnati, on Wednesday, the boilers of Cox & Fairbanks' distillery, one of the largest in the country, exploded and set the building on fire. Five men were instantly killed. The head engineer, says the boilers were carrying 90 pounds of steam. One entire battery of three boilers exploded.

A collision occurred on the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railway on Wednesday at Jones station, nineteen miles north of Cincinnati. It resulted in injuring fifteen passengers.

A shocking calamity in connection with a fire occurred on Wednesday. A fire broke out in the shoddy manufactory of Benjamin Hey in such a way as to cut off escape from the third-story window, where a number of women were at work. The firemen, after extinguishing the fire, succeeded in extricating the dead bodies of five—Mrs. Rachel Doggett, 55; Miss Margaret Welsh, 60; Mrs. Mary Syron, 49; Mrs. Catherine Jackson, 55; Mrs. Kirwin, 40. Loss by the fire—25,000.

ENGLAND.—The weather on Wednesday was cold and snowing.

Gold withdrawn from bank on Tuesday to the amount of £110,000, went to Egypt to pay for the cotton crop, which is large.

The Gazette publishes a proclamation declaring county Kerry in a state of disturbance, requiring additional police, and also offers a reward of \$5,000 for the capture of the murderer of Mr. Hutchins' driver.

It is ascertained on the best authority that Mr. Forster, Chief Secretary for Ireland, on Saturday swore an information charging a number of prominent members of the Land League with conspiracy, and that application for their arrest will be made to the courts early next week. The following are the gentlemen selected for the prosecution:—Charles Stewart Parnell, M. P., Joseph Biggar, M. P., Arthur O'Connor, M. P., J. J. O'Kelly, M. P., Alex. O'Sullivan, M. P., Mr. Egan, Treasurer of the Land League, Mr. Brennan, its Secretary, and Messrs. James Redpath, Kettle, Boynton and Sheridan, Daly (journalist), Harrington (journalist), and Tully (journalist.) In view of the difficulty in obtaining a verdict from an Irish jury, it is said to be the intention to apply to the Queen's Bench for a change of venue, and to bring the accused for trial before an English jury. The Government claims to have this power under the new Judicature Act. The leaders of the Land League think that if they are tried in England they will be certainly convicted.

A great Land League meeting was held at Galway, an Sunday, 40,000 people being present. Parnell addressed the meeting. He appealed to the people to be resolute and put an end to England's misrule. O'Connor Power asserted that

the tenants were suffering more than the slaves of South Carolina ever had.

It is feared that grave trouble may arise on the arrest of the Irish leaders.

GERMANY.—Germany on account of the failure of her rye crop, will require a large amount of maize, and continental nations seem anxious to augment their reserves of wheat.

FRANCE.—The Ferry Cabinet, say the Gambetta organs, are beginning to press the ministry to enforce religious decrees, once for all. The Cabinet may be overturned if it refuses to go on to the end, but it seems disposed to compromise with the religious orders.

Three Catholic priests have within the last few weeks joined Pere Hyacinthe.

News.

SOMETHING SPECIAL AT THE TABERNACLE ON THANKSGIVING DAY.—At the Tea-meeting the Rev. W. F. Armstrong has promised to be present and during the evening to appear in his Oriental Costume, with his Sun Toppee and big umbrella. He will exhibit a turban, sandals of various kinds, the passport given by the king of Siam for his safe conduct through that Kingdom, also some of the strange coins of that people.

To many the native books will have a special charm. The missionary will make a speech in Telugu, any one rightly interpreting the same can have a free tea. To many the trust deed of the mission premises, with its strange seal and stamp will have special interest, and our desire is to draw one and all to think of Christian Missions in far off lands, and thereby to raise a tide of thankfulness to the God of the harvest from whom all blessing flow.
J. F. A.

It is not often that a lady has an entire railway train run over her and lives to tell the tale. The Frederickton Farmer informs us that Mrs. H. C. Creed of that city in company with a lady friend was crossing the railway track at Salamanca Station, and stumbling fell into a "cattle guard." The Western train was rushing towards her at a break-neck speed, not a hundred yards away, and the position of the unfortunate lady was most perilous. Her companion endeavored to assist her, but had not time. Mrs. Creed, with great presence of mind, laid herself down flat, and the entire train passed over her, not injuring her the slightest.

Two whales have been landed at Westport, Digby, this season, both valuable prizes.

AT DARTMOUTH.—Thursday night an old carpenter named Morgan O'Brien, who had been drinking heavily during the whole week, was arrested and lodged in a cell in the police station. Sometime in the night he took his neckerchief and twisted it into a rope and hung himself.

An experiment was made with the steamer *Bertha* on Thursday last to see if she could be relied on as a fire engine for the harbor with most satisfactory results.

A public meeting of the Halifax and Dartmouth Sunday School Association, was held in Poplar Grove Church on Thursday night. Mr. A. N. Archibald, the President, filled the chair. After singing, and prayer by Rev. W. F. Armstrong, Rev. Dr. Burns and Rev. Mr. Dunn were called upon and gave interesting reports of their visit to the conference in England. Mr. J. C. Mackintosh also gave a report of his visit to Moncton. Other short speeches followed. It was a highly interesting occasion.

Mr. Sandford Fleming was installed Chancellor of Queen's University, Kingston, on Thursday, and delivered an address. Hon. Edward Blake was one of the speakers on the occasion.

"INDIA ILLUSTRATED," are the words on the tickets which give admission to the entertainment furnished by the returned missionary, Rev. W. F. Armstrong, and at the Tabernacle the title is well sustained by the views exhibited, they are of no mean order, being the work of the best artists of London, and were prepared under the supervision of the missionary's own supervision, many costing over 10 and 12 dollars each, and when we state that the photographs and paintings thus prepared can be so enlarged from four inches square that a screen over 20 feet square is required to exhibit them, some idea may be formed of the power of the light and lenses and of the instrument used in their Exhibition, the entire apparatus costing over \$600 in England.

I would here state that the views are the best that have ever come under my notice.

Arrangements have been made with Rev. Mr. Armstrong to give an exhibition in the Academy of Music on Friday evening, Oct. 29th, where the platform and seating arrangement will give the best advantage for the display of these magnificent views. The best evidence of their fidelity was given we think at the last exhibition, for a stranger in the company was moved by the re-appearance of old scenes that, when a grand wedding procession glided by, he called in Hindustani for a repetition of the view; and as the gate of Delhi appeared he said, "I was there, and I know it." He seemed anxious to enlarge but time would not allow.
J. F. A.