CHRISTIAN MESSENGER. THE

Will not the reader of these lines pray | votedly attached to those who have been just been completed and will be occu- having regard to the resolution of the the Lord of the harvest to send to the instrumental in their conversion, but hundreds of millions in China not only when it came to the question of uniting preachers, but many more "beloved with the people of God, their convictions physicians," well trained and full of of truth and duty did not allow them to faith and of the Holy Ghost?-Herald hesitate. of Truth.

Waldenses .- Since 1847 the Waldensians have become a missionary church, and have planted stations in all parts of Italy and Sicily; but the pastors in their native valleys have been left with very inadequate support. An effort is being made to raise a fund of \$60,000 in England and America, to insure to them an income of \$500 each. At the various stations in Italy there are 2.911 communicants, -an increase of 98 over last year. The staff occupied in the work of evanglization is 40 pastors, 21 evangilists, and 45 school-teachers.

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Butchering in China.-Butchering is regarded by strict Confucianists as great sin ; but in ordinary times no notice is taken of the business by the officials. When trouble of any kind comes upon the country, butchering is immediately prohibited, apparently in the hope that Heaven will have compassion and avert the calamity. As soon, however, as the danger is over, butchering is again permitted, and goes on unchecked until the next trouble calls for another reformation.-Advocate of Missions.

temples; but it cannot be denied that most of them are fast going to decay, To-day there are only one fourth of the number of priests in Bangkok that there were thirty years ago, and they are not nearly so much respected as formerly. Without a doubt, Buddhism is slowly but surely losing its hold upon this people; and there seems to be spread- Christ were baptized. They were not ing, especially among the higher classes, a kind of indefinite belief in a Supreme Being, -the Creator and Preserver of the Universe.-DR. E. A. STURGE, in Foreign Missionary.

The parents are supremely delighted, first, in the conversion of their children, then in their readiness and anxiety to adhereto the Word of God and walk in the "commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless." May it be their privilege to see their three sons following in the same path.

> Yours very truly, I. E. GOUCHER.

REV. G. F. MILES writes, April 25th "Yesterday I baptized a man and his wife at Upper Economy.

HANTS COUNTY .- We are informed that a gracious revival is in progress at Summerville, N. S. Ten persons were baptized by Rev. Geo. Weathers, on Sabbath 24th April, and eight more last Sabbath. Rev. Isa. Wallace is aiding, and there is a good prospect of further enlargement. This branch of the Kempt Church is much strengthened.

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CAMBRIDGE. - After several years o spiritual darkness, God has come in answer to prayer, and revived his work. and saved precious souls. Special meet ings were begunat the Narrows in March; which were immediately discontinued, Siam.-There are very many heathen | owing to the ill health of the Pastor, Rev. A. B. McDonald. Meetings were commenced again on the first of April when at the request of brethren there, it became my privilege to spend a fortnight with the church there, in helping the Pastor. Last Sabbath was a day long to be remembered by the Baptist church at the Narrows. A number of the children at the Sabbath school having found peace in believing on infants but youths, who received the ingrafted word which is able to save their 8011 8.

pied at once.

Burglars broke into the Fredericton Post office on Monday week and carried off all the letters in the office outside the safe, also forty dollars worth of postage stamps. The number of letters taken is from 1,500 to 2,000. There were some money letters among those lost.

A memorandum of incorporation has been filed in the Provincial Secretary's Office for the formation of the Electric Light Company of St. John, capital \$200,000, in shares of \$100 each. The incorporators are five in number, and they intend to push the thing through.

The suit brought by the Ray estate against E. E. Lockhart has been settled by Lockhart handing over to the representatives of the Methodist Church all the property unspent in his hand, in. debentures, amounting altogether to \$33,060, assuming Bank of New Brunswick stock worth forty per cent. above

New Jersey, has given a call to Rev. Dr. The effect of this will be to set him work. "An officer of the Sarmatian, when Waters, of St. John, offering a salary of aside altogether and necessitate a new the ship was coming up the harbor, had \$6,000.

The Fredericton Baptist congregation have recenty voted the Rev. T. H Porter, their ex-pastor, the handsome sum of six hundred dollars for the en. suing year. Mr. Porter's strength is gradually failing. There is hope, however, that as the season advances he may enjoy improved health.

UNITED STATES .- General Grant is in Mexico making arrangements for great International Raiiway which may lead to the annexation of Mexico.

The floods in the Western States are still giving great trouble and causing much disaster and distress.

Kansas City is badly flooded. Houses are being swept away and the inhabi tants are fleeing for life.

A despatch on Friday from St. Paul, said the loss by floods along the Missouri River, between there and Sioux city, exclusive of damage to railroad and telegraph lines and steamboats, is estimated at \$2,000,000. There are losses of thousands of cattle and horses and destruction of many houses. All the bridges for more than a hundred miles up the stream are washed away. Willtown, 40 miles from Missouri, is reported completely washed away. Jamesville is in but little better condition. The losses of stock are enormous. One farme expressed it by saying when the water joyed a refreshing from the presence of subside, the stench of the carcases will the Lord. March 20th, seven happy be- drive us from the country. Captain Wheeler's estimate is that the Govern ment will have to maintain 2,000 people added to the church by baptism. In the for sixty days, and 1,000 of that number A refuge has been temporarily provid ed for in public buildings and shops. It is proposed to purchase five hundred tents by subscription for the use of the homeless. Despatches from points or the Mississippi show that the river is rising rapidly. The total loss of property by the flood on the Missouri River and tributaries, between Sioux City and Bismarck, is estimated at \$2,500,000; between Sioux City and St. Louis the loss is estimated at \$1,500,000. Small-pox is causing alarm at New York last; week there were 127 smallpox patients and 107 suffering from typhus fever on Blackwell's Island. During the previous week there were 33 new cases of small-pox and 37 typhus fever. A telegram from Rochester, N. Y says that at two o'clock on Sunday CARLETON.- Rev. Mr. Hickson baptized morning Dr Lewis Swift discovered another new comet. The location about right ascension, 0 hours, 0 mins. declination North, 37 degrees, in th constellation Andromeda. This is th first comet discovered this year, an places Prof. Swift in the possession of \$200, the prize offered by Mr. Warner founder of the Warner Observatory. A ferryboat disaster occurred or Thursday last on the Fox River at Elgin, Ill. The boat had been purchased to take the place of the bridge washed away. The boat was upset and the passengers, including upwards of 30 little girls were swept down by the rapid current; sixteen persons were saved. Ten persons are missing and four are known to be drowned. It caused intense excitement in the city. The barque Cornwallis, of Windsor, N. S., which cleared from New York for Havre on Saturday last, was compelled to put back by a mutiny on board. Eleven of the mutineers were arrested. The men claim that they were not fed. and refused to work, whereupon the mate drew a revolver, which one of the men wrenched from him.

House, and reports of the two select committees, Mr. Bradlaugh be not permitted to take the oath.

After some debate Sir Stafford Northcote's motion was adopted by 208 to 175, amidst tremendous cheers from Conservatives.

Mr. Bradlaugh again advanced to the table, and the Speaker asked him to withdraw.

Mr. Bradlaugh declined on the ground that the resolution was illegal.

The Speaker asked for instructions. Sir Stafford Northcote asked Mr. Gladstone whether he intended to move the carrying out of the resolution.

Mr. Gladstone declined, saying he could not take the function out of the hands of the majority...

The Court of Appeals, to which cluding bank stock, mortages and Bradlaugh carried the question as to whether the decision against him in the dock large enough and substantial case of the Clark prosecution involved, in addition to a fine, his disfranchisement building a dock at Halifax one should as a British citizen, on Monday decided | be ahead of the times. The magnificent The first Reformed Church, of Newark, the point of law against Bradlaugh. harbor of Halifax ought have such a election.

upon a warrant dated April 30, charging him with inciting persons to forcibly land and to riot and assault. On arrival at Dublin he was taken to Kilmainham jail in a cab. A warrant for the arrest of Brennan has already been made out.

The Privy Council decided to place Dublin under the provisions of the Arms Act, to allow the police to search for arms.

RUSSIA.-The News' St. Petersburg correspondent says: "Gen. Melikoff will be created Prime Minister. Prince Labanoff will be made Minister of Foreign Affairs, after the Gortschakoff jubilee of 25 years in foreign, the office falling on him on Friday week, while expiring the present month. The Com- unloading a vessel at Corbetts wharf. mittee of Ministers will be abolished, He died on Tuesday last. leaving the Council of Ministers, presided over by the Emperor. Another audacious address to the Czar has been issued by the Nihilists.

The degree of L. L. D., has heen conferred on Sir William Young, C. J., by Queen's College and University, King. ston, Ont., in recognition of his long continued and valuable services in the cause of education.

MAY 4, 1881.

The City Council have ordered the Ward Assessors to commence on Monday the 9th inst.

More stringency is to be observed respecting Junk dealers than heretofore. A new ordinance has been passed in reference to them.

Mr. Kinniple from London, stated at the St. George's Dinner on Tuesday last that he had spent the day in examining the harbor and thought he could say that he had found at least three sites that would suit for a Graving Dock. He believed that in a work of this kind it would be true economy to construct a enough to serve for a long time. In said to him: "We can get into this har-Dillon was arrested in a railway train | bor at any time; there is plenty of water at all tides." This was more than could be said of the harbors of many of oppose and resist the execution of the great ports on the other side. Even process of law for giving possession of Liverpool could not make such a boast. The construction of a dock here would attract large vessels, and in many ways benefit the community. Greenock, not many years ago, was a small fishing village, but it had grown to be a place of importance, and its increase of population and wealth had just kept pace with

the improvements of its facilities for the accommodation of shipping. He anticipated the same results in Halifax and in Quebec.

A Stevedore named Joseph Romo, aged 21, was injured by a case of Gin Stan In Minan

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One of the missionaries computes that the contributions of the members of the Japanese Congregational churches would have been equivalent here to no less than \$20 per member.

Isles of the Sea :- The mission to the Friendly Islands has ceased to be a charge to the Wesleyan Missionary Society, and contributes to its treasury five thousand to ten thousand dollars a year. --- Only forty years ago, Fiji Islanders feasted on human flesh. Now forty thousand children attend Sunday school, and thousands of the people are earnest, consistent Christians .---- The Presbyterian Church of Australia proposes to undertake as soon as possible the entire support of the Presbyterian mission in the New Hebrides.----A new church has recently been built in the capital of Madagascar, and is the first building erected by the Queen within the precints of the place .--- The people of Tapiteuea, Gilbert Island, have destroyed their arms, passed strong prohibitory laws, and imposed heavy fines for games or labor on the Sabbath.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

GUYSBOROUGH, April 28th, 1881.-Dear Editor,-Bro. Rideout is still proclaiming to us the great salvation, and the good work of grace is progressing and extending its influence all around this region.

W. P. ANDERSON.

2ND MONCTION - This church has enlievers were buried with Christ in baptism. April the 3rd two more were St. Mary's church quite a number are | for thirty days. seeking the Lord and we hope will find peace and unite with the church. In Buctouch the work of the Lord is gradually progressing.

F. H. Howe.

SPRINGFIELD.-Sunday was a day o gladness with the 2nd Church at Springfield. Two additional ones were baptized and united with the Church, and two the Sabbath before, at Sprague's Point united with the 1st Church

W. T COREY. GRAND FALLS .- The Lord is blessing the people on the Tobique Road, 4 miles from Grand Falls. I baptized two young men from there last Sunday, and two others with them joined the Church at Grand falls.

C. HENDERSON.

PORTLAND.-Rev. W. Corey baptized two persons on Sunday. one last Sunday, and expects to have I. W. Corey, a student of Acadia College to assist him during the summer vacation. -Visitor.

The New Government has pardoned and released the minister imprisoned for holding prayer meetings, and the prosecution of "heretics" has been stopped. The Papal Nuncio protested against these liberal measures, but the Government continues firm.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA. - Sir Charles Tupper is reported quite recovered, and Since the publication of Bro. R's. is shortly expected to return and resume Reins.

DALHOUSIE COLLEGE : CLOSE OF SESSION. -The annual Convocation was held on Wednesday afternoon in the Assembly Room of the Provincial Building. The attendance was large. as usual, and the proceedings were watched with much interest. Rev. Principal Ross, D. D. presided. He regretted the absence of the Chief Justice, Chairman of the Board of Governors, on account of ill health. Lady Young as well as Sin William has been seriously indisposed. The Principal intimated the appointment of Rev. John Forrest to the Chair of History and Political Economy,-the second Chair endowed by Mr. Munro. The following are the graduates for the year

B. A.-H. G. Creelman, Stewiacke; Alf. Costley, Halifax; W. M. Macdonaid, Halifax ; J. A. Sedgewick, Musquodoboit; W. H. Spencer, Londonderry.

M. A.-Edmund L. Newcombe, Kent ville; William C. Herdman, Elmsdale.

B. A .- Honors of the Second Rank in Mathematics and Physics - Hugh Graham Creelman.

The Valedictory was delivered by Mr. H. G. Creelman, a very young looking graduate, who has won the Governor-General's Gold Medal. The students are a very bright, we had almost said brilliant body of young men. The Principal addressed the graduates in appropriate terms. Hon. S H. Holmes spoke briefly, expressing his interest in this institution and in others similarly engaged. The Government he thought should aid Higher Education. He tendered suitable counsel to the students. The Annual dinner of the Associated Alumni of Dalhousie took place on Wednesday night at the Waverley House. Dining Hall, dinner, speeches, songs and all were admirable, and left nothing to be desired. Hugh Mac-

Sedgewick, Esq, was Vice Chairman. The distinguished U. S. statesman, Among the gentlemen who responded a few weeks ago. to various toasts were Senator Frye, Hon. Messrs. Shannon, Jones, Vail, W. J. Stairs, J. S. Maclean, D. C. Fraser, Professor Schurman, J. W. Longley, Dr. Allison, &c. Sentiments favorable to the union of colleges were expressed on all sides. The tone towards other institutions was throughout what it ought to be .- Witness.

Martin Henneberry of Sambro, was drowned by the upsetting of his boat on Monday week. He was 55 years of age, and leaves a large family.

Rev. Dr. McKnight and family, Rev. S. McGregor and family, and Rev. Thos. Duncan were passengers by R. M. S. Circassian for Liverpool, G. B., on Saturday on a visit to Scotland.

DARTMOUTH .- The Dartmouth Town Council have received an offer from Mr. Wm. G. Darcy, of the Nictaux and Atlantic Railway, offering to construct the line from the Windsor Junction to Dartmouth, for a \$3,000 a year subsidy for 20 years, laying steel rails.

At the recent Town meeting, 81 voted for the subsidy being offered, and 8 against.

Dartmouth has been under some excitement for a few days over its muniipal elections. The candidates were : For Warden-J. Y. Payzant, Esq.,

and Dr. W. H. Weeks.

For Councillors-Ward 1. Dr. A. C. Cogswell, and J. C. Wilson. Ward 2. Dr. Milsom, and Henry Watt. Ward 3. J. C. Oland, and J. C. P. Frazee.

The polling took place yesterday too late to enable us to give the result in our present issue.

The examinations of the Public Schools took place last week and afforded much satisfaction to the gentlemen present.

The Grand Division, S. of T., met in Truro, on Tuesday last. The following officers answered at roll call: H. A. Taylor, G. Treasurer; J. Parsons, G. Scribe; Hugh Fraser, G. Conductor; Walter McCurdy, G. Sentinel. After routine a number of candidates were initiated.

The Truro civic election takes place to-morrow.

The sudden disappearance of Mr. A. H. Patterson from his position in connection with the Truro agency of the Halifax Bank has led to a good many wild rumors. Mr. P. it is understood, has a considerable amount of his own paper in the bank, but the directors do not see in this any reason for his departure.

kenzie, Esq., Truro, presided, and R. Mr. George Coffin had the fingers of his left hand taken off by a saw in Mr. Senator Frye, was one of the guests. Geo. Gunn's mill, Lepper Brook, Truro,

letter to you, 15 more have been added to the church by baptism, making in all 37 since the work commenced ; beside several backsliders have returned, and taken their place in the Church of God.

We are looking still for greater manifestations of power from on high-to God be all the praise

Yours sincerely,

H. R. CUNNINGHAM.

TRURO, May 2nd, 1881.-Dear Bro -I had the privilege of baptizing four young women yesterday. Three of the number were daughters of our Brother McDonald from Pictou, who having been lately converted, and true to the old flag, were obliged to come all the way to Truro, to follow their Lord in baptism. They have attended from childhood the services of another christian Denomination, and were brought to Christ through the influence of some of the earnest christian workers of that body. They are de-

the duties of his Department. Sir John A. Macdonald is considerably better.

It is reported that Hon. J. H. Pope, Minister of Agriculture, has resigned his seat in the Cabinet.

Hon W. McDougall has been offered and declined the Lieutenant Governorship of British Columbia.

Gunn & Co.'s tannery at Kingston, Ont., was burned on Tuesday. Loss \$100,000. Insurance only \$14,000. Mr. Gunn, M. P. for Kingston, was absent at the time on his way to St. John, to attend the Carruthers-Burpee wedding.

At Montreal on Thursday last, a grandson of the Hon. Henry Starnes, named Reginald Mitchell Innes, son of Capt. Innes, of the 60th Rifles, now in India, fell into a cistern at Mr. Starnes' residence and was drowned.

NEW BRUNSWICK. - Rev. Dr. Cook, the new pastor of the Reformed Episcopal-Church, St. John, entered upon his Stafford Northcote objected, and the duties the 24th ult. He is a native of England, but was educated at King's residing at Chicago. bar. The new St. John Custom House has Sir Stafford Northcote moved that, house.

ENGLAND .- It is understood that Lord Beaconsfield named Sir Stafford Northcote as his successor, and leader of the Opposition.

The Times says the bill for the amend. ment of the Parliamentary Oath, contains only one clause, which provides that any one who has refused to make, or is capable of making affirmation in a court of law, shall be permitted to make affirmation in the House of Commons. In the House of Commons on Tuesday

last, Mr. Bradlaugh advanced to the Speaker's chair to be sworn, when Sir Speaker requested Mr. Bradlaugh to withdraw.

Nova Scotia potatoes are in brisk demand in New York, at good prices ; and large quantities are being forwarded.

The flagship Northampton will leave Bermuda for Halifax about the 10th of May. There seems too much fever at that place to induce Sir Leopold Mo-Clintock to remain there till June as originally intended.

The Nova Scotian, of the Allan Line is to take the first cargo of dead meat from Halifax to Great Britian. She is being fitted up with a gigantic refriger. ator. It will contain the beef of be-College, Windsor, and has lately been Mr. Bradlaugh withdrew below the tween 90 and 120 head. The animals are to be killed in the Amherst slaughter

On Monday week the house of Mr. Arthur Bentley, Upper Stewiacke, caught fire from sparks on the roof ; the house, with out houses were entirely consumed. But a small portion of the furniture was saved. No insurance. It is creditable to the manly character of the neighborhood that after the fire was over and the loss of the sufferer was fully understood, they turned out almost to man, and the frame of a new house is already raised.

There is now direct steam communication weekly between Annapolis and Boston. The Hunter left Annapolis on Monday week, ou her first trip with about 100 passengers, 2,000 barrels of apples and potatoes, and a number of small consignments.

The steamer Acton, which arrived at Halifax, on Sunday, for bunker coal from Liverpool, G. B., bound to Havana, attempted to go to North Sydney last week, but was forced to come to this port on account of large quantities of ice on the Cape Breton coast, extending for thirty to forty miles.