

preached, and every man presseth into it. "Since that time" i. e. the time when John commenced his public ministry, John was the first preacher in the New Dispensation; he preached not the law but the Gospel, the same gospel, identically, that was subsequently proclaimed by Jesus and the Apostles, (see John iii. 36), "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life," etc. Compare John iii. 16 and Acts x. 43 and xiii. 38-39. In Matt. xxi. 31-32 we read, "Jesus saith unto them, verily I say unto you, that the Publicans and harlots go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not, but the Publicans and harlots believed him." In Luke vii. 29-30, we read, "And all the people that heard Him and the Publicans justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John. But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, not being baptized of him." In these two passages last quoted, Jesus appears to teach us that the Publicans and harlots went into the kingdom of God by believing the preaching of John the Baptist and being baptized of him. And if John's disciples were in the kingdom of God, it is presumable that Himself was also in it. It is true, that the kingdom of Heaven or of God, as the gospel dispensation or Messiah's reign on earth is here called, was but in its incipiency during the ministry of John the Baptist. It was further promulgated by the ministry of Jesus and His disciples. And it was more fully developed and matured after the resurrection of Christ by the ministry of the Apostles being guided as they were directly by the teaching of the Holy Spirit. "He that is least" i. e. less than John. Jesus here speaks of Him self as He had been esteemed by His countrymen, and according to what had long before been predicted of Him. See Isa. lii. 14, and liii. 2-3. It is probable that neither John or any believer in Christ, has ever been or ever will be more despised and maltreated than Jesus was.

"Is greater than he." As we have seen, John the Baptist was greater than any Prophet that preceded him, because he was appointed by God to introduce the long looked for Messiah and the New Dispensation. He fulfilled his mission and decreased, and soon passed away. See John iii. 30. But Jesus was, and is still, Lord of the New Dispensation. He is King in Zion, and must continue to reign until all His enemies are destroyed. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end. Isa. ix. 7.

R. S. MORTON.
Millville, April 26th, 1881.

In Memoriam.

MRS. ELLEN BELL.

On the 18th day of March, last, Ellen, the beloved wife of John Bell, Esq., of Hope River, P. E. I., called her children around her, bid them "Adieu," and went away from earth. She died clinging to the cross, casting herself on God's mercy and pleading his promise to save all who come to him. On her death bed she deeply regretted that she had never come out before the world and taken her stand on the Lord's side. For many years she had been the subject of serious convictions which led her in deep penitence to seek forgiveness of God. For two years past she had been praying for full deliverance, trusting God's mercy and trying to live well-pleasing in his sight. She died trusting the promise of the Saviour: "Him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out." She had always been a regular attendant at the house of worship, and a devoted friend to the cause of Christ and the interest of the Baptist Church. After a brief illness of three or four days, she passed away at the comparatively early age of 52 years. She leaves a devoted husband, seven well loved and sorrowing children, and a wide circle of friends by whom she was beloved, and to whom a blameless life and amiable disposition had endeared her.

J. B. W.

JAMES DYMOND.
At Windsor Road, P. E. I., on the 26th of April, James Dymond, aged 48 years, fell asleep in Jesus, after a tedious illness of a year and a half. During the whole of his sickness he was confined to his bed, suffered for many months with

partial paralysis, and for the last few weeks was deprived of sight. With remarkable resignation he bore it all, often saying: "Christ bore much more for me," and again repeating, "I know in whom I have believed, etc." He was amongst the first few who followed their Lord in baptism at South Rustico, and until he was laid upon a sick bed, was an appreciated helper in the little Church at that place. His earnest prayers will not soon be forgotten by the attendants at the "Fairview" house of worship. He leaves a beloved partner and several children to weep for their loss. His brethren and sisters in the Church feel that God has made the first demand on their number from the one best prepared to go. The Church militant has lost and weeps, but the Church triumphant has gained and rejoices. J. B. W.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

REVIVAL AT SUMMERVILLE, May 17th.—Allow me through the Messenger to say to any of our Churches that are passing through a season of darkness, faint not, for the mercy of the Lord endureth forever! At Summerville he has turned our mourning into joy. From time to time through the past Winter, it seemed as if we were catching the first glimpses of a brighter day. Nor were we mistaken. Anxious ones began to knock at the door of mercy. A desire in the church for extra work began to manifest itself. Special services were commenced with indications of good. Bro. Wallace was persuaded to assist us, and was with us in the house of prayer and in our homes, laboring with his accustomed earnestness. The pastor has enjoyed the privilege of baptizing thirty. More are expected. To God be all the praise. Our Sunday School has entered upon its work this season greatly encouraged. Many of the scholars have been converted. May the Divine blessing rest upon it. G. A. WETHERS, Pastor.

SCOTCH VILLAGE, NEWPORT, May 18th, 1881.—Since last you heard from us, I have had the pleasure of baptising three believers in Christ—two last Sabbath and one April 24. We believe that others, as a result of the special meetings held, have been seriously impressed, and we earnestly hope and pray that ere long they may be constrained by the love of Christ to become his devoted followers. In the meantime our prayer will be "Thy kingdom come."
Yours in Christ,
A. T. DYKMAN.

GREENFIELD, May 16th.—Dear Editor.—Rev. M. W. Brown came from New Germany and administered the ordinance of baptism to six believers in Christ, and received them into the fellowship of the Middlefield and Greenfield churches. The occasion was a solemn and impressive one.
A. WHITMAN.

LOT 16 & RUSTICO, P. E. I., May 16, 1881.—Rev. J. B. Woodland administered the ordinance of Christian baptism at Lot 16 and at Rustico on each of the two last Sabbaths; others are received awaiting baptism.

BUTTERNUT RIDGE N. B.—Rev. J. Gammon writes the Visitor:—Some time ago we reported revival interest. The result of our revival on the Canaan Road, I think had been glorious. We received fourteen into the fellowship of the church, and it leaves the place as a section of the church, with a marked improvement. They now have an interesting weekly prayer meeting and among the most zealous workers are those who have recently united with us. Fruit unto holiness is timely, and it is the outgrowth of the reviving spirit. It is truly encouraging when we see those who are brought into the church through our instrumentality, and give evidence of their being born again. I likewise baptized three since, which makes seventeen added to us this Spring. Spring Hill, another section of our church, is nobly sustaining its prayer meeting and Salem is working with like faith. We have a thriving Sunday school in the centre of our church, under the efficient management of Bro. F. Hayes (the teacher of our superior day-school), we are thankful that in the providence of God we are blessed with such a worthy man whose influence is found on the side of right.

FAIRVILLE.—The corner stone of the new Baptist Church is to be laid on the 24th inst., and the work will be vigorously pushed on to completion.

CARLETON.—Rev. Mr. Hickson baptised three persons last Sunday.

Notes from a Layman in Annapolis Co.

It is seed time with the farmers now. They are improving the time for sowing and planting.

In addition to the usual amount of seed planted this Spring, there will be some forty or fifty acres of amber sugar cane. Mr. G. C. Miller, of Middleton, has pledged himself to have the machinery on hand this coming Autumn for manufacturing the Amber Cane into syrup and sugar.

It is also seed time in the vineyard of our Lord. God's ministers are sowing the good seed of truth.

At Tremont Rev. F. Beattie late of Granville, has taken Bro. E. O. Read's place and is doing a good work. May the mantle of the departed Dr. Tupper rest upon him.

At Nictaux, Bro. W. A. J. Blakeney is still holding the fort. Bro. Blakeney is the senior Pastor in Annapolis Co. He has been pastor of the Nictaux Church for almost eight years.

This speaks well of his skill in pastoral work. He preaches the whole counsel of God. His church is well indoctrinated, he is much beloved by his church. May God grant him a long pastorate.

Rev. J. H. Robbins is earnestly labouring on at Pine Grove. Bro. R. is not afraid to preach the truth, teaching them to observe all things that Christ has commanded.

Rev. R. D. Porter is now labouring with the Lawrencetown and Valley West Church with good acceptance. We hope the Church may retain his services for many years.

Rev. J. T. Eaton is in Paradise, may he never be cast out. God is blessing his labours. A number have lately united with the church.

The church at Bridgetown, has, as its pastor, Rev. W. H. Warren. Our Bro. is in the hearts of his people, and the church is progressing.

Rev. T. A. Higgins, is still at Annapolis Royal. We hope he may continue with the church for many more years. God has blessed his labours.

Rev. J. D. Skinner has taken Bro. Beattie's place at Granville. We wish for him a long and successful pastorate.

Bro. S. Miller, a young man, is supplying the church at Port Lorne, lately vacated by Bro. James E. Blakeney, who has removed to Cambridge, Kings Co. Bro. Blakeney's labours were much blessed during his pastorate with that church.

Rev. H. B. Shaffner, is at New Albany and Springfield in the south part of this county. His labours have been richly blessed, and the ingathering of souls quite large during the past few months. Truly the labourer is worthy of his hire.
A LAYMAN.
Annapolis Co., May 21, 1881.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—The following appointments were announced on Saturday last:

- To be Chief Justice of Nova Scotia—Hon. James McDonald.
- To be Minister of Justice—Hon. Sir Alexander Campbell.
- To be Postmaster-General—Hon. John O'Connor.
- To be Secretary of State—Hon. J. A. Monseau.
- To be President of the Council—Hon. A. W. McLellan, of Londonderry.

Amor DeCosmos, representative of the Government of British Columbia was to sail for England on Saturday per steamer *Parisian*, to lay before the Imperial Privy Council the claims of his Province regarding Vancouver Island's portion of the Canada Pacific Railway.

Sir Charles Tupper is expected to spend several weeks in Nova Scotia; during his absence, Hon. J. H. Pope will be acting Minister of Railways.

UNITED STATES.—The Senate has rejected the nomination of Chandler as Solicitor-General.

The N. Y. Legislature will elect successors to Conkling and Platt on the 31st inst.

General Grant has written a letter to Senator Jones, of Nevada, dated City of Mexico, April 24, condemning President Garfield's administration on account of certain nominations, particularly Mr. Robertson's for Collector of New York. On Friday evening as the night-shift of Golden Terror mine at Deadwood, Dakota, was entering the tunnel for the night, and when 300 feet from the mouth, the works caved in, carrying down timbers with a terrific crash. The compression of air forced the rear portion of the shift through the tunnel as though fired from a cannon, instantly killing Thomas Greene and seriously

injuring eight other miners. The news of the disaster spread rapidly, and thousands of miners were soon on the scene, with picks and shovels, and at once began digging out their companions. The miners imprisoned in the mine were all rescued on Saturday morning at 2 o'clock. Three were killed and five slightly injured.

ENGLAND.—The House of Commons adjourns for Whitsuntide holidays, from the 4th to the 10th of June.

Lord Elcho's motion that the leading provisions of the Land Bill are economically unsound, unjust and impolitic was rejected, 352 to 176.

The first copies of the revised edition of the Bible were issued on Tuesday last week, after a special copy, elaborately bound and with an appropriate inscription, had been sent to the Queen. The *Times* sees little force or improvement in many of the alterations which have been made.

The Queen has conferred the Order of the Garter upon the King of Sweden at Windsor Castle.

A despatch from Dublin on Saturday, said, Father Sheehy and his fellow-prisoners, arrested yesterday, were conveyed to Naas jail under a strong escort.

Great excitement prevails at New Pallas. The Flying column with 2 guns left Limerick to assist the Sheriff in making seizures for rent in the district. This is the first active service undertaken by one of five flying columns at present organized in Ireland.

A despatch from Port Albany, West Australia, dated 15th inst., says: "The British war steamer *Bacchante*, with two sons of the Prince of Wales on board, is here partially disabled. She was struck by a sea during a gale and had her steering gear injured, a life-boat carried away and sustained other damage. She left the detached squadron and came hither to make the necessary repairs."

TURKEY.—Despatches from the sanitary administration in Mesopotamia state that the mortality from the plague in Neefef was 56 per day for the week ending May 2. Four thousand inhabitants are dispersed in camps completely isolated. These camps are quite free from plague, as are also the localities of Ezayad and Djora, whence the disease was originally propagated.

News.

APPOINTMENTS.—Cumberland Co.—To be a Justice of the Peace, Roderick A. McLean, of Wentworth vice Gilbert Purdy, deceased.

Digby Co.—To be a Justice of the Peace, James Bingsay, of Barton.

Victoria Co.—To be a Justice of the Peace, John W. Campbell, vice Hector Campbell of Middle River.

Queen's Co.—To be a Deputy Surveyor of Crown Lands, Josiah Smith, of Brookfield.

Inverness Co.—To be a Justice of the Peace, Laughlin McDougall, of Hay River.

Pictou Co.—To be Commissioners of Schools for the District of South Pictou, James Holmes, of Springville; Duncan C. Fraser, of New Glasgow; Wm. F. McKenzie, of New Glasgow.

From the class list of the University of Edinburgh for the session just closed, we extract the following:—

Natural Philosophy—Ordinary class, higher division, prizeman and University certificate, John Waddell, Halifax N. S. For the fortnightly examinations: bracketed with four others as first prizemen, John Waddell, Halifax, N. S.

Chemistry.—Senior division—First class honors and third in the competition for the "Robert Wilson Memorial Prize"—John Waddell, Halifax N. S.

As the Natural Philosophy class in Edinburgh numbers about 250 and the Chemistry class is still larger, Mr. Waddell, who is a graduate of Dalhousie College, is to be congratulated on the success with which he is maintaining the reputation of both his college and his country.

THE COTTON FACTORY has to be pushed ahead without delay, the Act which exempts them from taxation expires in April next. The following is a classified list of subscriptions up to Tuesday of last week:—

3	at \$7,500 each.....	\$ 22,500
29	" 5,000 "	145,000
1	" 4,000 "	4,000
5	" 2,500 "	12,500
8	" 2,000 "	16,000
2	" 1,500 "	3,000
34	" 1,000 "	34,000
1	" 700 "	700
1	" 600 "	600
39	" 500 "	19,500
4	" 400 "	1,600
10	" 300 "	3,000
14	" 200 "	2,800
15	" 100 "	1,500
		\$266,700

Mr. Symes lectured at the Town Hall Dartmouth on Friday evening, on the Dead Meat Trade. Several questions were put to Mr. Symes and satisfactorily answered. A vote of thanks was moved by Mr. L. P. Fairbanks and seconded by Mr. Lewis Payzant, and the meeting dispersed.

Colchester County has decided to adopt the Scott Temperance Act by a majority of 1234 votes.

East Chezzetcook is becoming quite celebrated in the "gold craze." Several fine boulders have been found, and show some rich specimens. Several claims have been taken up and prospecting parties searching in all directions. A Halifax lawyer has secured 22 claims and the search for the lode has been commenced by his partners, three in number. Some rich boulders have also been found at West Chezzetcook. Some of the specimens from the locality are very rich.

The iron screw steamer *Larnax*, of Sunderland, England, from New York for Sydney, in ballast, to load coal for Quebec, touched on Tangier Island on Thursday evening, in a thick fog, and backed off. In trying to get out to sea she struck on Charles Island, off Shoal Bay, at nine o'clock, and at high tide careened over, and on Friday was lying rails under at full tide. She lies between two and three miles off land. No lives were lost.

With a heavy sea running it is likely she will soon break in pieces.

The *Larnax* is an iron steamer built in 1878, and is 898 tons net, 1,392 gross; is 140 horse power, and owned by Alexander Smith & Co., of Sunderland.

It is an indisputable fact that Hall's Hair Renewer renews, cleans, brightens hair, invigorates and restores faded or gray to its youthful color and lustre, cheaply, quickly and surely. People with gray hair prefer to buy it, rather than proclaim to the world through their bleached locks that they are becoming aged, and passing to decay.

It is said ease of mind assists longevity. A man who carries a policy of life insurance, in such a company as the UNION MUTUAL, certainly should have ease of mind, and therefore this must help to prolong his life. And should the "brittle thread" be broken, he has secured something for his dear ones. F. B. K. MARTIN, Manager, Office Queens Building, Hollis St.

THE HIGHEST AWARD.—That *Pultner's Emulsion* stands day higher and far ahead of any other compound of the kind, and is acknowledged by the profession to be the most reliable in the treatment of *Wasting, Scrophulous, and Children's Diseases*, and diseases of the Nervous System, where the brain is overworked, and the general system run down for the want of *Phosphorus*, which is the only *Nerve Tonic*.
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