

In Memoriam.

ANN CHRISTIANA CLARK, of Tryon River, P. E. Island, departed this life on the 9th of June last, aged 64. Deceased was the daughter of the late John Dobson, of Amherst, N. S. Early in life she came to this Island, and in the year 1834 became united in marriage to William Clark, Esq., of Tryon West. About the year 1855 our sister was led to see herself as a lost sinner, and Christ as a mighty Saviour. She was baptized by the Rev. W. Hobbs, and united with the Tryon Baptist Church. During her protracted illness she was patient and resigned, and was enabled to rest joyfully on Christ; the last time it was the writer's privilege to visit her, she expressed herself as getting nearer and nearer to Jesus, and trusting only in his merits. Our sister will be much missed by her family and in the community. Stranger and friend alike shared her kind attentions, and the sick and friendless have been taken in by her and her kind husband, (who survives her), and cared for in their dying hours.

Also, on the 7th ult., Sister AMOR JANE CLARK, daughter of James and Mary Clark, of Augustine Cove, and granddaughter of the above, was called away at the early age of 16 years. When she was about nine years of age she was baptized on a profession of her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and united with the Baptist Church in Tryon; her subsequent life proved the sincerity and genuineness of her profession. She had resolved to qualify herself for the work of a school teacher, but, alas, she who had become her father's pride and her mother's comfort was stricken down, and just as the trees and flowers began to bloom in all their loveliness, this tender plant of the "Father's right hand planting" was transplanted to bloom forever in the Paradise of God. The mourning friends have the warm sympathy of the church in this double bereavement.

A FRIEND. Tryon, P. E. I., July 12, 1881.

JOSEPH D. HALFYARD

departed this life at Lower Granville, June 13th, in the sixty-third year of his age. Our brother made a profession of religion a number of years ago, and was baptized by Rev. Isaiah Wallace, and united with the church, of which he remained a consistent member until his death. Deceased was highly esteemed in the community as a peaceable citizen, a kind neighbor, a benevolent christian, and a friend to the poor. He leaves a wife and one daughter to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and father. The church by his death sustains the loss of a good man, and an earnest christian worker. The Sabbath School was under his supervision for a number of years. His faithful labors and deep interest in the welfare of the young will not soon be forgotten. He had endeared himself to many by his extreme candor and uprightness. The cause of temperance lay near his heart, and received a good degree of attention. He was connected with the Division of the Sons of Temperance for twenty-nine years. Many will remember his wise counsels and faithful admonitions. Truly of him it may be said, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: Yes, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." J. D. S.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The denominational Colleges, Acadia, King's, Sackville, have spoken out very emphatically against consolidation. They are all giving emphasis to their decision by raising funds to make their respective institutions independent of state aid. This is consistent and honorable.—Pres. Witness.

RELIGIOUS STATISTICS.—The Independent compiles and publishes the following statistics, obtained from seventeen official records of as many religious bodies, showing their relative growth.—

Table with 3 columns: Denomination, Communicants, Gain. Rows include Presbyterian Ch., United Presbyterian Church, Cumberland Presbyterian Ch., etc.

IRISH PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGES.—In the House of Commons recently, Mr Forster informed Mr. Talbot that it was the intention of the Government to grant charters to the Theological professors of the Belfast and Magee Presbyterian Colleges, empowering them to confer degrees in divinity. Provision would be made that such degrees should only be conferred upon those who attain a sufficiently high standard of general education. The promise was made by Lord Beaconsfield prior to the elections of 1878, and it is now to be fulfilled by his successor. It is in the line of action of our own Colleges.—Pres. Witness.

We may say that there is no symbolic import of baptism suggested in Scripture which does not require, in order to satisfy it, that baptism should be immersion. Baptism symbolises the Saviour's death and his resurrection; it apparently symbolises the mystery of the new birth or regeneration; it symbolises the fact of the believer's union and identification with Christ; it symbolises the fact of the believer's incorporation into one body with his brethren; it symbolises the idea of the believer's purification from sin. In all these symbolic relations of baptism, sprinkling fails to be a symbol, and so fails to be baptism; while, in the same relations, immersion as a symbol is its own sufficient vindication. Is it safe, is it obedient, to wreck all this precious preaching and teaching power of an ordinance of the Lord—upon what? upon a caprice, an assumption, a tradition of men?—W. C. Wilkinson.

A recent writer in one of the English reviews relates that during a conversation with George Eliot, not long before her death, a vase toppled on the mantel, and the great writer quickly and unconsciously put out her hand to stop its fall. "I hope," said she, replacing it, "that the time will come when we shall instinctively hold up the man or woman who begins to fall as naturally and unconsciously as we arrest a piece of furniture or an ornament." We are more careful of wood or stone than of character or happiness. The spirit of Christ is always constructive, it builds up; the spirit of scandal is always destructive, it pulls down.—Christian Union.

A startling announcement was recently made of the discovery of a fresh conspiracy against the life of the Czar, and of the capture of the conspirators, twenty one in number. "Uneasy is the head that wears a crown." There were certain details in the narrative which gave it an air of improbability, at least as to the conspiracy having anything to do with Nihilism; there can be no doubt that the state of things in Russia is very bad indeed, and that the safety of the Emperor and his family is only secured by their being kept in a place guarded like a fortress. Among the latest items of news it is mentioned that a new committee of terror was formed a few days since, and that the first thing it did was to inform the Czar politely of the fact. It is said that even the army is now distrusted, and that between twenty and thirty officers, one of them a lieutenant colonel in the Guards, have been arrested during the past month. It would have been well if the Czar could have made up his mind to inaugurate his reign by reforms which will certainly have to be conceded by either him or his successor.

The registrar-General, in his annual return, points out that the deaths registered in London during 1880 numbered 83,128, or 22 per thousand. In the outer zone of rural or semi rural districts by which London is surrounded, however, the death-rate was only 16.2. London, according to the Registrar General, covered last year an area of 122 square miles, and contained 1,500 miles of streets and roads.

All the gold in circulation throughout the world could be put into a cellar twenty-four feet square and sixteen feet deep. What commotion through the years this small heap of gold has occasioned! What battles it has caused, what care, what distress! The number of souls who in quest of it have squandered eternal riches cannot be reckoned. A most treacherous and fatal loadstone it has proved itself to the race of men.—Chicago Standard.

Three men were engaged last week at Derby in flushing the sewers, after which one of them went into a culvert with a light. No sooner had he entered than a tremendous explosion of foul air occurred. The result was that the unfortunate man was blown with terrific force up through the mouth of the sewer many feet into the air. Upon his body falling to the ground it was found that he had sustained shocking injuries.

THE NEW TESTAMENT.—Some idea of the great sale there has been and continues to be for the Revised edition of the New Testament, may be gathered from the fact that the English publishers of the Oxford and Cambridge editions have orders for over a million unexecuted, spite of their most strenuous efforts to supply the demand. Messrs. James Campbell and Sons, of Toronto, the sole agents for the Dominion, are fully 25,000 copies short of filling their orders, and these are mainly made up of the finer bindings. It is expected that the agent for the Maritime Provinces, Rev. Alex. McBean, will in a few days be able to fill the orders placed in his hands.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—Twenty-six out ninety recruits composing the last draft of the North-West Mounted Police deserted on the way West on account of alleged rough treatment and bad food. The route of the Canada Atlantic Railway has been surveyed into the city of Ottawa.

The gentlemen engaged in the enterprise of manufacturing pulp from sawdust have returned from the West. All the machinery in the only factory in Canada has been secured, and there is a probability of the early erection of buildings, and beginning of the manufacture.

UNITED STATES.—The following official bulletin was issued at 6.30 on Sunday evening. The President passed a very comfortable day. Dr. Boynton, in conversation this afternoon, expressed the opinion that the critical period has passed and the President although still extremely weak, is now out of danger. Continuing, he said: "There is no doubt that he will gain strength daily now, and there is every reason to hope for his ultimate recovery."

Minister Lowell telegraphs to Secretary Blaine that he has received the following from Queen Victoria: "I wish to express my great satisfaction at the very favorable accounts of the President, and hope that he will soon be considered out of danger."

Out of a hundred cases of sunstroke at Dayton nearly thirty proved fatal. There is living on Staten Island, Cal., a Chinese leper, who has been there about two years. His fellow-countrymen take care to shun him, and he has built a hut for himself. People of that section are anxious to rid themselves of him but do not know how to effect his removal. He is kept alive by food left at a distance from his hut.

ENGLAND.—William Shaw, (Home Ruler) member of Parliament, has declined the Premier's offer of a seat on the Land Commission, on the ground that "he had not the necessary time at his disposal."

The assertions of the leader of the Land League that the Orangemen had largely adopted the principles of the League were not corroborated by any testimony supplied by yesterday's demonstrations. On the contrary, not for years past have the Orange meetings been so largely attended as at the present.

Clause 26 of the Land Bill was finally passed at 3.30 am., on Thursday by a vote of 126 to 23. Mr. Gladstone then energetically attacked the Home Rulers for their persistent and systematic obstruction.

Dean Stanley died on Monday, after a short illness. His death will be deeply regretted by a large portion of the English speaking people.

FRANCE.—The Daily News' Paris correspondent had an interview with Barthelmy St. Hilarie, who emphatically denied that France aimed at conquering Tripoli or retaining Tunis. He said when the Bey's Government is reorganized the French would quit Tunis. Italy, he said, "was satisfied in regard to the intention of France."

A decree ordering the expulsion from France of Don Carlos, the Spanish pretender, was signed on Saturday and communicated to him on Sunday.

GERMANY.—A Berlin despatch states that an astronomical Congress will be held at Strasbourg in September. The leading astronomers of Europe and America are expected.

SPAIN.—The Government has decided to reinforce the garrisons at Cuetta, Merilla, and other stations on the coast of Morocco. Several battalions are about to embark, besides artillery and heavy guns for the fortifications which are being repaired. These preparations are taken in connection with the French ramifications in Africa.

RUSSIA.—Peasants in the District near Novgorod are suffering from constant nose bleeding accompanied by large black spots on the body. The local sanitary committee have established them in quarantine in the environs of St. Petersburg. The deaths in St. Petersburg last week exceeded births by 316.

Numerous arrests were made in the faubourgs at St. Petersburg, Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. Pistol shots were exchanged in many places. One of the head police officers was found killed in the cemetery near Smolenski.

ITALY.—Cardinal Jacobine, Papal Secretary of State, in receiving Ambassadors and Ministers accredited to the Vatican told them that the Pope had instructed him to say it was the Pope's personal desire that they should inform their Governments how deeply pained he was at the insult offered the body of Pope Pius IX; that henceforth he must consider himself more than ever a prisoner in the Vatican, and as prevented from attending any religious services in any of the Basilicas of Rome.

A memorial to William Tyndale, the martyr and translator of the New Testament, is to be erected on the Thames Embankment, in London. It is to take the form of a statue, which is to cost \$20,000.

Notices.

The Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces, will meet with the First Baptist Church at Yarmouth, N. S., on Saturday, August 20th, at 10, A. M. Clergymen, delegates and others proposing to attend will please notify the undersigned at their earliest convenience, and not later than August 10th: Please answer the following questions: When do you propose to arrive? Will you come in your own carriage or by Rail? Have you accepted an invitation from friends here? THOMAS B. CROSBY, Chairman Reception Com. of Church, Yarmouth, July 19th, 1881.

P. S.—The Committee on travelling arrangements will probably advertise terms next week.

BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES meets at 10 a. m., on Saturday, August 20, at Yarmouth, N. S. Sermon by Rev. J. E. Hopper or Rev. W. A. Corey.

ACADIA COLLEGE. After the first day of September, A. D. 1881, no privilege shall be granted on account of scholarships in Acadia College, unless the principal and whatever interest may be due on the same, shall have been paid, and a proper certificate of the same, shall have been furnished by the Treasurer in accordance with the Act of 1853.

By order of the Board of Governors of Acadia College, STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec'y. Wolfville, June 18, 1881.

P. S.—The above was passed in November last, and ordered to be published in the Messenger and Visitor. S. W. DEB.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

To the W. M. A. Societies of N. S.: The Central Board at their quarterly meeting held last Wednesday, agreed to request all W. M. A. Societies who will have members present at the Convention in August, to appoint them as their delegates; each one will then represent the Society of which she is a member. Business of great importance is expected to be discussed.

By order of the Central Board, M. R. SELDEN, Treasurer. Halifax, July 12, 1881.

CONVENTION FUNDS RECEIVED.

Table with 2 columns: Fund Name, Amount. Rows include Treas. Central Association, Missions, Bal. Treas. Western Association, etc.

G. E. DAY. Yarmouth, July 15, 1881.

CASH RECEIVED FOR ACADIA COLLEGE.

Table with 2 columns: Donor Name, Amount. Rows include Josiah Tingley, Endowment Fund, etc.

Wolfville, July 16, 1881.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. F. 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. Pastor Rev. J. E. Grant.

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

NOTICE. The next session of Auxiliary H. M. Board of Hants County, will be held at Falmouth, Tuesday July 26th, at 2 P. M. Full reports of amounts contributed by the Churches are desired. Officers will be elected for next year. The Pastor's meeting will be held at 10 A. M. Rev. Isaiah Wallace, A. M., is expected to preach in the evening. Secretary.

The Digby Co. Ministers' Conference will meet at Saulnierville on MONDAY, July 25th, at 3 P. M. The time of meeting has been changed to correspond with the change of time of Railway Train. Members of the Conference will please notice this. Brethren from Yarmouth Co. are cordially invited to attend. J. H. SAUNDERS, Sec'y. Digby, July 15, 1881.

News.

A disastrous fire occurred on Saturday last, which resulted in the entire destruction of the St. Joseph's R. C. Orphanage. Strange to say that His Worship the Mayor was in consultation with Mr. M. Walsh as to the means of escape from the upper stories in case of fire, at the time that the alarm was given. The orphans, 46 in number, were down in the dining room at the time, and were, therefore, taken to places of safety without difficulty, but the buildings were entirely destroyed.

Rev. Henry H. Johnson, late of Newton Theological Institute, has received a unanimous call to the Pastoral charge of the African Baptist church of this city, and has accepted the same.—Mr. Johnson comes highly recommended by Rev. Alvah Hovey, D. D., President of Newton Institute; and many of the leading clergy, men and citizens of the United States.

Neal Dow, the great Temperance Champion, has paid our city a visit during the past week. He gave a lecture in the Y. M. Association Hall on Monday evening. W. C. Silver, G. W. P. Sons of Temperance, occupied the chair. The Hall was crowded with a highly intelligent audience. The lecture was full of Maine Law and Prohibition, and its history and effects on the people. The many incorrect statements with regard to the law in Maine were most effectually disposed of, and it was shown that Maine instead of being, as it was formerly, one of the poorest, is now one of the richest and most prosperous States of the Union. It was estimated that the State had saved about \$24,000,000 per annum by the legal prohibition of the liquor traffic.

The Mount Hope Asylum has been subject to two painful cases of suicide during the past week, both of women. There does not appear to have been any want of proper care on the part of the attendants.

The Provincial Normal School closed a most successful session on Tuesday of last week.

The Provincial Teachers Association drew together a large number of Teachers at Truro on the following days. The meetings were full of deep interest to all concerned.

The blood at times becomes loaded with impurities and moves thick and sluggish in the veins. This condition of the vital fluid cannot last long without serious results. An alterative is needed to purify the blood and impart energy to the system, and there is none better than Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

There is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—a pulmonic of acknowledged efficacy. It cures lameness and soreness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claims to public confidence.

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It is said ease of mind assist 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. MARTER, Manager, Office Queens Building, Hollis St.

THE HIGHEST AWARD.—That Putner's Emulsion stands to 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, Scrofulous, 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. Jan. 19. 6m.

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