

last week, and while the officials were getting it re-tilt, thieves walked off with all the registered letters, containing diamonds valued at half a million dollars.

France has succeeded in obtaining a new Cabinet, acceptable to President Grevy. The press is not quite unanimous in favor of the personality of the government, but generally it is in favor of giving a fair trial to the new men.

The Turkish Government does not favor the settlement of Jews in Palestine. Efforts have been made by parties in England and Germany to promote emigration to Turkey. Instructions have been sent to Turkish representatives at St. Petersburg, Berlin and Bucharest that Jews will be allowed to establish separate communities in all parts of the Empire except Palestine; but that they will be subject to Turkish laws, and have to acknowledge the Turkish nationality.

The quarrel between Turkey and Greece does not seem to lose any of its virulence. From the fact of the closing of Turkish post offices in Greece, the Porte has taken preliminary steps to shut Greek post offices in Constantinople.

Greek troops have entered Volo, which the Turks previously evacuated.

The Cholera scourge seems to be increasing in virulence. Three hundred persons died in Mecca on the 6th inst. The epidemic has also broken out at Ajidab.

The Emperor of Germany opened Parliament at Berlin on Thursday last. Prince Bismarck, after conveying the excuses of His Majesty for his absence, read the speech from the throne.

A despatch from Rome says it is reported that an earthquake shock at Messina on Tuesday of last week caused some disasters and loss of life in the interior.

OBSERVE—NEW SUBSCRIBERS FOR 1882 will receive the CHRISTIAN MESSENGER from the date of our receiving the amount of subscription—two dollars—to the end of 1882.

REV. J. A. DURKEE, pastor of the Lockeport Baptist Church, being in the city to consult Hon. Dr. Parker with regard to his health, which has for some time past been somewhat delicate, preached for Rev. J. W. Manning in the North Church on Sunday evening last.

HALIFAX, Nov. 27th, 1881.

To the Editor of the Christian Messenger, At a meeting of the Board of Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund, held Nov. 16th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

STEPHEN SELDEN, Chairman. REV. E. M. SAUNDERS, Treasurer. REV. J. W. MANNING, Secretary.

At the same meeting the Treasurer stated that the Infirm Ministers' Board of the Western Association had transferred their funds, through Rev. A. Cohoon, Secretary-Treasurer, to the Convention Board. The Treasurer also stated that the amount in his hands at present is thirteen hundred and twenty-five dollars, (\$1,325.00).—less fifty dollars voted to one of our infirm ministers. It would have given us great pleasure to have doubled or trebled this sum, but 2 1/2 per cent. of the contributions of the churches compel us to be sparing in our appropriations.

The Board of Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund are anxiously waiting to see what action the Boards of the Infirm Ministers' Fund of the Central and Eastern Associations will take in view of the instructions given them at the late session of these bodies. There is no work of our denomination that should call forth the practical sympathy of our churches and individual members in the matter of donations and legacies more than the care of our infirm ministers—their widows and children. Brethren we shall be glad to hear from any of you in this direction.

J. W. MANNING, Sec'y.

REV. E. M. SAUNDERS preached in the Starr Street Church on Lord's Day last, morning and evening.

On Monday afternoon, the Evangelical Alliance held a meeting to consider the question of providing religious services for the Poor's Asylum, &c., and Rev. E. M. Saunders, was appointed to the service in question.

ENLARGEMENT OF THE Christian Messenger For 1882.

We propose making an enlargement of the CHRISTIAN MESSENGER in the coming year, to meet the growing demands of our already large and increasing list of subscribers. We shall be able by this means to introduce other improvements, so as to supply our patrons with a greater variety of valuable reading matter.

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THE CHRISTIAN MESSENGER is still all that it has been. The Proprietor now seeks to enlarge the sphere of its operations, and to extend its circulation among the thousands who, in many cases, are at present comparatively without religious reading, and in others where truth is but imperfectly presented, and where the Sacred Scriptures are not sufficiently made the test of church order and religious observances.

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This is a very successful effort to provide a suitable book of instruction in musical notation, and to supply pieces for progressive lessons and practice. The author is a man of much musical experience, and has brought forth other more advanced works. He now offers a new book to enable the million to attain such efficiency in the reading of music, that they may proceed to readily use his or any other musical selections. The pieces are well adapted to accomplish the object sought and to awaken an interest and afford enjoyment in musical study and practice.

THE BAPTIST QUESTION BOOK, ON THE INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS, 1882. By Rev. J. W. Willmarth.

This very useful compend of instructions by the Baptist Publication Society has appeared again in good time, and deserves a first place in the hands of Sabbath School Teachers and Scholars.

The series of lessons for the coming year is taken wholly from the Gospel of Mark. It combines readings in the other Gospels, and from other parts of the Sacred Scriptures. We doubt not it will be found a highly interesting and profitable course of lesson. They are so arranged, that they commence the year with the commencement of our Lord's active work, and proceed through his life to his death and resurrection at the close of the year.

VENOR'S WEATHER ALMANAC, 1882. Price 25 cents.

The Canadian Edition of this Almanac is published by the Montreal Printing Company. The author of this Almanac has achieved for himself fame for his bold predictions as to the changes of weather on particular days. Venor says of the present month, it "will be marked by periods of balmy and brilliant autumn weather, as in the year 1877." He predicts snowfalls in December on the 2nd, 4th, 6th or 7th, 9th, 12th, 17th and 19th, 26th or 27th, 29th and 30th, &c. He also gives the dates for "cold snaps," "mild weather," and "blustery weather." It also contains various matters in relation to the weather, and "signals of storms." Venor is not invariably right in every place!

LIFE OF S. G. W. ARCHIBALD, by Israel Longworth, pp. 179.

Efforts to preserve the memorials of prominent men in any country, are deserving of commendation. Mr. Longworth has performed a task in rescuing from oblivion the incidents in the life of the late Master of the Rolls of this province, which entitles him to the thanks of the people of his county, and of the public generally. Mr. Archibald's memorial monument—a broken column—was the first one of any note that adorned the Camp Hill cemetery. We could but admire the appropriateness of the design, when we first saw it in 1844. That may remain for ages yet to come, but the monument here produced of this one of Nova Scotia most gifted sons, in the form of an unpretending little book, will probably outlive the one of marble, seeing that it presents an historical collection of his speeches and acts.

The author in his preface mentions a remarkable fact in connection with the Archibald family. He says, "Four generations of this family in lineal descent have been members of the Nova Scotian Assembly. The subject of our memoir, his father, his grandfather and his eldest son have sat in the Assembly as representatives of the people. We doubt if the same can be said of any other Nova Scotian family."

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M. K. F. SAUNDERS, Sec'y.

REV. P. R. FOSTER has accepted a call to the Pastorate of the Church at Osborne, Shelburne Co., and wishes that all correspondence for him be so directed.

KINGS COUNTY MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE. This body will meet in the Baptist Meeting House, Wolfville, on Tuesday, the 6th of December, at 10 o'clock a.m.

It is hoped that every church in the county will be represented. Churches are entitled to send two or more delegates besides their pastor.

D. M. WELTON, Sec'y.

To the members of W. M. A. Societies of Nova Scotia: DEAR SISTERS.—At the general meeting of the W. M. A. Societies held during the Convention at Yarmouth in August, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the financial year of each of our Societies and Central Boards be arranged to coincide with that of the Foreign Mission Board, namely, to close with the Convention year, and that from this time each W. M. A. Society send to its respective Board its Report in July at latest.

You will see by this that the Central Board will not hold its usual public meeting in January, nor will the accounts of the various Societies be made out and presented till the next Convention. This will embrace a period of about eighteen months; but after that time it will be Annual.

It is, however, recommended that wherever practicable, each Society should hold its own anniversary meeting during the winter, as it is believed this would be one means of keeping up the interest in Foreign Missionary work in the churches, which is so important and necessary. The W. M. A. Societies at Convention undertook to furnish the outfit and passage money of our young missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson, so that it will be seen that all our resources will be well taxed this year.

MARIA R. SELDEN, Treas. and Sec'y. of Central Board, N. S.

CONVENTION FUNDS RECEIVED. Arcadia Church instalment.....\$5 00 Diggby Church "..... 5 00 Miss Rowe, Ohio..... 1 00 Joseph S. Crosby, Lake George... 4 00 New Glasgow Church instalment... 5 00

G. E. DAY, Yarmouth, Nov. 19, 1881.

Acknowledgments.

Dear Editor.—Please acknowledge through your columns the following contributions to the funds of the Home Mission Board:

- Nov. 14.—From A. C. Robbins, Esq., Yarmouth... \$100 00
From Dr. Day..... 55 00
Legacy of the late Gideon Cogswell, Kentville, N. S..... 52 00
Rev. H. N. Parry, coll. on mission field.... 20 09
Donation from Che goggin towards Bro. Parry's mission..... 30 00
Rev. J. L. Shaw, CHRISTIAN MESSENGER'S donation..... 2 00
Rev. M. Normandy, coll. on field..... 2 00
Anthony Crosby, Esq., Saultville, donation towards re-planting French Mission premises..... 6 94

Yours very truly,

J. A. GORDON, Treas.

Milton, Yarmouth, Nov. 16, 1881.

Moneys Received.

W. M. McVean, \$2; A. B. Stronach, \$2; Geo. B. Muir, Esq., \$4; W. R. Doty, \$6; I. M. Longley, \$2; Rev. G. H. Goudey, \$5; Hans Mills, \$2; J. N. Rourke, \$2; Rev. W. Spencer, \$2; G. J. Young, \$2.

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WM. SMITH, Deputy of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, 9th November, 1881. Nov. 23rd. 1 ins.

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St. JOHN, Oct. 20, 1881.

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The action of my heart, which was terrific, and which was said to be organic disease, but which you denied, is perfectly right now. Indeed, everything in my case turned out exactly as you said it would.

I remain, Yours very truly, W. S. WILSON, Late of 81 Barrington St. Oct. 26.

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