

MARGARETVILLE.—The attention of friends is invited to the Advertisement in another column. A visit to the shores of the Bay of Fundy in August is of itself a thing to be desired; with the bill of fare offered by the committee at Margaretville on the 31st, there will doubtless be a large gathering from the valley.

POLITICAL.—Hon. Messrs. Blake, Laurier and Huntington were at Pictou on Saturday, and were to address meetings at New Glasgow on Monday, at Port Hawkesbury on Tuesday, and at St. Peters day.

Arrangements are made for similar meetings as follows:

WINDSOR.—Saturday, Aug. 13.

KENTVILLE—Monday, Aug. 15.

BRIDGTON—Tuesday, Aug. 16.

DIGBY—Wednesday, Aug. 17, (Mr. Blake to speak).

CLARE—Wednesday, Aug. 17, (Mr. Laurier to speak).

YARMOUTH—Thursday, Aug. 18.

SHELBURNE OR BARRINGTON—Saturday, Aug. 20.

LIVERPOOL—Monday, Aug. 22.

BRIDGEWATER—Tuesday, Aug. 23.

HALIFAX—On or about Friday, Aug. 26.

Professor Torrance of the New Baptist College, Toronto, died on Wednesday last. A postal card from Rev. Dr. Castle to Rev. E. M. Saunders, announcing this sad fact, says: "Our hearts are sore over his loss." We tender our sincere sympathy to the brethren and friends in the Upper Province on this great loss to the Institution in which the departed was expected to fill the Professorship.

We are glad to learn that Dr. Castle proposes to attend our Convention at Yarmouth.

Since making the statement we did last week, concerning the inefficiency of the Systematic Beneficence Scheme adopted in Ontario, we find editorial statements in reference to this matter in the *Christian Helper* affirming this to be the case even more positively and generally than we had supposed. Here is the article:

#### THE SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE SCHEME.

According to statements made at the Board meeting last week, this scheme is almost a dead-letter. While it was in operation, the weekly receipts were about \$50. There is now a debt against the Home Mission treasury, for the wiping out of which, special means must be used.

It was intimated in the Board meeting, that the Systematic Beneficence Scheme has been killed out by the opposition that was brought to bear against it. If this be so—and the statement was not contradicted—it reveals a state of affairs which is dangerous in the extreme. This scheme was adopted by the churches upon the recommendation of the Convention, after full discussion. The churches must have had good and sufficient reasons for adopting it on its merits—for as we have frequently pointed out, they need not and would not adopt it, simply because the Convention so wished.

Has the scheme, then, proved a failure in those churches which tested it? Or was it killed before being allowed to have a fair trial?

And now comes the interesting question: Who killed the scheme? And another, Why was it killed? Was the deed done out of hatred for the scheme, or love for the cause of missions and education? Or had the killers better scheme to suggest?

What was wrong in the scheme that it should be so unkindly dealt with? And now, that it has been dispatched, what have its opponents to offer in its stead? Is the present shiftless method an improvement?

What has the champion of the scheme, Pastor Dyke, to say in its defence?

Our brethren will doubtless seek for and soon provide a remedy for this state of things, or the various funds of the body must suffer.

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF SABBATH SCHOOL WORKERS in the Maritime Provinces will be held in Woodstock, N. B., on Friday, Aug. 12th, and following days. The programme provides for seven sessions, various reports will be presented, and subjects for discussion offered, such as—

"The Field and the Worker."

"Requisites of Successful Teaching, and Tests of Successful Teaching."

"Duty of the Sabbath School regarding Missions," &c., &c.

After opening of each subject briefly, an opportunity will be given for short addresses by delegates. The discussion of subjects will be opened by gentlemen appointed for that purpose, and sustained by members of the Convention.

The usual reduction of fares will be granted delegates on the main routes of travel.

The *Canadian Baptist* of last week says "No paper next week. We propose to give our employees in the printing office a holiday." We heartily congratulate our Western contemporary on this respite from toil and care for one week. Rev. W. Stewart who was formerly in connection with that paper has undertaken the responsibilities of the editorship in connection with Rev. W. Muir. The latter gentleman and his wife are now on a tour to Europe, having sailed on the 23rd of July.

#### TWO NEW BOOKS.

EXODUS, MURPHY'S CRITICAL AND EXEGETICAL COMMENTARY. With Introduction and Notes Specially Prepared for this Edition, by John Hall, D. D. This book will answer admirably the needs of the ministers and the Sabbath-school teacher in the study of the book of Exodus during the present Quarter of the International Sunday School Lessons. Price in Paper, \$1.00; Cloth, \$1.50.

Spurgeon, speaking of this volume, says: "It is the result of laborious study by a scholar of ripe learning."

The Congregational Quarterly says: "As a critical analytical, candid, and sensible view of the Sacred Word, this work stands among the first."

CONANT'S POPULAR HISTORY OF ENGLISH BIBLE TRANSLATION.—A Complete History of English Bible Translation from the days of Wycliffe to the present time. With a New Preface and Additional Matter, bringing the history to the present translation. By Thomas J. Conant, D. D., the well-known Biblical Scholar and member of the American Bible Revision Committee, the husband of the talented author of the original work, Mrs. H. C. Conant.

Says Dr. I. Stanford Holme: "It is as interesting as novel, and beyond all comparison the best of the kind ever written. It ought to be in everybody's hands."

All clergymen who desire to preach on the subject of Bible Revision will find this book very valuable. Price 50 cents, in paper; \$1.00 in cloth.

I. K. Funk & Co., 10 and 12 Dey St., New York.

THE CALENDAR AND CATALOGUE OF THE MOUNT ALLISON WESLEYAN COLLEGE, gives a full and particular account of the Educational Institutions at Sackville, their courses of study, names of governors, faculty and students, the fees and regulations.

THE CALENDAR AND CATALOGUE OF DALHOUSIE COLLEGE contains in addition to the curriculum, classes, &c., the examination papers in full, and various details concerning the several bursaries at the disposal of the governors.

#### MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

FROM BURMAH.—A Letter from Rev. E. O. Stevens, to the Baptist Missionary Union, dated Prome, April 19, 1881, states that on Sabbath morning, March 20, he had the privilege of baptizing three Burmans at Myo-doung, a village about thirty miles east of Prome. Two of the candidates were a man and his wife, living at Myo-doung; the third was Ma Kho, the wife of a Christian living at Yuaboo, a village a little farther east. These two have the distinction of being the first Burman women to receive the ordinance in the whole Myo-doung township.

Mr. S. gives the account of a Conspiracy:

I ought not to close without making mention of a conspiracy to murder all the English officials on Saturday, the 12th. If the plot had not been discovered in time to apprehend the ring-leaders, it might have proved to be a very serious affair. The plan was to have the uprising take place in Shway-doung, at the great annual festival, when thousands from all parts of the country were assembled to worship the Shway-natoung pagoda. If the conspirators had been successful in carrying out their schemes, the American missionaries and the native Christians would probably have shared the same fate with the Europeans. But the Lord omnipotent reigneth, and his people and his cause are precious in his sight.

Rev. H. Morrow, writes from Tavoy March 26, 1881:

GOOD NEWS.—More than sixty have been baptized in the various villages since the meeting of the Association, and the prospect for further success is quite encouraging. Several new heathen villages are calling for teachers. We are sorry not to be able to furnish them.

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#### Notices.

##### Baptist Convention.

The next session of the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces will be held with the First Baptist Church of Yarmouth, N. S., commencing on Saturday, August 20th, 1881, at 10 o'clock, A. M. The Constitution provides that each church, connected with any of the Associations in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, and contributing annually toward the objects of the Convention, shall be entitled to send one of its members to represent it at any meeting of the Convention, and an additional delegate for every twenty dollars contributed to those objects during the year; but no church is entitled to send more than five delegates. Forms for returns have been sent to the churches. Should any fail to receive them, copies can be supplied by the Secretary.

Pastors and clerks are requested to attend to the appointment of delegates and forwarding of Returns, so that the list of members of Convention may be ready at opening of the session.

E. M. KIRKSTEAD,  
Secretary of Convention.  
Windsor, N. S., July 22, 1881.

Clergymen, delegates and others proposing to attend the Convention 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?

The Committee on travelling arrangements are authorized to announce that Delegates coming to the Convention by the following lines, paying one full first class fare will receive return tickets gratis, except the Extra trip on the Empress on Friday the 19th.

By steamer *Edgar Stuart* from Halifax.

By steamer *Dominion* which will remain in St. John until the arrival of the Intercolonial train on Friday evening, Aug. 19th. Passengers by this boat will reach Yarmouth on Saturday morning about 7 o'clock.

By the Intercolonial Railway.

By the St. John, Maine, New Brunswick and Alenoit Railway.

By the Windsor and Annapolis Railway.

By the Western Counties Railway.

By the Union Line of Steamers running daily to and from Fredericton, and three times per week to and from Digby and Annapolis. One of these steamers leaves St. John, Friday morning at 8 o'clock for Digby, thence to Annapolis. The managers of this line have kindly consented to run an extra trip from Annapolis to Digby on Friday, the 19th, in order to make a through travel from Halifax and intermediate Stations to Yarmouth on that day, the Western Counties Railway awaiting the arrival of steamer at Digby.

These arrangements offer extra inducements by way of rapid transit and low fare to secure a large attendance.

The International Steamship Co. will carry ministers and College Professors only, with their wives, at one full first class fare.

P. E. Island arrangements will be attended to by Bro. M. G. McLeod.

THOMAS B. CROSBY,  
For the Committee.  
Yarmouth, Aug. 1st, 1881.

The following provisional arrangement has been made for the exercises of the next session of the Baptist Convention to be held at Yarmouth, Aug. 20th to 23rd, 1881:

*Saturday morning Session.*—Opening and organizing. Report of Committee of Arrangements. Report of Committee on the state of Religion in the Denomination. Report of Committee on Obituaries.

*Afternoon Session.*—Annual Report of Foreign Missionary Board, and consideration of the same.

*Evening Session.*—Foreign Missionary Meeting.

*Lord's Day.*—Convention Sermon by Rev. J. E. Hopper, A. M., or Rev. W. A. Coréy.

*Monday Morning Session.*—Annual Report of Home Mission Board and consideration of the same. Report of Board of Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund.

*Afternoon Session.*—Report of Finance Committee of Convention and discussion of the Report. Report of Ministerial Education Board. Report on Ordination.

*Evening Session.*—Home Missionary Meeting.

*Tuesday morning Session.*—Annual Report of Board of Governors of Acadia College, Horton Academy, and Acadia Seminary, consideration of this Report.

*Afternoon Session.*—General and unfinished business.

*Evening Session.*—Educational Meeting.

The Secretaries will be at the place of meeting from 9 to 10 o'clock, a. m., on Saturday, to receive the names of

those who wish to be enrolled as members of "Convention" in their own right."

E. M. KIRKSTEAD,  
For Committee of Arrangements.  
Windsor, N. S., July 30, 1881.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE N. S. CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION will be held at Upper Aylesford, Kings County on Thursday, the 22nd day of September next. Morning session opens at 10 o'clock, a. m. It is very desirable that members and delegates should be present at opening of morning session. If any of the Sabbath Schools in the Central Association have not received the Minutes of the last Convention and Blank returns—they will please let me know at once, that I may forward them. A list of subjects, &c. will be printed in the MESSENGER at an early day.

HENRY LOVETT,  
Sec'y S. S. Convention of the N. S. Central  
Baptist Association.  
Kentville, July 16th, 1881.

#### ACADEMY.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors at Yarmouth, on Friday 19th inst., at 9.30, A. M.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec'y.  
Wolfville, Aug. 1st, 1881.

#### CONVENTION FUND FOR P. E. I.

Received from East Point Church, through J. DesBrisay, per W. M. A. Society \$27.00—\$25.00 of which constitutes the Secretary Mrs. A. McLean—a life member—\$26.00 of the \$27.00 to be sent to Miss Hammond to be appropriated as she pleases..... 27.00 Tryon Church, through J. DesBrisay..... 23.00 Bedeque Church, do..... 11.50 \$61.50

#### CONVENTION FUNDS RECEIVED.

Portauquipe Mountain Missionary Society..... \$10.00 G. E. Lavers, Esq., Yarmouth..... 2.00 Ministerial Conference, Annapolis County..... 2.00 Great Village Church, balance.... 5.50 First Preston Church..... 3.00 \$22.50

G. E. DAY.  
Yarmouth, Aug. 7, 1881.

P. S.—The churches will please forward their contributions as early as possible, for the accounts must soon be closed.

G. E. D.

RECEIVED FOR WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETY.  
Gideon Fleck, Holland's Harbour. \$1.00  
M. R. SELDEN, Treasurer.  
Halifax, Aug. 9, 1881.

ERRATA.—In the Associational Sermon published in CHRISTIAN MESSENGER, July 27th; instead of "making Miracles" (first paragraph,) read "working Miracles." And two lines below—instead of "prophecy" read prophecy.

CORRECTION.—In the "History of Newport Baptist Church," CHRISTIAN MESSENGER, July 27th, last paragraph instead of "at which time the two churches" &c., should read January 8th, 1872, the two churches were re-united, &c.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

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

#### THE BLOOD AND NERVE TISSUES

owe their healthy existence to Phosphorus and become disorganized when it is lessened in quantity. It is as necessary to the proper preservation of the functions of life as Electricity is to the Telegraph. The use of Phosphorus, combined with Cod Liver Oil, Lime, Soda &c., in FURNER'S EMULSION, by providing, in a palatable and perfectly digestible form, all the elements necessary to the healthy growth and vitality of the body, prevents and rapidly cures all diseases which are due to its being present in less quantity than nature demands. Hence its inestimable value in Brain diseases, Nervous debility, Wasting and other Lung troubles which, beginning in loss of flesh and vitality, with Coughs, Colds and Bronchitis, end in that fell