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## News from the Churches.

From the *Windsor Mail* we learn that Rev. S. B. Kempton has declined the invitation given by the Windsor Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. Clay has preached there the last two Sabbaths.

**REMOVAL OF REV. W. E. HALL.**—On Sabbath evening a large congregation assembled at Melvern Square to listen to the words of Rev. W. E. Hall, who has resigned the pastorate of Upper Wilmot Church, to enter on work with that of Hillsburg. After praise, reading scripture and prayer by Rev. F. Beattie, Brother Hall announced as his text, Philippians 1st chapter 27 and first clause of the 28th verse, and earnestly and impressively addressed an attentive congregation on the heavenly citizenship, and the duties it involved, exhorted the church to fidelity and union.

The pastorate thus ended has extended over a period of six years and six months, and is a record of success and labour. During that period 189 persons have been baptized, 43 restored by letter, 14 by experience, 10 received, 32 have died, 15 have been dismissed, 7 have been excluded, a net gain of 304. 1042 sermons have been preached. 107 of these funeral sermons. Brief remarks were offered at the close by Rev. Mr. Stuart, Presbyterian, and Rev. F. Beattie of Kingston, expressive of personal esteem and a desire for success in the future.

The tie thus sundered was a close and endearing one; Upper Wilmot, sorrow; Hillsburg may rejoice. A strong man is needed immediately to fill the place.

### ONE PRESENT.

**NEW ALBANY, &C.**—Rev. W. J. Bleakney writes:—*Dear Sir,*—I am now settled in my new field, Albany, Springfield, and East Dalhousie, by the unanimous call of those churches. The field is large, and the work plenty, but with a sound body, common sense, a first class horse, and above all, grace sufficient, I anticipate not much difficulty in working the field. I find the brethren and sisters and friends, willing to be co-workers with me. The church at Springfield with which I am laboring half of my time are now repairing their Meeting-house, roofing and painting it. They are arranging to build a Parsonage next Spring, which is much needed. I cannot say that there is much revival spirit in our midst. The preaching meetings are well attended. Prayer and Conference meetings, as in most of the Churches, are neglected by many.

We are sowing the good seed of the kingdom. Preaching the unchanging truth of the gospel of Christ. Hoping ere long to see the place of the Master's feet made glorious.

Death is doing its work in Springfield. That clamorous disease, Hooping Cough has taken away a number of little children.

The Atlantic and Niataux Railway is not yet built. Companies as well as Governments are sometimes slow coaches. A little like Dame Goose's lad, not very good, and yet not very bad. We are looking for the fulfilment of some big promises made last June. When that road is built we shall be largely benefitted. As for the harvest in this section, Hay, generally good; grain, light; Potatoes, good.

Men's minds are as variant as their faces, and, where the motives of their actions are pure, the operation of the former is no more to be imputed to them as a crime than the appearance of the latter; for both, being the work of nature, are alike unavoidable. Liberality and charity, instead of clamour and misrepresentation, ought to govern in all disputes about matters of importance.—*George Washington.*

## Home News

### Nova Scotia.

**APPOINTMENTS.**—*Hants Co.*—To be Justices of the Peace for the district of West Hants—George Harvie, Burlington; William Harvie, Summerville; and John A. Taylor, Hantsport.

*Halifax Co.*—To be a Justice of the Peace—Patrick M. Duggan, Halifax.

To be a commissioner for Revising and Consolidating the Statutes.—Hon. James W. Johnson, Judge of the County Court, vice Wm. F. MacCoy, Esq., Q. C., M. P. P., resigned.

Dalhousie College commenced its twentieth session under its present organization last week. The examinations for matriculation, exhibitions and bursaries were made and the classes were organized on Monday last. On Tuesday the public Convocation was held in the Assembly Room, when Dr. Schurman, the new professor of English Literature and Metaphysics gave the Inaugural Address. Among the matriculates was one young lady, in Science, Miss M. F. Saunders, daughter of Rev. E. M. Saunders, D. D.

At a meeting of the City Council, last week the Assessors for the ensuing year were elected. Messrs J. L. Barry, S. R. Phelan, and J. R. Graham. Messrs. Alison Smith and Carney were elected Commissioners of the Common and the Public Gardens.

The side-wheel steamer Marion, 353 tons, arrived here Saturday evening from New York, where she was purchased for the Bras d'Or Steamship Company, of Halifax and Cape Breton, the price paid being \$27,000. She is intended for service on the Bras d'Or Lake, in connection with the Neptune.

A barn belonging to Wm. Chase, Lakeville, Kings Co., was burned on Thursday, the 12th inst. Loss, \$400.

Mr. William Goldsmith, of Pictou, has an apple tree which is now in blossom for the third time this season.

The brigantine D.W. Dexter, of Windsor, N.S., capsized and sunk in the Kull Van Kull Channel during a squall on Tuesday night. The captain, family and crew were saved.

**THE QUESTION OF THE DAY.**—"What is good for a cold?" is a question often asked, but seldom satisfactory answered. We can answer to the satisfaction of all, if they will follow our advice and try Hagar's Pectoral Balsam, a safe, pleasant and certain throat and lung healer. Sold by all druggists.

A young man named Matatal had four fingers taken off one of his hands by a circular saw in Lewis' peg factory, Truro, on Wednesday last.

Dr. Oliver, of this garrison left, for England on Monday of last week to introduce to the War Office an improvement he had invented in the mode of a soldier carrying his kit, by which he can carry more ammunition with less effort.

At Port Hood a verdict of \$31 was obtained against County Court Judge Tremaine in an action for damage brought against him by a former client, who claimed that by negligence on the part of Mr. Tremaine in conducting a suit he had suffered a grievous loss.

Sheriff Robinson, of Annapolis, while arresting a party named Foener, some days ago, was assaulted by him. The sheriff fired upon him with a pistol, wounding him, after which he was lodged in jail. At a subsequent investigation Foener was committed for trial at the Supreme Court for assaulting the Sheriff.

**A MINISTERS EVIDENCE.**—The all prevalent malady of civilized life is Dyspepsia. Rev. W. E. Gifford, of Bothwell, was cured of dyspepsia and liver complaint that rendered his life almost a burden. The cure was completed by three bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters.

Sixty men left Antigonish on Tuesday to work on the Canada Pacific Railway.

At Yarmouth, on Wednesday, Mr. J. W. Moody, Vice-Consul for Sweden and Norway at that port, presented Capt. S. B. Robbins with a valuable binocular glass, a gift from King Oscar, for brave and gallant services rendered by Capt. Robbins in saving the crew of the barque *Uranus*, of Tonsberg, Norway, in the Atlantic, in October, 1881. The glass bears a suitable inscription.

**GREAT VILLAGE.**—Three barns belonging to Mr. Jeremiah Spencer, of Great Village, were burned last Sunday. 100 tons of hay, 200 bushels of grain, and some farming implements were burned. Loss \$2,000. It is supposed that the fire originated from spontaneous combustion of poorly cured hay.

**GENERAL LAUREN.**—The following announcement appears in the *London Gazette* of October 3rd: "The following promotion to take place on the death on the 12th, Sept., 1882, of Major General Alfred Bassam, C. B.; Colonel John Winburn Laurie for Lieut. Colonel, half pay, to be Major General."

Much regret is expressed that Mr. E. Midwood has resigned his position as manager of the Windsor Cotton Mills.

The GREAT CAUSE of much misery and ill health is a disordered condition of the kidneys; an effectual combination of diuretics is found in Burdock Blood Bitters that thoroughly renovates the kidneys and other important glandular organs, and strengthens the debilitated system.

John Trefry and David Cook, police constables of Yarmouth arrested two men ten days ago on suspicion of having robbed Miss Potter, in August last, on the public highway, of \$300. Their names are Reuben Meuse and Charles Duerdon. On Saturday Duerdon confessed, and Meuse will probably do so. Part of the money has been recovered.

On Sunday last, while some religious exercises were being held in the jail, Charles Duerdon, made a rush out of the corridor through the outer main-door, securing it as he went by means of a stick on the outside, and so baffling his pursuers as to make good his escape. A reward of twenty-five dollars is offered for his apprehension.

It is said that owing to the large surplus of hay, and roots this season, farmers generally will keep more stock this winter than usual. A drove of 73 head of cattle from Cape Breton, were sold at Brooklyn, Newport, by Mr. Chambers last week. They were all disposed of in two hours, and brought good prices.

It was noticed by the *Amherst Gazette* as a rather remarkable coincidence that the 86th Psalm, appointed by the Episcopal prayer-book for the Sunday evening's services the week of the British victory in Egypt, contained the following passage:—"Thou hast subdued Egypt and destroyed it; thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm."

AMONG THE MOST obstinate of chronic diseases to cure is salt rheum. Mr. Isaac Brown, of Bothwell, was troubled with salt rheum for years, and says that one bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters has done him more good than \$500 paid for other medical treatment.

### New Brunswick.

The Scot Act was reaffirmed in Fredericton on Thursday last by a majority of 41, the vote being 293 to 252. The majority for the Act in 1878 was 201. Owing to a clerical error on the part of one of the returning officers, a recount will be demanded.

St. John is resolved to have a public library. A largely attended meeting was held on Thursday. Addresses were delivered by Collector Ruel, Rev. D. MacRae, and Wm. Elder. There was music by Peiler and Gubb, Father Davenport singing "The Better Land." In course of the meeting subscriptions by ladies amounting to over two hundred and fifty dollars were intimated. It was learned that several gentlemen will tender subscriptions of from two hundred dollars downwards.

The St. John *News* is responsible for the statement that a North Shore lumberman is training a bear to haul logs this winter.

On Monday of last week two prisoners named Rogers and Perry attempted to escape from Dorchester Penitentiary. Shots were fired at them by the keepers, one of them entering through the back of Perry and passing through his mouth, causing instant death. The other prisoner was captured. An inquest was subsequently held on the body of Perry, which resulted in a verdict completely exonerating the officer who fired the fatal shot.

A young man named Estabrooks fell off a log into a pond at the mills of his uncle, Mr. Walter Graham, at Grand Falls, a few days ago, and was drowned.

Edwin H. Ellis, charged with committing adultery with Mrs. Rose, of Maine, was tried before Judge Waters, in the County Court, St. John, and found "Guilty." The Judge passed sentence that Ellis pay a fine of \$400, or failing payment of the fine that he be imprisoned in the County Jail, the term of imprisonment not to exceed two years.

**NEVER ALLOW IT.**—Never allow the bowels to remain in a torpid condition, as it leads to serious results, and ill health is sure to follow. Burdock Blood Bitters is the most perfect regulator of the bowels, and the best blood purifier known.

### Dominion of Canada.

New Dominion four dollar bills will shortly be issued.

Enclosures in packages not mentioned in invoices will hereafter be forfeited.

Sir C. Tupper arrived at Ottawa on Wednesday from the North-West.

The new light on the West end of Sable Island will be finished and lighted on December 1st. The structure is 98 feet high, and the light can be seen twenty miles distant.

Since the first of last March seventeen special trains left Ottawa, taking three thousand five hundred passengers and three hundred and fifty carloads of freight into the North-West. This re-

presents an expenditure of about one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for transportation alone.

Archie McDonald, at Winnipeg, formerly of Enfield, near Halifax, N. S., was shot dead in the Caledonia Hotel, Winnipeg last night by Robert D. Garvin of Georgia, during a drunken quarrel.

**AN HONEST OPINION.**—John Taylor, of Toronto, says he has tried every known remedy for rheumatism, and can honestly recommend Hagar's Yellow Oil as the best of all; he has been a sufferer from rheumatic pains for years.

## News of the World.

Matters in Egypt are far from assuring an easy settlement of the trouble. Three or four weeks ago we had an article on the progress of the False Prophet. A telegram from Cairo on Wednesday last gives some important further details:—

"Most alarming news has been received from Khartoum. The False prophet, at the head of the whole able bodied population of the Sudan reinforced by some cannibal tribes of Central Africa, has utterly defeated Abd El Kader and Giegler, the Egyptian Governors, in seven sanguinary pitched battles. Egyptian loss in killed and wounded was 8,000 with 17-ir stand of arms, including 5,000 Remingtons. The remnant of the Egyptian army took refuge in Khartoum and is now besieged there. All Provinces South of that city are lost to Egypt. The news of capture of Khartoum is daily expected. The False Prophet permits the pouring of boiling tallow into the eyes and ears of his captives and otherwise fiendishly tortures them. His men eaters in some cases actually devour their prisoners for refusing to recognize him as the true prophet and Khalif. Dr. Schweinfurth assures me that there is a movement for a real revival of Islam, comprising Afghanistan and Morocco, and the doctor is confident that the movement will embrace Khartoum. The False Prophet's adherents increase like wild-fire, and the prophet himself is said to be marching toward Cairo. Great weight is due to the opinion of Schweinfurth, but I believe that a Chinese Gordon or Valentine Baker would be able to finish the whole business with 5,000 men.

On Friday the False Prophet was reported to be within three days' march of Khartoum.

It is said that the Porte is making great efforts to have the trial of Arabi abandoned.

Arabi Pasha's correspondence during the last two years was seized on Tuesday last. It includes voluminous correspondence with Constantinople and the minutes of secret sittings of the Barondi Cabinet and is very damaging.

Among the documents is a letter from the Sultan's religious adviser to Arabi, seriously implicating the Sultan in the course Arabi pursued.

The minutes in the Cabinet Council held before the war found among Arabi Pasha's papers, show that the Cabinet at a meeting at which Dervish Pasha, the Turkish Commissioner, was present, decided to meet the British with armed resistance.

Borelli Bae, public prosecutor, states that the massacres at Tantrh began at the moment when Abdel Pasha's aide-de-camp appeared on the scene and declared that annihilation of the Christians would be in accordance with Arabi Pasha's wishes. This assertion is made on the evidence of six inhabitants of Tantrh.

Arabi says he desires to quit Egypt as soon as possible, and will accept a sentence of exile to any part of the British dominions. He does not wish to see Egypt again. He thinks Egypt will shortly lose the Sudan unless the English army stops the False Prophet.

The Khedive sent a telegram to the Sultan congratulating him on the occasion of the festival Balram, and begging a continuance of the Sultan's favor and protection, and expressing unalterable devotion and fidelity.

Lord Dufferin, British Ambassador at Constantinople, is to go to Cairo for a time to take direction of negotiations of the Egyptian affairs.

There exists in France a sect resembling the Russian Nihilists and Irish Fenians, but the situation is less alarming. It is stated that the members of the anarchist Federation in Paris and its suburbs alone number 1,229.

At a Cabinet Council held in Paris, it was resolved to prosecute a speaker at an Anarchist meeting in Lyons, who

said he was quite ready to murder President Grevy.

The trial of the authors of the riots in Montcaule's mines is postponed until the next session of the court, owing to numerous attempts to intimidate the jury. It is reported that the police have discovered proofs of the existence of an International Association for the destruction of property. The head quarters are supposed to be at Geneva.

At a meeting of the Topom Topographical Society in Paris, on Sunday, DeLesseps delivered an address in which he approved of the scheme for creating an internal sea in Africa, and supported the peaceful conquest of the Congo district by M. DeBrazza.

The River Seine is rising rapidly. A water-spout destroyed seven brigs at St. Raphael. The floods have stopped traffic between Marseilles and Cannes; the latter town is inundated. The dyke at Dignebeen has been carried away.

A fire broke out on Monday of last week at St. Petersburg, in large lumber yards by the River Neva, and continued burning till the next day at 1 o'clock. Damage 25,000,000 roubles.

The losses by the recent floods in the Tyrol must be greater than those of September, as the extent of the area is much greater.

The bridge on the Wildbad Gasten road has been swept away. The cemetery at Bruneek has been flooded, graves laid open and coffins carried away. The town of Lienz is completely inundated. The rivers Pa, Adige, Tatiemante and Brenta overflowed their banks and inundated the country.

It is believed that the cost of the war in Egypt will amount to nearly four million pounds.

In the English House of Commons on Tuesday last, Mr. Gladstone called the attention of the committee to E. Dwyer Gray. He moved the appointment of committee on the case which was agreed to.

A gale last week did a vast amount of damage throughout the country. Many districts were flooded. Shipping along the coast suffered severely. A steamer was sunk in the Channel by collision and nine persons were drowned. At Sheerness the gale has not been equalled in thirty years.

The heavy rains caused floods in the Thames Valley, especially at Oxford Windsor and Egham. The waters continued to rise up to Saturday. Houses adjacent to Thames St. were flooded. One thousand acres in South Lincolnshire were flooded by the recent heavy rains.

Souter, whose trial for stealing the body of the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres began on Tuesday, was found guilty and sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

Lady Florence Dixie has published a pamphlet in which she seeks to prove that there is a large discrepancy and balance unaccounted for in the totals of the Land League funds. She calls upon all true Irishmen in Ireland and America to unite and drive from their midst self-seeking adventurers and upstarts.

P. J. Smith, M. P. for Tipperary, warns his countrymen against the new movement, which he describes as a sham, deceit and fraud. Its only object he declares is to get money, which will never be accounted for, to support Ireland's worst enemy.

The Grand Jury has returned a true bill against ten men charged with murdering the Joyce family.

At Margate, England, on Friday a destructive fire destroyed the Assembly Rooms, Royal Hotel, Vicarage and the whole south side of Cecil Square is burned. Loss is estimated at £60,000.

A despatch from Dublin says that three hundred people on Tory Island are without food, and that other portions of the population in Western Ireland are threatened with starvation.

A Pullman sleeping car, attached to the express train which left St. Pancras Station, London, for Glasgow, caught fire from the stove. One passenger was burned to death. Three passengers escaped with great difficulty.

There was at Philadelphia a grand festival day on Thursday last to celebrate the Bi-Centennial of the landing of Penn. The day's ceremonies were inaugurated by a parade of the Knights Templars, bicycle meet and review, and archery contests in Fairmount Park, and Welsh musical festival in the Bi-Centennial Music Hall. After

the musical exercises, participated in by twelve hundred school children, District-Attorney Graham delivered an address. He was followed by Gov. Hoyt, who formally closed the celebration.

At Chester 200,000 people participated in the morning procession, representing among other things the landing of Penn. This was followed by a meeting attended by 15,000 people, at which Mayor Barton presided.

A fire at Hopkinsville yesterday destroyed four blocks containing a large number of stores. The total loss is \$300,000.

Reports from Mier, Mexico, give the total cases of fever during the epidemic at one thousand; deaths, 324; cases now under treatment, 450. There have been 150 deaths at Camargo since the disease appeared.

Professors Frenz and Kibold arrived at New York on Wednesday, en route to Aiken, S. C., where they will observe the transit of Venus for the German Government. Another party will soon arrive from Germany to perform a similar duty at Hartford.

Late advices received at Harvard College observatory from Dr. B. A. Gould, at Cordoba, South America, show that the honor of the discovery of the great comet belongs to him. It was first seen at his observatory more than a day previous to its discovery by Finlay at the Cape of Good Hope, and five days before it was seen by Dr. Cruls at Rio.

On Friday last the expensive works of the Eur-ka Cast Steel Co. at Lamokin were burned. A large number of valuable patterns were destroyed. Loss \$150,000.

On Saturday a fire broke out in Flint's mill, which entirely destroyed it. It employed 500 hands and manufactured 13,000,000 yards of print cloth annually. The loss is estimated at \$700,000 on which there is insurance for \$600,000.

Abbey's Park Theatre at New York, in which Mrs. Langtry was to appear on Monday night for the first time, was completely destroyed by fire on that evening. Mrs. Langtry's costumes were all lost. The fire is supposed to have caught from a gas explosion. Total loss estimated at \$250,000. Abbey losses over \$100,000 and his insurance amounts to \$105,000.

### November.

The Centaur, Sagittarius, am I,  
Born of Ixion's and the cloud's embrace;  
With sounding hoofs across the earth I fly,  
A steed Thessalian, with a human face.  
Sharp winds the arrows are with which I chase  
The leaves, half dead already with affright;  
I shroud my self in gloom; and to the race  
Of mortals bring nor comforts nor delight.  
*Longfellow.*

**EDUCATIONAL.**—Be careful how you use large words. Never use any you do not know the meaning of. Then you will not make so funny a mistake as did the mayor's wife of an English village where the Prince of Wales happened to be on a visit. He politely offered to escort her to the refreshment room, when she said, "Thank you, Highness, but I'm shamponing a couple of ladies, and I don't like to leave them." The poor woman meant *chaperoning*, which is quite a different thing, as you will find by looking in the dictionary.

### Humbug Advertisements

The time never has been and never will be when the people of this or any other country can buy a gold dollar for seventy-five cents. Neither can you, dear reader, purchase an organ worth three or four hundred dollars for \$60. This is all nonsense. Still we have no objection to other people doing their business just as they see fit. We are selling a good, honest made Piano at from \$185 to \$575, and a good, honest Organ (not all stops) for from \$48 to \$475. All our goods are made upon honor, and we send to any part of the world on test trial, and if no please, no keepee, as the Chinaman would say. For the past ten years we have sent both Pianos and Organs to every part of the world, and our instruments give the most universal satisfaction. If you wish a good instrument, one that will always last you, we shall be pleased to send you our catalogue and prices; and if you purchase one of the Thomas Brothers' *Silver Tone Instruments* you will get what you require, and one instrument sold in a neighborhood always sells more. Address, for prices, etc.,

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