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At the Drummond Colliery, on Tues- day last as Mr. Hamilton was superin- tending the work on the coal floor, an empty box slid off the descending cage, and fell upon him, splitting his head open and breaking one of his legs in two places. It is also believed that the accident caused concussion of the spine. He died the same day.

SAD ACCIDENT AT WEYMOUTH.—At the close of school, August 30th, four persons started on a fishing excursion upon a raft, in a lake at the rear of a small village adjacent to Wey- mouth, latterly known as Harlem, where Mr. Hood was teacher. After taking a quantity of fish on starting for the shore the raft parted, and the teacher, Arthur Hood, of Weymouth, aged 26 years, Henry, son of Wm. Weaver, aged 16 years, and Tobias, son of George Barr, aged 10 years, were all drowned, the only survivor being Charles, son of Captain Amers, aged 11 years, who paddled himself ashore on a piece of the raft. The youths belonged to the above named place. The event has cast a deep gloom over the entire community.—Com. by Rev. Wm. Spencer.

We continue to hear of injury done by the great storm of last week. Vessels that have arrived since report it the worst storm known for years. Great loss of life occurred on the fishing banks off Newfoundland.

The steamer *Lampart*, which sailed from Baltimore on the 24th ult., put into Halifax on the 4th inst., under sail and steam, after losing 134 head of cattle. She had a terrible experience, and suffered much injury to her machinery.

New Glasgow has a "Union Park Company," with a capital of \$4,000 in 160 shares of \$25 each. Stock has been taken to half that amount, and the work of carrying out the object of the company will be proceeded with at once, so that before long they will have a park and pleasure grounds.

Tenders are wanted for the new Poplar Grove Church to be built on the Old Orphan's Home lot facing the Common. It is to have all modern improvements, and be, as it should be, a little ahead of everything else in the style of its archi- tecture. May God speed the congrega- tion in its worthy effort.—*Witness*.

A SECRET FOR THE LADIES.—The great secret of beauty is pure blood. Eruptions and all blotches that disfigure the face, may be quickly cured by Burdock Blood Bitters. Anie Heath, of Port- land, certifies that she was cured by this remedy, after suffering for two years.

Bibles and Hymn Book in great variety—direct from the Publishers at the Baptist Book Room.

ITCHING PILLS—SYMPTOMS AND CURE.—The symptoms are moisture, like pers- piration, intense itching, increased by scratching, very distressing, particularly at night, seems as if pin-worms were crawling in and about the rectum; if the private parts are sometimes affected. If allowed to continue very serious results may follow. "SWAYNE'S OINTMENT" is a pleasant, sure cure. Also for Itch, Itch, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Erysip- elas, Barbers' Itch, Blotches, all scaly, crusty Skin Diseases. Sent by mail for 50 cents; 3 boxes, \$1.25, (in stamps). Address, DR. SWAYNE & SON, Philadel- phia, Pa. Sold by Druggists.

"MOTHER SWAN'S WORM SYRUP"—In- fallible, tasteless, harmless, cathartic; for feverishness, restlessness, worms, constipation, 25c.

Ayer's Cure acts directly on the liver and biliary apparatus, and drives out the malarial poison which induces liver complaints and bilious disorders. Warranted to cure, or money refunded.

The Commander of the Forces, Gen. Russell, has ordered that after the end of the present month no more liquors shall be sold at the Garrison Institute, and coffee is to be substituted.

The Deaf and Dumb Institution com- menced work last week, after the usual holiday season, with a good attendance of scholars, and promise of an active session.

The Quebec Press Association are coming on a visit to the Maritime prov- inces. They will visit Halifax and other leading points. They leave Quebec on the 18th inst.

Pictou crops are excellent. Wheat and oats are good, and the potatoes are abundant. All varieties of roots are said to be superior.

A boy 7 years of age, son of W. Thur- low, of West Nisouri, has developed remarkable powers of bodily strength. He is described as over four feet in height, and his size, around the chest and body and across the shoulders, is considerably larger than that of the average full grown man. At three years of age he could carry his mother, a medium sized lady, with ease. He could also carry about the house two modern pails filled with water. At four he lifted a man weighing 190 pounds. His arms are larger than those of a full grown man. His head is large, with a broad forehead. His present weight is but 101 pounds, but in the spring it reached as high as 110—about fifty pounds above the average weight of boys of his age. Mr. and Mrs. Thurlow have one other child, who has shown none of these peculiarities.

I certify that I obtained immediate relief during a severe case of bronchitis, when in Camp Sussex this year, by the application of Minard's Liniment.

C. CREW-READ, Lieut.-Col.

POPULARITY.—Why they are popular. The reason that National Pills are so universally popular is because they are certain in their action, mild and painless in their operation, and never leave the bowels constipated. They are sugar- coated and contain no mineral poison.

Send to the Baptist Book & Tract Society for Lesson Helps—at Publishers Prices.

By taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla many a poor sufferer who submits to the sur- geon's knife because of malignant sores and scrofulous swellings, might be saved, sound and whole. This will purge out the corruptions which pollute the blood, and by which such complaints are origi- nated and fed.

Civil servants here have been served with notices of assessment for income tax.

At British Columbia, three men, charged with the murder of a Chinese last April, were tried and acquitted on Thursday last, the evidence not being sufficient to convict them. The Chief Justice, who tried the case, said that the satisfactory manner in which the Chinese witnesses had given their evidence and reluctance of white wit- nesses made him ashamed of being a white man.

Principal Dawson of McGill university, was presented with an address and \$5,000 by citizens of Montreal on Wed- nesday on the eve of his taking a trip to the continent of Europe for a year.

THIS IS RELIABLE.—R. N. Wheeler, merchant, of Everton, was cured of a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs by Hagar's Pectoral Balsam. This great throat and lung healer cures weak lungs, coughs, hoarseness, bron- chitis, and all Pectoral complaints.

The Baptist Book & Tract Society have just received a splendid assort- ment of Sabbath School Library Books including *Culm Rock*, 50 vols. Selling Cheap.

P. E. Island.

Two men, named Whalen and McCormack, were mackereling in Souris harbor, when the squall which prevailed there during the afternoon struck and swamped their boat in the tremendous sea which arose before they could pro- ceed to shelter. Deceased were very respectable citizens, and we deeply sympathize with their friends and acquaintances in their sad bereavement.—*Charlottetown, P. E. I. Patriot*.

There have been heavy forest fires for the past few weeks. Hundreds of acres of woodland have been over-run, and so dry was the time, that the surface soil or vegetable mould has in many places been burned away, and the quality of the land much impaired. Thousands of dollars worth of property has been destroyed.

The Island wheat crop will be above the average, and has been housed in good order. Other crops are fair, but the outlook so far for a brisk market for oats is dull.

The exports from Queen's and King's counties for August were valued at \$128,000. Of this \$82,000 was for fish, and \$20,000 for eggs.

New Brunswick.

It is reported that members of the Fred- rickton City Council one night last week proceeded to use hard arguments. Bet- ter sense soon prevailed and repentance soon followed.

The timber raft, referred to last week, taken from St. John to New York, was 18 days on the voyage. It was towed by the tugs *Cyclops* and *Haviland*, and had \$30,000 worth of timber.

It was a dangerous voyage but with the experience gained they state that in future they will have an improved way of fastening the chain, and in that manner they would be willing to take a raft across the Atlantic.

Two hundred and four vessels which arrived at St. John during the month of August registered tonnage 54,953 tons; the number of clearances was 492 ves- sels, 252 of which sailed for domestic ports.

A convict who escaped from Dorches- ter penitentiary the other day and was fired at by one of the keepers, gave him- self up after staying in the woods till starvation drove him back for shelter. He was wounded in one of his legs.

The Moncton Transcript says: As Mr. Hope McFee, of Kinnear Settlement, W. C., was going out the other morning to his pasture he discovered one of his sheep lying dead, and wishing to ascertain the cause of its death, he began a post mortem examination, but was sud- denly startled by some bugging monster springing upon his back and giving him a severe blow on the arm, which left him minus of one shirt sleeve and inflicted quite a wound in the flesh. With a spring Mr. McFee freed himself, and turning to know from whence so unwel- come and unexpected a blow came, a huge bear (that seemed to dispute with him as to who should own the carcass) met his astonished gaze. He gave the animal such a powerful blow across the vertebral column that brain retired to his forest home and has not been heard of since.

Moncton is one of the most progres- sive towns in the Maritime Provinces. The buildings are rapidly multiplying. About 20 years ago it was perhaps the least likely to become a large town of any place within a hundred miles, but its being the railway centre makes increasing demands upon it. We are told that this year there will have been expended in building operations in Moncton; on churches about \$20,000, on railway and government buildings, probably \$80,000; while the other ex- penditures for new buildings, etc., can- not be far from \$150,000, over a quarter of a million dollars in all.

Dominion of Canada.

Prince George of Wales has been on a visit to the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise at Ottawa.

The Canadian Pacific railway mag- nates, and distinguished guests on leav- ing Winnipeg ran the trip to Calgary, 840 miles, allowing for stoppages, at a rate of a little over 35 miles an hour.

At Medicine Hat they took coal from Galt's mine, and with this fuel made at times sixty miles per hour to Calgary and back. The return trip was run even faster, being an average of 36 miles an hour. The party visited the Bell farm where they saw twenty one self-binders at work on Tuesday, and that day they had harvested three-hundred acres of wheat. The yield will average 25 bushels per acre.

News from the Churches.

BEAR RIVER, Sept. 6th, 1883.—We are having a revival here in tem- perance. T. M. Lewis, Esq., agent for the Grand Division S. of T. has held two very successful meetings among us. Our prospects of reform in that direction are good. Mr. Lewis is an earnest worker, and we wish him much success in his undertaking.

In addition to paying off old debts some of which have been hanging over the church for years, we are also build- ing a new meeting house in Morgan Settlement—a section of the church. It has been decided to have a TEA- MEETING there on Tuesday, the 18th inst. We are hoping for a large pat- ronage that will put us in funds suffi- cient to go on and finish at once.

There have been no additions to the church lately, but our prayer and con- ference meetings are well attended and we are hoping for displays of God's power.

Yours &c., Wm. E. HALL.

N. E. MARGAREE, C. B.—We are glad to learn that our brother Rev. C. Haverstock is to labor with this Church, and trust that it may be with best results.

Mr. H. wishes us to intimate to his friends, that from this date his address will be—N. E. Margaree, C. B.

CANARD.—Wm. Eaton, Esq., clerk of the church writes, Sept. 9th, 1883: "You will be glad to note that the Ordinance of Baptism was administered to-day by our faithful and loved Pastor to three more willing converts. The fact that one of the number was his son—a youth of fourteen, rendered the services peculiarly interesting and im- pressive."

MARGARETVILLE.—The Baptist Tea Meeting and Bay party held here the 5th and 6th, resulted in receipts \$450 though the 5th proved rainy. This will enable the Committee to pay for the large organ bought of the "Gates Organ and Piano Company," and com- plete the furnishing of the new church. Rev. W. E. Hall, whose persevering efforts coupled with those of S. B. Stronach, Esq., Capt. Joseph Harris, and others resulted in the erection of this fine church, will be pleased to learn of the success of this last effort.

A Suggestion.—Let the four sections of this church unite annually in holding a mammoth Bay party and tea meeting at this place, and about \$1000 can be raised for denominational purposes and the valley and mountain friends enjoy a general reunion at the seaside so pleas- ant in summer.

TOURIST.

MELVERN ITEMS.—Rev. John E. Goucher is enjoying his "breathing spell" in the old home of his youth, among the friends of his childhood. On the evening of his arrival he was met by a number of friends at the residence of his good mother in a "surprise party." The occasion was very enjoy- able.

Sociable.—The Gates' Bros. Factory Hall was made very attractive on the evening of the 7th by a social gather- ing. The newly inducted pastor, Rev. Mr. Rowe and daughter were present, with nearly 100 of Melvern friends. The occasion was very interesting. The entertainment was under the manage- ment of Mrs. W. J. Gates and Mrs. S. P. Munro. Net proceeds for benefit of parsonage.

ONE PRESENT.

I am always sorry when I hear of a person, 'She is a very good woman, but she was suckled on vinegar.' There are some people after that kind. It is a great pity. Such people never save any others. People say, 'If that is a Christian, good Lord, deliver us from such Christianity.' We want to have gentleness, joy, goodness, love, patience. If these things be in you and abound, and I pray they may, it is well to begin

with them soon. The commencement of life often affects the whole of life. I fancy when a man begins to be a Christian, and he never tries to pray in public, or conduct family prayer, or go to Sunday School, or do any work, he generally grows up a sort of dumb Christian. He does not begin young, and the old gentleman thinks he cannot do it now. He should have begun when he was young.—C. H. Spurgeon.

In a recent sermon Mr. Spurgeon said: 'It was the glory of the Moravians that all their members were missionaries. Such ought to be the glory of every church. Every man, woman and child in the church should take part in the battle for Jesus.' Such a glory every church might well covet. It is within the reach of all. Let us go to work in the name and strength of the Lord and see how soon He will glorify the church by giving it increased prosperity and enlargement.

Literary.

FENK & WAGNALL'S STANDARD LIBRARY, No. 96, JEWETT ARTIZAN LIFE; by Franz Delitzsch, D. D., translated from the German; by Rev. Bernhard Pick, Ph. D. Price 15 cents, pp. 91. S. F. Huestis, 141 Granville St., Halifax.

The author of this little book is well known as one of the ablest men living in the department of Biblical Science. He gives the reader a continuous series of word pictures of the domestic life, the public business, and private life at home of the Jewish Artizan, of the trader and of the governing classes. A more vivid conception is obtained from this small volume of "the Carpenter" and his surroundings than from any thing we have previously read.

UNDER THE TITLE "The New Astro- nomy," will appear, in the coming volume of THE CENTURY, several popular articles by Professor S. P. Langley, describing, with many illustra- tions, the most interesting of the recent discoveries in the sun and stars, and introducing (what to many readers will be new) the consideration of our own physical relations to the heavenly bodies as shown by the study of celestial phys- ics.

REV. WASHINGTON GLADDEN, LL. D., whose "Christian League of Con- necticut" attracted so much attention in THE CENTURY last winter, will fur- nish to that magazine during the coming year essays on the general subject of "Christianity and Wealth," touching the application of Christian morals to the present phase of modern life, espe- cially in America.

CANINE INTELLIGENCE.—A remarkable instance of the fidelity and sagacity of the dog lately happened at Milford Haven. Two men named Davis and Taylor were out in a boat, which was swamped. The former of them was the owner of a dog, and while the men were struggling in the water the animal caught hold of Taylor with the object of supporting him; finding however, that it was not his master to whom he was rendering this assistance, he relinquished his grasp and went to the aid of Davis, his master supporting him until he was rescued by a passing steamer, the other man being drowned.—*Scientific American*.

A good duck story is told by the De- troit Free Press. While hunting above the Grand River dam, a man wounded one of two ducks which were mates. He sent his dog into the river after it, and as the injured duck could not swim very fast the dog seemed likely to get it. Seeing this the other duck, which had swam ahead, turned about, and came near the dog, which immediately left the other and chased this one. The duck just kept out of reach of the dog, and led it down toward the dam, and just before reaching it dived under. The dog failed to get it, and being so near the dam he went over, and came very near being drowned.

Notices.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION will be held at Woodville, West Corn- walls, on Thursday, the 20th day of September next, to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

I have sent circulars to the Superin- tendents of schools so far as I know and if they are not received they will please let me know and I will furnish others. The Superintendents will please forward the circulars to the Secretary.

A. A. PINRO, Sec'y. Baptist S. S. Convention. Chipman Corner, Cornwallis, August 14th, 1883.

Persons coming to the above S. S. Convention by railway will stop at Cam- bridge Station where they will find teams to convey them to Woodville.

All persons who have paid one first- class fare on coming, will get a return ticket for one third of one first-class fare.

The following papers will be read viz: "Our great need as Sabbath School workers," by Randal Hlley, Berwick. "Hints on teaching," by R. S. Eaton. "How to retain our young men in the Sabbath School," by A. J. Denton, B. A. "Benevolence," by Henry Lovett, Esq. "How to conduct a Sabbath School," by Rev. W. B. Bradshaw, B. A. "Reasons for keeping our S. Schools open during winter," by W. L. Bars. "How to secure home preparation of the lesson by the scholars," by Andrew Shaw.

In the evening the lesson previous to Sept. 20th, subject: "A praying mother" will be taught by some one provided.

This probably will be the programme, but the Convention is not bound to ad- here to this. We feel the great need of a larger scope and a little more thought. The arrangement is left to a small committee who hurriedly get up something for the occasion.

We cordially invite all superinten- dents, teachers, and Sabbath School workers, to come prepared to take part and thus have our minds enlightened, our views enlarged and be better pre- pared to carry forward this work God has placed before us.

COM. OF ARRANGEMENT. Woodville, Cornwallis Sept. 3rd, 1883. [The above notice was misplaced last week by one of our compositors, but we suppose that those concerned in it would not be misled by the error.]

Please acknowledge in the MESSENGER the receipt of the following sums in aid of Baptist Building Fund, Lunenburg: Wallace Graham, Esq., Halifax, \$1; Thomas Silver, Esq., Lunenburg, \$10; Christopher Jost, Esq., Guysboro', per George McDonald, Halifax, \$4; Henry S. Mader, Esq., Jeddore, \$2. ISAAC GATES, Treasurer. Lunenburg, Sept. 3, 1883.

Received for the Lunenburg Meeting House: From friends in Guysboro', \$4; Rev. A. E. Ingram, \$5; friends in Hal- fax, \$1.55; Total, \$10.55. A. W. BARRS

KINGS COUNTY MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE. It has been thought best to postpone the next meeting of this body from the first Monday and Tuesday of September to the first Monday and Tuesday of October. Ministers and delegates will therefore please take notice that the next meeting will be held on the evening of the first Monday in October in the North Kingston Meeting House. D. M. WELTON, Sec'y. pro tem.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. Alex. McArthur. Sabbath School in the Spring Garden Vestry at 2.45 P. M. Prayer-meeting in the same place on Wednesday evening at 7.45.

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.

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. Rev. H. H. Johnson, Pastor.

Treasurers of Baptist Funds.

1. HOME MISSION BOARD—Rev. J. A. Gordon, Yarmouth.
2. FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD—Chas. F. Clinch, Clinch Mills, N. B., Treasurer. John March, St. John, N. B., Secretary.
3. ACADIA COLLEGE AND HORTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY—X. Z. Chipman, Esq., Wolfville.
4. INFIRM MINISTERS' RELIEF AND AID FUND—Rev. E. M. Saunders, Halifax, N. S.
5. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND—Jno. W. Barrs, Esq., Wolfville.
6. NOVA SCOTIA WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY—Mrs. M. R. Selden, Hal- fax.

CLAIMS TO FISHING BOUNTIES.

NOTICE is hereby given that no claims to Fishing Bounty for 1882 will be received after 1st September, and all claims for the current year must be filed with this Department on or before 31st Decem- ber next.

The necessary blank forms and instruc- tions can be had from Customs or Fishery Officers who will supply them to applica- nts free of charge.

A. W. McLELAN, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, 24th August, 1883. 2 ins.

HORTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY, Wolfville, N. S.

The next Term begins September 5th. For full information and Catalogues ap- ply to J. F. TUFTS, Principal. Aug. 29. 2 m. Sept. 12.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

An Explanation.

The Agent of the British American Book and Tract Society of Halifax is A. N. Archibald, The Agent of the Baptist Book and Tract Society, is Dimock Archibald. Will the friends please note the difference and govern themselves in their contributions accordingly. Brother Dimock Archibald will visit Cape Breton shortly. This explanation is necessary, since much confusion exists in the minds of the people on account of both Agents bearing the same surname. GEO. A. McDONALD, Sec'y. Sept. 12.

THE BAPTIST BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY, 104 GRANVILLE STREET, HALIFAX, N. S.

See next issue of this paper.

NEW BAPTIST HYMNAL.

We have refrained from writing about it at length, until we had taken time to examine it with some care, and until we had also had opportunity to use it. That time has now come, and we feel justified in speaking in its praise in strong language.

We have never been favorable to the theory that a selection of a thousand hymns or less is sufficient for the wants of Baptist churches; not that we were accustomed to the use of more than a thousand in pulpit ministrations, but because we deemed it hardly possible for any corps of editors to make a selection of a thousand which would be acceptable to all who should have occasion to use it. We have to say, now, that here are 704 hymns which come nearer to meeting our idea of what such a collection ought to be, than any larger number that we have ever seen brought together. We have taken some pains to compare this Hymnal with what we regarded as the best collection previously issued,—a collection of over one thousand. We marked every hymn in the other which was not to be found in this, and which we desired to have in the book which we should use, and found the number quite small, much smaller than we had thought possible; we then marked all the hymns in this which were not found in the other, and with which we were unwilling to dispense in our approved book; and, to our surprise and joy, we found the number very large, two or three times as large as in the other case. We have also given some attention to the music; and here the superiority of the Hymnal is, in our judgment, even more marked. We have here the choicest pieces of the past, as well as of the present generation. It is evident that the selection was made without regard to the cost of copyrights,—a thing which has had too much influence in previous compilations. Enough to say that, in this instance, the Publication Society put the matter almost exclusively into the hands of W. H. Doane, Mus. Doc., and gave him large liberty as to the expense to be incurred in the procurement of copyrights. On the other hand, Dr. Doane, by virtue of his relation to the work of composers and publishers of hymn music, was able to procure what would have been beyond the reach of any other; and thus he gives the Baptist denomination the privilege of using, in its Sabbath worship, a larger number of the newest and best pieces than has ever been brought together in any other book,—a larger number than any other denomina- tion of Christians is permitted to use. A feature of the book, as it regards music also, is that frequently there are on the same page two pieces of music adapted to the same hymn, the one more classical and difficult, the other more simple and popular, thus providing for both the choir and the congregation, and affording the pastor an opportunity to suggest which shall be used.

The typography both of hymns and music, is beautiful, unsurpassed in any book that we have seen (and we have seen many). The paper is of a superior quality, and the make-up of the book is the best that we have ever seen coming from our Publication Society. We are, indeed, delighted with the new Baptist Hymnal, and have shown our sincerity by procuring its adoption by the church with which the writer worships at Maltonville, and its use is one of the delights of the Sabbath day. Had such a book been produced ten years ago, there would have been no "war of the hymn- books" among Baptists. It is now perhaps a question of time as to its general adoption. But that the Hymnal will win, there can hardly be a doubt.—*Journal and Messenger*, Sept. 12.