

English education especially has opened up the way for a large extension of the provision of Christian literature. Let me tell you that at the present time you can go into the large squares in Calcutta, and in other towns—Beeton-square and Wellington square—and there you can have as large a congregation as your voice can reach, and preach to them in English. (Applause.) I need not tell you what a tremendous advantage this is. And not a few English gentlemen and ladies, who know not Hindustani or Hindi, or Bengali, go and address the multitudes, wherever they can find them, in their own language. This is an immense advantage. In India at certain parts of the year tremendous fairs are held; sometimes half a million people attend them, and on one occasion I remember as many as a million being brought together at one of these fairs. I have just got information from some of our own missionaries that at one fair 160 copies of the Gospels, besides all the tracts, were sold. They stood at the corner of the street, singing one of the sweet songs of Zion, and the people came and said, "You go on singing and we will buy the books," and they sold them almost as fast as they could give them out. At another fair 2,000 copies and 7,200 tracts were sold. The press in Monghir has turned out 76,000 tracts, chiefly translations of old, well-known, useful tracts, during the past year. At the great fair at Allahabad 1,000 copies of the Gospels and 3,000 tracts were sold. I merely mention these as specimens. This is going on all over the country and it will be apparent to every one here that it is impossible to circulate so much wholesome Christian literature without producing marvellous results. Now I can give you instances where these tracts were found to be of immense value, even where the missionary had not been, I remembered very well on one occasion preaching to a large congregation in Hindostan, and there was sitting there a Hindoo mendicant priest. I had been preaching some time, and was just going away, when he called me, and said, "I not only believe all you have been saying, but I am propagating these very truths." I said, "How do you know about them?" Remember, this man was one of the Fakirs, with his hair matted together, and almost his whole body rubbed with ashes—a frightful sight to look at. He pulled out a parcel wrapped up in a piece of silk, and gradually unrolled fold after fold, and brought out a tract. It was "The True Refuge," a tract that has been of very great value in India, and one that was printed by the aid of the Tract Society. This tract I knew well: it was written by the sainted Pearce. I said, "What do you know about it?" I examined him carefully, and I found that he knew every part of the tract, that he could repeat all the principal truths that it contained. I said, "What do you do?" He said, "I have got in this district a large number of disciples, and I stay a week in one village, and a fortnight in another small town. I travel from place to place, and this is my text-book. I everywhere read this tract." It contained a comparison between Hindooism, Mohammedanism, and Christianity. I said, "Do the people believe?" He said, "There are numbers in all this district that not only listen to, but receive and believe in them." I said, "How is it that you do not profess Christianity?" He said, "If I did, it would make me an outcast. I am doing now a great work, and I am preparing the people for the time when ere long all shall profess Christianity. If now I separated myself, I should be made an outcast. I could not read my tract again wherever I went. I should not be able to get the people to feed me, but now they believe what I say. I am doing a great deal towards spreading the truth." I remember well in Delhi, when the mutiny was over and the city had been retaken, one of the Sikh regiments found a number of tracts that had been distributed by our missionary in a house they plundered. They took them with them up to the Punjab; and there they began to read them, and there was a movement at once in favour of Christianity and that regiment at this present day has got a Christian Church in it. (Applause.) You cannot tell the value of tracts. One little tract can go where the missionary never has been. We have heard about Central Asia; we have sent lots of books into Afghanistan, and sometimes we have got men to take them who were on the way to Bokhara, into Central Asia, into places that were closed against the missionary but are not closed against the tracts provided by this society. Here is another instance. Not more than six weeks ago one of our colporteurs was travelling about with the Tract Society's goods, and he came to a river—one of the small rivers between Bengal and the North-west Provinces—and there he met with a mendicant priest who had got a Sanscrit copy of the Psalms with him, and was going from village to village, and town to town, reading the Psalms. The colporteur asked him, "What are you doing with this book?" He said, "I believe it, I am a Christian." The colporteur said, "Why are not you baptized?" He said, "If I were, the consequence would be that I should

be an outcast; but the time may come, even in my life when I may profess Christianity; it is not at all an impossibility. These Scriptures have spread so extensively that we know not the day when Hindooism may disappear like the dream of a night; we know not the day when thousands and tens of thousands and millions of people may come forward to profess their belief in Christ." (Applause.) When the missionaries from Monghir the other day were at a large fair, a Hindoo, a very shrewd man, saw them selling books, Scriptures, tracts, so on. When they had done, he came to their tent at night, and he said, "I want to take some of these books of yours." They said, "We do not know you; perhaps you will never pay for them." He said, "I will pay beforehand. You have been selling them very cheap; for of course, we sell tracts and small books at less than the cost, in order that we may largely encourage their being extensively distributed throughout the country. He took a lot of books and went and sold them and came back and asked for another supply; and thus you see, even as a matter of trade, the tracts and books of this society will be carried by Hindoos and Mohammedans throughout the length and breadth of India. (Applause.) The low caste people have been, perhaps I must not say neglected, by the Christian community, but you are aware that Hindooism does not permit a labouring man to read or be taught to read. The four castes are the Brahmins, the Chuterees, the Viasas, and the Sudras. The Sudras are the labouring population. Brahminism does not allow a Sudra to touch a book or to read or hear a religious discourse. Within the last few years there has been a great movement amongst the labouring population. In the vicinity of Delhi there has been a great movement. The people come of their own accord asking for instruction. Their children could not go into the Government schools. Brahmins and Mohammedans would not teach them. I commenced to labour with them, and I taught some to read, and I have left one thousand of these low caste boys in the schools of Delhi and its vicinity. A number have embraced Christianity, and not a few have passed the Government examination. These labouring people have awakened to the fact that nothing but Christianity can deliver them from the thraldom into which Hindooism has cast them; so that everywhere—at Calcutta, Benares, Delhi, Agra, the low caste people are rising up and saying, "Give us teachers; we want to know what Christianity is;" and a large number are professing Christianity. (Applause.) This will largely extend the field of operations of the Tract Society. No language I could use, I am quite sure, will adequately show you to what extent the Word of God is spreading, and to what extent the people are prepared for Christian literature. (Applause.)

Literary.
THE JULY CENTURY will contain four letters by Emerson, dating from the years immediately following his departure from college. It is said they throw much light on his early views, and on his admiration of Walter Scott's novels.
GENERAL CHARLES P. STONE, "Stone Pasha," of the Egyptian army, who is at present visiting New York, has written for the July CENTURY a paper describing the events which came under his notice in Washington on the eve of the Civil War. The capital was at that time left without troops, either militia or regular, the former having been abandoned, and the latter designed sent away to distant points through the influence of Southern sympathizers. General Stone tells also much that is new regarding the precautions taken to insure the safety of Mr. Lincoln in his memorable journey to the White House in March, 1861.
SAM HOBART: by Justin D. Fulton, D.D. Funk & Wagnalls. For sale at the Methodist Book Room, Granville St. This is No. 89 of the Standard Library. A book from the pen of Dr. Fulton cannot but be readable and lively. It is not necessary for a man to be on a pedestal to be useful. A Locomotive Engineer may be happy and useful. If he is an intelligent, earnest Christian, he may exercise a wide spread influence for the benefit of his fellow-men. This book is for the thoughtful intelligent working man, and its perusal must do good to such persons.

Notices.
Our Baptist Anniversaries.
N. S. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION, June 23rd. Sermon by Rev. S. March, or Rev. E. J. Grant; Letter by Rev. J. W. Weeks.
N. S. EASTERN ASSOCIATION, July 14th. Sermon by Rev. D. A. Steele, or Rev. H. B. Hool; Letter by Rev. I. R. Skinner.
N. B. WESTERN ASSOCIATION, June 27th. Sermon by Rev. Geo. Howard, or Rev. D. P. Harris; Letter by Rev. A. Chipman.
N. B. EASTERN ASSOCIATION, July 10th. Sermon by Rev. C. B. Welton, or Rev. A. T. Dykeman; Letter by Rev. J. H. Hughes.
N. B. SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION, June 12th. Sermon by Rev. H. Cross, or Rev. S. W. Keirstead.
P. E. ISLAND ASSOCIATION, July 7th. Sermon by Rev. E. B. Corey; Letter by Rev. A. H. Lavers.

**Persons attending the Central Association at Canard who have paid a full first class fare over the W. & A. Railway for the going journey, will be taken back up till 28th June, 1883, on presentation of a certificate signed by the President or Secretary, to our agent at Port Williams or Kentville, for one-third of one first class fare.
P. INNES, Manager.
N. S. EASTERN ASSOCIATION.
Will delegates expecting to attend our Association on the 14th July, kindly furnish the undersigned with their names on or before July 7th, and they will be notified forthwith by whom they will be entertained during the session.
J. E. GOUGHEN.
Truro, June 13th, 1883.
P. E. ISLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.
Ministers and delegates expecting to attend this Association to convene at Summerside on the 7th July next, will please forward their names to the undersigned before the 2nd day of July, and suitable entertainment will be provided for them. Please state whether coming by rail or otherwise. Parties coming by rail will be met at the Summerside Station.
S. BURNS.
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A Friend, Yarmouth..... 2 00
Mrs. David Landers, Yarmouth. 1 00
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\$127 00
G. E. DAY.
Yarmouth, June 13th, 1883.
RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.
Falmouth—Miss Messenger.....\$11 00
Bequest of the late Minnie S. Dimock of Newport, N.S., for the education of a heathen child..... 2 00
M. R. SELDEN, Treasurer.
Halifax, June 19th, 1883.
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Pine Grove—Collection \$2.50.
Bridgetown—Rev. W. H. Warren, \$1; William Miller, 2; J. W. Cornwall, 2; Charles Ramsey, 2; A. Friend, 25 cts.; J. B. Reid, 2; Total, \$8.25.
Annapolis—F. C. Snow, \$1; Dimock Whitman, 1; David McClellan, 1; Total, \$3.
2nd Hillsburg—Collection, \$2.30.
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Digby Neck—Rev. J. C. Morse, \$5.
Freeport—Collection, \$3.40.
Westport—Mrs. Wm. Coggins, \$1; Capt. Maurice Haycock, 5; Hubbard Davice, 1; Mrs. Joseph Payson, 1; Mrs. A. Collins, 1; Joseph Southern, 1; Mrs. Joseph Southern, 1; D. P. Saunders, 1; Mrs. Levi Goggins, 1; James Gower, 1; B. Havey, 2; Capt. Thomas Pock, 2; Henry Glaven, 1; Mrs. O. H. Glaven, 1; Frank Southern, 2; Rupert Southern, 2; Capt. A. Coggins, 1; Capt. M. Peters, 75 cts.; Charles Glaven, 1; George Reppol, 1; Wm. Smith, 75 cts.; C. McDonald, 1; James Morall, 75 cts.; Ethel Davice, 2; James Denton, 40 cts.; Miss Grace Southern, 1; Chas. Hicks, Mrs. E. Bowers, Mrs. Wallace Coggins, Albert Coggins, Benjamin Southern, Jas. Collins, Capt. William Welsh, William Denton, Edward Southern, John Baily, —50 cts. each—\$5; George Gower, Mrs. Wm. Welsh, Wm. Ford, Mrs. Rice Goggins, and four friends—25 cts. each—\$2; Douglass Lathern, 1; Collection, 6; Total, \$54.69.
Yarmouth, 1st Church—A. C. Robbins, \$10; P. D. Kinney, 1; Mrs. John Lovitt, 10; W. H. Gridley, 3; Rev. C. Goodspeed, 2; C. L. Power, 1; Total, \$27.
Temple Church—A. S. Murray, \$3; Mrs. J. J. Lwitt, 1; John Haley, 5; Joshua Huestis, 1; Rev. Mr. Young, 1; Total, \$11.
Milton Church—Rev. J. A. Gordon, 1; A. Friend, 3; A. Friend, 50 cts.; Total, \$4.50.
L. B. GATES.

News of the World.
A terrible calamity involving the death of one hundred and eighty eight children occurred in the town of Sunderland, in the County of Durham on Saturday evening. From details thus far received it appears an entertainment had been given in Victoria Hall by a conjurer, which was attended almost altogether by children, several hundreds being in attendance. The accident occurred at the close of the performance. The body of the hall being entirely cleared of its occupants, some 1,200 little ones came rushing down stairs from the gallery. At the top of the first flight of stairs there was a door which opened only about twenty inches, permitting but one child to pass through at a time. At this point, while a mass of children were pushing forward, one fell and was unable to rise owing to the others crowding on. The result was, a great number were pushed down, trampled on and suffocated. No effort could stop the mad rush of the frightened children. They came on pell-mell, and soon 178 of them were knocked down and suffocated by the others trampling upon them. The greater number of the bodies which were badly mangled from trampling laid seven or eight deep. Many of the victims, and others who were not killed, had their clothing torn from their bodies and together with the bleeding bodies of the unfortunates, showed the terrible nature of the struggle. The ages of the one hundred and eighty eight children known to have been killed ranged from four to fourteen years. The work of getting out the bodies of the victims was begun immediately. They were laid in the hall and the parents of those killed were admitted for the purpose of identifying the bodies of their children. Heart-rending scenes transpired while this was in progress. A tenement house in Inverness, Mich., was burned on Thursday and four persons perished in the flames. The British ship *Hospodar*, at Queenstown from San Francisco, lost a man overboard and also lost a lifeboat and sustained other damage. On Thursday-night the British House of Commons passed the bill providing for grants of money to Lord Alcester (Admiral Seymour) and Lord Wolsey for services rendered during the late Egyptian war. A missionary named Schroeder has been murdered in Zululand. The treaty of Commerce between England and Italy has been signed. The second trial of the "Star Route" swindlers in connection with the Post Office Department has resulted in another acquittal. This is evidently a miscarriage of justice. The card of W. R. Mulholland, late of Truro, appears in *Dakota* papers, as an Architect. The weather this week has been very warm in New York, many cases of sun stroke are reported and lightning has done much damage. The National debt was decreased by nearly \$5,000,000 in May. At the present rate of payment the entire debt will be paid off in less than ten years.

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