

in congratulating you upon its prosper-

The marked success attained by Canada at the International Fishery Exhibition in London must be very gratifying to you all, and has I doubt not, been of great service in showing to the world the wealth of our fisheries and the extent of our marine industries and resources.

The commissioners appointed by my predecessor for purposes of consolidating the statutes affecting the Dominion have pursued their task with diligence, and I am enabled to lay before you for examination about sixty chapters of proposed consolidation. The remainder of the work will be prepared and the whole of it revised during the present year, so that the final report will be ready at your next session for your approval.

The number of emigrants to Canada during the past season has, I am glad to say, been greater than in any previous year, and is a proof that the better Canada is known the more it is valued by those seeking a home in the new world. Arrangements are in progress to diminish the cost of inland transport, and I have reason to believe that the result will be a steady increase of valuable settlers in the future.

During the recess negotiations were resumed with British Columbia in regard to several matters upon which differences had for some time existed between the two Governments. One of my Ministers visited that Province on a special mission with a view to the adjustment of all questions in controversy, and his efforts have happily been successful. Should your sanction be given to the arrangements then made all occasions of dispute will have been removed and most cordial relations established between the Dominion and Provincial Governments. The papers will be laid before you and your consideration invited for measures enabling me to give effect to the agreement.

The rapid increase of population in the North West renders some amendments in the North West Territories' Act expedient, and your attention will be called to this important matter.

The progress of the Indians in Manitoba and the North West during last year has been on the whole satisfactory. The bands included in the several treaties have for the most part betaken themselves to their reserves. A bill for the further promotion of their interest will be submitted to you, as well as a measure, applicable to the whole Dominion for the purpose of encouraging the more advance in Indian communities to assume the responsibilities of self-government.

The bill laid before you last session for the representation of the people in Parliament and the assimilation of the electoral franchises existing in several Provinces, has now been before the country for a year. The measure will be re-introduced, and I commend it to your attention.

I would also urge upon you the expediency of providing for the regulation of factory labor and the protection of the workingman and his family. The measure submitted last session, with some amendments, will be laid before you.

The rapid progress of the Canada Pacific Railway has been maintained throughout the past year. Of the 2,833 miles of the main line between Pembroke and Port Moody, 1738 miles are now constructed, rendering practicable the completion of that great work within the next two years. Although the time within which the railway company is bound to finish the road will not expire until 1891, my Government has thought it of the greatest importance for the settlement of the North West and the development of our trade that its completion from sea to sea should be hastened and the company enabled to open the line throughout by the Spring of 1886. With this view, and in order to aid the company in procuring sufficient capital for the purpose by the disposal of its unissued shares, the Government agreed to receive a deposit of money and securities sufficient to pay a minimum three per cent dividend for ten years on sixty five millions of the stock. That arrangement was made in the belief that it would give steadiness and increased value to the shares on the market. A combination of unfavorable circumstances has prevented the fulfilment of these expectations, and the Company has not been able to obtain the required capital by a sale of its stock. The best means of preventing any delay in the great object in the early completion of the railway, demands your earnest consideration. I am pleased to be able to state that operation of that portion of the railway already opened affords most gratifying evidence of its soundness as a commercial enterprise and of its great value to Canada.

A large increase of the volume of traffic on the Intercolonial Railway over that of any previous year without involving any burden upon the country is a satisfactory proof of the continued development of trade between the Eastern and Western portions of the Dominion. A provisional arrangement made with the Government of Nova Scotia for the retention of the Pictou Branch and the acquisition of the Eastern Extension Railway to the Strait of Canso will be submitted for your approval.

The accounts for the past year will be laid before you. You will find that the expenditure has been considerably less and the receipts larger than the estimates, the surplus exceeding that of any previous year. The revenues of the first half of the current year, notwithstanding the large importations of last season, have been such that we may reasonably expect that the estimates for the year will be fairly maintained.

The estimates for the ensuing year will also be submitted to you. They will, I trust, be found to have been prepared with due regard to economy.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate: Gentlemen of the House of Commons: I feel assured that you will devote yourselves with earnestness and assiduity

to the consideration of the subjects I have mentioned and to all matters affecting the public interest that may be brought before you.

On the Commons returning to the House the newly elected members were introduced by Sir John A. MacDonald and Sir Charles Tupper.

The Speech was laid over till the next day.

On Friday afternoon the Speaker of the House of Commons took the chair at 3.20 o'clock, and after the usual routine business Mr. McMaster moved the Address in reply to the Opening Speech, and in doing so, referred to the appointment of Lord Lansdowne, and touched upon the great ben-fits rendered the Dominion by the Marquis of Lorne and Lord Dufferin since they left the country. He referred to the marked success of Canada at the International exhibition. He complimented Sir Charles Tupper on the immediate action he took as high commissioner in wiping out a blot which might have been used against the Dominion in regard to the alleged charges of disease in connection with the exportation of cattle. The surplus for the past year, including about \$1,000,000 for the sale of lands in the North west, would amount to upwards of \$8,000,000 - the largest surplus since confederation. The prompt construction of the Canadian Pacific railway was of the greatest importance to the Dominion, and it was, therefore, gratifying to see that the work was being rapidly proceeded with. It was the duty of Parliament and the country, to aid the company in every possible way, in as much as the company was forwarding the interests of the Dominion by the manner in which they were pushing forward our great national highway to completion.

Mr. Belleau seconded the motion, speaking in French. He touched upon the highly satisfactory condition of immigration during the past year, which had reached 133,000 against 112,000 last year and 47,000 in 1881. He referred to the fisheries exhibition, the electoral franchise, the Indians in the north west, the British settlement bill, and concluded by saying that although different in language and religion, the French Canadians could be relied upon to unite with their fellow English speaking men for the public good.

Hon. Mr. Blake then spoke at some length. He offered some criticisms on the action of Government towards British Columbia. He regretted that there had been so little said about the North West, where he said much disappointment and discontent was now existing. He noticed the difficulty existing with the C. P. R. Company. He noticed the tariff and said it had proved largely a failure. He believed that the encouragement given to speculation had produced its natural fruits and depression had followed. While the speech refers to the success of Canada in the International Fisheries Exhibition, he was amazed that the Government had omitted any allusion to the fact that the operation of the fishery clauses of the Washington Treaty expire before many months; an endeavor should be made to effect some satisfactory arrangement between the Governments.

Sir John A. MacDonald replied and the Address was put and carried without division. It was stated that the documents in reference to the Pacific railway guarantee will be brought down as a message from the crown, as soon as the debate on the address is closed.

Senator Burinot had a paralytic stroke on Friday last in the Senate, and remained unconscious till Monday when he died at his son's residence. He was formerly in the N. S. Local Legislature.

The second volume of the Census is to be withdrawn from circulation owing to the blunders it contains. The corrected volume will not be ready for distribution until April.

The proclamation fixing license districts under the Dominion Liquor Law is published. For Nova Scotia they are the Counties of Annapolis, Antigonish, Cape Breton, Colchester, Cumberland, Digby, Guysborough, Halifax (not including the city of Halifax), Inverness, Kings, Lunenburg, Pictou, Queens, Richmond, Shelburne, Victoria, Yarmouth and the city of Halifax.

The Esquire Presbyterian Church at the Head of Simcoe Street, Toronto was destroyed by fire on Sunday last. The building which was of white brick with stone accents, and erected only four years ago, was valued at \$40,000, on which, with a valuable organ, there was an insurance in the British American of \$20,000. A defective furnace caused the trouble.

A delegation from Montreal waited upon Sir S. L. Filley to ask for a reduction of duty on fruit imported from the United States.

A deputation from the Montreal Board of Trade waited upon the Ministers of Customs and Finance in regard to the duty on coal. The Ministers promised to lay these matters before their colleagues.

Mr. Norquay, leader of the Manitoba Government comes to Ottawa to interview the Government in regard to the extension of the boundaries of the Province to Hudson Bay in the interests of the Hudson Bay Railway.

The trials going on in Newfoundland indicate that the shots were fired at the Orangemen, the lives of three are disparaged.

The quantity of herring now being caught in Fortune Bay is unprecedented for extent, quality and good size. The weather is admirable for preserving.

St. John has been indulging in a dog and cat show during the past week. Some of the Halifax canines were sent over and took prizes. If they had remained there we should have been just as well pleased. We could spare a hundred or two. One escaped and caused great anxiety to its owner.

News of the World.

Sir Stafford Northcote, Conservative leader in the House of Commons has issued the usual circular summoning his supporters in Parliament to meet on Feb. 5th for important business.

The boring of the tunnel under the Mersey River, connecting the Cheshire and Lancashire shores, was completed on Tuesday last.

A steamer from Siam with Barum's white elephant on board arrived in Liverpool on Tuesday.

A telegram from Dublin says: A number of farmers, with a hundred and twenty horses ploughed fifty acres of Mr. Parnell's estate on Thursday.

On Wednesday last while a number of miners were being lowered into the Garnant Colliery at Swansea, Wales, the rope broke, precipitating them to the bottom. Eleven were killed and several wounded.

The trade of Paris is more active than at any time during the past year, and the attempts of the so-called workmen to create agitation are made solely for political effect.

It is reported that the members of the Imperial family of China have offered a portion of their private fortune to assist in the war against France.

Special precautions have been taken for the safety of the Czar during his sojourn in St. Petersburg. It is reported that the chief of the Nihilists, who has recently been the companion of a number of Irishmen in London, has vanished from that city, after having received a letter from St. Petersburg stating that the Czar and Czarevitch must be killed.

The revelations made by the nephew of Lt. Col. Suderkin, have led to the arrest of seventeen more persons in St. Petersburg.

It is reported from Constantinople that the Turkish troops which have been collected at Naloon, on the Aegean Sea, have refused to accept service in the Sudan, for which they were intended.

Reports from Khartoum state that the enemy are encircling that city, evidently in preparation for the decisive movement.

A private telegram to the Austrian Consul at Khartoum says that all the higher Egyptian officials at El Obeid have been massacred.

The Governor General of Soudan telegraphs that the insurgents have cut the retreat of the garrisons in the Province of Sennar, and have rendered the river Nile impassable below Douson by sinking boats in the channel.

Baker Pasha has been obliged to finally abandon all hope of being able to afford any relief to Tewfik Bey, who, with 1,000 women and children on his hands, is still bravely detending Sunkat, where he is besieged with only 400 soldiers. He estimates the rebel forces surrounding Sunkat at 27,000, and the forces between Suakin and Berber at 100,000. Tewfik Bey believes it possible, according to his last dispatches, to hold out a little longer, but Baker Pasha does not expect to be able to aid him.

The steamer Hwai Yuen, Shanghai for Hong Kong, has been wrecked on Hieshan Islands. Five natives were saved, but nothing is known of the rest of the crew, consisting of six Europeans and one hundred and ninety-eight natives.

Advices from Baransa, Africa, state that a rumor was current there that Henry M. Stanley had shot Stanley falls for the river Nile and would proceed down that stream to Cairo.

Senator Anthony, of Rhode Island, was elected President pro tem of the United States Senate at Washington but declined to serve, owing to ill health, whereupon Senator Edmunds was re-elected.

The Secretaries of War and the Navy appeared before the Committee on Appropriations on Wednesday on behalf of an appropriation for a Greely relief expedition.

A bill introduced in the House provides for the construction of a ship canal around Niagara Falls, to connect and navigate the waters of Lakes Erie and Ontario.

sengers and there was a rush for the doors, but the heat was so intense that the panic-stricken people were driven back and forced to jump through windows, landing in the snow, three feet deep. At a curve half a mile from where the flames seized the ill-fated train, the engine and cars were derailed.

The passenger coach and baggage car were a mass of smoking ruins, three persons, all women, were burned to death. Fifteen men and a boy were burned and wounded, of whom five or more would probably die.

A despatch from New Bedford, Mass., on Friday says the steamer City of Columbus, of the Savannah Line, which left Boston on Thursday afternoon, is ashore on Devil's Bridge, Gay Head, and is fast breaking up. It is reported about one hundred lives were lost.

Captain Wright states that the City of Columbus left Boston on Thursday, carrying 80 passengers and a crew of 45. The vessel struck outside the Devil's Bridge buoy. The wind blowing a gale from the west by north, the vessel immediately filled and heeled over, the water breaking in and flooding the port side of the saloon. All the boats were cleared away but were immediately swamped. A majority of the passengers were washed overboard.

The total number of persons saved is twenty-three. Five dead bodies have been recovered and one hundred and nineteen souls are thus unaccounted for.

There were one hundred and twenty-six persons on board, one hundred and four of whom are lost. Captain S. E. Wright, is well known in Halifax having been in command of the steamer Carrol, between this port and Boston, for a number of years.

Several serious explosions took place on Friday and Saturday last - One of the Vulcan Dynamite Co. at Alton, Va. Killing three men and greatly injuring three others. Another in Wallace's Tannery, killing four men and injuring seven others. Another at Hunters Point L. I. Killing a child and fatally injuring others. And again another in a saw and grist mill near St. Louis 18 persons were badly scalded and three of whom will die.

The New York Central and Hudson River railroad has reduced the working force of mechanics twenty-five per cent in order to economize in the running expenses. About one thousand mechanics received notice that their services would not be required for some weeks. It is estimated that about 1200 men in all will be obliged to lay off during the winter.

Notices.

FOREIGN MISSIONS. Received from "a friend" per Rev. J. E. Goucher five dollars for Foreign Missions. C. F. CLINCH, Treas. Clinch Mills, N. B., July 15, 1884.

There will be a Centennial Funeral Sermon preached on the late Rev. Henry Alline in the Edin Baptist Chapel Central Fairmount, by the Rev. Joseph Murray, on Feb 3rd at 11 o'clock A. M., 1884; it being 100 years since the day of his burial. Some of his hymns will be sung on that occasion. Relatives and those who revere the memory of Henry Alline, are respectfully requested to be present. By order of the Committee, GEORGE J. YOUNG. Jan. 18th 1884.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES. Forest Glen Knitting Circle - Mrs. E. D. Cooney.....\$6 00 Bear River, - Mrs. M. Miller..... 5 00 Notice to W. M. A. Societies.

By special request we reprint Mrs. Sanford's list of articles suitable to forward in the Missionary box, to which may be added dried apples, and blueberries, also strong flower vases, and brackets for the wall. The box will be sent by the steamer leaving Halifax, 15th of March, and as it will take the whole of that week for packing, etc., friends are requested to forward their contributions no later than the 8th of March to ensure their being sent.

Any parcels from New Brunswick or Prince Edward Island, will be enclosed with ours with pleasure as the usual practice has been, only please send money or articles as early as possible. It is, we suppose generally known that the box will be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Archibald, but donations can also be included for Mr. Hutchinson and family, and Mr. Sanford, Mr. Churchill and family are expected to be on their way home before the Box reaches India. M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y to Board N. S.

LIST OF USEFUL ARTICLES FOR THE MISSIONARY BOX. Having been asked what articles will be most suitable to send to our missionaries, I herewith give a list of some that I know will be acceptable: Stationery, Canned Fruit and Vegetables, Underclothing, especially light under flannels, and light woolen socks and stockings, and breakfast shawls for the cool season. Woolen Saxony Sueded or Andalusian will also be useful. Table linen, white and colored thread, in cotton and linen. Laces, pearl, dress and pant buttons. Paper lamp sockets, lamp-nuts, toilet mats, hair and cloths brushes, &c. M. L. SANDFORD.

The Treasurer of the Infants Home gratefully acknowledges the sum of \$8.06 being collections at Union Meet-

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THE YEAR BOOK. The Baptist Year Book for the Maritime Provinces is now ready for distribution. Orders will be received at the Baptist Book Room, 104 Granville Street, Halifax, and at the Visitor Book Room, St. John, N. B. Price 10 cts. J. PARSONS, Chairman of Committee Nov. 10th, 1883.

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, No. 268 Robie St. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday 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.

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Acknowledgments. I wish through the MESSENGER to thank the members of the Lawrenceton and Valley West Church for the numerous tokens of sympathy and regard which I received at their hands during my vacation, not least among those being twenty three dollars in cash. I am also in receipt of five dollars from the Lawrenceton Sunday School. Such expressions of Christian sympathy are indeed encouraging, and all the more because coming from friends at home. They will be of service because of their real value, but they are prized most on account of the spirit in which I believe them to have been given. I suppose that if it should happen among soldiers serving under the same leader, that one needed assistance, if he should be aided by his fellow soldiers, they ought to expect gratitude and thankfulness from him, and look to the leader for reward. It must be thus here. You have brethren my sincere thanks. Respecting reward I can only refer you to Matthew x. 42 Yours fraternally, F. H. BEALS. Acadia College, Jan. 14, 1884.

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