

News of the World.

The annual scull-race for the championship of Halifax harbor was rowed on Bedford Basin Wednesday afternoon in the presence of a small number of spectators.

The Chronicle in announcing the St. Mark's Picnic at Wolfville to-morrow Thursday, very justly remarks "Wolfville is one of the most delightful little towns in the Province at this season of the year."

This idea of making visits to country towns for Sabbath School picnics is a grand one, and will give our young people an early acquaintance with the country and so mingle instruction with pleasure.

Dominion of Canada.

Hon. A. McKenzie is making a tour in Manitoba. He was at Port Arthur on Thursday last.

Mr. Schreiber returned to the city after making a tour of inspection of the Intercolonial, the Pictou branch and the Prince Edward Island railways.

GALLANTRY REWARDED.—The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has awarded a gold watch to the chief officer, a silver watch to the third officer and money rewards to several of the crew of the steamer Scotland, of London, in recognition of their services in rescuing the crew of the wrecked brigantine Minnie Louise, of Port Hawkesbury, N. S., on the 18th December.

Senator R. W. Scott has been retained as legal adviser by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

During the month of July there were shipped over the Intercolonial from Port Mulgrave to Boston, 3,000 bbls fish. From August 1st to 8th 1850 bbls. had been shipped.

CATTLE SHIPMENT.—The Phosnican, which cleared on Tuesday for Glasgow, G. B., takes three hundred and thirty seven head of cattle.

Ansel Robbins, of Yarmouth, has been appointed customs landing waster. Alexander McIsaac, of Antigonish, is appointed harbor preventive officer.

The lobster fishing season is extended this year for ten days in the counties of Inverness, Antigonish, Pictou and portions of Colchester and Cumberland on the Northumberland Strait.

Newfoundland.

COPPER MINING.—It is reported that rich deposits of copper ore have been recently discovered at the well known Lady Pond claim yielding 25 per cent of copper. Former discoveries have only yielded about 9 or 10 per cent.

Beware of the Snakes!

You have heard of "the snake in the grass," my boy, Of the terrible "snake in the grass;" But now you must know Man's deadliest foe Is a snake of a different class, Alas! 'Tis the venomous snake in the glass.

On Monday evening in the House of Commons at London Mr. Gladstone said the Earl of Northbrook was sent to Egypt to make enquiry and advise the home Government concerning the new position in the Soudan disasters and Egypt's financial troubles.

On Tuesday evening the appropriation bill passed its third reading. Lord Randolph Churchill denounced the enormous growth of the outlay of money, and attacked the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

On Wednesday last thunder storms of great severity swept over the north of England and Scotland. Many buildings in Edinburgh and other cities were partially demolished by lightning.

The Duke of Wellington dropped dead on Wednesday of heart disease. He went to Brighton for his health recently, but fearing an attack of illness decided to return home and tell dead at the train.

M. Padenetre, the French Minister to China, in a note to the Chinese Government at Peking, referring to the capture of Kulung, says it was not an act of war and that the port will be returned to China when the indemnity should again be agreed upon.

A Paris despatch says two regiments of marines and three more ironclads have been placed in readiness to start for China.

The London Times has received a despatch from Foo Chow stating that Kulung has not actually been taken by the French. The French destroyed the forts and retired. The losses sustained by the French is unknown.

The Versailles Congress has resumed its labors. The proposed amendment providing for the election of Senators by universal suffrage was rejected by a vote of 418 to 327.

The record of ravages of the cholera in various French towns during 24 hours is as follows: At Toulouse three deaths occurred; at Caissac there were six deaths and sixteen fresh cases; at Nimes one death; at Cette seven, and at Noaque three.

A number of arrests have been made at St. Petersburg lately of persons suspected of being connected with nihilistic plots. One of the persons arrested was a candle maker, who had a secret passage from beneath his house to the road over which troops pass in going to and from their manœuvres, the intention being to cause an explosion while troops were passing.

It was a surprise to the Vatican to learn that King Alfonso of Spain is a free mason. Cardinal Jacobini, pontifical secretary of state, has written in behalf of the Pope to Murcio, at Madrid, for details of the matter.

A plan of the expedition for the relief of General Gordon has been settled by the war office. The expedition will leave Wady Halfa in the third week of September in detachments, and will concentrate at Hannek, from which point it will ascend to Meraweh, where it is expected to open communication with Gordon for a simultaneous movement on Berber. Gen. Stephenson has been finally instructed to take command of the Gordon relief expedition.

The Government has ordered one thousand row boats for use on the Nile expedition in passing the cataracts. Six thousand men and 1,000 tons of coal will be sent to Wady-Halfa, which will be made the base of operations. The Ameer of Afghanistan promises to furnish guides to assist the Afghan frontier commission with local knowledge, also to arrange a supply of provisions and other requisite material at the halting places.

The Presidential Election is the great topic of the telegrams from the United States.

Blaine is prosecuting some of his opponents for libel of his wife. Ex-Governor Butler has mapped out the plan of his campaign. He wot

make his big fight in New York state, because he considers that the weak spot of both Cleveland and Blaine. To his intimate friends the old warrior is very frank. His letter of acceptance will be a ringing document, so plainly written that the most ignorant cannot go astray.

The Department of Agriculture investigating the cattle disease in the Western States, has received positive intelligence that Wyoming is not clear of infectious disease. Secretary Sturgis, Governor of Montana, says that cattle from southern ranches of Texas infected with Texan fever are in Wyoming on their way to Montreal.

A horrible story is going through the papers in connection with the rescuing of the survivors of the Greely Expedition. It is affirmed and evidence is given to sustain the statement that the survivors had been kept alive by eating the flesh of their dead companions.

The following is a later despatch respecting the sad statement concerning the Greely rescue. The Brooklyn Union prints an interview with Chief Engineer Melville, of the ship Thetis, in which the latter expresses regret that the body of Kishinbury was disinterred, and says: "His relatives might have known after what has been said and written of late that they would find a mutilated body."

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Correspondence.

For the Christian Messenger. To the Rockies and back.

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Nearly two years ago I crossed the Mississippi farther north. As I then touched the western bank I thought myself in "the far west," and never expected again to get so great a distance from the rock-bound peninsula where my home is.

While riding "the breezy swells of Iowa" we are in the arms of the drowsy god. It is just twelve hours between the Mississippi and the Missouri or "the Big Muddy." Looking from the bridge of the latter and thinking of the river's shifting nature those words in "Between the Gates" are re-called.

The remainder of our journey, before stopping to rest, is in Nebraska. Before night fall we are half way across the State. Leaving our car we go to the home of a family recently from Virginia and enjoy their hospitality. This comes of the friendship of one farther east. We scarcely feel that we are among strangers. After Sunday my host, a kindly old gentleman with a beard like an Arab Sheik, took me out sixteen miles over the rolling prairie.

hot but dry, and hence less oppressive than the air around Lake Michigan. At some points on the prairie, no tree or shrub can be seen anywhere. Here and there a grain stalk stands out clearly against the sky and if far distant looks like a ship at sea. Prairie chickens and quails start up frequently. It is much more of a sight to see the prairie-dogs in their native towns than to see them in the Zoological Gardens.

One bright morning I went out to see a herder and his two hundred cattle. The animals are never housed—summer nor winter. At night they are driven into corrals and taken out next day to new pasturage.

Sod-houses and "dug outs" are beginning to be displaced by frame houses. New settlers have to get along with a rude shelter. But these humble homes are cool in summer and warm in winter.

My next, if next there is to be, will probably come from the bank of the South Platte River. Red Cloud, Nebraska, Aug. 8, 1884.

Notices.

THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES will hold its Thirty-ninth Annual Session with the First Moncton Baptist Church, at Moncton, N. B., commencing on Saturday, the 23rd day of August, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Delegates to Convention coming by one or all of the following Railways or Steam Boat—viz: Intercolonial, P. E. Island, Albert, Elgin, St. Martins, Western Counties, New Brunswick for all its lines west and north of St. John, steamers—Fishwick's Nova Scotia Steam Company, River St. John, P. E. Island Steam Navigation Company from Summerside, and having paid one full first-class fare—will be entitled, by arrangement made, to a return free—on presentation of a properly signed certificate.

Delegates coming by Fishwick's stmr. to Yarmouth connect with Dominion—which leaves Yarmouth Friday, at 3 P. M., connecting Saturday morning at St. John with train for Moncton.

The annual meeting of the Baptist Book and Tract Society will be held at Moncton, N. B., during the Convention, Geo. A. McDONALD, Secretary.

PARSONS' PURGATIVE PILLS

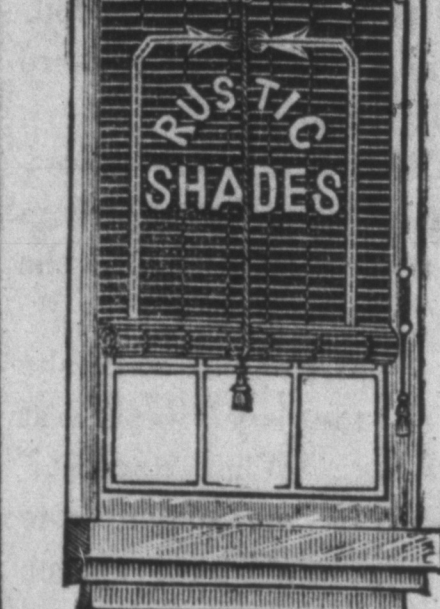
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KENTVILLE, Aug. 9, 1884.

Arrangements have been made with the W. and A. Railway, for Convention at Moncton, N. B., as follows, a full first-class fare going and one-third first class fare returning, on production of certificate of attendance, good to return up to 30th August, 1884.

Yours truly, HENRY LOVETT, Com. on Fares, &c.

NOTICE TO W. M. A. SOCIETIES OF N. SCOTIA. It is hoped that there will be a good representation from the Societies in Nova Scotia at the approaching Convention as matters of importance will be brought before the meeting. One delegate from each Society at least will be expected.

M. R. SELDEN, Secretary Central Board.

The Board of Governors of Acadia College will meet at the Baptist Church, Moncton, N. B., Thursday, Aug. 21st, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

T. A. HIGGINS, Sec'y, Wolfville, July 31st, 1884.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Table with financial entries: North Sydney, C. B.—Mrs. H. Moore, \$10 00; Westport, Mrs. S. McC. Black, 7 00; M. R. SELDEN, Treasurer, Halifax, Aug. 19th, 1884.

RECEIVED FOR ACADIA COLLEGE.

Table with financial entries: H. H. Chute, Bear River, \$500 00; Winkworth Chipman, Kentville, 35 00; Per Rev. G. E. Day, 80 00; John March, F. C. N. B., 169 10; C. B. Whidden, Antigonish, 50 00; A Friend, 105 29.

CONVENTION FUNDS RECEIVED.

Table with financial entries: Acadia, Yarmouth, \$11 00; Chebogue, do, 22 50; Chegogin, do, 14 90; Barrington, do, 10 00; First Yarmouth col. for Missions, 75 86; Dartmouth Sab. School for H. M., 18 10; Geo. Robbins, Yarmouth, for do, 1 00; North Church, Halifax, 86 50; Truro Church, do, 140 00; North Brookfield, Queens, 12 00; C. Huntington and family, 5 50; Hebron Church, do, 100 00; Mrs. E. P. Shand, Milton, for Bibles for Telagus, 25 00; Tusket, Yarmouth, 22 25; \$550 61; G. E. DAY, Yarmouth, August 18th, 1884.

CORRECTION.—In Christian Messenger of last week in the article headed "W. M. A. Central Board Meeting," 4th line, for "May" read August, 9th line, for "\$755.47," read \$855.97; for "\$601.01" read \$610.01; 10th line leaving a balance of \$245.96; and 4th line from bottom for July 5th read August 5th.

The inaccuracies in figures arose from moneys having come to hand after the accounts had been made up. M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.

THE ANNAPOLIS VALLEY SMALL FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION intend holding a meeting and picnic on the grounds of the President Wm. McNeil, Esq., of Melvern Square, Annapolis Co., on the 30th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The new Baptist Church at Newcastle Bridge, Queens Co., N. B., will be dedicated to the worship of God on Lord's Day, 31st inst. Preaching in the morning at 11 by the pastor, Rev. W. P. Anderson, and in the evening at 7 by invited brethren. Collections will be taken at each service towards the payment of the debt.

TO WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES. Miss Wright will be pleased to take charge of any parcels for the Missionaries in India, provided they are sent to her address, 62 Argyle Street, Halifax, no later than the first week in September.

M. R. SELDEN, Secretary Central Board.

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.

DARTMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—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.

TREASURERS OF BAPTIST FUNDS.

- 1. CONVENTION FUNDS: Nova Scotia.—Rev. G. E. Day, M. D. Yarmouth. New Brunswick. John March, Esq. St. John, N. B. P. E. Island.—Rev. A. H. Ievers, Charlottetown.

Prayer and praise are like the double motion of the lungs, the air that is drawn in by prayer is breathed forth again by thanksgiving.—Goodwin. The new Mayor of Shanghai is a native Christian.—Helping Hand.