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A pastor wanted for the Free Baptist churches at Barrington and Port La Tour circuit. The present pastor's resignation takes effect October 31st inst. For particulars write to

PAUL E. CROWELL,
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Barrington, N. S., Oct. 5, 1904.

A HOLE TWELVE MILES DEEP.

As president of the Engineering Section of the British Association, Hon. Charles A. Parsons sprang on it a surprise. He is anxious for the lower depths of the earth to be explored, and he proposes the sinking of a bore-hole twelve miles deep. The deepest existing shaft is at the Cape, but it is little more than a mile to the bottom; there is a bore-hole in Silesia of about the same depth. Mr. Parsons has consulted Mr. John Bell Simpson, the eminent North of England mining authority, and he is confirmed in his view that a twelve-mile-deep bore-hole is practicable. It be of the diameter usual in coal-pits. It would be sunk in half-mile stages, each stage having its own hauling and other machinery. At each second or third mile there would be air-locks to prevent the air-pressure from becoming excessive owing to the weight of the superincumbent atmosphere. At the greater depths a special cooling process would be necessary. It is calculated that a twelve-mile bore-hole would cost £5,000,000, but Mr. Parsons is a patient man, and would spread the work and the expense over eighty-five years. He gave the cost and the time of construction of shorter shafts, from two miles up to ten. Mr. Balfour, who moved the vote of thanks, was not sanguine as to capitalists being induced to adventure five millions to sink a shaft twelve miles beneath the surface of the earth.

WHAT THEY WANT.—A correspondent of the *Baptist Argus* says: "I do not want to read any paper whose editor has any reason for not telling his readers plainly what he believes." But the *Christian Evangelist* remarks, that is exactly what many readers object to—the editor's telling his readers what he believes. They want him to tell them, each week, just what they believe.

WELCOME.—"The INTELLIGENCER has become a welcome friend, that we would be sorry to do without."

THE TELEGRAPHONE.

The telegraphone is a new invention recently reported from Copenhagen. It will take a message in your absence and report it to you on your return, and is described as follows: A telephone subscriber wishes to leave his office for a time, yet is anxious that he shall not miss any messages which may come while he is gone. He switches the telegraphone to the telephone, and on his return looks at a dial on the former contrivance. There is an indicator on the dial, and if this has moved he knows at once that someone has called him up. He sets it in motion and it repeats the message word for word as clearly and distinctly as it was originally uttered. The inventor is Herr Paulsen, an electrical engineer of the Danish capital. Herr Paulsen is also credited with having invented an electrical apparatus by which he can set in motion, without wires or connection of any kind, the keyboard of a typewriter. Up to the present he has been able to set the typewriter in motion at a short distance only. He places his apparatus in one room and his typewriter in another, and by working the keys of his instrument he sets the typewriter in motion. Having thus discovered the principle, it is believed that its successful application to long distances is only a matter of time and experiment.

TWO AND TWO.—A lawyer, whose eloquence was of the spread-eagle sort, was addressing the jury at great length, and his legal opponent, growing weary, went outside to rest.

"Mr. B— is making a great speech," said a bystander to the bored counsel.

"Oh, yes, Mr. B— always makes a great speech. If you or I had occasion to announce that two and two make four, we'd be fools enough to blurt it out. Not so with Mr. B—. He'd say: 'If, by that particular arithmetical rule known as addition, we desired to arrive at the sum of two integers, added to two integers, we should find — and I assert this boldly, sir, and without the fear of successful contradiction — we, I repeat, should find by the particular arithmetical formula before mentioned—and, sir, I hold myself personally responsible for the assertion I am about to make—that the sum of two given integers added to the other two integers would be four.'"

There are some preachers—only a few, of course—whose style is not unlike that described.

JOURNALISTIC.—The *Times*, St. John's new evening paper, is newsy and bright.

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