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**NEWSPAPER STAMP ABOLITION ACT.**  
This new law has not had any of the good effects hoped for and promised by its promoters. Sir E. Bulwer Lytton and Disraeli are far better at what they do than they are at what they say. The law has been lost to the Empire, and a great deal of confusion and complication occasioned in the transmission of papers—especially to the Colonies. One distressing (and to the friends of the bill, well-merited) result of the law is, that a large number of speculators in cheap "News" have been ruined. A vast tribe of "Penny papers" started into existence; but few of them survived a month—scarcely any of them three months. The promoters of the bill hoped also to bring down the giants of the press, such as the "Times," "Chronicle," and "Daily News;" but in this also they were disappointed. Perhaps novelists and "Manchester men" will learn to let well-enough alone henceforth.

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At the late meeting of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in New Brunswick in connection with the Established Church of Scotland, the Rev. Dr. Brooke was elected Moderator, Dr. McGill and Rev. G. Weir of Canada, and Rev. Geo. W. Sprout, A.B. of this city, were present as delegates from their respective Synods, and were received as corresponding members. Among other things the Synod expressed their serious importance of retaining the Union with the Presbyterian Church of Scotland, the Synod resolved to publish a document setting forth their own position in reference to the Established Church of Scotland. The Synod is to meet again on the third Thursday of August next at Chatham, Miramichi.

In Rev. Mr. Geddie's correspondence recently published in the Missionary Register, he mentions regretfully the fact that, shortly, he would be compelled to part with another of his children. Neither father nor mother can spare the time necessary to educate them as they grow up. And even if they could, the climate of Anceitum is such as would render it very unsafe to leave their children always under its influence. The Saxon race will not flourish under the warm suns and relaxing breezes of the Pacific. This parting from their children is one of the severest trials of missionary life—severer, we would think, than the first leaving of home and friends, and native land. Imagine the missionary mother taking the last look of her child as she commits it to the ship that is to wait it over many seas, to return again, perhaps, but never to bring back the precious burden. Young's this is hard for flesh and blood, but the love of Christ is stronger than all.

The Wesleyan Methodist Society, contains members, 415,230. Of these 13,136 are in the recently organized Conference of these Lower Provinces. 37,885 are in Canada; 18,749 in Ireland. There are 1,616 ministers in the entire Society. Of these 79 are in the Eastern British American Conference; 202 are in Canada; 918 are in England and Scotland.

The bishop of Jamaica receives the largest salary of any colonial bishop viz. £3,000. The smallest salary on the list is that of the bishop of Labuan, viz. £500. H. Binney, bishop of Nova Scotia, receives £700 per annum which is granted to him by the Synod for propagation of the Gospel.

Rev. John Munro acknowledges receipt of £2 from John Liddell Esq., Halifax, and 10 shillings from Rev. Dr. Cairns, St. John, N. B., for Chalmers' Church, Pugwash.

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