

COLONIAL.

NEW-BRUNSWICK.

From the St. Andrews' Standard.

On Thursday the 15th inst. the Wesleyan Methodist Conference for the New Brunswick District, consisting of sixteen preachers (and two Candidates for the ministry) commenced its Session at St. Stephen and adjourned on Wednesday the 21st, during the Session there was a variety of interesting meetings—on Sunday divine service was held three times in the Chapel and once at Milltown, besides several week day services. On Monday the solemn and impressive ceremony of setting apart by ordination two of their number, Messrs. McLeod and Johnson, for the work of the Ministry was performed in the Methodist Chapel before a crowded and attentive congregation. On Tuesday a meeting of the Wesleyan Methodist auxiliary Missionary Society took place in the Chapel. The assemblage of people was numerous and a collection, in aid of the funds of the Parent Society in England, was taken up, notwithstanding the great scarcity of money, and the general anticipation of a dull business season, the collection amounted to eleven pounds and upwards. After the reading of the report by the Rev. Mr Wood, a number of speeches were made appropriate to the occasion, and which were powerfully calculated to awaken the sympathy and enlist the feelings of all in behalf of the great and benevolent object of the society, the dissemination of scriptural knowledge and gospel light through the dark places of our earth. That part of the ordination service, in which the candidates gave a relation of their religious experience—a history of the mental process by which they were conducted to a saving knowledge, of the truth, and the assumption of the sacred office of the ministry, was especially interesting and impressive altho' perhaps it might furnish occasion for the ribald jest of the scoffer or the sceptic, and be stigmatized as the result of hypocrisy or fanaticism, sober reason and scriptural truth dictate quite a different judgment. Were they themselves deceived?—or did they intend to deceive others? If so hundreds of their brethren can hardly escape the imputation of being *particeps criminis*—abettors of the offence. In the one case, there must have been a long continued illusion without any assignable motive; either of which hypothesis does violence to the principles by which human conduct is ordinarily governed. We come then to the conclusion that they were neither fanatics nor hypocrites. Several of the preachers took part at a Temperance Society at Milltown and also at Salt-water.

The stations of the Preachers for the present year are as follows:—St. John, The Rev. Sampson Busby, William Smithson, Fredericton, Enoch Wood; Mr. Banister, Assistant, Sheffield, Albert Desbrisay; St. Stephens, John B. Strong. St. Davids, George Johnson. Anapolis, Arthur M' Nutt. Bridgetown, George Miller. Westmorland, Michael Pickles. Peticodiac, Alexander W. M'Leod. Sussex Vale, Henry Daniel. Miramichi, Ricard Williams; and Mr Sleep, Assistant. St. Andrews, William Shepherd. Woodstock and Wakefield, Samuel Joll. Bathurst, Richardson Douglas.

NOVA-SCOTIA.

HALIFAX TIMES. *Bank Notes*.—From the commencement of this month, the Halifax Banks have issued their notes responsible in specie, and we understand refuse to deal in Province paper, even at a discount. A short time will decide what effect this will have on its value.

CANADAS.

QUEBEC GAZETTE. The following are the total amounts of provisions and seed grain sent down to the District of Gaspé, under the vote of last Session:—For Bonaventure—2372 minots potatoes, 137 minots barley, 600 minots wheat, 40 minots pease, and 750 minots oats. For Gaspé—2321 minots potatoes, and 150 minots wheat.

The port is filling with great rapidity. The telegraph signalised this morning *eighty-one* square rigged vessels, between the port and the Quarantine Station. When these shall have arrived, which may be expected by to-morrow, the number of vessels in port on 15th May, will be about 160, a greater number than in any preceding year, at the same date.

MONTREAL GAZETTE. The weather, during the last few days, has been most unseasonable, and it is much to be feared, will prove injurious to the prospects of the farmer. Yesterday morning, the ice on many pools was as thick as a penny-piece, and during the course of the day, we had some slight falls of snow. This morning, the frost was again very strong, and the face of the country and our streets generally whitened with snow. The weather is raw and disagreeable, and has in a great measure impeded business. It is mentioned as a proof of the extreme severity of the weather, that the swallows and many other of the smaller birds, have in great numbers, been found dead about the Moun-

tain and throughout the country. The young crops must suffer extremely from the unfavorable change which has taken place, and we hear that the fruit trees which had made a very favorable appearance, have been injured most considerably. We think the *Settler* is not far wrong this morning, when it says, 'one might imagine, that we had all, like so many Rip Van Winkles, slept the whole summer, and awaked in the month of November.'

The following story, which we copy from a late Scotch paper, is very applicable to the actual condition of things in this Colony, the political troubles of which arise from being cursed with brawling popular demagogues, and an incendiary press continually instilling into the minds of the people, the 'supposed miseries' they endure, of which they themselves are profoundly and truly ignorant. Substitute the *Minerve*, or any of the Radical genus, for the *Aberdeen Chronicle*, and the parallel is complete.

MISERY DISCOVERED.—'John,' said the housekeeper in a gentleman's family in Aberdeenshire, about 20 years ago, to her fellow servant the gardener. 'What is't that ails ye? I've kent ye forty years, an' I never saw ye sae hum-drum as ye are just now; there's surely something the matter wi' you.' 'Muckle's the matter,' replied he of the spade 'we are a' gaun' wrong the gither; an' the very State itsel is gaun' to the d—!'

'Hout awa, what needs ye mind the State,' said the lady; 'havaena ye the same gude place, the same wages, the same kind master and mistress that ever ye had, and what for suld ye vex yoursel? wi' nonsense? ye're as well now as ever ye was, an' ye would only think it.' 'That's a' ye ken,' replied John, 'but an' ye would read the *Aberdeen Chronicle* ye wad fin' out how meeserable ye are.'—*Aberdeen Journal*.

The Toronto Patriot of the 6th, received by this morning's post, announces a most horrible murder and suicide at that place. On the previous night, Robert Richardson, a carter, living on the Lake shore, killed his wife by beating her about the head and body with the butt end of a gun, and afterwards shot himself through the body. After killing his wife he laid the corpse upon a bed and a young infant upon her arm, which was found asleep upon the mangled bosom of its mother. Richardson was a native of the County of Armagh, whence he removed to this country about three years ago. He was addicted to intoxication to which is imputed this double crime of murder and suicide. Report speaks favorably of the wife, who has thus fallen a victim to her husband's brutality.

We understand that some of the Flour received this year is short of weight, through not to the extent complained of last year. This is an evil to which we have often called attention; and if it continue to prevail will have a most injurious effect upon the name of Canada Flour.—*May 14*.

SCHEDIASMA.

MIRAMICHI:
TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 10, 1834.

EUROPEAN NEWS.—We have not been put in possession of any later intelligence from Europe than furnished by our last publication.

COMMUNICATED.

On Wednesday last, the Annual Meeting of the *Miramichi Ladies' Bible Society*, was held in Saint John's Church, Chatham—Mrs ABRAMS, V. P. in the Chair.

The REPORT of the Committee for the two past years being read, it was unanimously agreed, that it should be published in the Gleaner, for the information of the friends of the Institution. The meeting was one fraught with considerable interest. £37 were placed in the hands of the Treasurer, by the different Agents and Collectors, the amount received from sales and contributions, since the last annual meeting. The Society is gradually extending its usefulness; and those benevolent Females embarked in the cause, while they justly deserve the countenance and support of a generous public, have abundant encouragement to proceed in their labour of love. A full Report will appear in due time.

The following Resolutions were unanimously passed:
1—Moved by Mrs Clarke, and seconded by Mrs Thomson, That this Society view with gratitude, to the Great Head of the Church, the continued and increasing success, which attends the operations of the Parent Institution; and the encouragement which we, as an Auxiliary, have received during the past year, for increasing perseverance in our good work.

2—Moved by Mrs Abrams, and seconded by Mrs Perley, That while this Society look for the blessing of Heaven, to accompany their efforts in the Bible Cause, they should make it a subject of daily and fervent prayer.

3—Moved by Mrs Blackstock, and seconded by Mrs Bryant, That the thanks of this meeting be conveyed to the Rev. James Waddell, for his persevering exertions in Chaleur Bay, to advance the interests of the Society; and all the other Agents, for their valuable services.

4—Moved by Mrs D. Johnston, and seconded by Mrs Abrams, That the thanks of this meeting be given to Mr James A.

Pierce, for inserting gratuitously in the Gleaner, the advertisements of this Society.

5—Moved by Mrs Abrams, and seconded by Mrs Thomson, That the thanks of this meeting be presented to the Reverend John M'Curdy, for the aid which for several years past he has rendered to this Institution.

MR PIERCE,

Sir, be kind enough to publish the following, which I have somewhere found; and oblige, Yours, &c.

A FRIEND OF TEMPERANCE SOCIETIES.

Chatham, June 1834.

THE DRUNKARD'S WILL.

I, ——— beginning to be enfeebled in body, and fearing I may soon be palsied in mind, and having entered upon the course of intemperance from which I have not resolution to disengage, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament:—

"Having been made in the image of my Creator, capable of rational enjoyment, of imparting happiness to others, and of promoting the glory of God. I know my accountability, yet such is my fondness for sensual gratification, and my utter indisposition to resist temptation, that I give myself entirely to intemperance and its associate vices, and make the following bequests:—My property I give to be dissipated, knowing that it will soon fall into the hands of those who furnish me with ardent spirits. My reputation, already tottering on a sandy foundation, I give to destruction. To my beloved wife, who has loved me thus far through life, I give shame, poverty, sorrow, and a broken heart. To each of my children I bequeath the shame and the degradation of their father's character. Finally I give my body to disease, misery, and early dissolution; and my soul, that can never die, to the disposal of that God whose commands I have broken, and who has warned me by his word, that no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of heaven."

Drunkards, this is your Will!!

Wine and strong drink have drowned more than the sea; and the teeth of intemperance have slain more than the sword. Disease will be often knocking at the door while his old friend intemperance dwells within.

The Aborigines of America call Spirituous Liquor *Fire Water*.

The desire of this drink is disease, the ONLY remedy ABSTINENCE.

Your unprejudiced consideration of Temperance Societies is earnestly intreated. For opposition we care not, we can bear anything but indifference.—Published by the *Greenock Temperance Society*.

LAUNCH.—A fine brig of about 263 tons, copper fastened, and named the *Cherub*, was launched from the building yard of William Abrams, Esq., on Friday morning last. This is the second vessel launched from the establishment of this enterprising gentleman, this Spring.

INQUEST.—On Wednesday, the 4th instant, at the Store of A. Goodfellow, Esquire, in the parish of Newcastle, an Inquest was held before John M'Johnson, Esquire, Coroner, on the body of JAMES M'CORMACK, formerly a pedlar, who left his residence at Mrs M'Graw's, Chatham, on Monday, 5th May, with an intent to return that evening. Verdict—Found Drowned.

The *Proselyte*, was the name of the vessel from which the *Juno* took the passengers. The P. was from Limerick, bound to Quebec, and had previously got ashore on Flat Island, on the coast of Newfoundland, in a thick fog. A number of the passengers have been forwarded by the Magistrates of Richibucto, to this place, the greater part are in a most wretched and pitiable condition, and since their arrival have been fed and clothed by the public authorities.

From the Fredericton Gazette.

HEAD QUARTERS, Fredericton, 3d June, 1834.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

The General Inspection of the Westmorland and Kent Militia, is to take place as follows, instead of the days appointed by the General Order of the 26th May, viz—

1st Battn. Westmorland.

1st Division at Pitfield's, on Saturday 12th July.

2nd Do. at the Bend, on Monday 14th do.

3rd Do. at Shediac, on Tuesday 15th do.

2nd Battn. Kent.

At Buctouch on Wednesday 16th July.

1st Battn. Kent.

At Richibucto, on Friday the 18th July.

2nd Battn. Westmorland.

1st Division at Charters's on Tuesday 23d July.

2nd Do. at Sackville, on Thursday the 24th July.

4th Battn. Westmorland.

At Bay Verte, on Saturday the 26th July.

3rd Battn. Westmorland.

At Hopewell, on Tuesday the 29th July.

By Command.

GEO. SHORE, A. G. M.

NEW PAPERS.—We have received the first No. of *The Times*, a weekly paper published at Halifax by Messrs. Gossip and Coade. It is issued on Tuesdays.