weep immeasurably along, and carry the impress of the Almighty's hand to the remotest scenes of the universe the other suggests to me that within and beneath all that minuteness which the aided eye of man has been able to explore, there may be a region of invisibles; and that could we draw aside the mysterious curthat could we draw aside the mysterious cur-tain which shrouds it from our senses, we might see a theatre of as many wonders as as-tronomy has unfolded: a universe within the compass of a point so small as to elude all the powers of the microscope; but where the won-der-working God finds room for the exercise of all his attributes: where he can raise another mechanism of worlds, and fill and animate them all with the evidence of his glory.

Communications.

POLITICAL PORTRAITS. NO. 4.

THE HONOURABLE ROBERT LEONARD HAZEN.

This Honourable Gentleman belongs to one of the oldest and best families in the Province, and is well and respectably connected. 'The old Loyalists' bloud connected. 'The old Loyalists' bloud circulates in his veins, and he inherits their political feelings, mellowed by time and tempered down to the circumstances of the day, in this day of uncertainty and change when Conservatives and Liberals meet on common ground, so trifling is the difference between a Conservative Liberal and a Liberal Conservative, that they both can stand side by side and shake nands over the memory of their departed political strifes. This Honourable Gentleman is of some standing at the bar, has been rewarded with a silk gown, is Recorder of the city, Judge and Commissary of the Court of Vice Admiralty, and a Member of her Majesty's Executive Council, honors and offices it might be supposed sufficient to satisfy any reasonable man, but we are told to him that hath shall be given, and doubt-less in him this saying will be fulfilled whenever the opportunity shall arrive. He is now in the prime of life, health and usefulness, of a tine commanding person, pleasing exterior, a winning and agreeable manners, and open and offhanded; you are at once prepossessed in his favor: possessing such popular quali-ties, be not surprised at his lofty station, either in the Government, the House, or with the Public-qualities too, which contributed not a little no doubt, to swell the vast number of votes by which he was at first returned as member for the city.

With prospects bright, upon the world he His great majority on that occasion, gave him at once a high standing, and soon after we find him called to the Executive Council, in which he required his seat at the same time and on the same occasion as the present Attorney General, but was shortly after returned and hes since continued in the Government. he has hitherto been looked upon, and was the leader of the Government, in the House, at times an unpleasant and anything but desirable post, requiring great judgment, coolness and discretion, yet did the Hon. Gentleman generally manage to acquit himself with credit, and to keep his temper, unless goaded to madness by the iritating shafts that were at times levelled against the Government. I have heard it remarked that he was a little too thin skinned in debate, and allows himself to be nettled with what he should have allowed to pass quietly by. This fault however will pass away it he should continue a few years longer in the political arena. Among the members individually, he is popular, and generally finds tavor with the house when he rises to address them. His talents as a speaker are not of the highest order, yet does he at times rise to eloquence, when excited by questions under discussion,-he can throw himself readily into debute. and make a good off-handed speech without preparation, he may be called rather a torcible than an agreeable speaker, as there is what may be termed a thick ness in his unterance, as if one were halted at his teeth, and was pushed out by another, it may perhaps be owing to a too much fullness of voice, which is strong but not musical, and does not strike pleasanily on the ear. I think however if he would take the trouble of preparation, that he might place himself much higher as a debator; as it is, he can only be classed among the majority of the Speakers in the House; his abilities, respectability, private virtues, political purity, and unimpeachable integrity, supported by an influencial and extensive connection, aided by his own po pular manners, and a desire to conciliate, give him great weight in the Assembly and his influence there will 9935 144.7

continue, as he is one of those men who think that popular favor is worth gaining and being gained, worth keeping. He is, or was looked up to, and admired by the 'Old Tories,' as representing their wishes, feelings, and opinions, and has most probably disappointed their 'Family Compact' expectations, by coalescing with the Liberals in the present Government; doubtless, however, he considers it necessary to keep up with the spirit of the age, and cast off the trammels of a benumbing influence. A coalition Government has never yet been a strong one, and we shall see whether the present is an exception to this general rule; and although they are powerful at present in the Representative branch, having five influential members there belonging to the Executive, still there is such a thing as a government being too strong; z vigilant and vigorous opposition is necessary to the healthy action of all governments, when the People possess tree and liberal institutions; it was the total absence of this necessary and wholesome check, that blessed the Province

with the 'Reign of Harmony,' in the golden days of Sir John Harvey. I will now take my leave of the Honor-able Gentleman, leaving him to repose at his case in his great arm chair, with his head thrown back, his legs outstretche ed beneath his desk, and viewing with contented and good natured indifference the stirring scene around him.

LADIES BIBLE SOCIETY.

Twenty-Seventh Anniversary of the Miramichi Ladies' Auxiliary Bible Society.

The Twenty-Seventh Annual meeting of the Miramichi Ladies' Auxiliary Bible Soci-ety, was held in Saint John's Church, Char-ham, on September 27th, 1348, Mrs. Annams President, in the Chair

The meaning was opened with prayer by the Revd. J hn McCurdy.

The Report of the Committee for the past year being read, it was adopted, and ordered to be printed in the Gleaner, along with a list of Subscribers and Benefactor

The receipts for the year were found to amount to £42 7 S.

It was Resolved, that one moiety of this

om be presented as a donation to the Parent Society—that £15, less expenses for the year, be set apart for purchasing Scriptures—and that the balance £6 3 10 be presented to Mr Bertram, the Colporteur of the New Brunswick Auxiliary Bible Socie.y, in aid of his Salary.*

The following Ladies were chosen Office Bearers for the ensuing year :

Mrs. Abrams, President, Mrs. Carke. Vice Presidents. Perley. D. Johnston,

Committee-Mrs Harkins, Joseph Canard, Mrs James Kerr. Dr. Thomson,
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TWENTY SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE M. L. A. B. SOCIETY.

Your Committee, in meeting you at this our 27th anniversary, have to report, that on the 27th February last, your Secretary remitted to London £47 9 5 sterling, (currency 58 0 5), the amount of receipts from all sour ces, after defraving expenses, for the year end-September, 1847; with instructions that it should be appropriated as ordered at the last annual meeting. Of this, the sum of £7 9 5 was placed to the purchase account: £20 were presented as a donation to the general funds. of the parent society, and £20 for the circulation of the Scriptures in China.

The Secretary of the B. F. B. Society, in acknowledging this remittance, writes to your Secretary as follows: "Annexed I have much pleasure in forwarding to you the official acknowledgment of your remittance of £47 9 5, which shall be duly appropriated as you inti-mate in your letter of the 22d February. Our Committee feel deeply obliged by the hand-sence donations of the Ladies' Bible Auxiliary in Miramichi, both to the general funds of the Society, and to the special fund for dissemi nating the sacred Scriptures in China; and we beg that you will kindly convey our sincerest thanks to the parties contributing thereto. It is gratifying to read that by sales and gratis distributions you have issued during the past year 170 copies of the Holy Scriptures; and we sincerely trust that your exertions may be blessed during the present year.

Your Committee congratulate you, and the friends of this auxiliary, on this approval of

* An effort is being made by the ladies to and to this sain by private subscriptions. -

your humble labors from so high a source; and we trust that it will operate as an incentive to increased diligence in the holy cause.

For the year that has just closed, your Committee have to report that there have issued from the Society's depot 54 Bibles and 24 Testaments, all of which have been purchased at the Society's prices, except one Bible, which was gratuitously given to a poor man, he having expressed a wish to have one in large type his own daily use.

The total amount of sales for the year is £8 3 0½, and that of subscriptions and free contributions £34 4 7½, making, from all sources, the sum of £42 7 8.

Your Committee regret to have to notice a considerable falling off in the receipts, as compared with those of several previous years; yet perhaps the deficiency is not greater than might have been anticipated from the extreme pressure under which both agricultural and commercial interests have for some time been laboring, and which has necessarily affected all classes of society.

Has not the Lord a centroversy with the

nations of christendom for their slackness in coming forth to the work of evangelizing the world? and while they have been unwilling to give liberally for this purpose, is he not blighting their possessions in their own hands? "There is that withholdeth more than is meet,

yet it tendeth to poverty." Oh, that we, and Christendom throughout, would take the scriptural method of removing God's judgment, and of bringing down abundant blessings on our land! "Bring ye all the tithes into the store-house, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

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CHATHAM, TUESDAY, Oct. 31, 1845.

IT The Subscriber having been compell'd to consume a large amount of time, and in cur considerable expense, in his too often full less endeavours to collect his far spread Outstanding Debts, hereby notifies all persons to whom he is not indebted, and with whom he has not indebted, and with whom he has not a running account, that orders for advertising in the Gleaner, and for Printing in future, must be accompanied with the CASH otherwise they will not meet with attention, JAMES A. PIERCE.

EUROPEAN NEWS .- The British Mail of October 14, was received at our Post Office on Friday last. The steamer Niagara arrived at Halifax early in the morning of yesterday week, in a fine run across the Atlantic of little over eight days. The news thus obtained, both from the Continent and the Mother Country, is important. The Cholera had reached England and Scotland, and created considerable alarm. After a protracted trist Mr. Smith O'Brien was found guilty of Treason, and sentenced to be executed. Under the European bead will be found numerous extracts.

MELANCHOLY AND FATAL ACCIDENT.
On Saturday last, as the Rev. Mr. Mr. Guirk, with three men and three females, were crossing in a canoe, from the French Village, in Bay do Vin, to the Escuminac side of the Bay, the wind being high from the North-west, the cance up set, and all were thrown into the water. Two of the women, (Mrs. McDonald, of the village, and Mary Ryan, daughtet of Roderick Ryan, of Eel river.) were floated ashore without sinking, but life was extinct when they reached it. other female. Jane McDonald, (daughter of Major McDonald, of Black river) sank, and the body was not recovered up Mc vesterday morning. The Rev. Mr. Guirk, and the other men, by clinging to the cauce, saved their lives, but Roderick Ryan, one of the party, was nearly an hausted by the time he got ashore. Inquest was held on the bodies of the two females picked up, before M. Crapney, Esq. Coraner, when a verdict of Accident tal death by drowning, was returned by the Jury.

COUNTY OF KENT.—It being intime-ted that His Excellency Sir Edmand W. Head introduction County W. Head, intended visiting the County of Kent, a meeting was called by the High Sheriff of the County, on Monday the 2nJ instant, at the Court House.