

For the Christian Messenger.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES PRESENTED AT THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION, NORTH CHURCH, HALIFAX.

Your Committee have to report the death of two ministering brethren during the past year. The Rev. Solomon B. Taylor was born Sept. 8, 1812. He began to preach in the spring of 1840. His ordination took place at Chelsea, July 13, 1842. In January, 1843, he became pastor of the church at North West Lunenburg, where he laboured ten years with encouraging success. He was afterwards pastor for some years of the church at LaHave. He presided over several other churches for short periods. After enduring three years of sickness, he died at New Germany March 28th last, having experienced in his declining days those supports, and consolations which God gives to his servants when "flesh and heart" fail. The gospel which he had faithfully preached upheld him in the final struggle, and the hope of eternal life illumined the dark valley.

The Rev. William Hall was a native of Kentville, Kings County, and was engaged for some time in the legal profession. It pleased God to bring him under the influence of the late Dr. Sawers, whose bible class he attended at Bridgetown, where he then resided, and whose Christian efforts were blessed to his conversion. The change then wrought in his character and life was so manifest, that his former companions and acquaintances were filled with astonishment, and could not but confess the power of religious truth. Having spent some time at Acadia College, he entered on the work of the ministry, and was ordained at Fredericton July 12, 1842. He was several years pastor of the church at Windsor, and in many other places both in this province and in New Brunswick, he proclaimed the gospel of the grace of God. While he was pastor of the church on Long Island, Digby Co., an extensive revival of religion was the result of his labors and the reward of his zeal and perseverance.

Mr. Hall was well informed on literary and historical topics. He was acquainted with the best theological works. He had read much, and his system of divinity was the fruit of hard thinking. As a preacher, he was instructive and fervent. His views and opinions were respectfully regarded by his brethren, although, through the eccentricity which he sometimes manifested, they were not always accepted.

In his last illness Mr. Hall enjoyed the "peace of God." He had been declining in health for some months, but was actually confined to his room only a few days. He entered into rest Jan. 15, last.

Your Committee deem it right and befitting to record also the removal by death of a christian gentleman, well known in all the churches of this Association, and esteemed wherever known. Ward Eaton, Esq., of Canard, Cornwallis, who died Feb. 1, last, at the age of 72, he was a Baptist in principle, but was withheld by extreme diffidence from making a public profession. Under his hospitable roof ministers of the gospel were entertained with cheerful liberality, and all christian brethren were sure of receiving a welcome. The First Cornwallis Church was greatly indebted to him for manifold acts of kindness during a long series of years. It was much regretted that his courage failed him in the matter of profession of faith and public avowal of submission to Christ, because his christian character was acknowledged, and the church would have thankfully admitted him to the privileges and duties of membership. But the Committee are happy in being able to state that he realized in the closing scene the preciousness and power of gospel truth, and "died in faith."

J. M. CRAMP, Chairman.

Dominion and Foreign News.

Prince Arthur embarked for England at Quebec on Wednesday evening, amid enthusiastic farewell demonstration by the people and garrison.

A special despatch to the "Telegraph" says the Legislative Assembly of Assiniboine met on the 23rd ult., and resolved to accept the Manitoba bill.

Bishop Tache has left Ottawa, for the purpose of obtaining an amnesty for Riel and his brother agitators.

The Bishop does not think the expedition will reach Fort Garry until some time in September, and doubts their getting through at all if they bring their horses, artillery and heavy supplies.

The Intercolonial Railway Commissioners accepted tenders for the rolling stock, &c., of the road.

The Canadian and Western Company, of Kingston, have secured contracts for fifteen locomotives and tenders; Montgomery & Co., of Halifax, ten locomotives and tenders; and Duff & Do., of Glasgow, four locomotives and tenders.

The commissioners recommended the Government to accept the tenders of James Cotton, of Ottawa, for the building of Bridges over the Miramichi river and Section 20 of Intercolonial Railway, at five hundred thousand dollars.—*Chronicle*.

New Brunswick.

Two little boys aged five and seven years, went to bathe on the 18th ult., at Salmon river, Queens Co., and got beyond their depth. Their mother learning their danger, hastened to rescue them, forgetting that she was encumbered with her clothing and could render no assistance. She struggled hard for a time, and finally, with her eldest boy, sank, and both are drowned. The youngest child floated, and was drifted by the wind up the river some forty

rods, where he was rescued almost uninjured. The bodies of the mother and eldest boy were recovered soon after, but all efforts to resuscitate either failed.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

By Atlantic Telegraph.

ENGLAND.—The Steamer Robert Lowe sailed on Monday the 4th inst., with apparatus on board for the repair of the Atlantic Cable near Heart's Content, and the French Cable between St. Pierre and Duxburg. This steamer has just been built by the Atlantic Cable Companies for the express purpose of repairing cables, and will be stationed permanently on the American side in readiness for any contingency.

The Irish members of Parliament continue to urge the purchase of a residence for the Prince of Wales in Ireland.

Earl Derby and the Countess of Salisbury were married on Tuesday last. There was no display on the occasion.

The Prince and Princess of Wales with their children will soon make a visit to Denmark.

EUROPEAN TROUBLES AND COMPLICATIONS.—The situation in Europe grows more critical. France has sent a note to Prussia, demands explanations, to which Prussia has replied, that if the Spanish Cortes ratifies the choice of Prince Leopold, Prussia will support him. A note has also been sent to Spain, and if the reply is not satisfactory the Spanish Minister will be furnished with his passports.

There are reports of a secret treaty between Spain and Prussia.

Napoleon has sent a despatch to the Czar, to elicit his views.

The French fleet has been ordered to the Mediterranean, and it is proposed to increase the army contingent to one hundred thousand men.

The English press thinks that the situation is critical, but affects to believe that Prim will yield.

General Prim's offer of the Spanish Crown to Leopold of Hohenzollern and its acceptance by the Prince has made an alarming commotion in France.

The Ministry announced in the Corps Legislatif on Wednesday that France would on no pretext permit the consummation of the scheme. The Imperialist papers are loud and violent in their expression of opposition, and some of them go so far as to demand an immediate declaration of war with Prussia, to revenge past military and diplomatic defeats. In the afternoon a despatch was sent to Berlin, recalling the French ambassador.

There was much excitement in London and on the continent, in view of the threatened complication on the subject of Prince Leopold's candidature for the Throne. The Council of Ministers held at Madrid on Wednesday, authorized the minister of Foreign Affairs to present Leopold to the Cortes. Council of Ministers believed the Prince will receive more than 170 votes, the minimum required by the resolution passed June 3rd.

The King of Prussia refuses any explanation in reply to a note from the French Government, protesting against the candidature of Hohenzollern to the Spanish throne.

The excitement here has been intense over the condition of affairs on the continent. There was much informal comments in the House of Commons on Thursday night on Prussia's delay in responding definitely to the note of France. The opinion was frequently expressed that this indicated a spirit of mischief if not a more dangerous purpose on the part of Prussia.

Furloughs to French troops have been stopped and those issued have been recalled. The French army on the frontier and the fortresses are undergoing rapidly inspection. Several regiments of the Paris Division are under orders. The Prussian minister of war has ordered all the general officers of the Prussian army to rejoin their corps without delay.

The minister of war has declared to the Emperor of the French that the army is ready to march at the first signal.

The French minister at St. Petersburg has declared the coronation of Hohenzollern as King of Spain, will be regarded by France as a *casus belli*.

LONDON, July 10.—Advices up to this evening from Paris and the Continent indicate the outbreak of war as imminent.

Latest Paris despatches say that if the candidature of Leopold is not withdrawn within twenty-four hours, the French Ministers will be recalled from Berlin and Madrid, and war declared.

Preparations for war are active. Leopold Prince of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, was born 22nd September, 1835; was married to Antonie, Princess of Portugal, on September 12, 1861; has three sons and is a Roman Catholic.

His father, Charles Anton, abdicated his sovereignty in favor of the King of Prussia, on Dec. 7, 1849.

Leopold is a cousin of Louis Napoleon, his mother the Princess Antoinette Marie Murat, being a sister of Joachim Murat, who married Caroline Bonaparte.

Massacre of Christians at Pekin.—There was a terrible massacre of Christians by the natives at Pekin on June 24. The Count de Rochechouart, the French Secretary of Legation, and a number of Priests and Sisters of Mercy were ruthlessly slaughtered. The cathedral was also burned and a number of Russians were killed.

July 9.—The difficulty between France and Prussia relative to the Spanish crown, creates uneasiness in the English markets. At London and Liverpool, breadstuffs and cotton are uncertain in tone, and prices are irregular. The same influences are operating at Manchester in the cotton goods and fabrics.

General Intelligence.

Province of Nova Scotia.

STEALING FROM THE MARKET.—A young man named Michael McKenna was convicted of stealing from Northup's market, on the 4th inst., a tub of butter, a ham, six pairs of socks and a piece of homespun cloth. He was sentenced to pay \$20, or 90 days in the City Prison.

ST. MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC COLLEGE.—The distribution of premiums to the pupils of St. Mary's College, Bel-Air, took place on the 6th inst., in the presence of the Administrator of the Government, the Superintendent of Education, and a large assemblage. The exercises were of a very pleasing character and showed that the College holds a high position among our educational institutions.—*Chronicle*.

HILSBORO, Digby Co., July 8.—A gang Saw Mill, belonging to Messrs. Welsh & Co., at this place, was burned down last night, and it is generally supposed it was work of an incendiary. There was no insurance on the property. The loss is estimated at about four thousand dollars.—*Express*.

CHEESE MAKING IN ANNAPOLIS Co.—We learn from the *Bridgetown Free Press* that the factory at Williamstown is in active operation. The process of cheese-making there is conducted on scientific principles, and perhaps it is manufacturing cheese which is unsurpassed in quality by any in the world. About two tons of milk is the raw material daily used. The shelves of the drying room are groaning under the pressure of magnificent cheeses; and every succeeding day adds thereto about 450 pounds weight. Orders, at remunerative prices, are constantly received; but the establishment, as flourishing as it is, fails to supply the demand.

AMHERST.—Whilst attending the Eastern Association on Monday of last week, and just as we were passing Mr. J. S. Hickman's residence, fire burst out from his barn, and soon communicated with the dwelling house. In a few minutes the whole was one mass of flame. Only a few articles of furniture were saved. No efforts could save the building, and all were concerned to prevent the fire from reaching Mr. Blenkhorn's house across the road. The fire originated by a little boy playing with matches. Mr. H's loss will amount to near \$3,000.

Mr. H. C. Upham, who was staying there during the Association, had his carriage and harness and other articles in the barn. These were worth about \$125 and were entirely consumed. Some friends made up on the spot a donation of a portion of the amount, and presented it to Mr. Upham. His valise was saved with the articles of furniture rescued from the burning house.

TWO BOYS DROWNED AT BARRINGTON.—A telegram from Barrington to the Yarmouth "Herald" says on the 4th inst., a dory sunk in that harbor on her way to the shore from a vessel, with a load of fish, and Joseph, aged 12 and Gilbert, aged 10, sons of Captain Joseph Hopkins, were drowned.

ACCIDENTS AT PICTOU.—A lad named Hector Cummings had one of his legs broken while jumping from a coal wagon on Albion Mines on Wednesday. On Thursday a young man, James R. McKay, had one of his legs badly fractured while working at the Eagle Quarry.

SEIZURE OF U. S. FISHING VESSELS.—The Dominion Cutter "Ida E." Capt. Tory, has captured two American fishing schooners, for alleged violation of the laws, by taking fish in the bays of the coast. The schooner "Wm. Patrick," Goodwin master, of Plymouth, Mass., was seized whilst in Aspy Bay; and the schooner "J. H. Nickerson," McDonald master, of Salem, Mass., was taken a prize at Ingonish. The first named vessel was stripped and docked at North Sydney. The other schooner was renamed and sent to Halifax yesterday.—*Cape Breton News*.

The cathartics used and approved of by the Physicians comprising the various Medical Associations of this State, are now compounded and sold under the name of "Parsons' Purgative Pills."

We copy the following from an exchange, which is important if true:—Chronic diarrhoea of long standing, also dysentery, and all similar complaints common at this season of the year, can be cured by the use (internally) of "Johnson's Anodyne Liniment." We know whereof we affirm.

Marriages.

At Dartmouth, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. Thomas Angwin, Capt. William H. Nauffs, formerly of Musquodoboit, to Amelia Jane, third daughter of Alexander Kuhn, Esq.

At Charlottetown, on the 30th ult., by the Rev. Isaac Murray, Donald Keith, Esq., of Halifax, to Miss Mary Lord Clark, of Charlottetown.

On the 6th inst., by the Rev. F. Danaher, Mr. Samuel J. W. Poole, to Miss Catherine Horne, both of Elmsdale.

On the 6th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Pickard, Wm. A. Conrod, to Fanny, only daughter of the late Capt. Joseph Loames.

At Portland, Me., on the 6th day of July, 1870, by the Rev. J. DeRose, John S. D. Thompson, to Annie, eldest daughter of James Affleck, both of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

On the 7th inst., at St. Paul's Church, by the Rev. George Hill, Hector, Amelia Mary, daughter of the Hon. J. W. Ritchie, to David Holmes Muir, Esq., M. D., of Truro.

Deaths.

On Thursday morning, July 7th, James Walton Nutting, Esq., aged 83 years.
At the Asylum for the Poor, on the 6th July, Dennis Burns, aged 44 years.
On 6th July, John Butler, aged 77 years.
On Wednesday, 6th inst., Sarah Ingles, the beloved wife of Fletcher A. Hennigar, aged 28 years.
At Sackville, Windsor Road, on the 6th inst., James Fultz, in the 72nd year of his age.
At Brookfield, Queens County, June 9th, age 85 years, Cecilia, H. the beloved wife of Mr. Millard C. Harlow. A husband and four children are bereft of an excellent wife and mother, and the Baptist Church of a very valuable member.
At Guantanamo, Cuba, on the 18th June, of yellow fever George McDonald, of Pictou, N. S., mate of the brig "Kingston," of Halifax.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Tuesday, July 5.—Barque Juventa, (Nor) Wright, Pernambuco, 23 days.—to Oxley & Co; schrs Ada, Whitman, Cape Canso—to B Wier & Co; Mary Ann, McLeod, Cow Bay—to Corbett & Richardson, Foaming Billow, Glawson, Newfoundland—to John Silver & Co; Perseverance, Fougere, North Sydney; Liberty, Pope, North Sydney.
Wednesday, 6.—Schrs Maud, Lamerton, Newfoundland—to Donald Scott; Alfred, Sydney—to master; schr Hawk, Tobin, Port au Basque—to W. Pryor & Son; Mary Alice, Dieks, do—to do; schr Conservative, MacFarlane, do—to T. E. De Wolf & Co; Welcome Return, Reeves, do—to Lordly & Simpson.
Thursday, 7.—H. M. S. Tamar, Hickley, Quebec; brig America, Doody, Boston—to Lawson, Harrington & Co; brig, Falcon, Siteman, Port Spain, Trinidad—to J. T. Wainwright & Co; schrs Lone Star, Nickerson, Marie Joseph—to John Taylor, Sentinel, Doane, Ponce, P. R., 18 days—to R. I. Hart; Howard, Dunn, Ragland Islands—to Esson & Co; A. McKenzie, Doane, Ragged Islands—to Esson & Co; Eva, (American yacht) Pratt, New York; Baronet, Ernst, Mahone Bay; J. W. Falt, Shelburne; Brave, Venot, Mahone Bay.
Friday, 8.—Schrs Active, Lantz, LaHave—to master; Caroline, Lundenburg—to master.
Saturday, 9.—French training ship Jean Bart, New York; French brig-of-war Unigado, New York; Steamer Alhambra, Wright, Charlottetown, via Hawkesbury; brig Firm, Wiley, Wilmington, N. C., bound to Bremen; Faugh-a-Ballagh, Howard, Boston; Kingston, Woods, West Indies; Esk, Patterson, Clevefuegos; Louise, Gammon, Kingston, Ja, via Tuagua; schrs Maria, Blagdon, Mayaguez, P. R.; Arab, (Am) Knight, Gloucester, Mass; John Laughlin, Livingstone, North Sydney Vivid, Ernst, Mahone Bay.
Sunday, 10.—Steamers City of Halifax, Jamieson, St. Johns, N. F.; M. A. Starr, Doane, Yarmouth; Tillie, Partridge, New York, bound to River du Loup; Promenader, Lockhart, New York.
Monday, 11.—Steamers Carotta, Colby, Portland Commerce, Doane, Boston; Briggs John McDonald, Adams, Philadelphia; Eunice, Iron Cow Bay for Boston, leaky; Schrs Enterprise, McLaren, Bermuda; George, (Am) Simmons, Western Banks Clara F. Friend, (Am) Western Banks; Mystery, Rhindress, Wallace; Speedy, LeBlanc, North Sydney.

Cleared.

Tuesday, 5.—Steamer Carotta, Colby, Portland—to G. P. Black, brig Monitor, (Nor) Wile, Quebec; schrs Euglen, Jewers, Sheet Harbor; Harriet, Sampson, St. Peter's; Sga Slipper, Kenney, LaHave; Hero, Swin, Port Medway; Majestic, Myers, Sheet Harbor; Conservative, Farrell, St. Pierre, Miq; Ouesine, Richards, Magdalen Islands.
Wednesday, 6.—Barque R. bt Boak, Albema, Montreal; schr Harves, LeBlanc, Labrador; Marie Joseph, Wood; Vivid, Smith, Glace Bay; Harrie, White, Arichat; Lark, Arill, North Bay; Catherine, Gerard; Emily Jane, Murphy, Bay Chaleur; Mary, Bagnoll, Louisburg; Star of the Sea, Burke, Glace Bay; Challenge, Pertus, Sydney; Hector, Arichat; schr Emily Jane, Currie, B. West Indies; schr Fanny, Bagnoll, Cabarus; E. E. Annie, Keating, Guysborough.
Thursday, 7.—Brigs Mary, Fanning, Cadiz; Topaz, Ross, Barbadoes schrs Adel, Gay, Souris, P. E. I.; Annie Bell, Leslie, Sheet Harbor.
Friday, 8.—Schrs Newsboy, Messervy, Bay St. George; schr Brave, Veno, Lunenburg; Henry, Boulet, Sydney; Henrietta, Shaw, Bay St. George; Good Intent, Gague, Channel, N. F.; schr Juliet, Simpson, St. John, N. B.
Saturday, 9.—Steamer Alhambra, Wright, Boston; schrs Conservative, Farrell, Channel, N. F.; Caroline, Ernst, Mahone Bay; Triump, Road, St. Barbe, N. F. and Labrador.
Steamer Commerce, Doane, P. R. via Hawkesbury via Charlottetown; barque Metrola, Turner, P. R. via, Portugal; brig Queen of the West, Fraser, Malaga; schrs Napier, Nickerson, Farrington; Maria, Curry Sheet Harbour; Active, Lantz, Mahone Bay; Baronet, Ernst, do; Golden-Eagle, Snelzer, Bay Chaleur; Enterprise, McLaren, P. E. Island; Glad Tidings, Pitts, Esquimaux Point, Labrador.

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