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Rev. Dr. Tupper, \$7.00
Kempt Church.—Per Rev. D. M.
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M. R. SELDEN, Sec.
April 18th, 1871.

UNITED STATES BAPTIST ANNIVERSARIES,
1871, AT CHICAGO.

The meetings will occur in the following order: Opening session of the Bible and PUBLICATION SOCIETY on Friday morning, May 19th. HOME MISSION SOCIETY, on Saturday afternoon, May 20th. MISSIONARY UNION, on Monday evening, May 22nd, closing on Tuesday evening, 23rd.

The annual sermons will be preached on the Sabbath, as follows: First church—Home Mission Society; Second Church—Bible and Publication Society; Michigan Avenue Church—Missionary Union. Other services to be hereafter arranged.

A meeting of the BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY will occur at the First Church, on Thursday evening preceding the anniversary.

In behalf of the Chicago churches, a cordial invitation is extended to all members of the several societies, and all members of Baptist churches who desire to attend the meetings, and come for that purpose, for whom we shall endeavor to provide the best entertainment within our power, provided the names of such are received by the committee on or before May 9, 1871, ten days prior to the meetings. The committee cannot undertake to provide for such as neglect to make application in time, or who come without notice. Churches are requested to accredit to the committee, by letter from the pastor or clerk, such of their members as desire to be present.

Parties preferring to stop at hotels or other public houses will be furnished a note of introduction, securing them the advantage of reduced rates, particulars of which, together with railroad arrangements, will be announced as soon as practicable. Address correspondence to the Secretary, No. 7 Custom-House Place, Chicago.

B. F. J. COBS, Chn. Com.
C. R. BLACKALL, Secy.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

R. Upham.—per R. M. King, \$2.50.
G. V. Rand. T. W. Chesley, \$1. J. Anderson. I. Thurber, Esq., Isb., \$3. Rev. J. C. Morse, Isb., \$1. A. Marshall, Esq., \$4. Rev. D. Freeman. Abel Strong, \$4. Robt. T. Logan.—We have none out at present. J. Crowe. Rev. Dr. Tupper, rem. correct. Rev. I. J. Skinner, \$7.50. Rev. W. E. Hall, Isb. J. Spidle's paper is mailed at the same time as all others. Is the address right? Rev. W. McPhee. J. J. Parker. Weston Hall, Esq., \$4. Rev. W. H. Richan, \$4. Jas. E. Potter, Esq., \$11. J. C. Anderson, Esq. T. H. Randall. G. V. Rand. H. Morrow. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 1 sub. Andrew Shaw. S. F. Kendall. Rev. S. B. Kempton. Rev. D. W. Crandall. M. Kinsman, \$5. Rev. Jno. Shaw, 2 subs, \$4. Rev. P. R. Foster. David Smith, \$2. D. Archibald, 1 sub. E. Chute, \$2. A. G. Musgrave, \$33.50.

News of the Week.

MR. PETER McNAB'S OWN ACCOUNT OF HIMSELF.

As Mr. McNab's name has been brought so prominently before the public it will, perhaps, interest our readers to know what he says of himself. We have no desire to say a word on the subject, but as his name is being so much used in connection with election matters, we think it right and proper that the facts should be known. The following is from the *Morning Chronicle* of the 13th inst., and as a large number of our readers have no opportunity of seeing that journal, we copy the communication verbatim. His references to political parties may be taken for what they are worth in the estimation of the reader.

"Many passions dispose us to depress and vilify the merit of one rising in the esteem of mankind."—Addison.

Mr. Peter McNab having been grossly vilified and maligned, by some of the journals in this city in the pay of the Dominion, and his private character having been depicted as that of the most abandoned wretch that ever trod the earth, for exposing and holding up to the contempt of the community, the malpractices of the present Government of the Dominion of Canada, in attempting to bribe a member of the highest branch of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, deems it incumbent upon him to offer the following defence, trusting it will be received by the public with a spirit of Christian charity, in return for the manly frankness with which it is given.

DEGRADATION.

A young Nova Scotian leaves his native land just fifteen years ago, to commence business under the most favorable auspices, in the largest city of Canada; meeting with heavy reverses, after three years he fails. Recklessly giving way to habits of dissipation, he moves from place to place, until he gradually sinks very low in social position. At last he finds himself, in the beginning of the year 1867, amid the vast prairies of the extreme South, supporting

a precarious existence. Here his good angel first whispers to him, "to turn and lead a better life." He wakes up his mind to return home.

After traveling four thousand miles overland, meeting with great hardships, many adventures, and hair-breadth escapes, he reaches the Western part of his native Province in the Spring, to find it seething in the political agitation caused by the infamous passage of the British North American Act. Espousing the people's cause, he pushes on towards the capital expressing his sentiments boldly and with great freedom. Arriving in Halifax and still giving way to his besetting sin, he finds himself shunned and avoided by every one, even by the members of his own family, all save one, his father, who still assists him and believes in the innate goodness of his nature. To show the warm sympathy and sincere affection that has always existed between this father and son, it is necessary to mention, that when in Montreal in December, 1863, the son met with a severe family affliction, he telegraphed the sad event with the additional words, "Tell my father gently" to the highest Episcopal dignity in this Province, who had always shown him the kindest courtesy ever indicative of the well-bred Christian gentlemen.

Indignities and insults were now heaped upon this young man, by persons who had formerly pretended to be his friends, so that in agony of spirit he was known to cry out in the words of the noble Roman, "Pol! me occidistis amici," translated: "By Heaven! you have killed me my friends."

At last through the interest of his father, he is enabled to go to a distant, lonely island, far away in the ocean, to endeavour there if possible, to recover from his degradation.

REFORMATION.

Arriving at this island and leading a regular life, his mind soon regains its tone, his intellect develops, and his naturally strong will, weakened by years of dissipation, comes back to him in all its former vigor.

In this wild, romantic spot, he passes several of the happiest months of his eventful life; revelling in the delights of an excellent library, provided for the use of shipwrecked seamen, and in pleasant converse with the genial superintendent, seasoned by the Attic wit of that well-informed, noble-hearted gentleman.

Listening to the ceaseless roar of the mighty breakers, mingled with the wild cries of the sea birds, the grandeur of nature first impresses him. A feeling of reverential awe comes over him, and amid the wreck of stately ships and the bleaching bones of perished mariners, often exposed by the drifting sands, he vows by God's help to become a changed man, and in the future to endeavor to counteract the evils of the past. His reformation is complete.

REPARATION.

Returning to Halifax in the summer of 1868, he is received and welcomed with joy by his father, and everything is done for his welfare and happiness that a loving heart can dictate. But why dwell upon this story, which is so much more beautifully told in the words of Holy Writ? Suffice it that, conducting himself ever since with the strictest propriety, this son might be seen in fine weather supporting the tottering steps of his aged parent, whose venerable head the snows of nearly eighty winters have whitened, as he took his accustomed exercise.

When persons who should have known better, acting for the Government of the Dominion of Canada, made a tempting offer to this son to sacrifice his father's honor, is it wonderful that he indignantly exposed them and held them up to the scorn and loathing of all honest men. Now this young man believes that his work of reparation has commenced, and if he cannot have the respect of every right-thinking person in this Christian community, after his aged father shall, in the course of nature, have been called to a better and a happier world, and his honored remains shall have been laid with his kindred in their island resting place, he will quit his native country for ever.

I submit the above defence with the distinct assertion, whatever my antecedents may have been, and they are painted by my chagrined enemies a thousand times blacker than reality, that for the past three years, and more especially in the recent exposure of the political villainy attempted by the present Dominion Government towards the people of this Province, my conduct has been that of an upright and honourable man, though subject to great temptation. My whole case is now before the people of Nova Scotia, and by their decision I am prepared to stand or fall.

PETER McNAB.

The Ottawa correspondent of the *Montreal Gazette* says:—

Some time ago he (Hon. James McNab) wrote a letter to Dr. Tupper, asking that his son Peter—who is well known to many persons in Montreal, and of whom therefore it is not necessary to say much—might be appointed to office, and putting the request distinctly upon the ground of his own services to the cause of Confederation. A promise was given to comply with the request as soon as a vacancy occurred.

The following is a copy of Mr. McNab's letter to the Hon. Dr. Tupper, written in February last, asking for the appointment in question:—

95 HOLLIS ST., HALIFAX, N. S.

17th Feb. 1871.

DEAR DR. TUPPER:—A situation in the Custom House here is to become vacant in

the Spring, by the resignation of Mr. Andrew Merkel; it is worth about \$800 per annum, and I feel satisfied that if you will be good enough to see Mr. Filley as soon as possible about it, you could procure it for me.

I think you will admit that my father's long public services entitle him to this small boon from the Dominion Government.

Very respectfully,
and sincerely yours,
PETER McNAB.

Hon. C. Tupper, M. D. C. B., &c., &c.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UNION TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION OF HALIFAX.—The Managing Committee of the above named Association respectfully submit their report for the past year.

This being the first report, it may be interesting to the meeting, and to the friends of Temperance generally, to have some information in reference to the origin of the Association.

For some time previous to its organization many tried friends of Temperance deemed it expedient, if possible, to unite the efforts of Temperance men in an organization for the more general diffusion of the principles of total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks, as they felt persuaded that a very large class of our fellow citizens who are suffering from the vice of intemperance, could not be influenced by the societies then in operation, and that a more general Association was needed for city mission work.

At a meeting on the 14th March, 1870, composed of representatives from the Sons of Temperance, Good Templars, and the various Church Societies, Mr. E. Jost kindly offered the free use of the Barrack Street Mission House for public Temperance meetings; and at the same time the City Street Mission House was offered in the same way by Mr. Adam Logan. These offers were gratefully accepted, and at a subsequent meeting on the 25th of the same month, the society was duly organized, a code of laws adopted, and the officers for the year elected.

In reviewing the operations of the Association for the past year, we cannot but feel grateful to "the Giver of all good" for the measure of success which has attended the feeble efforts put forth for the advancement of the objects contemplated in the organization of the society. The difficulties connected with its operations may be estimated when the vast amount of intemperance prevailing among the class of our citizens whom it seeks to influence, is considered, and this is more plainly demonstrated, when we state that for the year ending 15th March, 1871, there were granted in the city no less than 265 licenses for the sale of intoxicating drinks, 33 of this number being in Albemarle and Barrack streets.

In reference to the special work accomplished by the Association during the year, the Committee respectfully refer to the following extracts from the reports of two of the City Missionaries—Mr. Richard Owen and Mr. Adam Logan,—and these Missionaries, with Mr. Robert Logan and Mr. Major Theakston, the other Missionaries, have rendered invaluable assistance to the Committee in their work; and it is with much pleasure that we refer this meeting to these reports.

Mr. Richard Owen says:—"I beg to state that the Union Temperance Association has been the means of doing much good. During the past year numbers have pledged themselves at all the public meetings of the Society, to abstain from all that intoxicates. Several young men have also called at the House at other times to sign the pledge, and a good many sailors on their coming into the city have availed themselves of the pledge in this way. The meetings have been regularly held in the Barrack street church on the first Tuesday in each month, and the attendance fair; one hundred and three (103) have taken the pledge, mostly at these public meetings, and a goodly number continue faithful. In some cases a very marked reformation of some who were absolute drunkards, and who were consequently very low, have become respectable members of society. In short, the success of the past year is sufficient to stimulate all the friends of Temperance and religion to assist in the good work."

Mr. Adam Logan says:—"The meetings of the Union Temperance Association in the City St. House have been held regularly each month, during the year, and the interest manifested is quite encouraging. The average attendance has been one hundred. The addresses delivered were fair; 85 have taken the pledge. A few have violated it; one man has broken and renewed his pledge twice, and is now doing well. Another man who had spent a fortune by his continued drinking habits for many years, took the pledge last April, for the first time in his life, and has continued a sober man."

The Committee, in closing this Report, feel that the Association has not received that sympathy from those who are known to be the tried friends of the cause which its importance demands, and would express a hope that in the future their influence and assistance may be given in advancing the cause of all mankind.

Finally, the thanks of the Association are due to several of the Temperance organizations, which have kindly rendered pecuniary assistance to enable the Committee to meet the expense necessary to carry on its operations. Further assistance of this kind is much needed, and will be thankfully received. Thanks are also due to the several clergymen and others who have kindly favored us with addresses at the several public meetings; and last, but not

least, we have much pleasure in rendering thanks to the Proprietors of the City news paper, for inserting gratuitously notices for public meetings and information concerning the working of the Association.

The following members of the Committee for the next year commencing with this meeting are recommended for the officers of the Society for the year:

President—Thomas Hutchings.

Vice do } David Ellis,

} G. T. Nauffa.

Sec. & Treas.—F. A. Hennigar.

Signed on behalf of the Managing Committee,

THOS. HUTCHINGS, Pres.
F. A. HENNIGAR, Sec.

POLITICAL.—Alfred Jones, Esq. M. P. arrived in the city from Ottawa on Thursday last. In the evening after his arrival he was escorted by his friends to the front of the New Provincial Building, where he gave them an address on some of the topics which had occupied his attention in the House of Commons.

We learn from a contemporary that Mr. Smith of Liverpool has been appointed Attorney General. Hon. James McDonald is to offer for Pictou. Hon. W. A. Henry is to offer for Antigonish. Messrs Blanchard and McDonald are to be candidates for Inverness.

CITY ELECTORS.—At the meeting of the City Council on Thursday last: "The revisors of electoral lists reported that they had performed their duty, that there were found to be 3,275 electors qualified to vote for members of the House of Assembly, not taking into consideration the law just passed disfranchising Dominion employees, and they awaited the instructions of the Council in regard to the latter. Some discussion took place as to the propriety of striking the Dominion officials from the lists, as required by one section of the law, while there was yet time for such persons to enfranchise themselves by resigning their employment. Ultimately the matter was referred to the Recorder, who will give opinion at the next meeting."

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—We were unable last week to notice Rev. Mr. Hogg's Lecture on Tuesday evening, in Granville Street Church, as we had to go to press on Tuesday afternoon to send off the papers by the Wednesday morning mail. The Lecture was a most interesting and graphic sketch of a Tour to Palestine, and a visit to the Holy Places in and around Jerusalem. The vividness with which the various incidents were depicted rendered the occasion a treat of no ordinary character. The Lecture and the sacred music, appropriate to the occasion, were thoroughly enjoyed and highly appreciated by the company present. The general remarks made by those present were, "We shall be glad at an early day to have another similar feast," and "We hope the ladies will not allow this to be their last invitation of this kind."

FIRE.—The steam saw Mill in Water street, opposite Wainwright's wharf, owned by Alderman James R. Graham, was almost totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday evening last, together with all its contents, including valuable machinery tools, &c. Messrs Williams and Leverman, whose workshop is in the rear, lost nearly all their tools, patterns, &c.

ENTERPRISE.—Mr. Robert Taylor has purchased a property at the corner of Duke and Barrack Street, and intends erecting a building four stories high, sixty by forty feet, for a Boot and Shoe manufactory. It will be fitted with all the most improved machinery for carrying on the Manufacture on a large scale.—*Cit.*

DROWNED AT ANNAPOLIS.—James Reid, Esq., one of the Proprietors of the Sugar Factory in this city, was drowned at Annapolis Wednesday night, in the act of stepping on board the Steamer *Emperor* at the wharf. Mr. Reid left here Wednesday for Annapolis, en route to St. John N. B. to take passage on the S. S. *Assyria*, for Glasgow, G. B. on board of which was a large quantity of treacle, shipped at this port from the Sugar Factory, for the home market. His body was subsequently recovered.

A Coroner's inquest was held on Thursday. The jury rendered the following verdict:—

"That the deceased came to his death by drowning. The death was hastened by the gross neglect of the officials of the steam or 'Emperor' in not having the port gangway closed on the opposite side of the point of entrance, and also for neglect in not having proper and due means taken after the accident to rescue the deceased."

AMHERST.—On Saturday the 7th inst. a man named Michael Casey and a colored boy named Richard Gray escaped from Amherst Jail by cutting, with a knife, the wooden ceiling of their cells, and reaching an unlocked ward. Casey was charged with altering \$1 bank notes and passing them for \$5 each, and the boy with rape.

The man Grant charged with murder at Demerara, and followed to Halifax where he was taken and sent back, when within sight of land jumped overboard, and it is said was immediately devoured by sharks. Some however, believe that being within a few miles of land he could swim ashore and so probably escaped.

CAPE SABLE ISLAND.—We are informed by a correspondent that another sad case of suicide occurred in this locality a few days since. Mr. Thomas Smith, brother of George Smith, hung himself a week ago was found drowned in a pond near his house. Ever since his brother's death he evinced symptoms of derangement, and was

heard to say that he must do as his brother had done. These were both men of good repute for moral integrity, and much esteemed.

Oppression after eating, headache, and nervous debility, are the effects of indigestion. One, or two at most, of "Parsons' Purgative Pills will give immediate relief.

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T. S. WHITMAN, Annapolis,
G. OPDYKE & CO., Bankers, N. York.
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THE Ladies of the Granville Street Church and Congregation are preparing to hold a Sale of Useful and Ornamental Articles early in the ensuing summer; the object of which is to aid the New Church Building Fund.

They hereby invite the co-operation of their friends in other places.

Contributions will be thankfully received by the Committee:—

Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Moir,
Mrs. G. L. Johnson, Mrs. Wier,
Mrs. J. F. Crowe, Mrs. E. D. King,
Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Beckwith,
Mrs. J. T. Twining, Mrs. Selden,
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March 8.

THE GOLDEN ROSE may be had at the "Messenger Office," 40 Granville St., Halifax