

the land and visit some of its finest sections. It is to be hoped that some will be found embracing the opportunity of making the acquaintance of their inland brethren.

The increased facilities for Book publishing in this part of the Dominion and the great development of the business seem to be stimulating the desire for book making. The impulse seems to have reached even the Baptist Denomination. Two works are just now projected. One is the compilation of a Hymn book for use in public service. A committee of brethren are engaged upon it. Some action has, I believe, been taken to secure such co-operation on the part of the brethren in the East as to make the forthcoming publication a Dominion Baptist Hymn Book. Of the progress of negotiations I am not informed, though from the absence of any favourable notice of the project in the *Messenger* and *Visitor*, I fear that either "some one has blundered," or that the project does not meet with favour. I observe too that some one is "writing up" one of the new rival American books. It would seem certainly as if a book of praise should be cosmopolitan in its nature. And yet as such books are, after all, uninspired productions, I suppose they are pretty sure to exhibit more or less of the national as well as individual tastes and feelings of their compilers. At any rate, a common book of praise would in itself be a slight connecting thread between the Baptists of the Dominion. I fear we are not to have even that as yet, though I must confess the original scheme, as shadowed in the published resolution, did not seem well adapted to secure the result aimed at.

We are too, it seems, to have the "Baptist Ministry of Canada" set forth to public view in pen and ink pictures, by the author of "Mick Tracy, &c." The outlines are I believe to be asked from the "subjects" themselves. The coloring will, I presume, be inserted by the hand of the artist. Fancy the feelings with which each individual who has been honored with the list of questions in blank, will await the public assignments of his true character and position.

J. E. W.

The Christian Messenger.

Halifax, N. S., September 25, 1872.

THE ENDOWMENT WORK.

The following letter from the Rev. I. E. Bill will afford encouragement to the brethren who are so earnestly at work in other parts of the province in seeking to put Acadia College in a condition of future safety:

GRANVILLE FERRY,
Sept. 19th, 1872.

To the Editor of The Christian Messenger:

DEAR BROTHER.—The friends of Acadia will be anxiously looking for the results of the Endowment movement now in progress in the beautiful valley of Annapolis. We have only time to say at present that we took our first subscription on Wednesday the 4th inst., and in a fortnight from that date, counted upon the list upwards of four thousand dollars. We have rapidly passed from one section to the other, visiting all the churches in this valley, holding public meetings in each place, and making very numerous calls. Three things we have been constantly preaching, publicly, and from house to house: 1st The demands of our churches and of our country for Collegiate and Theological culture. 2nd. The necessities of Acadia College and the amount of money required to keep it fully abreast of the times, and to thoroughly qualify her to perform the great mission entrusted to her care. 3rd. The reasons why the Baptist people especially, should, in this crisis of her history, hasten to the rescue, and cheerfully and liberally respond to the Endowment call.

So far, the work in most cases has gone on with spirit and life, and the issue we trust will be highly satisfactory. Could we devote a large time to the county, visiting mountain and valley, of course more could be done, but the pressing demands at home compel our return. We have however arranged with the pastors and other brethren in each place to supplement as far as possible the present list, to make collections, and have provided them with books accordingly.

It is important that we should see the Agency Committee at Wolfville before we leave the Province, we therefore go up this afternoon by cars, and return to Bridgetown in time to preach there on Sabbath morning. In the

afternoon we have to preach in the new chapel in progress of erection in Annapolis Royal, and in the evening at Granville Ferry. Next Thursday, D. V., we expect to return to St. John.

We have endeavored to employ our time to the best possible advantage during our short visit to the country, and have been cheered and strengthened by the cordial co-operation of the pastors of the churches, and by the whole-hearted reception of the people. The Baptist ministers of Annapolis county are of the higher type of a Christian manhood. Great God bless them and make them a blessing in the future as thou hast done in the past!

Three things are required to make this grand Endowment movement a success. 1st. United effort. 2nd. Earnest prayer. 3rd. Unwavering faith in God. Brethren, let us have these elements in vigorous exercise, and success is just as certain as the immutable laws of the universe. Trust in God: but keep your powder dry! SUCCESS TO ACADIA.

Our brother forgot to append his name. His appeal will not be unheeded, but we trust that the work so well begun will go on in the hands of enlightened Christian men, who will supply the streams, from all parts of the land, to water the roots of the goodly tree whose blessed fruits shall fall on and bless this and many other lands in coming years.

In connection with this subject we invite a perusal of the Convention Sermon by Rev. Dr. Crawley, the first part of which is in our present issue.

EPISCOPAL.—Charlottetown has recently been the scene of an Episcopal contest, involving the observance of what is regarded as a Ritualistic ceremonial. It appears that Bishop Binney, whose diocese extends over Prince Edward Island, as well as Nova Scotia, on his recent visit to Charlottetown was requested to solemnize a marriage. One of the parties concerned applied to the Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, Rector of St. Paul's, for the use of that church on the occasion. The Rector replied that "in consequence of representations made to him that something might be introduced into the approaching ceremony objectionable to the congregation, wrote a note to the young gentleman who asked him for the use of the church, informing him that he could have it on the distinct understanding that the marriage ceremony be performed as it had hitherto been performed by His Lordship the Bishop on a former occasion."

Further intercourse between the Bishop and Rector showed that the latter "objected to the introduction of the Pastoral Staff into St. Paul's, an emblem used in former ages, and which, he said, had been rejected by the church, and had not been in use for the past three hundred years."

The Bishop subsequently charged the Rector and his church warden with resisting his Episcopal authority and stated that he had determined "not to again officiate in St. Paul's church whilst the present Rector was continued or whilst the congregation of the church acquiesced in the Rector's opposition to the introduction of His Lordship's Episcopal or Pastoral Staff."

A general meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's was held in the School room on Monday the 9th inst., to take into consideration Bishop Binney's letter.

The Rector, Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, having opened the meeting with prayer said that as he was one of the parties concerned, he would wish the congregation to choose a Chairman for the meeting. Hon. Joseph Pope was unanimously elected Chairman, he then called on Thomas Desbrisay, Esq., Church Warden, to read the Bishop's letter. After said letter was read, the Chairman called on the Rector, who, stated as above and related the substance of what occurred in the Vestry. The Rector was followed by Mr. Desbrisay, senior Church Warden, who corroborated the statements just made, and who also stated that he told the Bishop he did, on behalf of the congregation, most decidedly set his face against the use of the emblem in question, and would resist its introduction into the Church. The Rector then produced the authorities upon which he based his rejection of the Bishop's Staff.

The meeting was afterwards addressed by the Hons. Messrs. Haythorne, Warburton; E. Brecken, L. P. W. Desbrisay, L. H. Davies, H. Longworth, G. W. DeBlois, Esquires, and others, all of whom severally supported the resistance of the Rector, and

the firm stand taken by him against the introduction of the Bishop's Staff into St. Paul's. At the close of those addresses several Resolutions were submitted and unanimously passed, expressive of the approval and cordial thanks of the congregation, touching the action of the Rector and Church Warden, and the firm stand they took on the occasion referred to.

We are pleased to learn that the paragraph copied from a St. John paper by some of our Nova Scotia contemporaries, a week or two since, concerning Rev. D. A. Steele, was scarcely warranted by the facts. Mr. S., we are informed, is not yet fully restored to health but is able to attend to his pastoral duties.

Rev. Dr. Wade the venerable missionary pioneer who lately died in Burmah left all his property, about £2700 sterling, to different branches of the mission work in that country. He made provision in his will for printing the Anglo-Karen dictionary which was his last work. It is now going through the press.

Notices, &c.

Rev. A. W. BARSS has removed to Moncton, N. B., to which place he wishes all papers and correspondence for him addressed.

Rev. W. L. PARKER has removed to Freeport, Digby County, and wishes all papers and correspondence for him to be sent there.

The Twenty Third Anniversary of the American Bible Union will be celebrated at the Baptist Mariners Church the corner of Henry and Oliver Streets, New York, on Wednesday, the 2nd of October. The exercises will be confined to one day. Business Meeting at 9 A. M. Public Exercises, commencing at 10 A. M. and afternoon meeting at 3 P. M.

The Annual Meeting of the Colchester County Baptist Sabbath School Convention, will be held in the Baptist Chapel, at Onslow East, First Friday in next month. First Session will commence at half-past 2 o'clock, P. M. The evening Session will commence at 7 o'clock, P. M.

A. J. WALKER, Secretary.

Truro, Sept. 14th, 1872.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

Jas. P. Foster, Esq., \$4. Mrs. J. B. Hubley, C. H. Martell, E. C. Carter, yes it was sent on. A. E. Durland, \$4.50. Rev. W. E. Hall, \$2.20, 1 sub. J. Whitman, 1 sub.

News of the Week.

APPOINTMENTS.—The following appointments have, we understand, been made by the Dominion government:—

John D. Cummins, to be Shipping Agent for the Port of Halifax.

Capt. A. L. Wood, of Yarmouth, to be Harbor Master for Halifax.

Charles J. McDonald to be Paymaster for the Nova Scotia Militia district.

G. A. V. Paw, now a Tide-Waiter, to be promoted to the position made vacant by the death of Mr. Cullen.

John R. Geldert to be a Tide-Waiter in the place of Mr. Paw.

Alexander Robertson has been appointed a Shipping Officer.

DRUNK, DRUNK, DRUNK.—It is really sickening to read the papers, night and morning, and find day after day, paragraphs of the Police reports with the names of men and women having the affixes "drunk"—"drunk and disorderly"—"drunk on the street"—"drunk and fighting" appended to them with the number of dollars fine or days' imprisonment. It is melancholy to think that our City first licenses men to sell, and then employs policemen, stipendiary magistrates, jail keeper, and a host of other officials to do little else but look after, and punish the customers of these licensed men. Is this a reformatory process? Or is it to be a perpetual evil that is to increase in its terrible effects on these poor unfortunate men and women and their families? These are questions that it would be well for our Civic authorities to seriously consider and perhaps also to report upon.

OUR ALDERSMEN.—The Kentville Star says there were about 1500 persons present to witness the militia review and sham-fight on Tuesday of last week. It appears to have given general satisfaction.

CIVIC BENEVOLENCE.—Christian Nets won a victory over the Corporation. The action for violation of Building Act was tried before Chief Justice Young, who decided that there was no evidence of violation of the law, and dismissed the case. —*Chronicle*.

ERRATUM.—In the list of appointments published in the "Royal Gazette" of the 11th September, instant—To be Custos Rotulorum in and for the District of Argyle, in the County of Yarmouth, should read, Israel Harding, instead of James Harding. —*Gazette*.

Edward Binney, Esq., the late Collector of this port, has been over forty years in the Customs service, retires with a pension of \$1,700 a year. The largest pension allowed to any one by the Dominion Government.

COAL FOR THE EAST INDIES.—The American barge "Olivia Davies" has cleared at Pictou for Singapore with the first cargo of Nova Scotia coal ever shipped to the East Indies.

AT AYLESFORD, on Tuesday last, a building owned by Mr. William McIntyre, and occupied by Mr. John Strong, as a dry goods store, and the Free Masons as a Hall, was destroyed by fire. Mr. Strong's goods were nearly all saved, but the Masons lost nearly all the Lodge's property.

The Crown Coal, Brick and Pottery Company have this week shipped by schooner to Montreal 60 tons of Fire Clay, from the seams underlying their coal deposits. It is sent as a sample cargo, and if, when tested, it proves satisfactory, the Company expect to have large orders to fill. The Fire Clay is considered to be of the very best quality, and as the Company have large deposits of it on their property, mining and shipping it should prove remunerative.

ST. MARGARET'S BAY.—One of the finest lumber mills in the Province is that recently erected on an island near Mason's in Margaret's Bay, by two American gentlemen. There is plenty of timber within a radius of some twenty miles, all easily accessible. Though they have been in operation only about eighty days, they have already turned out over one million feet of spruce deals, and have orders in hand for fully twenty times that amount. They pay their wood cutters \$20 a month and found, and their raftsmen \$2 and \$3 a day. —*Recorder*.

DARTMOUTH.—On Wednesday last, a workman named Richard Smith met with an accident in Starr's Skate Factory, where he was employed, his clothes being caught by the machinery, and he much injured in the spine, he died on Friday morning. The Company are making a generous allowance to the widow. His fellow-workmen also made her a handsome donation.

You can get the following pieces of new Music by sending 30 cents to J. L. PETERS, 599 Broadway, New York, for the October number of PETERS' MUSICAL MONTHLY, or the pieces may be had in sheet-form, (printed from the same plates,) at the prices annexed:

Dead, but not Forgotten. Song and Chorus.....W. S. Hays, 40 cts. Sweetest. Song and Chorus.....

Oh! give me a Home in the South. Song & Chorus.....W. S. Hays, 40 cts. The Fortune Teller. Duet for Soprano and Alto.....V. Gabuzzi, 50 cts. Gloria Patri in D. From Heaven.....

H. P. Danks, 25 cts. Hattie's Waltz.....Ch. Kinkel, 35 cts. Un Ballo in Maschera.....Aug. Pachet, 35 cts. May Blossoms. Reverie.....Ch. Kinkel, 40 cts. Praise of Woman. Polka Mazurka. Four hands.....Pacher, 35 cts.

Mr. Peters will send, post paid, five back numbers, February to June, containing over \$20 worth of music, on receipt of \$1; or the four last numbers, July, August, September, and October, for the same sum.

Address, J. L. PETERS, Music Publisher, 599 Broadway, New York.

POLITICAL.—It is understood that the elections to fill the vacant seats in the Local Legislature will be held on October 16th.

LIVERPOOL.—A new bank is to be shortly organized here to be called the Bank of Acadia.

On Wednesday last a little girl, daughter of Mr. John D. McCleary, was run over by a truck in this town and had one of her legs broken.

THE INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.—We learn from the *Chronicle* that Mr. T. W. Clark, of Montreal, Superintendent of the Pullman Palace Car Company, has lately been in Halifax making arrangements to place a number of those famous cars on the Intercolonial.

The *Amherst Gazette* says there are but 12 miles of rails yet to be laid to make the connection, and about twenty miles of ballasting yet to be done. The rails are on hand, and it is expected the gap will be filled during the month, at which time it is stated the bridges will also be ready. A train may run over during the first week in October, and the line will probably be opened for traffic by the 15th.

So, notwithstanding all the predictions to the contrary, we may now shortly look for the completion of the line which is to link Halifax with the iron network overlying this western continent. The most modern conveniences and luxuries in travelling are to be enjoyed by Nova Scotia as well as the far-west.

A horse and wagon owned by a colored man named Russell, backed over Roche's wharf on Saturday last. The weight of the vehicle forced the animal underneath the water, and he was drowned.

CHALMERS CHURCH.—The three companies in whose offices this church was insured have each presented \$200 towards the repairs. Collections were taken on Sunday last which produced \$530, \$230 over the balance required to pay for the repairs, which have cost \$1100. It is much improved in its appearance.

ARRESTED FOR MURDER.—A colored man named Augustus Keeling was arrested on Sunday last, on a charge of killing his wife, a white woman, in the city of Boston, in May last.

THIEF TAKEN.—James Whelan, was arrested in St. John on Wednesday last on a charge of stealing a watch and chain in Halifax recently. He confessed the crime.

HACKS AND TRUCKS.—The committee on Hacks and Trucks, to whom was referred a petition from the truckmen, complaining of the legal scale of fees as being too low, reported to the City Council in favor of adoption of the following scale of rates:— For an ordinary load—

1	mile—15 cents
1	" 20 "
1	" 25 "
1	" 35 "
1	" 40 "
1	" 50 "
1	" 55 "
2	" 65 "

and for every additional 1/4 mile 10 cents. A chaldron of coal from any part of the city to Isleville, \$1.00.

A load of furniture \$1.00 per half mile unless another rate be specially agreed to. The report was laid over for consideration at a future meeting.

AT THE EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES for license to teach in the public schools of this Province, held last week at Mason Hall, there were forty-seven applicants—11 gentlemen and 36 ladies; 4 applied for grade B; 20 for grade C; 22 for grade D; and 1 for grade E.

It is said to be the intention of the Local Government to offer the present Government House for sale, and purchase or erect another building for the accommodation of future Governors.

The steamer *Linda* which went ashore last year at High Head, was floated last week and towed into Yarmouth, where the vessel will be repaired by Mr. Clements who purchased her.

RATHER FAST.—One of our Ontario exchanges says Prince Edward Island is seeking admission to the Confederation.

MUSIC HALL.—The managing committee of the Philharmonic Society, having felt the want of a Concert Hall in this city, in view of the unanimity of feeling on the subject, and the apparent necessity of some society or individual taking the initiative in the matter, at a recent meeting unanimously passed the following resolution: "Resolved—That the committee shall ascertain the probable cost, situation, &c., of a public concert hall, to be erected in a central locality within the city, and that the members individually shall use every effort to promote this much to be desired object." —*Chron*.

PICTOU COUNTY.—One day last week a man named Dubson, working in the Black Diamond Colliery, Westville, had his head severely injured by a fall of coal. He is recovering.

A man named Thos. Fraser, lately employed with Messrs. Reardon & Co. painters, as a bookkeeper, and who had been missing for several days, was found drowned on Thursday afternoon in the neighborhood of Hamilton's Wharf. An inquest was held on Friday, and a verdict of "Accidentally drowned" returned. The deceased had been recently suffering from mental derangement. He enjoyed the reputation of being at thoroughly honest and trust worthy man. —*Colonist*.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY IN NOVA SCOTIA.

The track has been laid to Greenville, 43 miles from Amherst. It has also been laid from Truro to the Folly Bridge. One of the stone abutments of the Folly Bridge is not yet completed. Three of the six spans have been finished. We understand that except this work, the bridging is all done. —*Chignecto Post*.

RELICS OF OLDEN TIMES AT LOUISBURG.

Mr. John Doherty, diver, was recently exploring the bed of Louisburg harbor for the Glasgow and Cape Breton Railway Company. During his search he found three cannon, and some portions of the wreck of a French Frigate. These are believed to have been sunk more than a century and a quarter ago when France and England were contending for the ownership of Cape Breton, and the provinces adjacent.

The relics were recovered by Mr. Doherty after much labor, and were brought to Halifax in the schooner *Fuam*, which arrived on Thursday. The action of the water during the 127 years the cannon were buried there, had so corroded the iron that excepting a small part in the centre, it was quite soft, and could be cut with a knife or broken with the hand. A block attached to one of the cannon and made principally of lignumvitae was better preserved, the wood being quite sound, though the iron bands were like the cannon, rust. —*Citizen*.

OUR MERCHANTILE MARINE is receiving additions almost every week from various places. Maitland, Hants Co.; Milton, and Tuskent, Yarmouth Co., report several large ships launched during the past week. There are evidences of skill and enterprise amongst us that must largely increase the wealth of the province.

The ship "Rossignol" of 1478 tons, launched at Tuskent on Wednesday last for Mr. John Young and others of Yarmouth, is the largest ship owned in Nova Scotia. Mr. Lawrence, of Maitland, is building a ship which is expected to register 2,000 tons. A fine ship called the "Acadia," about 1300 tons register was launched from the yard of Mr. James Crowe, Clifton Colchester County, on Thursday last.

OUR FRUIT CHOPS promise to be abundant. Annapolis and Kings counties show large quantities of very fine fruit.

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