

any week, which, I believe, will be the first week in June.

I trust we may have a meeting of unparalleled interest and enthusiasm.

Yours very truly,

J. W. LONGLEY,
Sec'y A. C. Alumni.
Halifax, May 9th, 1874.

For the Christian Messenger.

FROM OSBORNE, SHELburne COUNTY.

Dear Bro. Selden,

Permit me, through the Messenger, thankfully to acknowledge donations received a few days ago, from dear friends in Yarmouth, to aid in the building of the Baptist Meeting house in this place.

Kinney, Haley & Co.	\$35.00
Wyman Bros.	17.25
Joseph Allen	5.00
Geo. S. Marr	5.00
Chas. Hemen	5.00
W. H. Gridley	5.00
Joshua Huestis	5.00
Des. P. D. Kinney	5.00
John Turner	5.00
Des. Saml. Brown	5.00
Joseph S. Ryerson	5.00
Dr. Randall	4.00
Lewis Allen, Jr.	4.07
Edw. Huestis	4.00
Mrs. Joseph Brown	3.00
Mr. Geo. S. Taylor	3.00
Zebina Goudy	3.00
Norman L. Trefry (Arcadia)	2.00
Fred. Lange	2.00
Prince E. Robbins	1.00
A Friend	1.00
S. N. Allen (Arcadia)	4.00
Des. Wm. Doty (Hebron)	2.00
Total	\$130.32

Truly yours, &c.

G. B. Titus.

Osborne, N. S., April 30th, 1874.

Religious Intelligence.

ORDINATION OF BRO. JOHN A. McLEAN.

At Conference in Pine Grove, April 25:

Resolved, That the examination of bro. John A. McLean take place on the 30th day of April, 1874, at half past 10 A. M., in the Pine Grove Meeting House, and that the Pastors of the following Churches be invited, viz.: Wilmot, Lawrence town, Nictaux, and Lower Aylesford.

According to arrangement the Church and three ministering brethren met on the 30th April, at 4 past 10.

Resolved, That Dr. Tupper be chairman of the meeting, and James Wheelock, Clerk.

Prayer by Rev. A. Cohoon.

Resolved, That W. C. Neily, Dr. J. Woodberry, Geo. Neily, C. E. Armstrong, James Wheelock, J. N. North, George Dodge, and Obadiah Dodge, be the Council on behalf of the Church.

Resolved, That Brethren Alden Banks, and Reuben Baker, of Lower Aylesford, Brethren Silas Margeon, and Isaac Moore, of Wilmot, and Brethren J. D. Skinner, and C. Spence Licentiate, be invited to sit with the Council.

The candidate then gave a brief and clear relation of his Christian experience, and of his call to the ministry. Various questions were then propounded by the ministering brethren present, all of which were satisfactorily answered by the candidate; after which the Council retired, and upon a brief and candid consultation unanimously agreed to proceed to ordain Brother John A. McLean, as an Evangelist.

Resolved, That Rev. Dr. Tupper preach the ordination sermon, that Rev. W. J. Bleakney offer the ordaining prayer, and that Rev. A. Cohoon give the right hand of fellowship; and the charge to the candidate.

Meeting adjourned until 4 past 2 P. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. J. Bleakney.

Meeting convened at 4 past 2 P. M., when the ordination was duly proceeded with according to the last mentioned resolution.

JAMES WHELOCK,
Clerk of Council.

Dear Brother Selden,

A few explanatory remarks may be useful.

Our esteemed Bro. McLean had labored at Pine Grove for some weeks, to good acceptance; and his efforts had been manifestly attended with a special Divine blessing. A considerable number of persons were received for baptism. These, as well as the members of the Church, were desirous of his ordination. Through some inadvertence the letters inviting a Council were not addressed to the Churches, according to our usual custom, but to the Pastors, or ordained Ministers. As, however, the candidate appeared evidently to be a suitable man for ordination, and the circumstances to require it, we deemed it proper to disregard the informality noticed, and to proceed. Accordingly such brethren as were present from sister Churches were invited to unite with the Elders who had met, and the brethren chosen by the

Church. All the Resolutions were passed with unanimity. Of course I make no reference to my part in the exercises. (The text was 2 Tim. iv. 2.) The other exercises were appropriate and impressive.

Information has been subsequently received, that Bro. McLean baptized 23 persons at Pine Grove on Lord's day, May 3rd; and that a number more are expected to go forward in that ordinance on the 10th inst.

Yours very truly,
C. TUPPER.

Aylesford, May 8th, 1874.

HAMPTON, ANnapolis Co.—Dear Bro. Selden.—The seasons of refreshing enjoyed by so many of our churches, since the commencement of the present year call for thanksgiving and praise to God, from all who love his Holy Name. How wonderfully is the Saviour displaying his mighty power in the salvation of sinners. Having been made glad in hearing from others, perhaps some others may be gladdened by hearing of the good work of the Lord here on the Mountain, embracing Hampton, Port Williams and extending to Handley Mountain. Since the revival commenced in January we have witnessed seasons of great power, the Lord has been present in the midst of his people to bless his saints. Breaches have been healed, many wanderers have been reclaimed, and sinners converted. The results thus far are five baptised at Hampton, fifty at Port Williams, and thirteen at Handley Mountain—in all 68—and others waiting.

Brother Benjamin Miller is holding special services at Centerville, good is being done, several are received there for baptism. May the Lord continue his blessed work until the whole earth is filled with his glory.

Yours in Christian love,
PEREZ F. MURRAY.

MILTON, QUEENS Co.—We have had, from Milton, accounts of conversions from week to week, as they have taken place. Our brother Geo. W. Freeman gives us the following summary of aggregate of additions thus far:—

"God in His abundant mercy, has blessed us in Milton, in the reviving of His people, in the reclaiming of wanderers, and the conversion of many precious souls; to God be all the glory. Seventy-eight have been baptized into the membership of this church by Bro. Durkee, also received by restoration by letter and experience twenty-five—in all 103. The Sabbath School has shared largely in this work of grace, a good interest is still maintained, one very pleasing feature is that members of sister churches living in Milton are uniting with us, and are becoming to us real strength.

WINDSOR, May 5th, 1874.—Dear Bro. Selden.—We visited the baptismal waters last Lord's day, and seven followed Christ in baptism. Others will follow.

Yours, &c.,
D. M. WELTON.

SHELburne.—Our brother laboring in this locality informs us:—Since I wrote last, I have baptized and received into the church eleven. We hope to report other baptisms soon. In this new field we have a double work—to lead them to the Saviour, and then to destroy the deeply rooted errors obstructing their passage to the banks of the River Jordan.

BRIDGEWATER, May 4th, 1874.—Dear Brother.—The Lord is carrying on his work at Pleasantville. I had the privilege of baptizing eight rejoicing ones yesterday—seven heads of families. There are still many inquirers. The Lord is making bare his holy arm in our midst, and causing sinners to bow before him. He is making his own ordinances the means of convincing many of their error, and leading them to the simplicity of Gospel truth and order. Pray for us.

Yours &c.,
STEPHEN MARCH.

SPRINGFIELD, ANnapolis County.—Bro. J. C. Plum writes May 3, 1874.—I have labored with this church one fourth of the past year. We observed the week of prayer when some interest was manifest. Again we resumed our efforts the 29th of March, when God in great mercy blest the means in reclaiming some who had wandered, also in the conversion of others. Brother W. G. Parker came to our aid, preached two sermons and baptised fourteen. We trust many more will follow the Saviour in obedience to the divine command. To God be all the glory.

LIVERPOOL.—On the 19th inst., twelve persons were baptised here by the pastor, Rev. G. O. Gates.

[We are informed that notice of this was sent us before. If it came to hand it has been overlooked in some way for which we cannot now account.]

CANNING, CORNWALLIS.—Rev. D. Freeman says:—"The good work is still prospering in the Canning church. On the first Sabbath in April we received six by baptism, and two by letter. Last Sabbath four by baptism, and one by letter, making in all forty-nine added to this little church. More are expected both in Canning and Perea. Pray for us.

AYLESFORD, May 6, 1874.—Rev. Dr. Tupper writes:—"Through Divine goodness the gracious work is continuing in this region. On Lord's day, 3rd inst., Bro. Vidito baptized ten more in Kingston. Others are expected in several places to come forward soon."

Rev. E. F. Foshy writes from Hopewell, Albert Co., N. B., 1st May, 1874.—"My wife and myself and part of the family expect to leave here in a few weeks for the Western States in quest of health—it may be to die. I shall need the Messenger a few weeks longer—will send you a notice when to stop it. I like it much and in my wanderings shall miss its weekly visits.

AYLESFORD.—Rev. J. Read baptized 24 converts on Lord's day, May 3rd.

MILL VILLAGE, May 7, 1874.—A member of the Church writes: Last Sabbath Bro. Shields baptized four persons at Port Medway, and administered the Supper. A larger number of communicants were present at the Lord's Table than have been for fourteen years. After which he proceeded to Charleston, seven miles distant and there preached a sermon and buried a child and baptized four, then down to Mill Village where he married a couple, and preached again in the evening. "May his bow abide in strength."

The interest is not yet abating but there are yet many anxious enquirers, and at our monthly Conference, on Saturday we expect to have several come forward asking to be united to the Church in Christian spiritual baptism.

One of those baptized on Sunday morning was a daughter of Bro. Shields. We rejoice with him in that the Lord has thus dealt kindly with his servant.

CANARD, CORNWALLIS, May 11, 1874.—Dear Brother.—Some measure of the Divine blessing still rests on us. On April 12, there were eight baptised at Canard, and yesterday, May 10th, seven others.

We rejoice in the good tidings the Messenger brings from week to week, and try to pray, that the gracious influence abroad may continue, till the whole earth is filled with His glory.

Yours,
S. B. KEMPTON.

TORONTO.—We learn from the Canadian Baptist that the second anniversary of the Parliament street Church, was celebrated on Sabbath, April 12. From the reports read, it appears that the church has had another year of earnest work, and cheering prosperity. 22 have been added by baptism, 8 by experience and 3 by letter. The promise made at the beginning of the year, to be self-sustaining, has been fulfilled, upwards of \$1,500.00 having been raised for all purposes during the year. The spirit of the church is good, and the outlook is cheering.

OSHAWA.—The Lord is blessing the labours of pastor Montgomery in Oshawa in a very large measure. On last Sunday evening he baptized nine persons, of whom one was a lady 70 years of age. The chapel was crowded to excess; and it is believed that hundreds were unable to gain admission.

KINGSTON.—In the early part of the current year many young persons were anxious about salvation. On March 1st a series of meetings were commenced which have continued every evening since. Our school room which accommodates ninety persons, has been full and often crowded. We have visited the baptismal water on each of the last five Lord's days, and thus added eighteen to the church. Four more are accepted and will be baptised soon.

ST. JOHN.—We learn from the Christian Visitor that the ordinance of baptism was administered on Sunday last at Brunswick Street, when one candidate was immersed by pastor W. P. Everett, and two also were baptized into the fellowship of the Pitt Street church by the pastor.

Other places in New Brunswick are sharing in revival influences.

At UPPER GACETOWN, Rev. B. N. Hughes reports that the church has been holding a few special meetings, with en-

couraging results and prospects. Two candidates were baptized by the pastor on the 19th inst.

From FREDERICTON, Rev. T. H. Porter communicates the cheering intelligence that the work of revival is proceeding favorably there. Seven were received for church membership at the last conference. He baptized last Sabbath.

At HARVEY, April 6th, Rev. T. A. Blackadar says the good work is prospering gloriously. The tide of God's grace is rising higher and higher. To-day we again visited the baptismal waters and buried beneath the liquid wave fourteen rejoicing converts.

At ST. STEPHEN, pastor J. W. Manning baptized two persons last Sunday, and the Methodist clergyman at Calais immersed 12 on the same day. The Wesleyan will undoubtedly be gratified to hear this.

MIRAMICHI.—Rev. W. A. Coleman baptized five happy converts last Sabbath at Little Southwest. Six more, all young men, have professed to experience religion, whom we expect will soon be baptized.

Rev. I. E. Bill, jun., has removed to Pt. Fairfield, Me. He speaks of the country as one of the finest he has ever seen. The field he occupies includes the principal stations, and as many out-stations as he can supply. Large numbers attend the preaching of the Word, and the prospect is encouraging.

Dominion & Foreign News.

HALIFAX, N. S., MAY 13, 1874.

The ice bridge on the St. Lawrence River opposite Quebec moved on Friday last, causing immense damage to shipping on the River.

The Government steamer "Napoleon III," was out in two and sank. The steamer "Druid" was also badly damaged. The injury done is estimated at \$2,000,000.

The Erie Canal is open, and boats began running on Monday.

Barns belonging to John Harris, at East Oxford, were burned on Saturday, with sixty-three head of cattle.

The steamer "Three Rivers" was damaged by fire, at Sorel, on Monday night.

Peter Holsten's tannery, at Three Rivers, Quebec, was burned last week.

The Rideau Canal is open.

A boiler explosion occurred in Picton, Ont., on Tuesday, killing three men and injuring others.

In the House of Commons on Wednesday Mr. Costigan introduced his resolutions asking amendment of the Confederation Act, to allow the Catholic minority of New Brunswick to retain School rights the same as those enjoyed before Confederation. He held that the Union Act recognized existing rights of Catholics to Separate Schools, that the free School Act of 1871 took away those rights and inflicted great injustice. He moved the resolutions, and further debate was adjourned till Monday.

On Monday the Premier said in reply to a question from Mr. Jones, that he did not think it possible that the House would rise before the 25th inst.

Supplementary estimates were submitted to the amount of \$2,612,000.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Cartwright for concurrence in Tariff Resolutions, Mr. Duvivier pointed out the injustice done to rolling mills by the duty of 5 per cent on scrap iron, which was raw material for their manufacturers; it yielded little revenue. Railroad bars are admitted free, and most scrap iron was entered in that form.

UNITED STATES.

A sporting sensation was caused to day by a walking match for a wager of \$3,000, between James Gordon Bennett of the "Herald," and John W. Cuppe, a young lawyer—both members of the Union Club, where the match was arranged. Bennett won. Distance 10 miles; time 1 hour 47 minutes. His opponent was five minutes behind. \$50,000 changed hands on the result.

Ortwein, who murdered the Hammet family in their homestead, Pa., says he was sunstruck while in the German army and has been subjected to spells ever since, during which he does not know what he is doing. He thinks it must have been during one of these spells that he murdered the Hammet family.

An appeal for sufferers by the inundation South says, it will require \$40,000 per day for a long while to feed and provide for the starving people.

Congress has appropriated one hundred thousand dollars for the sufferers by the Louisiana flood.

Congress has refused to pass the bill appropriating three million dollars for the centennial celebration.

Advices from Arkansas state that both sides are strengthening their position and a collision is apprehended soon.

A telegram from Washington on Saturday, said:—President Grant will decide to-day which Governor of Arkansas is entitled to recognition. Heavy reinforcements of Federal troops are being sent into the State of Arkansas to uphold the national authority.

Dangerous forest fires are reported in various parts of Michigan, and a repetition

of the terrible scenes of two years ago are feared.

The Lower House of Congress has passed a resolution declaring that if taxation is necessary, an income tax should be levied upon persons and corporations.

New York, May 11—Gold 123. Sterling exchange \$4.88 1/2 to \$4.91 1/4. Money 3 per cent.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ENGLAND.—On the 4th in the House of Lords Earl Russell, in view of mutually embittered feelings of France and Germany, moved that copies of correspondence with these powers be called for, and asked what the course of the British Government would be in event of a rupture between them.

Earl Derby believed the peace of the immediate future was safe and trusted to the influence of time. England would do everything to maintain peace short of embroiling herself in a struggle in which she is not nationally interested. She would regard absolute atrocities as open questions, and faithfully adhere to her engagements of late years.

Earl Russell has withdrawn his motion calling for papers on the Oregon boundary and Fenian raid questions.

On Monday the 4th, there was a strike of miners in the Durham collieries. It is estimated that 50,000 men were thrown out of employment thereby. It increased on Wednesday to 70,000 and occasioned great distress. Prices of coal and iron advanced in consequence.

A later despatch says the strike of the Durham miners in England has ended.

A meeting was held in London on Wednesday night of those favoring disestablishment of the English Church. Goldwin Smith presided, and advocated the appropriation of church endowments to the relief of the poor and the promotion of education.

Sir Lambton Lorraine, in a communication to the "Pall Mall Gazette," says the reported interview with himself, published in the New York "Herald," is fictitious. He says: "I never said that blood was thicker than water, that the people of England have a strong affection for their American cousins, and that it would give me great pleasure to receive a silver brick. Whatever may be my opinions, I am no admirer of those English who are given to fawning upon their American cousins, at the expense of their own self respect."

On the 5th the steamer Caspian, from Liverpool for Quebec, took 350 agricultural laborers.

SPAIN.—The Spanish claimant, Don Carlos, has issued a proclamation to his followers, expressing confidence that his cause will eventually triumph.

Madrid advices on the 6th report that Concha has been appointed General in Chief of the Northern army. During the bombardment of Bilbao, 150 citizens were killed and wounded.

After the capture of Bilbao, the Spanish Government again applied to Germany for recognition of the Republic.

Bilbao has been completely reoccupied. The Carlists are returning in force to the River Neva.

Houses of prominent Carlists in Bilbao have been burned by the populace, owing to the non-arrival of stores.

Concha's command has not left Bilbao. General Lopez Domiguez will probably be the next Spanish minister.

Serrano was received with enthusiasm in Madrid on Wednesday.

A body of Carlists was defeated in Valencia on Tuesday, and 40 were killed.

The Republican troops came up with the Carlists under Don Alfonso and defeated them with heavy loss.

CUBA.—A heavy battle is reported involving a loss of 800 killed and wounded on both sides, and both claim victory.

Two had characters tried in Havana for resisting the Gendarmerie, have been shot. The Captain General of Cuba orders the formation of eight battalions of colored militia.

RUSSIA.—Von Molke and Manteuffel visited the Czar in Berlin, on Monday.

The Russian Grand Duke Vladimir is to be married to the Duchess Marie of Mecklenburg.

PALESTINE.—The American Topographical Corps have reached Jerusalem. They were detained at Mount Sinai by a snow-storm.

INDIA.—The cable brings rumors of a fearful hurricane at Madras on Wednesday, attended with much damage to the shipping and great loss of life.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A SCENE AT ROME.—Monsignor Capel was preaching one day lately at St. Andrea delle Fratte, at Rome, on the necessity of subjecting individual belief to the teaching of the Church. As soon as he left the pulpit our esteemed brother, the Rev. James Wall, said to him in a loud voice, "I do not agree with your explanations, and I undertake to refute them in each point."

The Monsignor replied, "I am at your disposal; not here, however, but at my home." Mr. Wall rejoined, "I think it would be better to discuss the subject here before the same audience which has listened to your sermon." The Monsignor put an end to the incident by saying, "There is no discussing here, but only listening and believing."

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