

THE EASTERN WAR AND PALESTINE.

When we mentioned in our last the possibility of the question of the future of Palestine being mixed up with the settlement of the Turkish war affairs, we did so without knowing that the subject had already been under discussion. We find the London *Free Press* referring to this matter in a half facetious spirit under the caption "The last guess of the riddle." Here is what it says:—

A very curious rumor has been current in some of the West-end clubs during the last few days. It is neither more nor less than that our mysterious Prime Minister proposes the annexation of the Holy Land to the British Crown. Had the reader enjoyed the confidence of one of those omniscient gentlemen, who, spending half their time in club-houses, find the sole object of their existence in seeking after and secretly circulating some new thing, and asked him the news, he might have found himself led by the button into a corner and put through a catechism somewhat as follows:—Everybody knows the Turkish Empire is now broken up. Do you not suppose that we shall pick up some of the pieces? The sick man is dead. Ought we not to take some share of the intestate effects? Would not the seizure of Jerusalem be a fine thing for ever for my Lord Beaconsfield? Who would say nay? Would not the romance of such a step have a mighty influence? Would it not open up an immense commerce with the East that would revive the trade of our country? Would not a certain newspaper, with an immense circulation, and inspired by Jews, and whose readers have shown themselves ready to believe any absurdity it may advance, lend its influence to such a measure? Would it not provide a host of good appointments? Does not everybody know that Palestine under good government would prove a mine of untold wealth? Would it not be a check on whatever power was at Constantinople, secure us the key of the Suez Canal, and the chief roads to India? Is not the third lion on the British shield asserted by heraldists to be the lion of the tribe of Judah, and an assertion of an ancient right to reign in Jerusalem? Is it not a fact that the Government have recently given orders for a number of maps of Palestine on a large scale? Then, with this crowning assertion and a knowing wink, the conversation would be closed with the judicious but not very original counsel to wait and see.

Let not our readers suppose that we give credence to rumours like these. But the fact is, that so long as we have such a leader our only forecast is to be prepared for surprises. That such an idea might catch public opinion is just possible. How our millenarian prophetic friends would crow! They have been telling us ever so long that the time, times, and half-time of Daniel express in our time that the land shadowing with wings is England, that the vessels of bulrushes are the P. and O. Company's steamers; that by the drying up of the Euphrates is meant the downfall of Turkey; that by the kings of the East is meant Queen Victoria. Still we acknowledge that we have not been able to see it, and fail to see it now; but we are alarmed to think of the flood of lectures on unfulfilled prophecy this proposal may let loose, should it ever be seriously entertained.

THE BARRACK STREET MISSION CHAPEL has heretofore been regarded as unsectarian, and as such has been worked by trustees from different denominations and used by the Young Men's Christian Association. Ministers, and others, belonging to the various Evangelical Churches have freely participated in the services, and as teachers in the Sabbath School held there.

We are now told by the Wesleyan that all this is to be changed:

"Mr. Edward Jost, lately deceased, left by Will to four executors, to be used for the purposes of a Methodist Mission, the brick church built by him some years ago on Brunswick Street, about the centre of the city. The executors are leading officials, two from the North and two from the South churches—Messrs. Geo. H. Starr, S. H. Black, Sheriff Bell and W. B. McNutt."

The Rev. E. Brunyate late of Kaye Street Methodist Church is appointed to take charge of this mission.

Dear Brother,—Is it according to Baptist usage, or the teachings of the Word of God to admit to the Lord's table a person who is not a member of a Baptist Church. Although he may have been scripturally baptized and is living, so far as we can know, a godly life?

Yours, &c.,

INQUIRER.

The above question tells us what the person referred to is not, but it does not say what he is,—whether he is a member of, and responsible to, any other church or no. If he be not a member of any church, he is not living according to Baptist order, although he may be otherwise living. "a

godly life." If he be a member of any other church not in fellowship with regular Baptist churches, and his admission to the Lord's table would be held as an endorsement of said church it would be likely to produce discord and therefore not desirable.

At the funeral of the late King of Italy towards the close of the procession was the flag of the English Baptists in Rome bearing inscriptions "United Italy" and "Roma Capitale" surrounded by ten Italian Baptist ministers, headed by Mr. Wall. This is perhaps one of the most remarkable events to have occurred in Rome, and indicate the progress of religious liberty and especially of Baptist principles in that ancient City.

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST YEAR BOOK, 1878 published by the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, pp. 152. Price 50 cents.

This is a very neat closely printed pamphlet and contains the statistical information of Baptist churches, Educational Institutions and Societies throughout the United States. The State organizations are given in detail showing how many Baptist Associations, Churches, ministers, Baptisms, &c., are in each of the 46 States of the Union. It also contains alphabetical lists of the ordained Ministers and various other information of interest to all who are concerned about our denominational affairs.

PROCEEDINGS AND TRANSACTIONS OF THE NOVA SCOTIA INSTITUTE OF NATIONAL SCIENCE OF HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, 1876-77.

It is a great pity that this Annual is not enlarged so as to give the papers read in full. The abbreviation of some of them is so great that they are, we believe, but the bones of the essay in its original form. Several of the articles under Transactions are nevertheless valuable contributions to Home Science, and will be carefully read by intelligent men, and preserved for future reference.

From the Acadia Athenæum.

"Acadia still lives,"—and prospers.

"Cast down, but not destroyed."

The ruins still continue to smoke; so do some of the depraved Juniors.

Acadia College, as it was, will be found represented on the cover of last number. Acadia College as it is, will be found under the poplar tree in the back yard. Acadia College, as it will be, stands fair and beautiful, though indistinct, on the slope of '78-'79, like a castle on the brow of a hill, draped in the gray mist of morning.

Why cannot some enterprising photographer or travelling artist come this way and take a view of the ruins, before the profane pick-axe and the unsympathetic crowbar destroy them. Such a view would form a first-rate embellishment to some future illustrated history of Acadia.

Mr. Jacob Schurman, one of our old students, who obtained the Gilchrist scholarship, has just obtained the highest honors in Logic and Moral Philosophy. He also won a scholarship of £50 sterling a year, but as he is over the specified age, he gained nothing by this.

The Acadia Athenæum held its first meet of the term on January 18. The following are the officers elected:—

President.—Truman Bishop.
Vice-President.—A. J. Denton.
Recording Secy.—A. C. Chute.
Corresponding Secy.—W. P. Shafner.

Treasurer.—A. Pineo.
Critic.—G. W. Cox.

The interest in the Society was well kept up last term, and we hope that it will not be allowed to flag during the remainder of the year.

A friend in need is a friend in deed. That is the kind of friends we have in Wolfville. Not particularly demonstrative as long as everything moves on prosperously and there is no special call for demonstration, but ready to stretch out a helping hand in the hour of adversity, in the dark and cloudy day. We might cite their action at the Educational Meeting, of Dec. 6th, but we speak specially, just now of the kindness shown to the students, both of the College and Seminary, who were turned out of house and home by the fire.

Everything that kindness could suggest or hospitality conceive to make the days of our sojourn pleasant was done, and in spite of the sadness which

would creep over us at times when we remembered that Acadia was in ashes, we can say that few weeks have been spent more pleasantly than the week after the fire which we passed among our friends in need in the village. And so long as we remember Acadia College and the night of Dec. 2nd 1877, we will also remember, as the silver lining to the cloud, the generous kindness of those who opened their hearts and homes to us in our day of trouble.

Notices.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Pereauz, Mrs. J. L. Sanford.....\$6 00
Cove Bay, C. B.—Mrs. R. P. Rice... 4 00
Mr. S. Harlow, Granite Village,
Shelburne Co..... 2 00
Mrs. S. Harlow, do do..... 2 00
M. R. Selden, Sec'y.
Halifax, Feb. 12th, 1878.

CORRECTION.—In the notice of the death of Mrs. Aaron Fitch, which I sent you yesterday, please read that she was a member of Windsor Church forty-two years instead of thirty-two.

And oblige, yours truly,
E. M. Kierstead.
Windsor, Jan. 31st, 1878.

RECEIVED FOR FRENCH MISSION.

From Wm. C. Bill, Billtown.....\$5 00
Hebron Church, Yarmouth,
additional..... 2 56
Third Yarmouth Church,
Deerfield..... 2 19
Total.....\$9 75

J. C. ANDERSON,
Treasurer H. M. Board.
Yarmouth, Feb. 4, 1878.

Letters Received.

W. Faulkner, Esq., \$2. Rev. S. Weston, \$2. J. F. Masters, \$2. Edw. Yorke, \$1. 1 sub. Jas. S. McNeill, \$4. J. A. Charlton, \$2. Geo. S. Sulis, \$5. J. R. McLean, 25 cts. Rev. P. F. Murray, \$2. Rev. A. Chipman, \$9.50. Jas. S. Witter, \$7. 2 subs. R. West, \$4. S. T. R. Bill, \$8. W. C. Hankinson, \$2. D. Archibald, 1 sub. H. E. Payson, \$13.30. D. Whitman, \$5. Joseph Dimock, \$2. Rev. Dr. Tupper, \$2. J. F. Morrow, \$2.50. Mr. J. Smith, \$2. J. A. Bool, \$4. M. Kinsman, \$6. Rev. J. H. Saunders, \$2. J. W. Biglow, \$2. Mrs. W. Glenn, \$2. W. R. Doty, \$10. J. C. Anderson, Esq., \$2.

Marriages.

At DeBert River, Londonderry, Dec. 24th, ult., by Rev. M. P. Freeman, Mr. Lorenzo McCully to Rebecca Jane, daughter of James McCully, all of DeBert River.

At Windsor, on the 5th inst., by Rev. E. M. Kierstead, Mr. George R. Rafuse and Miss Hannah R. Symmer, both of Waterville.

At Melvern Square, Feb. 6, 1878, by the Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Nelson Gates to Nellie D., youngest daughter of the widow Caroline Leland; all of Melvern Square.

On the same evening, by the same, at the residence of Robt. Clark, brother-in-law to the bride, Arthur Andrews, of Prince Albert, Wilmet, to Lois, daughter of Mr. John Sullivan, of Harborville, Cornwallis.

At Barrington, Jan'y 31st, by Rev. F. H. W. Pickles, Mr. E. T. Ferguson, of Sydney, Cape Breton, and Miss Ida J. Watt, of Barrington.

Deaths.

At Berwick, Nov. 23rd 1877, Una Bell, aged 5 years; also, Dec. 17th, Grace Weston, aged 2 years, children of Andrew F. and Mary Chipman.

At Berwick, Dec. 1st, 1877, Jennie May, aged 3 years and 3 months; also, Dec. 4th, Nellie E., aged 1 year and 7 months; also, Jan'y 24th, 1878, J. Wilfred, aged 6 years, children of J. Burton and Lucy Chute. These sweet little children all fell victims to that terrible disease which has made such powerful ravages in this as well as in other communities. May "the God of all comfort" comfort those who mourn.

On Feb. 9th, 1878, Minnie Hannah Bailey, aged 10 years and 6 months.

On Feb. 4th, of diphtheria, at the residence of William McCully, DeBert River, Barton, son of the late Alexander McCully, aged 9 years.

On Tuesday, 5th Feb., Patrick Scully, in the 14th year of his age.

Feb. 6th, Mr. Ebenezer Whyte, in the 60th year of his age.

On Wednesday morning, Margaret, widow of the late John Drinan, aged 76 years.

At Jeddore, 15th December, of diphtheria, John Andrew, aged 8 years and 6 months; on the 16th, Willoughby Artemus, aged 10 years and 10 months; and on the 24th Dec., Sarah Jane, aged 14 years and 9 months, beloved children of George and Rachel Doyle.

At Enfield, Hants County, on the 30th January, Mrs. Catherine S. Richards, aged 92 years.

Also, at the same place, on the 1st inst. Mrs. Margaret Calder, aged 66 years.

At Grand Lake, near Enfield, on the 7th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Bond, formerly of Rawdon, aged 88 years.

At St. Margaret's Bay, Feb. 3rd, Mary Jane, beloved wife of Robert Isnor, aged 42 years.

On Sunday, Edna and Meera, youngest son of Mr. J. J. Myers, in the 1st year of his age.

At Mass-Low, January 11th, 1878, of diphtheria, Angus, only child of Angus and Elizabeth McLennan, aged 3 years.

The lovely flower did just unfold its charms before our eyes.

When lo! 'twas caught from us away, To bloom in Paradise.

At Windsor, on the 8th inst., James M. Eldert, Esq., High Sheriff of the County of Hants, in the 61st year of his age.

Leaving a widow, eight children, and a large circle of relatives and friends to lament their loss.

NO RISK.

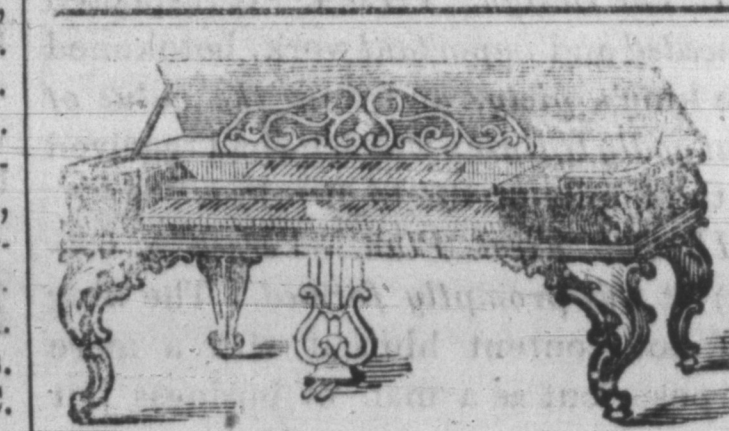
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Nov. 28. 3m.

WINDSOR & ANNAPOLIS Railway.

TIME TABLE.

Commencing Monday, October 15, 1877.

STATIONS.	Steamboat Express Mon, Wed, and Saturday.	Passengers and Freight daily.	Passengers and Freight daily.	Passengers and Freight daily.
0 Windsor—	Leave.....	A. M. 8 00	A. M. 11 15	P. M. 5 00
7 Hantsport	"	8 28	11 43	5 25
14 Horton Landing	"	8 50	12 08	5 48
15 Grand Pre	"	8 55	12 12	5 53
18 Wolfville	"	9 07	12 23	6 10
20 Port Williams	"	9 14	12 38	6 20
25 Kentville—Arrive	"	9 30	1 00	6 40
Do	Leave.....	9 45	1 20	
34 Waterville	"	10 15	1 52	
37 Berwick	"	10 26	2 05	
42 Aylesford	"	10 46	2 27	
49 Kingston	"	11 07	3 04	
58 Wilmot	"	11 23	3 20	
56 Middleton	"	11 33	3 35	
62 Lawrence town	"	11 49	4 10	
65 Paradise	"	11 59	4 10	
70 Bridgetown	"	12 15	4 38	
84 Annapolis	"	1 00	5 30	
St. John—Arrive	"	8 00		

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19 Paradise	"	8 58	12 23	5 53
22 Lawrence town	"	9 22	12 35	6 15
28 Middleton	"	9 47	12 50	6 34
31 Wilmot	"	10 05	1 05	6 50
35 Kingston	"	10 15	1 15	7 00
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70 Horton Landing	"	8 50	12 46	5 48
77 Hantsport	"	9 17	1 15	6 08
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N. B.—Express Trains leave Windsor at 8 a. m. every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, connecting at Annapolis with steamer for St. John. These trains offer special facilities for the conveyance of Passengers, Freight and Live Stock, enabling the same to be landed in St. John the same evening.

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P. LYNES, General Manager. Kentville, 10th Oct., 1877.

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