

THE NEW YEAR will shortly be upon us. We are from time to time receiving additions to our list of subscribers, and not seldom from those who were formerly subscribers, but from having removed their residence, or the force of other circumstances had been under the necessity of discontinuing, but finding that they miss the visits of the *Christian Messenger*, wish for its reappearance and embrace the first opportunity of renewing their subscriptions. The names of such persons we always welcome most cordially. Next to these we are glad to hear from the sons or daughters of our good old subscribers, who, having left the parental roof, and themselves become housekeepers, wish to have our visits continued in their own homes, though, perhaps, now living at a considerable distance away. The names of such new subscribers are specially welcome. Then the young intelligent people who have taken their stand on the side of Christ and his kingdom; the names of these are a joy to us when received either from themselves or their friends. Families, too, having a number of young people in them who hitherto have not enjoyed the benefits of a regular weekly Christian newspaper; to these we particularly wish for an introduction, and to such we always desire to bring our quota of information, instruction and news of passing events, religious and general.

Who will assist us in this our responsible mission? GENTLE READER, may we have your generous and kind co-operation in this work? A word of commendation to any such persons may result in their sending on their names with one dollar for six months, or two dollars for a year. Please try, and you shall have our best thanks.

We have A HIGHLY INTERESTING SERIAL with which to commence the New Year, and in which we doubt not our readers of all ages will be greatly delighted.

New Subscribers for 1879 will receive the *Messenger* from the time they send on their subscription.

To JANUARY 1st, 1880, the remainder of 1878 being given in.

The Editors of the *Visitor* interpret the absence of a reply from Rev. D. D. Currie to their acceptance of his challenge—minus the costs—to mean a backing down on his part. Such conclusion may be just a little premature. They pronounce his challenge "a piece of bumcombe unworthy an honest man, much less a Christian."

Notices.

I am requested to give notice that a meeting of the Baptist Ministers of Kings Co., N. S., will be held (D. V.) on Wednesday, the 4th day of December next at 2 o'clock, P. M., in the vestry of the Baptist Church, Wolfville, for the purpose of considering the propriety of organizing a "King's Co. Baptist Ministers' Conference and Auxiliary to the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union."

A Public Home Missionary Meeting will take place in the evening. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

ISA. WALLACE.

Rev. J. Brown wishes it understood that the pamphlet containing his his "Letters" advertised at 10 copies for a dollar, is intended for those who wish them for free distribution.

"Open Letter, No. 9," will appear in our next.

ACADIA ATHENÆUM.

The next lecture before this Society will be delivered on Friday, 22nd inst., by Dr. Allison, Superintendent of Education. Subject: "John Stuart Mill."

C. K. HARRINGTON, for Lect. Com.

Letters Received.

G. W. Freeman, Esq., \$10.50. J. F. Page, \$3. Jas. E. Potter, Esq., \$2, all right. Jas. Desbrisay, Esq., \$14. L. McDonald, \$4. Rev. J. A. Stubbart \$2. M. Holbert, \$2.

Marriages.

At Granville Ferry, on Thursday, the 7th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. F. Beattie, William M. Tupper, Merchant, of Bridgetown, to Alice M. daughter of John Mills, Esq., of Granville Ferry.

At the residence of the bride's brother, on the 13th inst., Mr. Henry A. Davidson, by the Rev. Isaiah Wallace, A. M., Mr. Jehiel D. Martin, to Miss Laura A. Davidson, both of Davidson St., Horton, N. S.

At Windsor, on the 15th inst., by Rev. Mr. Murray, C. H. Payson, Esq., of Westport, Digby Co., to Annie P. Salter, daughter of Robert E. Salter, Esq., of Newport, Hants Co.

At Elm Cottage, Belcher St., Cornwallis, Nov. 12th, by the Rev. S. B. Kempton, Lodowick H. Burnaby, Esq., of Milton, Queens Co., to Theresa E., second daughter of the late Judson D. Harris.

At Victoria, British Columbia, on the 17th ult., by the Rev. S. Macgregor, assisted by the Rev. Alexander Dunn, Rev. George Murray, to Florence, fourth daughter of J. F. McDonald, of New Glasgow, N. S.

At Barrington, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. F. H. W. Pickles, Arthur H. Smith, of Truro, to Ida E., daughter of Warren Doane, Esq., of Barrington.

At the residence of Hon. Joseph Russ, near Ferndale, on the 16th ult., by the Rev. J. E. Strong, Mr. H. D. Smith, of Truro, to Carrie, daughter of Benjamin Flint, of Myrtle Grove, Humboldt Co., Col.

On the 9th inst., at Hubbard's Cove, by the Rev. Henry Stamer, Rector, Edwin Colp, of Black Point, St. Margaret's Bay, to Emilia Schwartz, of Hubbard's Cove.

On Nov. 11th, at Garrison Chapel, by Rev. A. J. Townsend, Albert Kerrill, of Salisbury, G. B., to Miss Susan Elena, daughter of Mr. Thomas Lidston, of St. John's, Nfld.

At Bear River, on the 5th ult., by the Rev. J. F. Smith, Mr. Vincent Raymond, of Maitland, to Miss Hannah Perry, of Brookville.

At Yarmouth, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. J. J. Teasdale, Mr. Joseph Burrell, jr., to Mrs. Sarah Trevena.

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Deaths.

At Salem, Annapolis Co., Oct. 13th, Willard Parker, only son of Edwin G. Dodge, Esq., in the 21st year of his age. During a series of meetings held in that place by the Rev. J. A. McLean, pastor of the Pine Grove Church at that time, our young brother became deeply concerned about the salvation of his soul. He, with others asked for the prayers of the people of God, and was led by the Holy Spirit to cherish a hope in the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world, but did not unite with the church—waiting for a clearer evidence of his acceptance with God. Consumption had marked him for its victim, but being partially deprived of hearing and in a poor state of health could not attend the House of God as he wished to do. As his bodily strength failed his faith took a firmer hold on Christ his Saviour. He was enabled to tell what great things the Lord had done for him. This was a great comfort to his parents and friends. The Bible was his delight and the promises gave him great comfort and joy. When the hour of his departure came he was ready and willing to go and be with Christ which is far better. Our young brother has left parents and a sister to mourn the loss of a son and brother, but with the assurance that their loss is his eternal gain.—Communicated by Rev. W. G. Parker, Middleton, Nov. 1st, 1878.

Isaac Chipman Ross, son of the Rev. Hugh Ross, died on the 9th of October, 1878, at Betts Cove, Newfoundland, aged 24 years. He was the picture of health when he left home in June last, six months ago. "In the midst of life we are in death." His sorrowing parents have the consolation that, like the prodigal son, came to himself, saw his folly, and regretted very much having left home. His father received a letter from the minister who attended him in his sickness in the hospital for two months. He expressed his willingness to die and felt no fear of death. He said he firmly believed and trusted in Christ, he had cast his sins on Him and experienced a sense of His forgiving love and looked forward to a happy future.—Com.

At Conquerall, Aylesford, of diphtheria, June 18th, Anna Bell, aged 10 years and 8 months. On June 24th, Zilpha E., aged 4 years, and on July 27th, Seleda May, aged 1 year and 11 months, children of Simeon and Rosanna Gates.

At the same place, July 25th, Mary Emma, aged 5 years and 4 months, and on Aug. 8th, John Melbourne, aged 10 years and 8 months, children of Charles and Lucy Gates.

"Dear as thou wert, and justly dear, We will not weep for thee; One thought shall check the starting tear; It is, that thou art free."

On Windsor Road, on the 10th inst., of diphtheria, Maud Corkum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Corkum, in the 14th year of her age.

At Great Village, on the 25th ult., Miss Clara Davidson, aged 22 years, eldest daughter of the late D. A. Davidson, Esq.

At Salmon River, Halifax County, Wm. Thomas Allen, aged 45 years.

On Sunday, Nov. 17th, Mary, the beloved wife of James Smith, mariner, in the 38th year of her age.

On Sunday, Nov. 17th, after a short illness, Robert Graham, in the 74th year of his age.

On the 6th inst., Jane W., wife of R. J. Binyan, of Yarmouth, aged 26 years.

At Milton, Yarmouth, on the 7th inst., Eliza S., beloved wife of John H. Killam, Esq., and fourth daughter of Charles McLauchlan, Esq., of St. John, N. B.

At Yarmouth, on the 8th inst., Eliza Frances, daughter of the late Mr. James Forster, in the 27th year of her age.

At Deerfield, on the 20th ult., Augusta, wife of Mr. W. W. Eldridge, aged 31 years.

On the 16th inst., Mary Ann, widow, of the late Andrew L. Flohr, in the 75th year of her age.

On Wednesday, 16th ult., after a lingering illness, Mary, daughter of F. A. Kennedy, passed away peacefully, aged 37 years.

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By Katharine D. Smith, with illustrations by Frederick Dielman, begins in the same number; and a fresh serial by Susan Coolidge, entitled "Eyebright," with plenty of pictures, will be commenced early in the volume. There will also be a continued fairy-tale called

"Rumpty Dudget's Tower,"

Written by Julian Hawthorne, and illustrated by Alfred Fredericks. About the other familiar features of St. NICHOLAS, the editor preserves a good-humored silence, content, perhaps, to let her five volumes already issued, prophesy concerning the sixth, in respect to short stories, pictures, poems, humor, instructive sketches, and the lure and lore of "Jack-in-the-Pulpit," the "Very Little Folks" department, and the "Letter-box," and "Riddle-box."

The November Number.

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Throughout are seen evidences and fruit of the editor's recent travel across the continent, and Mrs. Dodge's inimitable touches everywhere show the heartiness and zeal with which she resumes active editorial management. One long article and two poems in this number bear her signature, and in the Letter-Box she talks pleasantly with the young folks about her delightful journey to California.

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Nov. 20.

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