

receive only those pupils whose parents would pledge themselves neither to bind their daughters' feet nor marry them to heathen. We have already eleven whose parents have given the necessary papers, and we have the prospect of several more before very long. It is true this is a small beginning, yet it is much better than we expected, and we believe that in a few years we shall have as many pupils as we are prepared to receive. Already we find that this new departure is leading our people to think on the question of foot-binding; and the subject is more generally discussed among themselves than ever before.

For the Christian Messenger.

Domestic Education of Children.

Dear Editor,

The importance of Domestic Education, cannot well be over-estimated. If this be neglected, or improperly done, the evils are such, that to correct them will be found a very difficult task. Much of the usefulness and happiness of the after life, will be found dependent on the education the child receives before it leaves the nursery.

The conquering of the will is of all things, in this work, the most important. If this is brought into subjection the ground work of a good domestic education is laid, upon which, you may build, with a reasonable hope of success. This is no new thought. Long ago, from the pen of Mrs. Wesley, in a letter to her son, she gives the following:—

"In order to form the minds of children, the first thing to be done is to conquer their wills. To inform the understanding is a work of time, and must, with children proceed by slow degrees, as they are able to bear it; but the subjecting the will is the thing that must be done at once, and the sooner the better; for, by neglecting timely corrections, they will contract a stubbornness and obstinacy which are hardly ever conquered, and not without using such severity as would be as painful to me as to the child. In the esteem of the world they pass for kind and indulgent, whom I call cruel parents, who permit their children to get habits which they know must afterwards be broken. When the will of the child is subdued, and it is brought to revere and stand in awe of its parents, then a great many childish follies and inadvertencies may be passed by. Some should be over-looked, and others mildly reproofed; but no wilful transgression ought ever to be forgiven without such chastisement, less or more, as the nature and circumstances of the offense may require. I insist upon such conquering the will of children betimes, because this is the only strong and rational foundation of a religious education, without which both precept and example will be ineffectual. But when this is thoroughly done, then a child is capable of being governed by the reason and piety of its parents, till its own understanding comes to maturity, and the principles of religion have taken root in the mind."

For the Christian Messenger.

Dear Bro. Selden,

Will you allow me to say through the Messenger that I read with deep regret the letter of Rev. George Armstrong in your last issue, in which he threatens me with legal proceedings for issuing a "caution to subscribers." In reply I have simply to say that the caution was necessary to prevent subscribers, against whom he had begun legal proceedings, stopping their papers; that its statements are entirely correct, and the proof is in my possession. In the Telegraph of this morning there appears also a notice from him threatening still further legal proceedings against subscribers. Regretting the occasion of this note, I remain,

Yours cordially,
J. E. HOPPER.

Visitor Office, Sept. 22, 1879.

For the Christian Messenger.

Sixth Sunday School Convention of Annapolis County.

According to announcement the Sixth Annual Meeting of the above Convention convened with the Baptist Sunday School, Clementsvalle, on Friday, Sept. 19th, 1879, at 9.30, A. M.

The Annual Report of the Secretary contained the following Statistics:—

No. of Schools reported, 4 Methodist, 19 Baptist, 1 Union, 1 Adventist—Total 25.

No. of Teachers, Male 77, Female 80—Total 157.

No. of Scholars, Male 740, Female 832—Total 1572.
Average attendance, 1078.
No. Books in Libraries, 3440.
No. Schools sustained during Summer only, 17.

No. School sustained all the year, 8.
Amount expended for Books &c., for year ending Sept. 1, 1879—\$375.11.

The election of Officers, then proceeded with resulted as follows:—

M. L. Fields, —President.

A. D. Brown, Shipley Spurr, J. W. Whitman, S. N. Jackson, Minor Tupper, H. M. Irvine, James Anthony, and W. V. Vroom, —Vice-Presidents.

George E. Croscup, —Secretary.

James H. Gates, and H. A. Snow, —Assist-Secretaries.

J. M. Longley, —Treasurer.

The discussion of the following subjects constituted the greater part of the programme.

"Are Teachers meetings a necessity to successful Sabbath School work?"—(opened with a paper) by Rev. T. A. Higgins.

"The right sort of Teachers; and their preparation for the work"—by Mr. M. L. Fields of Annapolis.

"The duties of parents to the Sunday School"—by Rev. F. Beattie.

"The relation of the Church to the School"—by Geo. E. Croscup.

"The work; Are you a Sunday School Teacher?"—by W. V. Vroom.

At the close of the Session a vote of thanks was unanimously tendered to the people of Clementsvalle for their munificent hospitality.

After singing and prayer the Convention adjourned at 9 o'clock, P. M., to meet at Stony Beach on the third Friday of Sept., 1880.

Geo. E. Croscup, Sec'y.

The Christian Messenger.

Halifax, N. S., October 1, 1879.

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One of our Halifax contemporaries informs his readers that he wants 1000 new subscribers in October. This is surely a very modest request. If the adherents of the body he represents appreciated as highly as they should, the value of their weekly paper, they might add that number to his list of names in less than a month.

We shall not say a word to discourage our neighbor in this honest endeavour to extend his field of operations, but would rather encourage him in his work, and his people in seconding his efforts, yet we would just take the liberty of offering a suggestion to our own friends, that we also have room for a large addition. We would not like to limit our patrons to one thousand, but would ask every one of the thousands already on our list of subscribers, to try and get us at least one New Subscriber, each month of this year. If more than one so much the better for all concerned. That would give us a very respectable addition, and we verily believe that it would be an expenditure that would bring more pleasure and satisfaction to the family so visited than any other outlay they could make. In an educational point of view, a religious weekly is a profitable investment. The family would very soon become more in sympathy with the operations of the Christian church. The sphere of their relationship would be enlarged, and they would soon have a more intelligent acquaintance with the progress of Christian truth, and the work that is being done in the world in relation to the Kingdom of God.

The evenings are now getting longer and more time can be appropriated to reading. Let parents then see that the reading they provide for their families is of such a character as will help to make them men and women of whom they need not be ashamed.

The reading of the Christian Messenger has been blessed to hundreds of families, and is to-day regarded by thousands as one of the pleasantest parts of their recollections of home.

We are willing to sacrifice something to get two or three thousand new subscribers, and we here make the offer to send the Messenger from this date, or from the date of receiving the names with the advance for one year, up to January 1, 1881. Two or three months for nothing!

Will our Subscribers please inform their neighbours of this proposal, and help them if necessary, to send on for the paper and we shall feel under special and lasting obligations to them for their kindness.

THE PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

Before this issue of the Messenger reaches our patrons, the Exhibition will have been opened with all the imposing ceremonies, and will be in full operation. A glance at the interior of the building and the grounds on Monday morning afforded but little prospect of its being put into anything like order in time, except the fact that there were a hundred or two of people as busy as bees, intent on the preliminaries, and in putting their exhibits in their proper places for examination.

The building is finely adapted for the purposes for which it is erected. Its galleries and spacious area present a magnificent appearance.

The front of the building is adorned by a large number of handsome spruce trees planted on the slope between the semi-circular road and the street.

The Exhibition was advertised to open at 2.30 yesterday. As we go to press about that hour, we must defer any account of the ceremony. Governor Archibald will doubtless have an elaborate speech on the occasion and the other arrangements will have been in keeping with the character of the great affair. There is post office accommodation open for receiving letters and delivery of them at regular hours. A room also for the two Telegraph companies to send messages in all directions.

The sheds for Horses, Cattle, sheep, swine and poultry, are finely arranged on either side at the back of the building with plenty of room for inspecting them without being in dangerous proximity to them and a wide road eastward to the ample space further out for an exercising ground.

W. S. Symonds & Co., have a large steam boiler on the outside at the back, which is connected with shafts running into the interior of the building by which the various specimens of machinery may be operated. Yarmouth has also contributed some smaller steam engines. W. H. Gridley also sends from there a handsome steering gear for a ship of 1400 tons.

This evening there is to be an open air Promenade Concert by the military bands in the Public Gardens. A grand display of fireworks will be given during the evening. This will doubtless be attended by hundreds and perhaps thousands of people from the city and country.

The London Merchants' Cup, valued at £200, won by the Nova Scotia team at the Dominion Rifle Association competition at Ottawa, will form one of the attractions at the Exhibition.

Warren Smith's boat and sculls, together with the championship belt of Halifax Harbor, now his property, will also be placed on exhibition.

Mr. O'Donnell, who has been awarded the contract for photographic work, has a large shed erected for his business on the North side of the grounds near the main building.

A great change was effected before yesterday morning, and a vast quantity of things, rich and rare, gathered together and put in order.

Remittances for the Christian Messenger are always in demand. Please forward early.

NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—On Sunday afternoon, at the close of a very interesting Sabbath School concert in the North Baptist Church vestry, the late Superintendent, Mr. J. A. Archibald, was presented with a purse of money by Mr. J. F. L. Parsons, who spoke on behalf of the school. Mr. Archibald has been very successful in the North Baptist school, both as teacher and superintendent, and leaves to pursue his studies at Wolfville and Newton with the heartfelt sympathies of those who were connected with him in his work there. Mr. Archibald is the retiring Principal of Tower Road School, and his work there has been appreciated by his scholars as numerous gifts and testimonials from them imply.

DARTMOUTH.—The workmen commenced operations for building the New Church at Dartmouth, on Monday last. The old building is to be put at the back, and used whilst the building is going on. It may be used by the Sabbath School, and for the Prayer Meetings and Social services afterwards.

The friends of Rev. John Brown will be pleased to learn that he arrived safely in England on the 12th. Mrs. Brown having suffered much less than she anticipated. Mr. B. says he saw on his way from Liverpool some fields of wheat still green, and in many places hay still in the fields surrounded by water.

THE LADIES SEMINARY AT WOLFVILLE.

Dear Sir,—

Will you kindly allow me a little space in which, to say a few words about "Acadia Seminary?" What the Baptists of Nova Scotia have been desiring for some time, is now an accomplished fact. Acadia Seminary has been opened with an efficient corps of Teachers. Miss Graves the Principal, is a lady in every way fitted to take charge of young ladies. I copy the following from the Northern Advocate, Claremont N. H.:

"Miss Mary Graves left town on Thursday last week, for Wolfville N. S., to take charge of the Female Seminary of that place. She is an excellent teacher, and from her devotion to young people, and good management, will not fail to become a favorite in the Institution whose management she is about to assume."

Acadia Seminary is beautifully situated, commanding as fair a view as our land affords. The house is fitted up with every convenience. There is hot and cold water all through the building, also bath-rooms. In fact nothing has been omitted that could contribute to the comfort of the pupils. The appointments for the table are very good, quite equal to any private boarding school in the Dominion, while the charges are very moderate, not more than half of what is charged by most schools. It is to be hoped that Baptists will do their best towards the success of the Institution by sending their daughters.

The above from a friend of the Ladies Seminary is a very modest presentation of the claims of the new Institution at Wolfville, and of the merits of its Teachers and management.

We were gratified when in Wolfville the other day to learn that the number of Lady students had been rapidly increasing since the commencement. There is no doubt but in the course of a few weeks the rooms and classes will be filled.

Such an Institution has been long required. Parents have sought for it but it was not to be found. There has been no such Ladies public Boarding School of a general character in the province and the very superior advantages of this one in its provision for mental training and its domestic arrangements only require to be known to secure for it more than enough to fill it to overflowing.

If it were but situated nearer the main road passing through Wolfville so that its magnificent proportions could be seen it would be the admiration of all who travel through that pretty village. It is worth a visit to the Hill to see so fine a structure. Any parties who have not been there, and have the opportunity, should walk, or drive, up around the College, and they would be delighted with the view, as well as gratified to see the handsome Collegiate and Academy buildings.

The Teachers in the Ladies Department have each one proved their efficiency, and will we doubt not become still more efficient, as they get used to the improved facilities, and accommodation for their work provided here.

The matron Mrs. Mary Dimock is a Halifax lady of excellent standing, worthy, we believe of the fullest confidence that may be reposed in her, by the governors and the parents of those who come to the Seminary for the Higher Education here provided.

Margaree C. B., Church Resolutions.

Mr. Editor,

The following Preamble and Resolutions were passed unanimously by the church at Margaree, which you are requested to insert in your paper.—

Whereas, E. T. Carbonell was admitted to this church by a letter of Dismissal, as a member, and Recommendation as a Pastor, which he for himself placed before the church, professing to be from, and by the authority of, the Baptist Church at River John.

And Whereas, The Clerk of the Church at River John, has assured us that E. T. Carbonell was not at any time a member of that church, although ordained as its Pastor, by the advice of a regularly called council, and that the church at River John, neither gave him a letter of Dismissal as a member, nor of Recommendation as a Pastor;

Therefore Resolved, 1st. That E. T. Carbonell be and is hereby "cut off" from membership in this church, for, according to the written statement of the clerk of the church at River John, forging a letter of Dismissal and

Recommendation, and also, for general conduct unbecoming a Christian.

Resolved 2nd, That the public be given to understand, that E. T. Carbonell's ordination, in the Baptist body, by the above resolution, is null and void, and thereby, all the Rights and Privileges granted him by said ordination, either in the Church or the State, are revoked.

Resolved 3rd, That the above be published in the Christian Messenger and Christian Visitor.

By order of the church,
JOSEPH TINGLEY, Clerk;
Margaree, C. B., Sept. 15, 1879.
(Christian Visitor please copy.)

We have recently received a threatening letter from Mr. Carbonell in which we are glad to find that he states:—

"I am not a Baptist and I have no connection, and claim none, with The Baptist Denomination."

He further says "Please to send me the account of what I owe you for your paper (which you have stopped sending)."

Mr. C. does not inform us where he is to be found. If he will please send us his address we shall be glad to send his account, and if he at the same time sends a remittance we shall be much obliged, and will send a receipt for the same.

The New Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Society have published the names of the officers and Board as follows:—

T. H. Hall, President;
C. D. Everett, Vice President;
Rev. G. M. W. Carey, "
C. F. Clinch, "
Rev. J. E. Hopper, Corresponding Sec.
Rev. E. Hickson, Recording Secretary;
J. H. Harding, Treasurer;
T. P. Davies, Auditor.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

G. White, W. Alwood, T. L. Hay, J. F. Masters, Capt. G. W. Masters, H. Vaughan, J. J. Bostwick, J. S. May, M. Cowan, W. H. Hall, G. W. Lyon, J. E. Masters, Rev. A. J. Wilcox, Rev. W. A. Corey, Rev. Jas. Spencer, J. March, S. F. Hatfield, T. S. Sims, Wm. Lewis, W. H. Dykeman, J. Sillis, Hon. A. McL. Seely.

This should be a very efficient body to prosecute the Home Mission work throughout our sister province.

The great Whitfield is said to made the remark that he never felt perfect master of a sermon until he had preached it the one-hundredth time. There is perhaps too great a desire now-a-days on the part of preachers to think of What they shall say, rather than of, How they shall say it? Of course to repeat the same things in the same way would soon weary by monotony, but if at each repetition there were fresh points brought out with newness of thought and feeling; it would strike the hearers with new power and the last time would give an amount of satisfaction that could not be taken in the first announcement.

Under the arrangements recently made at Acadia College, we presume this part of the course of Instruction will have more attention than formerly and the benefits will be anticipated in our public speakers who receive the prescribed course.

OMISSION IN WESTERN MINUTES.

The Clerk of the Western Association wishes us to state that the Table of moneys appropriated by the churches during the year, page 33 is very imperfect. He supposes this must have arisen from some of the letters being mislaid at the time it was made out. Two of the principal churches omitted, are, Hebron, and 1st Yarmouth. They should have stood as follows:

Hebron, Home Missions \$30, French Mission \$4, Foreign Mission \$25. Acadia College \$62.00. Total \$121.00.
1st Yarmouth, Home Missions \$107, Foreign Missions \$46. Acadia College \$336, Infirmary Ministers \$19.00. Total \$508, besides \$23.39 for general church purposes.

REV. JAMES A. SPURGEON, brother of Charles H. Spurgeon, and his co-pastor at the Metropolitan Tabernacle, is spending a few weeks on this side of the Atlantic. He has visited several of the great cities of the United States, passing on to Niagara Falls, and was expected to arrive at Toronto on Friday last. His is accompanied by his wife, the daughter of General Sir John Burgoyne, the keeper of the tower of London, and by W. W. Bayne, Esq., of London.

Mr. Spurgeon is expected to attend the Annual Session of the Eastern Convention in the New Olivet Church at Montreal this week.

An English paper informs us that Mr. S. will take the opportunity of visiting and reporting upon churches