day morning. Mr. Thomas Cooper was engaged on the People to supply articles in re- it, because I am very hungry. ference to the state of the working classes in various towns. This gentleman as you well know has renounced infidelity and has lectured frequently of late in defence of christianity. At Norwich where he had been lecturing he met with Mr. Holyooke, who had come down to address the people on Mr. Cooper's change of views, reproaching him as subject to strong impulses, &c. Mr. Cooper gave the secularist some correction which were anything but relished by himself and friends.

Since my last letter we have had a serious railway accident-really an accident and from a cause said to have been entirely new -a cow straying on the rails, the contact with which threw several carriages down an embankment. Three lives were lost, and several other passengers were seriously injurweek to a perfect gale on the south side of and the Scholars and Teachers attending. the Thames, doing a great injury to property and to some persons exposed to its violence.

Covent Garden Theatre-the third of the name-is again erect, more magnificent than ever. The lessee engaged to have it rebuilt and open in eight months, and this promise was fulfilled on the 15th inst. Six Corinthian pillars surmount the porch, and the entire structure, viewed apart from its use, is a credit to our metropolition architecture. One colossial chandalier illuminates the in terior, and is said to consist of 750,000 distinct pieces of crystal. A flower exhibition is to be raised as a companion building, extending from Bow street to Covent Garden market-an arcade by day, open to the public, and at night restricted to the visitors of the theatre, which again becomes the Royal Italian Opera of London.

In another building not a mile distant, St. James' Hall, Mr. Layard has lectured on his return from India. His explanation of the mutiny as a protest on the part of the native population against British trust of land, is certainly not supported by the testimonies and facts which other and better qualified enquir-

Certain singular marriages of late have been the topic of talk up and down. The Marquis of Westmeath who is between 70 and 80 married in January a young woman working as a milliner, and who, with a num ber of poor sisters, was for years a scholar in a general Baptist Sunday School in the west end of London. Since then, the Dowager Countess of Effingham-reversing the disparity of eyes-has married a scriptual man at Brighton, thirty years old, she herself having attained her eightieth. On the other side again, Rt. Hon. S. L. Lushington, ex Go. vernor of Bombay, and who was for twenty years Chairman of Committees in the House of Commons, has within the last fewidays married at the age of 85 a blooming servant girl not out of her teens. Men of the world laugh and nod over these things-and graver men moralize at their leisure. Actresses frown and maidens blush at the incongruity which is never pleasing when least subject to censure. On the individual cases given above I make no comment.

Foreign affairs are not stirring. Naples has refused, it is rumoured, the compensation, money claimed, but so as to leave negociation possible. Sir H. Bulwer takes Lord Redcliffe's post at Constantinople, and is considered the right man in the right place-and beyond dispute the right man is needed there. for certain complications, arising from Turkish mistakes and mis-rule, are not arranged and will not be asily adjusted. The British Government have made the French a present that a political hearse will soon be required those to whose care the children of the Sabbath for the present Imperial dynasty. It has been thwarted by the electoral returns from Paris and one of the departments, and there are \* reports of alarming revelations made by young clairvoyante. 'Tis well that some firmer hand than any man's is at the wheel of national affairs. Looking with the aged Swedish statesman at the human instruments employed, we might say that the world is coverned with very little wisdom. Looking higher and beholding a Divine disposer, we shall be as ready to admit that there is a wisdom from which is never more evident than in the frustation of the worldly wise. Their craftiness is often confounded and their policy paralized, by a hand which is strong to smite, but ever gentle to embrace. May that hand and the heart which raises it be known graciously to us.

MAINE PROHIBITARY LICQUOR LAW .- The following synopsis of this law is given by the Boston Journal:-

The manufacture of liquor for authorized sales is permited, and the appointment of one liquor agent for each town or city is made respetively for the first, second and third offences: \$10 and costs, \$20 and costs' and \$20 and costs with three months' imprisonment. The scale of penalties for being a " common seller" (which term we do not see defined in the act), begins with \$100 and costs. All liquors in the State, intended for unlawful sale, are declared contraband. When such liquors are saized by an officer, they cannot be taken from him by a writ of replevin or other process while proceedings are pending, and afinal judgment on the latter shall be a bar to all suits for recovery or for alledged damages. A dwelling house may be searched, if the magistrate, who is to grant the warrant, is satisfied by the testimony of two witneses that liquor is kept there with intent of illegal sale. Intoxicated persons found disturbing the peace, may be punished by thirty days in jail, or discharged. as the discretion of the magistrate shall suggest. No action shall be maintained for liquors sold in violotion of law, or for liquors purchased out of the State with the intent to violate the law. Such are the leading feaures of the bill of 1858.

CHARITY.—A Baltimore correspondent mentions facts like these :

"A poor woman in our city who had been visited by some Christian ladies with tracts and pious council, renarked to this effect, af. ter they left they had left her house : 'All

would have been very acceptable along

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#### Sabbath Schools.

In the Church Witness of last week was published a statistical table of the Sabbath Schools for their day's employment. ed. We have also had a rather inordinate in St. John, (Carleton not included,) and the Paamount of wet and wind—as if March and rish of Portland. The following is the number PLAN." April had combined to carry us into the do- of churches belonging to each denomination, mains of May-which rose one day last with the number of schools supported by them,

No.	Chil.	Aver. Attend	No. of Teachers
Five Epicopal Churches sup-	1220	960	116
FIVE Piesbyterian Churches supporting five Schools,	655	505	88 .
Four Methodist Churches supporting four Schools,	1080	802	108
FOUR Close Com. Baptist Chs. supporting five Schools,	810	640	88
ONE Free Baptist Church sup- porting two Schools,	220	160	25
ONE Congregational Church supporting one School,	£ 120	100	16
Total, 20 Churches, 23 Schools,	4105	*3167	441

In addition to the foregoing there are in Carleton six schools, i. e., one Episcopal, one Prosbyterian, one Methodist, two Close Communion Baptist, and one Free Baptist; of the number of children in attendance at these we do not know,-probably the average attendance not less

According then, to the above table and esti- persons. How many had been mate there are about 3600 children and youths in not been great! And as it was said of Tiberius, St. John, Carleton and Portland, every Sabbath be would have made a good subject, but was a day personally addressed on the subject of religion, and instructed in the traths of the Bible. that can best fit a man's estate here, that it may With a large allowance for unfaithfulness on the further his salvation hereafter, knows that many part of some teachers, a great portion doubtless of a man, has gone poor up to heaven, who rich these pupils, have impressed on their minds every serve this in Peter, who being gotten into the Sabbath day the divine injunction to "Remem- bigh priest's hall, sits himself down by the warm ber now their Creator in the days of their youth." fire, and forgets his master, Mark xiv. 54. Be-The efficiency and usefulness of a Sabbath fore Peter followed Christ at the hard heels, School depends on the piety and efficiency of through cold and heat, hunger and thirst trouble the Superintendant and teachers. One of the adherence; but now he sits by a warm most discreet writers on this subject has said, - fire, this poor master is forgotter. Thus his "He who engages in the Sabbath School ought body grows warm; his zeal, his soul, cold. to understand its great object and design as revealed by the providence of God; the means which are put into his hand to attain those ends; how it makes a man forget Christ! He that the right way of using those means, and the mo- wants bread, pities them that be hungry : and tives to faithfulness and perseverance." Two they that want fire have compassion on the poor, thoughts paramount to all others should occupy the minds of those engaged in Sabbath Schools; are at ease in Sion, they never "grieve for the the first is that the Sabbath School is to be a great and important instrument for the salvation of the earth. The second, to look upon the Sabbath School as the place and the means by which be idolatry, and the companion of adultry. It is every child committed to him is to be converted. the ruin of many souls-assuming fair names and The writer already quoted has well said,-"The teacher has a power to reach, mould, and shapen the immortal mind of each pupil, perhaps, far be- to its power. Thus it becomes "the root of all yond that of any other human being. The parents may love the child more, may know his thus speaks of it. disposition better ;-but perhaps they do not understand or love religion,-perhaps are ignorant, erhaps have so many imperfections themselves, Sabbath School teacher is above all this, and he may have a control over the destiny of each child, far beyond that of anybody besides..' If this garment and the golden wedge, and he "coveted of the hearse used at St. Helena, at the fune- testimony be true-and who can doubt it, how them and took them," and for the act he was ral of Napoleon, and it is the opinion of some | much depends on the piety and faithfulness of stoned to death. Lot, out of the love of gain

auxiliary of the church, where a church exists. Sapphira, through covetousness and hypocrisy The author of that incomparable work on Sabbath Schools, entitled "The Sunday School Teacher,"-and which should be in the hand of every one connected with Sabbath Schools,justly remarks, "That the teachers ought to be annually elected by the church; and the meeting this monster vice. Yet strange to say with all of election ought to be one of examination by the its heidousness, and the most fearful denunciaschool, review of the past, prayer for the teach- tions of Jehovah against 1t, it is a prevailing sin ers and school, and of plans for aiding the teachers. This makes the teachers feel that they are elected by somebody, have a trust committed to them, and are accountable to the church. It With more than the fifty hands of the fabled will give their characters and instructions giant, it grasps at everything around. In its weight in the sight of the children." "Another march through the world, it has been accompareason," says the same author, "why the school nied by artifice and fraud, rapine and injustice, should be under the supervision of the church, ged heavily its swarms of victims, -humanity pesides the desirableness of having the church bleeding, and justice in chains, and religion excherish it as the apple of the eye, is, that if the piring under its heavy burdens, orphans and teachers are not elected by the church,-if they slaves and oppressed hirelings,-a wailing mulorganize by themselves, and stand alone, distinct from the church,—there is danger that they imperative. The penalty for illegal sales is feel that they have a distinct interest; and may lay their plans, and pursue their ends, not only without consulting the wishes of the church, but consulting her interests."

In order to the accomplishment of the designs York Independant says:-"some districts not beintended in the prosecution of the Sabbath School fore affected by it are just beginning to be visitinterprize, a close affinity must exist between the ed; and reports from out-of the-way places from church and the school. By the former supply- which news of passing events is always slow in ing faithful teachers, the latter will supply de- reaching us, are just coming in. But taking the voted and well instructed members, the church whole work together, the Revival is waning .should make the school, and the school will make This decline however, is natural. It is not to be

these Christian nurseries, reaching as they do, should be perpetual. Such a phenomenon would to all lands where the gospel is preached, with- be unlike anything ever before known in the anout any other knowledge of them, would suppose nals of the Christian Church; and if by forced that they had not yet attained their first centen- measures the Revival could be made always to ary. Yet such is the fact. Seventy-one years continue, in such a form as the present, the rehave not elapsed since the first Sunday School sult would be undesirable, because unnatural .--Raikes, in the city of Gloucester, England. The country is already without a parallel in its his-

owing to accident. Some business leading me peculiar interest which it exhibited a month or the people (who are principally employed in the pin manufactory) chiefly reside. I was struck with ly ragged, at play in the street. I asked an in- swell over the whole land. A statistical statebitant whether these children belonged to that part of the town, and lamented their misery and

eed, for then the streets are filled with multiudes of these wretches who, released on that day from employment, spend their time in noise and riot, playing at chuck, and cursing and swearing in a manner so horrid as to convey to any serious mind an idea of Hell rather than any other place." "Their parents, totally aban-

doned themselves, have no idea of instilling into the mirds of their chi'dren principles to which they themselves are entire strangers.

. This conversation suggested to me, that it would be at least a harmless attempt, if it were productive of no good, should some little plan be formed to check this deplorable profanation of the Sabbath. I then inquired of the woman, there were any decent well-disposed women in the neighbourhood, who kept schools for teaching to read. I presently was directed to four. To these I applied, and made an agreement with them to receive as many children as I should send upon the Sunday, whom they were to instruct in reading, and in the Church Cstechism. For this I promised to pay them each a shilling "THIS, SIR, WAS THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE

An interesting incident is related by Mr. Raikes himself in connection with his undertaking the establishing of Sunday Schools. While first revolving the subject in his. thoughts, the word "TRY" was so powerfully impressed on his mind as to decide him at once to action. In relation to it he remarked afterwards to a friend \_. I can never pass by the spot where the word Try came so powerfully to my mind, without lifting up my hands and heart to heaven in gratitude to God, for having put such a thought into my heart.' We ask in conclusion, what good work cannot be done, by faith in God, and TRYING?

### Home Truths.

The danger of prosperity to the christian life n the soul, and its aptness to wean the heart from the love of Christ, is graphically set forth in

would have tumbled down to hell. We may obhotter christian; now he is by the fireside, he grows the colder. Oh the warmth of this world old, and naked; but warmth and plenty of this world starves those thoughts. When the princes affliction of Joseph" Amos vi. 6."

Coverousness is simply a greed for gain, a haste to be rich. It is defined by inspiration to coming under fair pretences, it often beguiles as satan did Eve, until the heart is fully given up evil." The author of 'Primitive Piety Revived"

"Once did God visibly mark the murderer Gen. 4: 15) ... once did he inflict an awful punish ment on the Sabbath breaker, (Numbers xv. 6 nat their instructions are unheeded; but the ted upon the head of the blasphemer, (Lev. xxiv-10, 15.)-but how many fell beneath his displeasure for the violation of the command, "thou shalt not covet!" Achan saw the Babylonish grossly sinful acts, and finally was stripped of all his possessions. Judas sold his Lord for gain Every Sabbath School should be the child, and and how fearful his end! And Ananias and tained the glory of the primitive church, and were smitten down by the Almighty. It is the "monopoly of guilt," it combines and absorbes

into itself all other species of wickedness." The late Dr. Harris in his work entitled 'Mammon' gives a most graphic description of and probably more than any other, paralyses the

"Could we only see it embodied, what a monster should we behold! Its eyes have no tears. crucky and murder; while behind it have dragtitude, reaching to the skirts of the horizon."

The Great Revival. According to accounts received, the great revival in the United States still continues, and in many places with no abated interest. The New expected that so intensified a state of religious Who, in looking at the number and extent of interest as has been witnessed since last fall, was opened at the instigation of Mr. Robert The divine influence that has passed over the following is Mr. R.'s own account of their ori- tory, and will make the past year and the present memorable in all coming times. But while the "The beginning of this scheme was entirely Revival now lacks the special manifestations concern, at seeing a group of children, wretched- only its crest, and is still rolling with majestic ment of the number of conversions since last idleness. Ah ! sir, said the woman to whom I October has appeared in some of the daily papers ter they left they had left her house: 'All was speaking, could you take a view of this part giving the total, thus far, at about 200,000. The that was very good, but a loaf of bread of the town on a Sunday, you would be shocked exact number, of course, can never be given;

and how near the present approximates to the truth, it is impossible to say.

progress of the Religious Revival among the contents :- Dyspepsia and Sudden Death; Sale firemen of Philadelphia, is from the Philadel- ratus ruinous to Health and Teeth; How to Eat phia North American, published in that city. It Temperately; Jonathan Edward's Weakness reflects great credit upon the Young Men's How Abernethy cured his Dyspepsia; Coffee Christian Association:

among a number of the fire companies of this quence Made Easy; A Theft of Reputation; city, which cannot inspire any other sentiment A Quart of Warts; Bites and Stings cured in non professors of religion. The movers in this stantly; Sewing Machine; Hygiene; Imposthan congratulation and sympathy even among, work are the more active and zealous members thume; How to avoid over Eating; How to get of the Young Men's Christian Association .- Sick; To Exterminate Flies and Moths; How to These young men, without any egotism what- Eat Fruits; Ailanthus Falsely Accused, Wages ever-without any ostentations display of religion-have moved upon the fireman to such extent, that some eight or ten regular prayer meet- dence; Rat Delivery; Dyspectic Bachelor; ings are now being held in as many different Dixon's Scalpel; Whitewash, Health and Clean-Engine and Hose houses. These meetings are liness: Paste and its Conveniencies; Our Exlargely attended, and, what is better, are attended, by the particular class of people for whose benefit they were designed. In some instances, instead of the reverse, the meetings are the result | "Leaning on Providence." we take from the June of application made by the firemen themselves number of this Journal of Health :-to the Young Men's Christian Association. Indeed, so urgent is the demand for persons both prayer meetings, that some embrrrasment has and trusting abandonment of one's self, to the competent and willing to lead in these blessed existed as to the means by which all the demands kindness is over all his works. Happier far than should be gratified.

Some of the most striking conversions that have ever come under our notice have been brought about by the spirit of God brooding over these engine house prayer meeting. We witnessed a scene the other day at the Fairmount and say: 'Though he slay me, yet will I trust engine house which can never be blotted from our memory. The house was filled with firemen tion that were manifested was more than impres- grave. This single, simple virtue, of Leaning means to subdue a large and extending confia- would soothe more hearts, would quiet more restgration, greater earnestness could not have been exhibited. A succession of prayers, hymns, and drive out more remorses—groundless or for cause the following paragraphs by an eminent old Puritan divine.

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The following paragraphs by an eminent old Puritan divine div "theology," we have seldom heard from the pulpit a more eloquent exposition of the gospel plan of salvation, or a more convincing testimony of the operation of the Holy Spirit than we heard from the lips of that uncultured fireman. It is absolutely delightful to turn from the Dead Sea of some of our fashionable churches and listen from the depths of a heart that really feels the need of what it asks for. This is what we have that is now going on among the firemen. And, This number as former ones, contains articles of begun, and is spreading so rapidly that nearly practical utility to the Farmer, and much of its far from being on the decrease, it has but just the entire fire department is more or less imbued contents are of general interest. We should be

A day or two since our reporter was in the cellent agricultural journal. We clip from it prayer meeting at Jayne's Hall. Several cler exhortations as usual, when an invitation was given to any others who felt disposed to say a MER's WIFE? "She looketh well to the ways word to the rest. To our surprise a young man of her household, and eateth not the bread of of very unpretending appearance stepped to the idleness," Prov. xxxi. 27. It would be useless edge of the platform and began to speak.

He said that he had been attending prayer meetings at the \_\_\_ Engine House, that God nad converted his sou!, and that he had made a covenant with Him that he would stand up and is received, giving corrected list of all the Banks direct others to the source from which he had de- in the United States and Canada, with the cur

thering of firemen took place, upon the invitation of Rev. John Chambers, who preached them a sermon. 'The prayer meetings, in the engine houses were, of course, suspended for that oc- that Mr. Smith, who was employed as an agent cusion. Mr. Chambers' sermon, we doubt not, did great good. Should the work continue as it has begun, the Young Men's Christian Associa- since, is again engaged in that capacity, and is tion will have accomplished more towards the now successfully prosecuting his work. A new purification of the fire department than could be Society was formed by Mr. S. a short time since done by all Mayor Henry's police. As we said before, these meetings should find favor with everybody, even by those who, in their own per- the purposes of the Society, with pledges of more. sons make light of religion. By evangelizing We learn he has visited Victoria County on hu the fire department, you break up its willingness agency. We have pleasure also in observing to encourage fire junners, and excite in the hearts of its members a horror of the rowdyism disorder and incendiarism which have at times Queens County, by the Rev. James R. Lawson the community are doubly enhanced. We bid God-speed to the efforts now being made to do good to this class of our fellow-citizens, and trust that the zeal of the Young Men's Christian Association will be exercised in proportion to the demand made upon it.

It will doubtless be interesting to many of our readers to know what the distinguished Mr. Spurgeon, of London, says of revival. Hear

Others say they are nothing but enthusiasts. It is a heavently enthusiasm. Every thing that is their for the moment feel that there is something in prayer. When the minister he preaches like a gether, it is with a hearty good-will. When judgment and scripture. they give, they give with enlarged liberality: when they visit the sick, they do it with gentleness, meekness, and love. Everything is done with a single eye to God's glery; not of men, but such a revival as this!

Buf, blessed be God, it does not end here. The revival of the church than touches the rest of society. Men, who do not come forward and give it up; they find it is not suitable for the times. Men that profaned the Sabbath and both go in and bend together before the throne | swering. of sovereign grace. All classes are affected.

thought-that a great King is swaying a better heaven are louder, the songs of angels are in-Summer; it is the universal Spring. The time of the singing of birds is come; the voice of the send us such a revival of religion as this!

HALL'S JOURNAL OF HEALTH .- The June number of this monthly, interesting and instruc-The following interesting notice of the tive as usual, is received. The following are the Healthful; Sneezes and "Stiches" cured in-A silent and effectual work is now going on stantly; Dyspepsia Causing Throat-Ail; Eloof Imposition; One Calling; Leaning on Provi-

changes; Flora; Emigration. The following excellent little article on

"Priceless above all of Ophir's gold, and the long famed mines of Golcondo, is an affectionate disposition and leadings of Him whose loving any king, is the humblest mechanic, 'whose mind is stayed, whose heart is fixed, trusting in" the Maker of us all; who, through darkness and storm, in sickness and bereavement, in pain of in him." Such a man never commits suicide never becomes a lunatic, never fills a drunkrrls on Providence, is the true Balm of Gilead, of the great errors of the age is: we medicate the body too much-the mind too little. Every thing goes now by steam and electricity. Al is hurry-skurry, helter-skelter. " Neck or nothing," is practically the universal motto; and to this high-pressure condition, the truly wise will, day by day, interpose the antagonizing influences of a thoughtful reading of the two most valuable of all books, the Book of Grace and the Book of Providence-in plainer words, the Bible and current history."

THE GENESEE FARMER for June is received. happy to receive subscribers names for this exthe following paragraph:-"WHAT ARE THE PROPER DUTIES OF A FAR-

to add more."

THE BANK NOTE REGISTER .- The fourth No of this useful counting-house and trader's paper rived the unspeakable blessing of peace and rent value of their notes. Much other useful in-At National Hall, last night, another vast ga- formation is also furnished. Published by Gwynne & Day, Bankers, N. Y.

BIBLE SOCIETY .-- We are pleased to learn for the New Brunswick Bible Society two years at Dorchester, and a liberal sum subscribed for that a Society has been organized in Jemseg. clouded its reputation. By suppressing these who preached on the occasion; and the liberal things, the safety of property and the peace of sum of £31 13s. 9ad. was taken up on the occa-

> We have pleasure in stating that the un fortunate man whose leg was crushed last week on the Railway Bridge, and subsequently amputated by Dr. Alward, is doing well, and it is be lieved that with good care he will recover.

## Thoughts.

PRAYING TO IMAGES although a cardinal docarine of the church of Rome is nevertheless de done is done with such spirit! If they sing, it is nied in part by many of Rome's followers. The like the swift sharp flash of lightning up the reason perhaps is obvious, This is an age of enthe darkness of the cold-hearted, and making lightenment and a country professedly protestant, therefore it would be unwise, impolitic and Boanerges, and when the church is gathered to- dangerous to publish dogmas contrary to sound

Now " image worship" in whatever sense we view it,-in whatever clime we meet it,-under whatsover circumstances we are obliged to relby the power of God. Oh, that we might see ish it, is injurious and destructive to the moral and spiritual well being of the human family.

When we speak of prayer to images we would not be understood as accusing papists of worshipprofess religion, are more punctual in attending ping those images under the impression of their the means of grace. Men that used to swear, divinity. Papists themselves do not believe this but that they pray to images of Christ, of saints despised God, find that it will not do; they give and of the Virgin Mary they will not deny. In it all up. Times get changed ; morality prevails; these acts of superstation they are paying adorathe lower ranks are affected. They buy a sermon to a maternal and inanimate substance and at where they used to buy some penny tract of the same time robbing God of his attribute.nonsense. The higher orders are also touched; they too are brought to here the Word. Her It is the false belief that prayer will be ladyship in her carriage, who never would have HEARD when directed through the agency of thought of going to so mean a place as a con- a painted picture or a carved board that induces venticle, does not now care where she goes so so many to make long pilgrimages. They plead long as she is blessed. She wants to hear the truth; and a drayman pulls his horse up by the side of her ladyship's pair of grays, and they as the grand assurance of God's hearing and an-

That the Roman Catholic venerates the images is surprised at it, and wonders what all these before which he bows and prays is a FACT, and the River. Mrs. Morton was with difficulty things moan. Even the monarch on the throne the council of Trent has determined that it is feels she has become the monarch of a people essential, and Bellarmine attempts to prove that better than she knew before and that God is "true worship and adoration are to be given to doing something in her realms past all her images." Another writer has said that "it is sceptre and exerting a better influence than even an article of faith that worship is to be given to her excellent example. Nor does it even end them." We might quote from many more of there. Heaven is filled. One by one the converts die and heaven gets fuller; the harps of that the dogmas of Image worship is held as esspired with new melody, for they rejoice to see the sons of men prostrate before the throne. but we are satisfied that every protestant is con-The universe is made glad; it is God's own vinced that the wal's of Chapels and Cathedrals are not hung like so many picture galleriesturtle is heard in our land. Oh that God might with saint this and saint that as objects of adoration, without being designed for some effect, no

ubt to give the uncultivated mind a knowledge

Christianity in its essence teaches the doctrine of love to God and love to man, and while ur neighbour is to be loved because of the great wisdom, and power of God in his creation, and while we look through that creative power to God and praise Him, it is not at all necessary that we should carry the picture of that neighbour or his living person to the altar and through it or him pray to God. Yet this is precisely what the church of Rome does, and we pronounce it a fatal delusion. a blasphemous doctrine. Prayer is a VOLUNTARY offering up of our desires. We need no sacred relict, no sain!ed man in image to make us remember God when he has given us His own blessed word in which we can see Him, face to face through FAITH

## Canadian Religious Intelligence.

(From our own Correspondent.)

We are on the eve of our annual Ecclesiasucal gathering. The two Conferences of the Episcopal Methodist have been held, and the reports of the Western, or Niagara Conferences, has been given to the public. The number of ministers in this Conference is 99, of members, 7,721. The ministerial increase during the year is 13; the membership, 1,029. A resolution was passed, 52 yeas to 3 nays, that no individual should hereafter be received into full connexion with Conference unless he pledged himself to abstain from tobacco in all its forms. It is high time our religious bodies took some steps to put down the practice of using tobacro. The worthy Bishop who presides over the Episcopal Methodist in Canada, is himself an inveterate smoker! Is it consistent to exclude for the future rated? Our Episcopal Methodist friends are hardly consistent in this tobacco crusade.

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connexion with the Church of Scotland Presbyterianism in Canada are agitating for a union of the different branches of the Presbyterian body. No overtures as yet have been made to the "Old Kirk" as it is called, but initiatory steps have been taken to connect the United Presbyterian and the Free Church. The proposal has warm friends in both sections. In Montreal, where Christians are foremost in united efforts, the office-bearers of the churches representing these two denominations met, and resolved unanimously that they approved of what had done already in their respective Synods, and expressed the hope that steps would be taken to consumate the union without delay. These Resolutions-for there were two-will be forwarded to the Synods at their approaching meetings It is not unlikely that the desired union will be effected. If it is, there will be a liberalizing process inaugurated from which large results may be expected. The United Presbyterians are in advance of their Free Church brethren in their views respecting governmental support, and also in some of the doctrines of the Gospel. Many of the former hold and preach the unlimited atonment.

Some complaints are made that the grant of £22,000 for the support of superior education in Lower Canada, is put so under the control of the French Canadian Roman Catholic Superintendent of Education, that fears respecting its appropriation have arisen. Little more than £5,000 had been given to Colleges and high schools; and the remainder has gone, the Superintendent best knows where. This is an abuse which ought to be rectified.

# News of the Week.

The " News of the Week" is, this week, wholly unimportant. The publication in the Morning News of some letters from the "Manager of the New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company" addressed to Mr. H. Perley Esq., relative to certain statements said to be made by him injurious to the St. Andrews Railway; and which were first addressed to him as private correspondence, but which he discourteously treated with silence, has created some little excitement in certain circles. Some of the papers are complaining that the fare over the Railway to the nine mile house is too high. We were very nearly venturing the same opinion

last week. The loss of some railroad iron from a Woodboat during a squall in the Kenebeceasis, is attributed by certain per i s to "Rail way management." But we learn it was at the risk of the Contractor, and will be his loss.

The schooner Mary Groton from Boston to this port, was totally lost, with cargo, a Musquash on Sunday night last. No insurance. Crew saved.

Two or three alarms of fire have occured

during the week, but little damage done. A verdict of manslaughter was returned against the man Franklin, for stabbing Brown in Portland, causing his death. He was sentenced to ten years hard labour in the Peni-

A few days since as a Mr. Thomas Hardy, School Teacher, and Mrs. Morton, were crossing Cornwaliis Toll Bridge, in a carriage the other day, the horse took fright and backed off the Bridge, precipitating all into rescued, but Mr. Hardy was unfortunately drowned. The horse was also killed.

The value of the fisheries in the Harbour of this city the present year is estimated at £60.000 .- C. Witness.

GREAT GALE AND FEARFUL LOSS OF LIFE. -The French packet from St. Pierre to Sydney. C. B., reports a heavy gale previous to the 1st instant, on the banks of Newfound land, attended with immense loss of life and property to the French fishermen. Besides the damage and loss of vessels, it is said that no less than 300 men perished during the

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