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FREE BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The Annual Session of our Conference, recently closed in Fredericton, was the largest ever held in the Province, and was the most pleasant and harmonious season of the kind which we ever attended.

The Elders' Conference, held on Friday, was an unusually harmonious and pleasant season. The examination of Brother Johnson, for admission to our body as a minister, brought out all the prominent features of our doctrine for consideration and revision.

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Fredericton on Sabbath did much credit to our denomination, and to themselves, as ministers of the gospel of Christ. At the 3 o'clock service in our own church, every pew, and seat, and aisle, were literally jammed with attentive hearers, while our young brother Phillips preached one of the most eloquent, impressive, and searching discourses, it was ever our privilege to listen to.

The morning of each day while the Conference lasted was occupied by a prayer meeting, commencing at a quarter before six. These were all seasons of special refreshment and blessing. The forenoon and afternoon of each day were occupied in business sessions, and the evenings in public services of different kinds.

On Tuesday evening the Sabbath School in connection with our Church held a concert, consisting of recitations, dialogues, singing by the children and by the choir. All who took part in these exercises performed their duty well.

On Thursday evening brother Taylor preached a short discourse on the value and excellence of the Word of God. It was timely, and well put. Other brethren followed in exhortation, and we trust good result from this meeting.

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THE SAILOR BOY AND HIS BIBLE. A gentleman who has been much engaged in distributing the Word of God among sailors and soldiers, relates this pleasing incident. He says:—

I have been a sailor for many years. I filled the position of chief officer on board a large vessel in the East India Company, on the Coast of Africa, at a time when "yellow Jack" (fever) was committing fearful ravages among our poor fellows.

After a short pause, I looked around and beheld the tears rolling down many a weather-beaten face, and observed even the dark countenances of the Kroomen turn pale. This pause was disturbed by a Kroomen looking into our faces and saying, "White man, you have brought me my Bible, and I will read it to-day."

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THE NEWS. JULY 15, 1864. VISIT OF ADMIRAL HOPE. Vice Admiral Hope, commanding the North Atlantic Squadron, arrived in this City on Wednesday afternoon in the steamer Emperor.

Two splendid looking steamers, named the "Frog" and the "Fire Queen," both of the Royal Navy, arrived here last evening. They are taking in coal and some supplies, and it is said, will get to the mouth of the St. Lawrence on Friday.

The woman Catherine Marshall, convicted before the Circuit Court in Fredericton of killing her husband, has been sentenced to three years in the Penitentiary. The Court adjourned on Tuesday. Judge Parker presided during the sitting.

The establishment of James Wallace, Esq., was destroyed by fire at Port Mulgrave, N. S., on Monday night—loss \$120,000, partially insured.

The Royal Gazette contains an amendment of the Fishery Regulations, which was passed in Council on the 9th inst. It is as follows:—

Rule No. 8 of the General Regulations made by the Governor in Council under the Act 26 Victoria, Chapter 6, Section 4, intitled, "An Act relating to the Coast and River Fisheries," is repealed, and in lieu thereof the following is made and adopted, viz:—

On the rivers, Coast and Bays of the Counties of Gloucester, Northumberland, Kent, no trap or gin shall be erected or set within two miles of the mouth of any River, Bay, or Inlet, nor in any water of less depth than three fathoms; nor shall any leading net be permitted to be attached thereto of a greater length than one hundred fathoms, nor shall any net of less than three inches measured from knot to knot, nor shall any leading net extend into shallower water than two fathoms, under a penalty for each and every offence of forty dollars, and for every day they are continued set or erected five dollars.

METROPOLE LIBERALITY. The meetings in this city in aid of the General Education Fund have been generally successful. Over \$8000 have been subscribed, and we believe partly paid, and a sum of fully \$500 more is expected. The subscriptions are all to be paid within two years, the entire proceeds of the parent Jubilee Fund, now amounting to £160,000 sterling, and of the colonial funds, to be devoted to foreign missions. These contributions are highly creditable to the Wesleyan body.—Frederictonian.

WHEAT, (Winter). The growing condition of this crop is most excellent, except in Northern Wisconsin and Minnesota, where drought has prevailed, and in one or two other localities, but it was severely injured by the late heavy rains, which have done but little snow on the ground. The general injury from this cause is estimated at not less than thirty per cent. As the time approaches for harvesting, this crop in the Eastern and Middle States, however, bids fair to be a success.

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BRITISH AND FOREIGN. The Conference at London has failed to find a satisfactory solution of the Danco-German question, and the war has been recommenced. Neither of the belligerent powers has been able to obtain a victory by England and the other neutral powers, and as Denmark deliberately expressed her desire that the war should proceed, the British Government thinks itself not bound to interfere on her behalf.

The New York World publishes the names of nearly one thousand American ships which have been sold last year to foreign shipping merchants, and that have had their names changed.

ORDINATIONS. The following young men, who had completed their probation, were solemnly set apart by the imposition of hands to the work of the ministry during the recent Wesleyan Conference in Sackville:—

Alfred W. Turner, John Goodson, Edwin Evans, James R. Hart, Thomas D. Hart, Job Shenton, John J. Colter, Richard Pratt.

The ordination charge was delivered by the President of the Conference, the Rev. W. L. Thornton, A. M. We learn from the Wesleyan that the Conference at Sackville was an unusual season of gracious favor from God; his presence was largely enjoyed in all the services held, and the business was transacted with much unanimity of feeling.

The upper house of Convocation has condemned "Essays and Reviews," the bishops of London, Lincoln, and Bangor voting against the resolution which declares that "Essays and Reviews" contain teaching contrary to the doctrine received by the united Church of England and Ireland, in common with the whole Catholic Church of Christ."