attenuated form gave promise of nothing remark- as of service, without supposing that we have disfirst sentence broke the spell of weariness, riveting every eve, captivating and subduing every mind At the close, as though they had never heard speaking before, numbers are ready to say, "Wonderful, wonderful! He talks like an angel from heaven." - American Messenger.

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CLOSET PRAYER.

devotion; and that faith is the essence of true wor- seen of men when we pray. ship. Stated seasons for private prayer, and a closet, In circumstances of less difficulty, as where we

marks may be appropriately added. thoughts when they pray in secret. When they lead pray in secret, under these circumstances. in the family, or in the social meeting, they find less Reader, do you pray? difficulty in entering into the spirit of the exercise. But when they retire into their closets and bow before the Most High, their thoughts are "like the fool's eye." This troubles them, and causes them to Auxiliary Bible Society took place in the Hall of the write bitter things against themselves; or perhaps and emotions-if there are such persons anywhere- to the Hebrews, and opened his mouth in prayer, can sympathize fully with the trial from experience. follows:-The fact that such persons are troubled about it, is of itself a hopeful symptom. Their indifference exception, had possessed the Bible from their earliest wouth and were apprestricted in the person of it: search for the cause may be instituted with propriety, it, and not a few, he hoped, had profited by the sarily the case, however. The mind does not work 2d. Many people are still destitute of this inesti-

not ascribe to depravity what originates in disease. was a continual call for renewed supplies. The disorder of some bodily organs often affects the "8d. It was now in the power of almost every one mind greatly. Sometimes a change of posture will to do something, more or less, to supply the destituproduce a favorable result in the control of our thoughts. I presume that most Christian had in the duty was comparatively of easy discharge. We thoughts. I presume that most Christians kneel in had, not now to organize new Societies; we were secret prayer. Standing instead of kneeling, as a not called on to go ourselves, or find agents for the change, may be of service, as I can recommend from work; this was done to our hands by the British experience. I have found it peculiarly beneficial and Fereign Bible Society-long and fully tried, and when inclined to drowsiness. When this fails to since the Society was first formed; its income and produce the desired result, pacing the floor wlowly its issues were continually increasing; last year, has been known to counteract the tendency to sleep. over two million copies had been distributed But it may be said, "I cannot think of praying The Society had had to encounter and overcome except upon my knees. It would not seem to me put forward, often with much sincerity and honesty, to be prayer at all." Brother, let us reason together. by good and wise men, who found it difficult to re-What is your object in praying in secret? Is it not linquish their long cherished sentiments; but still to commune with God, and present your praises and every year these were melting away under the light your requests before Him? Has He anywhere told of truth and experience; and great as were the blessyou that one posture, only one, must be assumed, Association, we may find a subject of satisfaction and when you come into his presence? I grant that rejoicing in what he might consider a secondary one, kneeling is the natural posture; it seems to comport but which it was feared at first would have been un with the humility which ought to clothe us in our which the members of different Christian Churches approaches to the majesty of Heaven; and the ex- met and consulted together. amples of the New-Testament in favor of this atti- "There are many points on which men could never tude are numerous, and greatly preponderate over any all think alike, and one of these was the right form of other. And yet the publican stood and prayed acceptably-one well authenticated example is as good | English version to be distributed was the authorized as a thousand, to settle the principle; and this can- version; and that all translations must be made not be open to objection, because it is furnished by without any sectarian bias, and to conform to the spirit our Lord himself, who would not have failed to re- as well as the letter of the text as nearly as possible present the publican in the one attitude essential to retain our attachment to our several denominations, acceptable worship, if there were only one. The and yet act harmoniously and energetically co-operate great essential is to worship God in spirit and in in the great work of Bible distribution. He more truth, and whatever will promote such spiritual and more valued the privilege and appreciated the truthful worship is important in proportion as it body of the hall at the present time exhibited, and secures this result. Do you not see, brother, that he hoped the time was not very distant when every

which can also be recommended from experience, the Society, from which he had long kept apart, and namely, praying audibly. Clothing our thoughts in closed his life in the list of its Vice Presidents. May words, and giving these words utterance, we may sometimes overcome the wandering which is so unpleasant. We ought carefully to distinguish, bowever, between the mental and the spiritual in devo- amounted to \$501, and there may be yet some addition. It is not enough that the mind operates freely, tion, as the Collector is still visiting some people. It that the memory is serviceable, that the laws of sug. was stated also that from the Depository, during the gestion have a good opportunity of working. The past year, Branches had received 714 Bibles and 662 aspirations of the heart, driven back apparently, and received 812 Bibles and 250 Testaments, and that baffled by the tumultuous waves of thought, are 766 Bibles and 1044 Testaments had been sold for often lifted into the divine presence, when the wor. cash. The number remaining in the Depository at shipper is chiding himself for the heartlessness of present, it was said, amounted to 929 Bibles and 1375 his devotions. Happy for him if, at length, he learns It was stated that Henry Livingston, Esq., of Richito distinguish things that differ, and presses forward bucto, was enrolled as a life member, by a donation into the holiest of all by the new and living way. of \$20. Two other gentlemen also have become life his promises, although compelled to say, "My soul St. John. followeth hard after Thee."

what is needed, before the presentation of our re- Ladies' Associations, had sent Reports and considerquests. Much prayer becomes unproductive, from tions. We shall just state the contributions. accused of eccentricity and irreverence in devotion, The Richibucto Ladies' Association, by means of because of the brevity of their prayers with the sick, its lady collectors, obtained \$140; and Hon. D. Wark been regarded as allowing their feelings to govern entire contribution. them too much in devotion. This is possible, and yet the diversity of mental characteristics ought to be taken into account. If we could follow such persons to their closets we should probably find them mingling reflection with petition, and making free use of the Word of God to aid them in their solemn converse with their Lord. Some persons, as Muller, read the Scriptures and meditate upon them, as preparatory to private prayer. This eminent servant of God gives his reasons for pursuing this course, at length, in his "Life of Trust." As is often the case with those who have derived great benefit from their own methods of religious service, I think he inclines too strongly to the belief that this is the best plan for promoting personal piety, and seems disposed to lay it down as a rule for Christians universally. As I have said elsewhere, the Scriptures

able. What presumption! a boy like that to be covered rules which will apply indiscriminately. set up after a giant. Such was the feeling, soon The foregoing hints must not be understood as underhowever, followed by an opposite emotion. The taking to settle the course of action to be followed in private devotion. They are hints only, and may lead some readers to reflection.

It is hard to determine what is best to be done to secure private intercourse with God in circumstances which render it almost impossible to be alone, as in a crowded vessel at sea. An earnest desire to do right, the determination to serve God, and repeated appeals to the Hearer of prayer, will be followed by W. J. Starr, Edward Sears, D. J. McLaughlin, Hon. sufficient light from above, I doubt not, to remove anxiety, and make the path of duty plain. The Fifteen Dollars-we will send them one copy extra for great danger in such cases is, that many permit beir trouble. For Twenty Subscribers, two copies extra themselves to float with the stream, and neglect secret prayer altogether, on the plea that it is impossible to be alone. "Where there is a will, there is a way," is an old proverb of very wide application. "Where Frith, Esq. ALL LETTERS FOR US, either on business connected excuse is desired, it is easy to find or make one," is with this Paper or otherwise, should hereafter be directed to not a proverb perhaps, but contains the truth, if I rightly apprehend its meaning. Christians should Almighty God, has been vouchsafed to the past labors be jealous over themselves under such circumstances, There may be less comfort at first in attempting to Our Post Office address is Rev. E. McLkop, Frede. pray, surrounded by noise and confusion, but "the spirit helpeth our infirmities," and we address One who "knoweth our frame, and remembereth that we are dust." Divine aid will be afforded-He will do for us more than we can ask or think. If we feel the necessity of testifying for Christ by bowing in the sight of the multitude, let us bow modestly and sincerely, and bear meekly the reviling and sneers which are harder to endure than reproach; neither by look, or word, or deed, conveying the impression McKay that we pride ourselves in our religious character. In a former article it was affirmed that prayer is We must not pray to be seen of men-although essential to spiritual life; that there is no merit in sometimes fidelity to God may require that we be

were named as of importance. Finally it was re- occupy a sleeping apartment with several others, if marked that secret prayer should not be confined to | we cannot arrange it to be left alone for a short seastated seasons, nor to the closet. An exhaustive son, the example of Christ who retired into a desert view of this subject is not attempted, but some re- place, and into a mountain to pray, will suggest the course to be pursued. Where the heart is in the Many complain that they often have wandering exercise, it will not be difficult to find a place to the St. John Ladies' Bible Association, the Ri-

BIBLE SOCIETY MEETING.

The Anniversary Meeting of the New Brunswick Mechanics' Institute, on Friday, the 8th inst.-Hon. leads them to withdraw from the closet much sooner Chairman gave a hymn, very suitable to the occasion, than they would under ordinary circumstances. to be sung; and then, according to his direction, the Those who have perfect control over their thoughts Rev. Mr. Daniels read the first chapter of the Epistle will have little sympathy with the troubled ones then rose up, and in a few opening remarks, impressed whose complaint is under consideration, but many upon the meeting the consideration of three things, as

would be much more deplorable. Yet a careful many, he trusted, were in the habit of daily perusing youth, and were unrestricted in the perusal of it; as it is possible that the wandering thoughts may saving truths it had imparted. They would then originate in a wandering heart. This is not neces- judge what their feelings would be if they were left,

equally well at all times. The power of concentra- mable blessing. Millions are yet to be supplied in ting our thoughts upon a definite subject is much foreign lands; the translations into all the known less at some seasons than at others. But we must languages are not yet completed. Even in our own country, for the use of the poor and the young, there

when transposed to foreign tongues, we find we may to persist in kneeling, when a change of posture may member of a Protestant Church would unite himself promote the object which you have in view, is super to the Bible Society, as was but recently done by one the best and cleverest men of the day, the late Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. Whately, who only the had proved a failure. Better perhaps than the foregoing method is another, year before his death openly professed his approval of

his example not be without its effect !" The Secretary, Dr. Paterson, next read the Report,

Happy for him, if he can rest in God and cling to members by the same donation, namely, A. R. Mc- barism, have through the power of the gospel become neutrality and the patient suffering of the people

It was stated that \$47.84 were received from the One petition at a time, with pauses between, will St. Stephen Branch in April last year, which was too sometimes serve a good purpose, when praying in late for insertion in the Report, which was ready at

want of due consideration. Many persons have been The St. John Ladies' Association has obtained, oy

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expected, and it is hoped that they will arrive in time for publication in the Auxiliary Society's Report. We give now a copy of the five Resolutions which were moved, seconded, and approved of: Moved by Rev. John Armstrong, and seconded by Rev.

Resolved, -That the Report, an abstract of which has been just read, be received, printed, and circulated eminence. With them it may well be said, What under the direction of the Committee, and that the following gentlemen do compose the Committee for the ensuing year: -L. B. Botsford, M. D., John Wishart, Nathan S. DeMill, Geo. A. Lockbart, A. McL. Seely, John Armstrong, William Girvan, B. J. Underhill, W. K. Reynolds, T. B. Barker, John Fisher, James Logan, James Smith, T. W. Daniel, Robert Sheraton, John Fraser, H. W. Frith, John Boyd, John M. Robinson, and J. V. Troop. Portland,-John Duncan, Esq., James Flewelling. Moses Tuck, and Robert Ewing. Moved by Rev. Wm. Alves, and seconded by

Resolved, -That this meeting rejoices to hear of the success which, under the gracious guidance of of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and to be assured that it maintains its course with unimpaired It is now not inaccurately estimated that not less than energy and renewed activity in the great work of a million of slaves have practically obtained their making known God's truth throughout the earth. Moved by Rev. Mr. Nicholson, and seconded by Rev. Mr.

Resolved, -That the zeal, energy, and liberality, which have characterized the operations of the several Auxiliary. Bible Societies in our sister colonies, call anniversary of the proclamation by the ringing of for our cordial acknowledgment and emulation. The late celebration of the Jubilee of the Nova Scotia Auxiliary, is a subject of special gratification to the friends of the Bible Society in this Province.

Moved by Rev. Mr. Vaughan, and seconded by Rev. Mr. Resolved, -That we join heartily with the Parent Society in their invitation to earnest prayer and cor-dial experition, that pron each land or durances the true light may speedily shine, and ignorance and degrading personal bondage. A few of us for several superstition be everywhere replaced by the knowledge of Jehovah as the only true God, and of Jesus Christ

Moved by Rev. Wm. Elder, A. M., and seconded by John

Resolved, -That the grateful thanks of this meetng be presented to the several Branch Societies and Associations connected with this Auxiliary-namely, chibucto Ladies' Association, the Branches at Sheffield, Lancaster, Hampton, Sackville, Shediac, Carleton, Petersville. Moncton, New Jerusalem, St. Andrews, Richmond, Lepreaux, Chipman. Grand Lake, Spaingfield, Cambridge, Black River, Upper Norton, Kingston, Botsford, Hampstead, Wakefield and

Greenwich, from all which Reports have been received. Brunswick and Havelock, Clifton, St. Stephen, Hope- afflictions mellow the heart. well and Harvey, Westfield, Salisbury and Hillsborough, from which Reports and donations are yet expected, especially those which, during the last singular events peculiar to the times. We are told, year, have been characterized by activity and progress, on what is called good authority, that these Leagues, special commendation for its zeal in the collection of funds, and its persevering efforts in the circulation of

MISSIONS IN OHINA.

Lord Russell agree, first in pronouncing Protestant together for self protection. It is further said they missions in China a failure; secondly, in declaring penetrate the disloyal States to a degree far beyond that Chinese Protestant converts will make no sacri. what appears, and that in due time they will afford fices for their faith; and thirdly, that the British great and unexpected help in bringing about the new government ought studiously to guard against its order of society in the disloyal States, which may being believed by the Chinese authorities that Pro- bereafter be known as "the Re-construction," as the testant missionaries lie under its protection.

long did they wait and watch and weep? How will give it up for lost before this year ends. often did Satan whisper in their ears that the whole thing was a failure? and how often was their own weakness ready to accept the devil's lie? But the blessing came, it came not in scattered drops, but in evening last in the Temperance Hall, Fredericton

uous assertion is not carried out by the present facts labor they regarded as too expensive, not taking into not been a failure.

persecutions. Protestant Christianity is already England could not do without Southern cotton; that

THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.

Mission, having visited these islands during the past recognize the Confederacy, and raise the blockade. year, has communicated some of the results of his In eloquent terms he referred to the decided and country formerly sunk to the lowest depths of bar- suffering operatives. The moral influence of British their stand among the most favored nations. properly remarked that one noble deed would be the

and really in a worse state for self-preservation than ment of the Federal government, required the perpetfamily constitution was a ruin. Mothers buried existed. their infant children alive; the children their aged and infirm parents. Intemperance, along with licensent a deadly poison through all the veins and three of his ideas. The lecture was listened to with arteries of the nation. Thus the way was prepared great attention, and was frequently applauded. for the small-pox, measles, whooping-cough, influen-

Contributions from several other Branches are yet tional and representative government with as much security to life and property as is enjoyed by any other Christian people. They are well supplied with schools and colleges, and have some of the largest and most flourishing churches in the world. They now manage and support all their institutions, civil, literary, and religious; and occupy indeed a high hath God wrought !- Morning Star.

PORTLAND CORRESPONDENCE.

PORTLAND, January 1, 1863.

Result of the War-The President's Proclamation-Public opinion-Union Leagues-End of the War, &c.

MR. EDITOR-The people of other nations may honestly differ with the loyal people of this government as to the prospects of the war now in progress here—as to the skill, and want of skill, with which it is waged by the respective parties-and even as to the origin and cause of the war. But there is one practical result which good and enlightened men of all nations must admire-the liberation of bondmen. freedom since the slaveholders "let slip the dogs of A year ago to-day the Proclamation of freedom was

issued. To-day this city and others celebrate the bells, by orations, by the firing of cannon -in short, by all the means by which we have been wont to celebrate the "noisy Fourth" of July. The one was for the freedom of white men; freedom not from personal slavery, but freedom to set up a government of our own choice. The other is to celebrate the libeyears have been accustomed to celebrate the First of August, in gratitude to Great Britain, for her noble act of Emancipation in the West Indies; but we were few; we had no municipal authority to help us to give any prominence to our celebration-we could neither command the merry bells, nor booming of cannon. But now we can have all to celebrate our brothers' freedom as well as our own.

This fact, to reflecting minds, indicates a most wonderful change in public opinion. To the religious mind, it seems to me to indicate that the trials and sorrows of the loyal people are not hardening our hearts as did the trials in Egypt her inhabitants. It The Branches at Upham, Studholm, Dorchester, is a good token, every religious man knows, when

The formation of Union Leagues, is one of the he Ladies' Association at St. John is ever entitled to which are secret societies like Freemasons, are pledged result will be that four millions will be freed—freed tribute. All Russian proprietors escape. Seven to universal freedom in our nation, and yet they num- not for one year or one generation, but for all the other similar burdens have been imposed, the objet ber nearly a million of members-enough already to decide the next Presidential election. It is said these Leagues originated in the Border States, where the effect a war of vengeance. It is the day of national scourged, and massacred by their Muscovite master. Sir Frederic Bruce, British Minister to China, and friends of the Union found the necessity of banding account. The accumulating wrongs and sufferings, Even the women, the latest accounts tell us, are now revival of classical learning in the earlier middle ages Have Protestant missions in China been a failure? in Italy is still known as "the Renaisance."

We answer without hesitation, No. China has been All are anxious to know when the war will close, open to the Protestant missionary for little more and yet who is able even to "guess" at such a questhan a quarter of a century. The millions of China tion. It is said that Lord Lyons, in his despatch to have not been converted, nor can we allege that there Russell, gives it as his opinion the war will end in has been any general movement of the population three months. No doubt he may have information toward Christianity. But it is a common experience that private individuals have not; and yet we all of missionaries, that the sowing of the good seed may know there is a bad condition of things in the disbe carried on for many years with scarcely perceptible loyal States. So far as I form an opinion upon the result, and that then suddenly, after the command to subject, I do it from the known desperation of the "wait on the Lord, to be of good courage and wait slave system: and so reasoning, I believe we are to great and many prejudices; and objections were missionary lifts up his eyes and sees the fields white ly make a perceptible impression, I think, as the drew a darker picture than the realities recently expected with her fire the posed. on the Lord," has been long faithfully obeyed, the have much severe fighting. Three months will hard-South Sea Islands toil in heaviness of heart? How but that those who sympathise with the rebellion

Yours truly,

" COTTON."

Lord had not forgotten to be gracious, and when the This was the title of a lecture delivered on Tuesday rejoicing summer showers, in rich effusion from the before a very large and respectable audience, by the opened windows of heaven. And now those remote Rev. Dr. Spurden. The lecturer first gave an interislands in the sea are temples of the Lord, the voice esting history of the cotton plant, and the probable of prayer and praise rising from them Sabbath after manufacture of cotton cloth in different countries Sabbath, mingling with the great psalm of the ocean- several hundreds of years since. He showed the oriwaves, and ascending toward the throne of God. Who ginal method of manufacturing the cloth in England, can tell whether, in the infinitely wise but inscrutably which was entirely domestic, or similar to the manumysterious providence of God, a like future may facture of homespun in this country at the present await China? Who will dare to say that, because time. The introduction and progress of machinery the land is still almost wholly given to idolatry, the employed in the manufacture of cotton labrics were day may not suddenly dawn when the Chinese will also referred to and traced. This part of the lecture throw their idols to the moles and to the bats, and contained a large amount of useful and interesting say one unto another: Know the Lord. If not a information relative to cotton and cotton manufacture; score of Chinese has professed their faith in Christ, but the chief force and interest of the lecture, was in owing to the ministrations of Protestant missionaries, the latter portion of it, which referred to the relation it would nevertheless have been presumptuous in that cotton sustains to the present American war. any man to say that Protestant missions to China The lecturer referred to the immense quantity of cotton raised at the South, and why the planters regar-But Sir Frederic Bruce's sweeping and contempt- ded slave labor as essential to its growth. Free of the case. The Protestant missions to China have | consideration the large amount of capital required to procure a gang of slaves. When the South seceded Chinese Christians do make sacrifices and endure from the Federal government, they supposed that sown in China in the blood of martyrs. - Missionary | the immense number of persons in England depending on the cotton trade for a livelihood would constrain the nation to adopt some extreme measure to procure a supply of the raw material. That the REV. DR. Anderson, of the American Board of starving operatives would compel the government to own observations there in several interesting letters righteous neutrality maintained by the Govern- wanted to alarm the man, but carried the joke 100 The Chesapeake Case. — The examination to the New York Independent. The people of that ment of England, and the patient endurance of the far!" Of overseers, Mr. Aughey said that he never Johnson the Engineer was continued on Friday last, Clelan, Esq., of Hopewell, and T. B. Barker, Esq., of enlightened, elevated, Christianized, so as to take were greatly commended; and the lecturer very knife." Respecting their former condition he writes: parent of hundreds of other noble deeds in generations When the mission made its first landing on the yet to come. The South has been disappointed in secret; or better even than this, calm reflection on It was stated that about 24 Branches, with the two the concention of one; without one Christian idea. the conception of one; without one Christion idea; but once committed to secession, they cannot go beastly in their passions and habits; in the deepest religious darkness and the lowest social degradation. The | ded the providential design of the war, the destrucabus had indeed been abolished while the mission tion of the slave system. Relative to its termination, was on its way, all that was perishable of the heiaus had been burned, the idols had been overthrown. he did not think its end very near. But if it should and some and the interests of the Union in the index. in the family, and in the prayer-meeting. They have has added a donation of \$20, so that \$160 will be the But this only left the nation without any religion, end soon, and the interests of the Union, in the judgbefore; and nothing saved it from destruction but uation of the "Domestic Institution" so called, he the providential arrival of the Gospel and Christian thought the President's proclamation of freedom schools. The government was then a despotism.
The people were slaves. Their lives and property would not be worth the paper upon which it was were at the mercy of the king and chiefs. Their written. War should be deprecated, and the sufferhouses were of grass and leaves. They had no ing and woe consequent thereon are appalling, but motive to improve the lands. They were almost he thought the gain to humanity, civilization and wholly naked. Lying, theft, robbery, murder, were common. Drunkenness was universal. So was licentiousness, and it was shameless in open day. slaves would not be too dearly purchased by even a free future. - Presbyterian Witness. Polygamy and polyandry were everywhere. The ten or twenty years war in the nation where the evil

THE WAR AND SLAVERY.

Whatever our feelings with regard to the evils of war in general, and the injustice of the American cised by the Russian authorities to the Poles, war in particular, we cannot help recognizing with sincere delight one fact, that the war is now in effect especially to women, calls for the universal execusion destroying Negro slavery. Four years ago the "Abo. of all mankind. We copy it from the Christian of all mankind. litionists" were a despised and persecuted politico- World: religious sect in New England. The Northern States would submit to Fugitive Slave Laws and Missouri over Poland. There seems to be new meaning Compromises, and Filibustering expeditions without phrase "diplomatised to death," since the appeal number. Slave ships were fitted out in New York harbor with scarcely any attempt to disguise the fact, Powers of Europe, instead of securing any mitigate and the trial of slave-traders became a mere sham, of their sufferings, has considerably added to whether the trial was conducted in South Carolina Russia spurns the remonstrances of France, Engla or in the District of Columbia. Missouri, Tennessee, and Austria, and answers their expressions of a Maryland, and Delaware were as fanatically fond of pathy for her unhappy victims by oppressing the slavery, and as determined to preserve and defend it still more; and hoarsely threatens absolute exten as any States in the Union. A war with Britain was nation if submission is refused. It would be threatened because our cruisers dared to stop slavers cuit to find in the history of any conflict, when in the Gulf of Mexico, while flying the "Stars and ancient or modern, so much of endurance on the Stripes." The Tract Society would eliminate out of side and of shameful brutality on the other, as the its reprints any sentiment that seemed to reflect on have been displayed since the Polish people Slavery; and very few public men dared to speak on this last desperate effort to throw off the galling; the floors of the Senate House, or the House of Re- hateful yoke of the Muscovite. The heroism of resentatives, in favor of human freedom.

When we view the contrast offered to-day, we feel succeeded, but it must be sorrowfully confessed that this war, dreadful as it has been, has not been their tyrant master has placed his iron heel so firm waged in vain. The South went to war to destroy upon their nocks as to make further resistance utter the Union, and to found a new empire on the corner- hopeless. So intent is Russia upon extinguish stone of human slavery; the North went to war to every spark of patriotism in the Polish province save the Union, and apparently anxious to save that she refuses to meet in a European Congress slavery too. Certain it is, that Abraham Lincoln was there shall be no Polish question to discuss; anxious to avoid every collision with this hated and lest in the meanwhile the moral sense of Euro terrible subject. He would have the Union, and did should be so roused by her wickedness as to rush not care much upon what terms. Even the Emanci- arms in behalf of Poland, she is lavishing millions pation decree was not promulgated until after a year money upon iron-cased frigates, monster cannon,

But from the very first, "Abolitionists" were sure for the invader. "Cronstadt," we are told, that the war would drift into a crusade against slave- bristling with cannon, and half-a-dozen Sebastop ry; and their more sanguine expectations have been are ready for an enemy in the Gulf of Finland." ifilled. Already six hundred thousand slaves have might have been supposed that the Russian mili been emancipated! The war has not yet lasted three commanders in Poland had exhausted their diaboli full years; yet here we have more than half a mil- schemes in that of the bloodthirsty Mouravieff, wh lion freed through its instrumentality; and those best he ordered the scourging of women of every age a acquainted with the facts, assure us that the number | condition for the crime of wearing the emb!

sand negroes are now under arms, fighting against | Morning Post that this fiend in human shape, have the South, many of these being Southern runaways, failed-though he has beaten several young herein from Southern bondage. It is satisfactorily demon- to death for persisting to wear mourning-in change strated that the African can fight bravely and endure | ing the costume that had become almost univerhardships with manly fortitude. So well pleased are with the patriot wives and daughters, "has gone the United States authorities with the character of step further, and commanded all the prostitutes these soldiers that they are enlisting, training, and the country to wear mourning, in order that the ntting forward as many of them as they can possi- should not be distinguished from the virtuous women ly persuade to don their country's uniform; and it He then seizes whoever of the latter he may think is probable that before the spring campaign begins, be most obnoxious, and punishes them by scourging

have fallen on scores of battle fields. The North and ed to break the spirit of the women. Still another South between them have lost at least half a million device is put in operation to depopulate the country lives in this war; and this, with incalculable destruc- -it is a tax upon the landowners of £200 for each tion of property, is the price paid so far for emanci- 100 peasants on their estates, and this they are no pation. But on the other hand we have to remember allewed to pay in kind, but are com future; and every reader of history knows that future apparently being to force the Polish landowners a blessings have often been purchased at an appalling give up possession of their lands. And everywhen price. It must also be remembered that this is in the unhappy people are being horried, driver, of the poor, the stranger, the captive, - the cry of two marched off in gangs to hopeless exile in the wildsof centuries of unrighteousness and horrid cruelty, - Siberia. Here is a passage from a Warsaw letter, the sighs and prayers of many broken hearts, -have published in the Cologne Gazette, which has just reached the Court of Heaven and called down righte- been received : - " Whole populations of villages in ous wrath. God has so ordered it that great crimes Lithuania are being forcibly transported to the steppes entail severe punishments. As the libertine, the of the Ural. The inhabitants of Klanyszki, Szaliszai, debauchee, feel in his body and the wages of his own and Szylany, consisting of 57 families, were thus conduct, so that the people that have sustained and transported a short time back. Their property was propagated slavery in the face of the purest light of confiscated and sold, and the proceeds applied to the the Gospel of Christ must drink of the cup of suffer- expences of the journey. These unfortunate people,

f the poor, helpless African strangers. who have had to do with the war, or have gone South | Sioeria leave every other Friday, In order to des secrets of the Prison house; and the revelations now Polish language to be no longer employed by trademade remind us very much of the exposures of popish men in making up their accounts, and the official practices in the days when rough hands burst open language to be in all cases Russian, even on seals and

Of source there are many kind and faithful masters with whom the slaves lived happily; and if all has been imprisoned, together with them, in the masters were such then a plea might possibly be put citadel of Zamosc, because she had not sufficient forth on behalf of the "patriarchal institution." But property to keep herself and her children in Asiatic as a general rule the system tortured its victims and Russia." To complete the terrible story, we must degraded its administrators. We have no space for add that the Invalide Russe announces that the quoting instances. We refer the reader for a short military commandants in Poland have received and faithful paper on the subject in the December authority to punish by imprisonment and confiscawoman to any use he pleases, there being no mar- authorities may be estimated from the fact that there riage tie, no chastity recognised as belonging to is scarcely a single well-to-do proprietor who has not the slave—Husbands could be separated from their paid away money for national objects. Shall not wives whenever it was thought fit to do so. In the righteous judge be avenged upon such a nation as ecruiting slaves for the Federal armies the men have | this? to be examined by surgeons. One surgeon testifies that of 600 men examined by him one in five bore marks of severe floggings, -gashes and scars that you uld not cover with one or two fingers. In Louisina not one in fifteen was found free from marks of were lashing, and more than one half of the negroes ifering as recruits had to be rejected on account of he way in which they had been maimed with whips, owie knives, or the bites of blood hounds. Some has been enlarged, and now contains a large amount d been hamstrung so as to disable them effectually of reading matter of an agricultural and other nature om running away.

Instances of cruel treatment of women are given so heartrending that they can hardly be quoted :- A ung man for some mishap in cooking her master's ton, took place on Monday last. Two candidates eakfast, is tied down and beaten with a leather were up, W. H. Needham, the former Mayor, and trace, every blow raising the flesh or gashing it-hot sealing wax then dropped into the sores! An old roman hung up by the hands, whipped until she was the election was a majority of 50 votes in favour of mable to moan, an ear of indian corn stuck in her Mr. Beckwith. mouth for a gag-left suspended by the band till her naster would finish breakfast, and conduct family ayer! This last instance is related by a Virginian dergyman as occurring in the family of a dear friend. ton, under the auspices of the Victoria Rifle Volunteers. The Rev. Mr. Aughey, a Presbyterian minister from Judge Wilmot gave the opening one last week, on Mississippi, tells of a negro woman whipped to death "British Monarchy and American Democracy," A by the man at whose house he was residing, during a meeting of Presbytery. He tells of several other instances within his personal knowledge. "Old Mr. that the learned Judge did not flatter democracy (says Aughey), punished his negroes by slitting much in his lecture. Dr. Spurden lectured on Tuespen the soles of their feet with his bowie knife. day evening to a large audience on "Cotton," a notice One man he put into a cotton press and turned brutal, licentious, dissipated, and profane. "They always carry a loaded whip, a revolver, and a bowie man named Watters was examined. He attended

We have only quoted samples-these are by no engaged by Brain to embark in the desperate entermeans exceptional cases; but characteristic of the prise. His evidence has no very marked feature bad siaveowners in Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, and Georgia. No wonder then that slavery bearing on the case. The examination was then is to be swept away, even if it be by the great red postponed until this day (Friday).

The Nothern despised the African; the Southerner ppressed him; but it seems now that he holds the without him or ignore his existence. The North and went to sustain the capias, and, as a consebegs his co-operation; the South may also be compelled to arm him, and if so she cannot and dare not pelled to arm him, and if so she cannot and dare not on slave him. Already Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee. Mr. Ira Gould—good for the appearance of the forth Virginia, Maryland and Delaware are to all ntents and purposes free states. Louisiana and all the other States of the Confederacy bave lost thousands of their slaves. Wherever a Federal army netrates, freedom to the slave is the consequence, wever disastrous that freedom may seem at first ight, involving fatigue, hunger, perhaps even starva- covering all the financial affairs of the city for the ion. But we firmly believe that present disasters and year that has just closed. The whole amount of sufferings are the necessary precursors of a great and money he received in 1863, on account of both sides

be interesting to the public in general, and more \$88,400 on the West side. The Carleton Water debt tious intercourse with seamen and one another, had through his subject; we have just given two or especially to the smoking section, to learn that the in addition, is \$106,000. The greater part of the use of tobacco for smoking parposes within the pre- debt is payable in 1872, and the Chamberlain now einets of Windsor Castle has been prohibited by the soggests a plan for the establishment of a sinking za, those foreign epidemics, to hurry thousands and the population of Europe is 272 millions; Asia, will not smoke in the Castle, have been hung in the first of the free course for the operative classes, was a will not smoke in the Castle, have been hung in the first of the free course for the operative classes, was a highly appropriated by express command of her Majesty the Queen. Cards, fund for its redemption. tens of thousands to the grave; and the existing tens of thousands to the grave; and the existing tens of thousands to the grave; and the existing tens of thousands to the grave; and the existing tens of the lords in waiting and equerries first rate performance, and was highly appreciated by private rooms of the lords in waiting and equerries first rate performance, and was highly appreciated by millions; Polynesia, 2 millions; total, 1,283 millions. of the Royal suite, and even in the rooms, which, in one of the most interesting andiences that we have seen

CRUELTY TO THE POLES.

The following article describing the cruelties as

Darkness not only continues to hang, but thickinsurgents has been such that they ought to he other appliances of modern warfare to be prepare of slaves escaping, or being captured, and set free by mourning, lest the black clothes should signify lam the Northern forces, is about one thousand per day! tation for the state of the country as well as for de Another very significant fact is this, that fifty thou- friends. But we are told by a correspondent of the one hundred thousand of the despised race will be and by fines for plying their vocation without We admit that the price paid for freedom is in this registered and compelled to receive licences as women license, and after these horrible indignities they wen nstance terrible. Multidudes of the dominant race of the town." This is the way in which it is attempt ing and death which they so cruelly held to the lips having shown some hesitation to leave their homes the poor, helpless African strangers.

It is noteworthy that all the leading 'Democrats' with Mouravieff's orders. In Wilna the convoys for into the slave country, have turned keenly 'Aboli- every mark of Polanism in the city, Mouravieff has tionist" in their views, and some of the most remark- ordered all the Polish inscriptions on the shops and able exposures of the slave system have reached us at the corners of the streets to be erased, no more from such hands. The war has revealed all the Polish bills of fare to be used in the restaurants, the nquisitorial dungeons and tore down monasteries and stamps. Mouravieff has adopted a new system for numeries. Mrs. Stowe's worst stories are more than the incorporation of Poland with Russia. Those who little children, one of whom was but two years old, number of Good Words. Suppose a master murders tion all proprietors of houses or land that have slave he cannot be convicted unless there were white assisted the national cause with money contributions. itnesses of the deed. The master may put the slave | The extent of the powers thus given to the military

THE NEWS

JANUARY 15, 1864.

The Colonial Farmer, published at Fredericton. The price remaining the same as before.

The election of Mayor for the city of Frederic-John A. Beckwith, a new candidate. The result of

LECTURES IN FREDERICTON-A course of Lectures are being delivered in the Temperance Hall, Frederic-

bringing out, however, nothing new. On Monday a the meetings at Lower Cove where the parties were

The Montreal Transcript says that Justice Smith has rendered judgment in the case of Redpath dance of power in his hand. Neither party can do Giddings. The judgment was given at great length, aslave him. Already Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, defendant, and the damages, should such be given The affidavits placed on the record by defendant's counsel were ordered to be struck off as irrelevant

At a meeting of the Common Council on Wednesday, the Chamberlain sent in a very interesting statement, of the harbour, was \$174,713.56-the amount ex pended, \$156,638.17, leaving the balance in his hand at the close of the year, \$18,024.59. The total debt HER MAJESTY AND THE USE OF TOBACCO .- It may of the city is \$478,661 30, on the East side, and

principles; and the most we can do is to suggest Milkish.

16 36 Such was their wretched condition but little more what our observation and experience lead us to regard Wakefield.

16 36 Such was their wretched condition but little more every hour. The number of persons who have lived workmen of the Castle are also prohibited from smoking in a most instructive manner.—Precbyterian.

The attendance the principal l P. P's. Amo of the press. a vast amoun wise. After t Chamber of on motion of On motion N. Skinner, E. Resolved, T. pare the Re other measure before the Per The followi tee, with pow son, C. N. S Fairweather, Wright, A. J. and Rev. Wn Moved by Thomson, E. Whereas it that the Mar section of th meet an exte Boundary of Therefore ly urge the such measur Short spe Robertson, . Esq., Wm. scheme prop John offerin ment of the the Hon. J. ness to pay about £50 s

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