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### CONE!

knell of time will have sounded out its last expiring moment! How quickly it has flown; and looking back upon it, what a brief space it has been from its beginning to its end! But brief as it has been, it leaves no mean record of its deeds. In the history of the nations it has made its mark. Some have been carried forward in the scale of progress; others have had stretched out upon them the lines of decay. Nations change like men: it is God that putteth down one and setteth up another, and those that will not serve him he will destroy. Such has been his way of dealing in all ages; and every year chisels its history, for growth or decline, upon every country and every people. Unlike the natural vision, however, which requires approximation to insure correctness, the marks of time upon a nation can be more correctly judged from a distance; and it is only by looking back from the future that the lines of progress or decay can be really seen and really traced. On this continent the power of one of the greatest rebellions which the world ever saw, has been broits material elements scattered and destroved. But it is not certain but the spirit that thousands of proud men and scornful women, whose prestige has departed, whose chivalry has been humbled, whose homes have been desolated, and whose resources have been destroyed. And strange as it may seem, the crushing of the rebellion has ended oppression, and severed the yoke from the necks of millions of human beings, and sounded out a jubilee, the echo of which will most certainly sunder the manacles from the oppressed and enslaved in every land. In this the year of our Lord 1865, has done a noble deed and leaves a noble record.

Changes have taken place in other lands; and whether perceived as yet or not, the sure and certain marks of progress or decay has been inscribed ou every people, and engraven on the pillars of every government. Earthly nations rise and fall; the kingdoms of this world will pass away; the wisest and proudest princes must die; time will surely, however slowly, bring about these things; but there is one Kingdom that will never decay, one Throne that will never fall, one King that will never die, one Government that will endure for ever! The kingdom of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST is an everlasting kingdom; and whatever marks of decay may be made upon earthly governments, sure and certain progress marks the reign of Christ, and the advancing hosts of God's elect-the christian church-will steadily and surely, under their leader and head, carry forward their bloodless victories, until the ransomed earth shall send forth its pæan to Jehovan, and the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our God and he shall reign for ever and ever. Revolving years cannot retard, but only hasten this happy

The dying year is adapted to teach us solemn and important lessons. Each one in its turn brings its changes not only to nations and countries, but also to families and individuals. And it should be a monitor to remind us of these, and that life itself is a brief and uncertain thing. Every man has his duties and his mission in the world, which, duly and wisely performed, constitutes a preparation for the future. Time is the period allotted for action; this is divided into moments and hours, and days and months and years, and it should be our ardent desire so to number them, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. The close of the year should suggest to our hearts

something like the following wise counsels :-Make a wise improvement of time. Lose not a particle of this invaluable treasure. Fill up all your spare hours with some profitable employment. Cast not away the least feelings of these golden seasons. You have wasted too much time already. Now redeem the remainder; engross this precious commodi. ty; for the period is at hand when a single moment may be to you of more worth than a world. Imitate such tradesmen as miss no opportunity of getting gain at home or abroad, by night or by day, by devising plans, or putting them in practice; only make use of present moments, and promise not to yourselves to-morrow, as worldly tradesmen are apt to do, and be sure that you take God with you, whom they forget and leave behind. Take Time by the forelock, tor he is bald behind, and you cannot grasp him there. You little know what a day may bring forth. It may produce a burden of more duty, difficulty, or misery, than you have hitherto met with. To redeem time is the part of true wisdom; but the neglect of time has filled the last hours of multitudes with in the hand of God, and if you squander it, it is lost | worship of God.

wailed, as spent in vain, the day in which they had erection forward to a speedy completion. performed no memorable action. How much more | We had the satisfaction of being present on Sabought Christians to lament the loss of time? I once | bath last at its dedication. Notwithstanding the seheard an eminent minister say on his death-bed, that verity of the day, at the hour appointed not only nothing in the review of his past life gave him so were the pews all crowded full, but every available much pain, as the thought of his lost hours. So it space in the aisles was occupied by persons standing. is with us all. We lose time, and then smart for it. Not less than four hundred persons were present. see at death, we open our eyes only when they are | Elders S. Hartt, R. French, E. McLeod, and W. A.

#### THE FOREIGN MISSION.

LETTER FROM REV. B. MERRITT.

We are glad to have another letter from our dear brother in India-Rev. J. L. PHILLIPS-to give our eaders this week. He does not forget the people in New Brunswick, and it will be seen he desires to be remembered by them. We trust that many do pray for this dear brother, who has gone out under the auspices of our denomination, and relying on our liperality for his support while he toils and labors in that far distant land of moral darkness and heathenism. We wish to call the special attention of our churches and friends to the necessity of sustaining Brother Phillips according to our engagement. The Free Baptist Denomination of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick are morally bound to sustain him to the amount of seven hundred dollars a year: they pledged themselves to do so. The first year's salary has been it should be to every man, who feels an interest in breathed life into that terrific struggle still lives, sury. We trust it will not be so. We have opened private letter from our esteemed Brother, Rev. B. MERRITT of Hampstead, in whose judgment and discretion all who know him have the utmost confidence. We venture to give an extract or two to our readers,

sent week's issue of your paper. It has occurred to me to write a few lines to you, and let you know that I always think of you when I receive the Intelligen-CER, and would be happy to see you and converse with you on subjects which occupy my thoughts. But it is seldom I am favored with this privilege of late. One thing in which we are mutually interested tance, and affords gratifying evidence of denominais the Foreign Mission Society, and I am pleased to tional improvement and advancement. see you bring this noble enterprise before your readers, and solicit their aid to its funds. I fear that some of our ministering brethren feel but little interest in this Society, and more of the lay brethren do not wish to hear anything about it, because it requires a little of their money. But I hope it will be favored with success. It has occurred to me, that if there was likely to be a deficiency this year in obtaining the amount required for Brother Phillips' salary, it would be well to employ some persons to present the claims of the Missionary cause to some of the wealthy churches. I think it probable a handsome sum could be raised, besides paying expenses. But perhaps such a course may not be required."

This proposal of Brother Merritt fully meets our own mind- Many of our churches have never had the Foreign Mission cause brought to their notice, and it should be presented to them by a judicious and efficient advocate, not only for the purpose of obtaining funds this year, but to enlist their sympathies and secure their support for coming years. Mis sionary meetings should also be held in different places, and we should be glad to attend some of them if the friends where they were held desired.

The subjoined extracts from Brother Merritt's letter, on the subject of Education, will we know interest. our readers. He says :-

"Another subject, in which we both feel an interest, is the EDUCATION SOCIETY. I see but little in your columns of late on this matter. But I know your heast is warm in the cause, and all you want is he co-operation of the denomination. I am sorry that so many are indifferent to an enterprise so essential to our progress and future welfare. I hope you will not be discouraged, though we may meet with opposition. All good causes generally meet with the disapprobation of a certain class of persons.' We assure our brother and friends, that the Edu-

eation Society is not forgotten. The interest of our people is growing fast in the right direction.

# NEW CHURCH BUILDING --- DEDICATION.

We are always pleased to notice anything in the way of progress or improvement in our churches. idolatry and began the worship of the christian's God. progress. If the Church has not already attained bitter and unavailing regrets. An apostle said, more and completion, and every step in that it inculcated the duty of prayer. He began to on to perfection; if she is, "forgetting things bethan a thousand years ago, "The time is short." should be encouraged. Each church also has an in pray in secret, and instituted family devotions. Tell hind, to reach forth to them which are before;" those Much more may we say so, when now the ship is fluence upon some other, and every step taken by me, Mr. Editor, did not this man learn Christ differ- who act on this principle may expect to be representdrawing so much nearer the harbor, when the sails are one in the way of progress, provokes a spirit of com- ently from too many, alas! in enlightened lands, who ed as "given to change," abandoning past attaincontracted, and the voyage well nigh over. "The mendable emulation in others, and hence advance- have no family altar? Morning and evening this ments, opposing or renouncing the standards or end of all things is at hand." The world grows old ment in one place is sure to be followed by advance- man brought his family together for christian wor- testimeny of the Uhurch. Yet, unless we assume and naught. Your own days cannot be long. This ment in another. It is well known that the places ship. He found too that his book spoke of the conse- the Roman Catholic dogma, that the Church is infalvery night thy soul may be required of thee. Then a of worship built by our churches in former years, cration of one seventh of the week as a day of rest. lible, we must allow of such changes as the Provitreasure for another world will stand you in infinite were of the cheapest and plainest kind, as though He accordingly began to keep the Sabbath. Soon dence of Gop, illuminating and illustrating his own stead. O consider, often and solemnly, that this span | the humility of the church was manifested by the after he set apart a little spot near his house for a word, indicates to be proper. A person who was of life, this inch of time, is the seminary of eternity, meanness of the building in which they worshipped; place of worship, and there he has been long accus- once censured because he had changed an opinion he the prelude to an everlasting state! Lavish it not and to suggest the necessity of an expensive or even tomed to hold his religious services. But I wish to once held, replied: "Do you not think that I should away in a brutish prodigality. You will have little comfortable church building, was to place yourself speak of one or two fruits of this man's piety which be wiser now than I was then?"—Banner of the time enough when you come to die. A rich volup- under the most severe charge of pride and worldly serve to show its genuineness. He in the first place, Uvenant. tuary, at death, cried out bitterly, "Call time again! conformity. But, thank God, those times of igno- went to work for other souls. From his own heart O, call time again!" But time came not back at his rance are passing away, and the people are beginning and household he carried the precious truths of the bidding. Another offered a kingdom for an inch of to see that a good commodious and substantial church gospel to his neighbours. Fearing neither obloquy time. But, alas! time once gone, cannot be reclaimed. building, corresponding with the wealth and intelli- nor persecution, he began to publish the glad tidings eight boys from eleven to fifteen years of age, who The gold of Ophir could not buy back one misspent gence of the community, is not only a necessity, but of salvation through a crucified Redeemer. While had taken the names of Jack Sheppard, Dick Turpin, day. You have but your appointed time, and that is an evidence of the people's appreciation of the public many ridiculed, some received the truth. The man

time, "We have heard the fame thereof with our have done themselves no little credit, in the erection his neighbour, and now with his family are walking bed houses, others pilfered from shops. They would ears;" but never more shall they behold it. When of the finest meeting house owned by any of our after the gospel rule. This is the beginning only of your glass is run, and your sun set, you will have no churches in the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in that heathen village. Another old woman; one of their number, called "the detection is the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in the country of the good work in the country. This house is 30x50 feet the good work in the country of the good work in the good work more opportunity to prepare and gather store for on the ground, exclusive of a large and commodious proof of the genuineness of this man's conversion is tive," would then watch for the approach of the with the Baptist church in Mansfield, Rev. W. Lewis, for any longer to hope for success in this direction; eternity; and therefore, "Whatsoever thy hand porch; its posts are 18 feet high, and it contains 42 that he regards all his possessions as the Lord's police while his confederates made off with any artifindeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no pews, capable of containing six persons each. The Having some property, he is unwilling to spend it for months of successful plunder the capture of these box work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the contractor for the erection of this house was Mr.

Charles H Welmore of Springfield who has in a for or among the agreements wherewith to deck his wife or children.

The Having some property, he is unwilling to spend it for months of successful plunder the capture of these boy thieves was effected through another lad who saw association that there was a general feeling among There is a way by which a person can appear to association that there was a general feeling among There is a way by which a person can appear to the second successful plunder the capture of these boy this wife or children. grave whither thou goest." Be not like those silly Charles H. Wetmore, of Springfield, who has in a for ornaments wherewith to deck his wife or children them steal a pair of boots, and gave information to the brethren that God was about to pour out his condemn, and yet absolutely encourage and approve, "fishes that are taken in an evil net," because "they most faithful and workmanlike manner fulfilled his after the Hindoo fashions, than for pagan rites and certhe Hindoo fashions rites and certhe Hindoo fashions rites and certhe Hin know not their time;" but live in constant readiness engagements with the building committee to their enfor the final and all-decisive hour, which may "fall tire satisfaction, and secured to himself a reputation version in our friend, which has gratified us much. by any means an noussel number of the final and all-decisive hour, which has gratified us much. by any means an noussel number of the final and all-decisive hour, which has gratified us much. by any means an noussel number of the final and all-decisive hour, which has gratified us much. by any means an noussel number of the final and all-decisive hour, which has gratified us much. by any means an noussel number of the final and all-decisive hour, which has gratified us much. by any means an noussel number of the final and all-decisive hour, which has gratified us much.

Like the mole, which naturalists tell us begins to The ministers present were the pastor of the Church, term for which a considerable number of subscribers about to be closed forever. Let us therefore, hus- Corey (Baptist.) Elder Hartt preached the first ser- forward to us, or our publishers, the amount of subband time well, while we have it, and study to lay up | mon from 1 Kings viii. 27. Dedication prayer by the | scription for the next year as soon as possible. every day something which may contribute to the writer. After a short intermission, the writer preach- Those whose terms have previously run out, but who welfare of our souls, and increase our spiritual riches. ed from Psalm cx. 8. Subject, Christian consecra- have not yet renewed, would do us a great favour by Like Mary, let us be always receiving good, and, like tion. In the evening, Elder Hartt again led the doing so immediately. We wish to keep as nearly as Christ, be always doing good. Were we constantly services, and a number took part in the exercises. It possible to our terms-Payment in Advance. We What? The year 1865! In less than one week thus employed, our treasure would soon be raised to was an interesting and we hope profitable day. On tender our sincere thanks to the friends who so from this, and before this paper shall have reached a large proportion, and we should be sooner ripe for Monday (Christmas), service was again held at 11 A. promptly renewed their subscriptions. We most re-M. The writer preached. Subject: The different spectfully solicit the interest of all of our present subeffects of the Gospel on men's minds. This was a scribers in extending our circulation. The large solemn and searching service, and many were quick- increase of subscribers recently received is good eviened and blessed. In the evening, Elder French dence of the increasing popularity of our paper, and preached a timely and good discourse on honoring | we believe a more favorable opportunity could scarcely God, and the people seemed much impressed. All exist to extend its circulation in all parts of the the religious services were solemn and we think pro- country. Our local agents and all friends of the paper fitable, and good indications existed of a gracious re- will do us a great favour by seizing the present time

Tuesday, at 10 o'clock, was appointed for the sale renewals. of the pews. A large congregation was present. After addresses from Elders Hartt and Perry, and brief remarks from the writer, the sale was proceeded in other places. The building of this meeting house and rendered her a dangerous example to others.

### LETTER FROM INDIA

Midnapore, India, Oct. 16, 1865. the Editor of the Religious Intelligencer;

Another month of hopes and fears, of joys and sorrows has quickly fled since my last was penned. To-day I take my pen to tell your readers of the Lord's goodness to us. Only day before yesterday as ter and support them. Strip them of the countenance I was preparing a letter for a Missionary Society in and support of those who are in reputation for discreone of our New England schools, it pleased the Lord | tion and virtue, and they would soon find their proto send me in two earnest inquirers after the truth as it is in Jesus. Perhaps I can do no better than to may tend to increase the faith and zeal of those who work and pray for the benighted pagans of India.

living about thirty or forty miles from us, was at cheeks, he has told me of God's goodness to him. The my influence, and take it out of the world with nearly \$25,000. In a small place near Ferrara, freand in it he discovered that for which his soul had thirsted many years, -a knowledge of the true God and the only way of salvation. So soon as he became satisfied in his own mind, he at once renounced | change; hence to oppose all change is to oppose all Religious bodies require time to attain permanency He searched the pages of this little volume and found her complete development; if it is still her duty to go There are professors in Milan, evangelical men, ready but scorn—fully condemn the wild scheme of the so who accompanied him on this visit to us, is one who a regular gang under a "captain," and had a systo you forever. The dead and damned may say of The good people of Middleland, King's County, had believed on Jesus through the preaching of this tematic plan of operations. Some among them rob-

subsided, she grew calm, and ceased to talk about of time. The holiest men have ever been the most making the entire expenditure \$1,400. The prime the old man plead for a sanctuary and a school, in the long, dark way, till at the very last she bright- careful of time, and they who have been the most mover in its erection was the pastor of the church, behalf of his own and his neighbor's children, who ened suddenly, a smile of confidence and courage fearful of losing even the smallest portion of it, have Rev. J. Perry. He proposed that a committee of would otherwise grow up in comparative ignorance. lighted up her sweet face. "O, it is only a little attained to the highest eminence is religion. His- ten persons should undertake the erection of the This request will come before our Quarterly Meeting tory and observation will alike show you, that the building, assuming the responsibility to the contraction much. Before leaving this case let me say choicest spirits have always been most diligent in tor, and to dispose of the pews when completed, to that these men never met a christian until several improving time. Some have accounted that day as meet the costs. Brother Perry also became one of months ago, when our Santal preacher, Dula, visited lost, in which they had done no good either with the Committee, and by his well known energy and them, or rather found them out. Now, my dear New tongue, or pen, or purse; and even heathens have be- perseverance contributed much towards pushing the Brunswick friends, do pray for us and for these con-JAMES L. PHILLIPS.

#### NOW IS THE TIME.

Now is the time to subscribe for the Intelligencer. And now is the time for our friends to make an effort in its behalf in their several neighborhoods. The to solicit new subscribers as well as to obtain

#### DANGEROUS INFLUENCES

"Can you tell me," said a Christian mother to us with. All the pews were disposed of except four- on one occasion, while visiting her house, "if Miss some at the upset price, others slightly in advance. | ---- attends the quadrille class?" Miss ---- was a The Committee having arranged that the sale of the member of our congregation, a young lady of irrepews at the upset prices should meet the cost of proachable life, considered of more than ordinary building, but little therefore remains unprovided for, discretion, and careful of the society she kept; but the erection of this house, should stimulate and pro- attend also. The very excellencies and virtues of

> operates as a decoy, and in its influence upon others | Star. is far more dangerous than the former, and more wide-spread in its ruinous effects. It is the respectable, fashionable, and irreproachable patrons and attendants of the quadrille classes, and dancing assemblies, and masquerades, and public balls, and operas, and theatres, and all kindred amusements, which fosper level. It is the example of such that draws into the vortex of temptation which they afford the less

It is by this same law that moderate drinkers exert their sad influence on society, and do so much to fos-It appears that well night wenty years ago a native ter and sustain the drinking habits of the age, multiply the wrecks of young men at the shrine of Bac. Cuttack, a station of the General Baptist Missiona- chus, and fill the world with drunkards. The priest ridden than any country, except Italy and will be seen how difficult it is for him, just now, to ries, and from them he received a little volume of drunkard is pointed at as a beacon to be shunned; Spain. But it is certain that a great religious movetracts on various religious topics. Two of the prin- the moderate drinker as an example to be imitated. ment has commenced in that country, which it is cipal ones were entitled-" The Jewel Mine of Salva- The former seldom reproduces himself; the latter hoped will result in breaking the iron yoke. Several

bor of his, to whom he showed the book he had fostered and patronized by a few in reputation for began to preach the doctrines of the Gospel publicly, lately received, and not caring for it himself, being discretion and virtue, become snares and traps for and without fear and restraint, and with such force many of them who would scorn to be found chuck so engrossed in worldly cares, he gave it to his friend the less cautious and more easily beguiled; and thus and clearness that the people flock to hear them, and and guest. This time the seed which had first fallen a reputation for virtue becomes an aid to vice. The sustain them by acclamation. The opposition of the among thorns, fell into good ground, and by the bless- moderate drinker, by his own habit and example, bishops and other priests is of no avail in stopping ing of heaven, soon began to bear fruit. The older fosters and supports the evil he condemns, and mul. the work. The principles of civil and religious li- procuring redress. of the two men who came to see me, is he whose tiplies the ruin he loathes. The greater our reputa- berty is leavening the whole country. heart received the precious seed of the kingdom, and tion for excellence, the more dangerous our influence, I will give you his own account of the result. Sitting if it be on the side of evil. A dying man in his last on my study floor, the tears fast coursing down his hour exclaimed: " Would to God I could gather up and colporteurs, and expends in the work annually,

# PROGRESS AND CHANGE.

There can be no progress unless there is some

### POISONOUS PERIODICALS.

and other notorious highwaymen, were brought up

the magistrate with one accord that they "wanted interest and power up to the present time. three years." Yet "the parents of some of them are | believed that there are at least one hundred conver respectable, and cannot get them to stay at home." and the work shows no signs of abatement. It is not difficult to determine where these lads acquired their taste for felony. Not long ago a page who robbed his mistress confessed that he had been led to the act through reading "The Life of Jack Sheppard," a portion of which was found in his trunk; and the nicknames assumed by these poor misguided boys point clearly to a similar inspiration. In

shops in which a certain class of penny publications share with questionable cakes and suspicious herrings the honors of the window. The viands may prove, notwithstanding appearances, to be good and wholesome food, but the periodicals are rank poison. They are of various kinds, the worst being serial romances It is not generally known that there are more the not often that the evil influence of immoral publica- dioceses tions can be so easily traced as in the presentinstance, Besides these, the Catholics have 102 orphan as but there is no doubt that it prevails among the lums, where they educate some 7000 orphans, and young to an extent which may fairly be called alarm- have over 100 benevolent and charitable societies ing. The imitative faculty is strong in young per- and 28 hospitals. They have also 97 literary inst dance with the natural bent of the human heart free schools for 27,340 males, and 326 schools towards evil. When bad men are made the heroes of 29,671 females. attractive stories, the moral sense of youthful readers ecomes speedily blunted, and a desire to imitate the exploits described readily follows. Such publications as those alluded to, we believe, have a very large sale, chiefly among boys and girls of the lower and middle classes. The evil is one difficult to deal with. yet if parents and employers of children were alive to their responsibilities, they might ascertain what their young peeple read in leisure hours, and take care to provide them with reading which is pure and elevating, instead of leaving them to seek for thems lves that which is the reverse. Our Sunday and raggedschools, too, should wage war with this growing evil. The teachers would do well to study earnestness and directness in their teaching, and take occasion to depict vice and crime in their true colours, while seeking to lead the children to Him who alone can save from sin and succour in the hour of temptation. - London Paper,

#### REMARKABLE.

The U. S. Treasurer reports that over \$20,000 have been returned to the treasury by persons who have and the sale of the remaining pews in the Commit- withal destitute of religion. "We cannot tell," was money," and speaks well for the moral sense of the taken it wrongfully. This is called "conscience tee's hands will quite meet it. We really feel to con- our reply; we had not been informed. But why did nation. There are thousands upon thousands who paid; the second is now passing, and the first half gratulate Brother Perry and the Church and friends that mother make this enquiry relative to one entirely have wronged the government, who have not conat Middleland, on their success in building this new outside of her own family, and with whom they had science enough to make restitution, but the fact that and elegant house for God. The Church had been little or no intercourse? That mother had a daughter so many have done it, shows that Christianity is not worshipping for/years in an old and dilapidated build- of fewer years than Miss ---, and who was anxious a dead letter among us. We are entirely certain that ing, unfit for any human purpose (especially in the to attend the class which had been opened weekly by the parties who restored \$20,000 and over, were space in our columns to acknowledge remittances winter), and they felt themselves unable to arise and a Volunteer Company, for the purpose of dancing. trained under the influence of the gospel, their pathrough us to the Treasurer. Every member in the build. But, prompted and encouraged by Brother The mother had judiciously remonstrated, and urged rents were Christians; they have regularly attended denomination should interest himself in raising the Perry, who a little over a year ago took the pastoral the impropriety of a respectable young lady mixing the preaching of the word; they believe in future amount required. Could not our Home Missionaries care of the Church, and who was foremost in assum- in promiscuous dancing parties. To this the daugh- rewards and punishments, and purpose to obey the do much for the Foreign Mission Society? Their ing the responsibility and pushing the work forward, ter replied, "Miss — attends." By this reply it Lord Jesus, because it is right and leads to heaven. large influence in the Churches they visit, would they have now a substantial and elegant building, was intended to convey the idea that the attendance The heathen never give such evidence of an active which would be a credit to any Church in the coun- of Miss ---, with her reputed discretion and cau- moral sense; Papists seldom do; infidels, and those try. And it is paid for without any person being tion, was a sufficient guarantee for the respectability who despise and reject the gospel and are seldom burdened. They have also paid their pastor's salary of the company and the propriety of the amusement. found in the house of worship, have not such a tendduring the year (about \$360, we believe), and have Here is an illustration of the power and danger of er conscience. But the Christian is in agony when given beside about \$50 as a free contribution to the evil influence on the part of those who are in reputa- he knows that he has taken more than his due; N. B. Auxiliary Bible Society. We are particular in tion for discretion and virtue. Had Miss --- 's re- crime, dishonesty, robs him of all peace, and he never and beg our Brother's pardon for the liberty we take the details of what this people have done, because it putation been doubtful; had she been less careful in finds rest until he restores. This is peculiar to those with his private correspondence. He writes to us, is an example we wish to see imitated by others. It the choice of her company, and possessed only an who are trained in Christian duties, and would cheris progress in the right direction, and will prove a ordinary reputation for discretion in the selection of ish the Christian's hope. They believe that they are "I have just received and been perusing this pre- lasting blessing to the people. It also illustrates very her associates, her attendance at the quadrille class bound to obey Christ, that they can not enjoy his forcibly what can be done when there is a will. And would not have been referred to as affording a reason smiles if they sin; so that duty, sense of right, dethe zeal and energy and success of Brother Perry in why a younger, and perhaps less cautious girl might sire of the divine approval, hope of heaven, all prevoke other preachers and pastors to a similar work | Miss - gave power and danger to her influence, obedience. No other religion presents such an array sent joys and future hopes, depend upon honesty and of motives and influences, to make people honest, at Middleland we consider of denominational impor- Now this is but one case of thousands. Notorious therefore no other people are likely to return money wickedness will be pointed at as a beacon of warning, when they have taken it wrongfully. In these cases while fashionable sin, hidden beneath the garb of dis- we have proof of the excellency of Christianity and posed to find unnecessary fault with the railway cretion, and bearing the reputation of respectability, the weakness and strength of Christians .- Morning

> REVIVALS .- The venerable Dr. Haws, an old and eminently useful Congregational minister in Hartford, have accompanied his ministry, with remarks and his letter; counsels on the subject of revivals. The means emthe truths of God's word earnestly and solemnly impressed upon men's consciences, rather than sensatiolay before my New Brunswick friends a few of the discreet and credulous, and such as are made an easy serious question whether there is not at present a Did the people of this province know the true charus, and filled our hearts with devout gratitude to tims in all promiscuous assemblies of pleasure- the gospel-a distinct holding up of Christ; and instead thereof, a method of sensational preaching, to the Saviour. The sad and sudden declensions

miles to the South, this man was visited by a neigh- The quadrille assemblies and kindred institutions, they read in Latin and Spanish. Latterly, these have

ITALY .- A society int London employs in Italy be quently visited by an evangelist, the gospel is preatrian Italy, to hear the gospel. Several young men converted, and have been accustomed to speak in religious meetings.

population meet together on their days of religious psalm book are printed yearly.

JEWS RECEIVING CHRIST .- At the anniversary of the London Jews' Society, the Bishop of Ripon said, loyalty in it. No commendation of British rule any When this Society was first established, it is supposed that there were not fifty converted Jews in the whole of this kingdom. In London alone there are redressed by bloodless means; but on the contrary now 3000 converted Isarelites. The Society can tell would be noble to devote one's life, &c., to recess of 20,000 converts, of whom it is assumed that they wrongs; and, as the the revolutions of '98 pd '48 are members of the invisible as well as the visible church of Christ. More than a hundred ordained clergymen, originally members of the Jewish com- Catholics, he hoped the young men would brove themmunion, but now converted to the faith of Christ, selves worthy of praise; how? by prending their are preaching his gospel."

suddenly upon" you. Let no day pass without for skill and energy as a mechanic. The contract He is extremely anxious that we should proceed at had all been previously convicted, and so hardened terest to the close. This was the commencement of we may thank the vigilance of the British Governdrawing some line towards your great centre. You price for the building of this house was very low, once to give them a house of worship and a school were they that when brought into the dock they told a great revival, which has continued to increase in ment for its speedy check, and, I hope estruction.

STARTLING FACTS. - There are in New York 15,600 tenant-houses, containing 486,000 person there is one grag-shop for every hundred inhabitant there is one church to three thousand people. Seven men, women, and children die every day. The taxes are \$46,000 a day, or \$17,000,000 a y the poorer district of large towns there are numerous The money spent in public amusements is \$24.0 a day, \$7,000,000 a year. For the support of the police, \$2,000,000 a year is required. Sevente thousand unmigrants per month land at Cast

INCREASE OF ROMANISM IN THE UNITED STATES whose staple is vice and crime. The sensation ten- four millions of Roman Catholics in the United State dencies of modern literature here develop themselves | Since 1808, there has been an increase from eight in the direction of felony and murder. Highwaymen to two thousand five hundred churches; from sixty become heroes in these pages, and the more desperate eight to twenty-three hundred priests; from two the criminal the more numerous his admirers. It is forty-five bishops; and from one to forty-eight

ions, and always strongest when exercised in accor- tutes for young men; 212 female academies, and 80

MY MOTHER'S INFLUENCE -"I left college withou a faith, without a belief in anything-in God, human freedom and accountability, in the Bible, the divine institution of the Sabbath, in immortality and yet so much better had been the true patie gearning love of a mother whose orthodoxy I de pised, but whose influence I could not shake off, the left without an evil habit which could not b criticized by her or by any one."-Light in Darkness

## THE NEWS and THE PRESS.

DECEMBER 29, 1865.

RAILWAY IMPOSITION.—The Government papers last week contained the following notice :-E. & N. A. RAILWAY. EXCURSION TRAINS.

DETURN TICKETS at one First-Class fare each will be R sold during Saturday 23rd, Monday, 25th, and Tues ay, 26th inst.; also on Saturday, 80th, Monday 1st, and Tuesday, 2nd January, 1866, from all Stations on the Rail J. W. LAWRENCE, Chairman. Railway Commissioners' Office, St. John, Dec. 20.

On Saturday morning a considerable number of persons repaired to the station at St. John at the hour for the first train leaving (ourselves among the number), intending to proceed to the country to spend Sabbath and Christmas. But on application for tickets, what was our suprise on being told that instruction had been received to sell return tickets! The consequence was a number returned home, and did not proceed on their journey as they intended. Our arrangements were such that we were obliged to pocket the imposition, but as we only intended to proceed to Norton, the extra cost to us was one dollar. Others going greater distances of course suffered in proportion. We learn that during the day instructions were given the station masters to issue tickets, not in accordance with the advertisement above, but returnable any day during the week. Surely such negligence and mismanagement as this, is condemnable in the highest degree. It is not pleasant for families to make arrangements for a railway excursion and to spend a holiday with their friends in the country, and then to be charged double what they expected, or to forego the pleasure of their visit after they have reached the station. Besides this gross imposition (the result of neglect, we have no doubt), was the over crowded state of the car, both on Saturday morning and also on our return on Tuesday afternoon. Many of the passengers could not obtain seats, and had to remain standing. We are not dismanagement; but these things to which we refer indicate something wrong. It is either contempt for the public wish and comfort, or gross inefficiency.

[CORRESPONDENCE.] A correspondent writing to us on business, di-Conn., has recently published reminiscences of a lates a little on public matters; and we venture to number of extensive and powerful revivals which transfer to our columns the following extract from

I have been a constant reader of your paper for ployed in the revivals referred to by Dr. Haws, was many years; and now, in the midst of the political commotion which agitates the Province, I am glad that we have a religious journal, of the status held by the Intelligencer, to watch the unscrupulous pa-

lack of plain and pungent preaching of the truths of acter of those journals, they would scarcely give them a passing notice. The Freeman can laud or scandalize public men, just as they may happen to be found with, or against him and his party. The Globe which wins the converts to the preacher rather than can support this side or that, as he, at the moment, may judge most likely to retain the ascendancy in the political struggle.

support either party.

The present Government must have been hardly tion," and "The Essence of True Religion." Upon brings forth a prodigious harvest of rags, wretched- priests in different places have become convinced of the people of this Province, would know that, no the errors of popery by the study of the Bible, which Government, with him as a member, could possibly exist a single year, as the experiment has proved. being fairly represented by Mr. Anglin, for there are ting over the prospects of Fenianism, or even secretly wishing its success; knowing full well if Ireland has any real grievances, rebellion is not the most sp edy, nor yet the most honorable and profitable method

I notice that many of the papers publish extracts from the address of the Rev. Mr. Dunphy, who would have us understand he is exceedingly loyal, and that he has no confidence in Fenianism. But, when the speech is closely analyzed, it will be seen that neither of these sentiments; he yields to no man, in his love for his ched in a room provided by the local authorities. native country, and deeply sympathizes with her in Several persons came across the frontier from Aus- all her political grievances to which she is now, and has been for a long time, a victim; and then, to enin Milan have been studying the Bible systematically life could be more nobly devoted than in redressing for two years, preparing to labour in the gospel. his country's wrongs; he, nevertheless, could not called Fenian Brotherhood for the liberation of Ireland." Now, I defy you, or any man, to read that address, as published, and see in it any other reason why the Rev. Mr. Dunphy condemns the "Brother-It is said that in Hungary the Protestant christian | hood " than, because it has not in it the correct planning and arrangements for the deliverance of Ireservice a full hour before the time of meeting, for the design against Irishmen, rather than Ireland; a purpose of singing psalms. The people usually know scheme to relieve the pockets of his friends, rather the psalms by heart. About 20,000 copies of the than to relieve Ireland from what he is pleased to call

political stubbornness," to which she is a "victim." I have examined the article published as Rev. Mr. Dunphy's speech, and fail to see an expression of where, no wish to sustain the dignity and integrity of the nation, no hope expressed that his friends will rise their influence to have their professed grievance ailed, so with Fenianism, as they have not the proper

means to accomplish their object. As his Excellency has spoken so highly of the nomes and property, &c., not a wor of sustaining

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