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### SAINT JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 20, 1867.

#### CHRISTMAS.

Before our next issue Christmas will have come and gone. The usual festivities of this joyous season will have passed. It is a fitting season to reflect on the event which the day commemorates. How few there are who really consider why it is distin guished from all other days in the year. The appoint ment seems to be recognized by general consent; but how few celebrate it as the anniversary of an event transcending in importance all others-viz : the birth of the LORD JESUS CHEIST; while multitu make it a day of festivity and thoughtless wirth. anything should inspire our hearts with gratitude and thanksgiving to God, it certainly should be the recurrence of the anniversary of that event which was so gloriously announced by an angel messengerwhich brought "good tidings of great joy," and to which the heavenly host was not indifferent ; it constituting a theme for a song in which they sang "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace good will toward men."

No event in the history of mankind can at all be equal in importance to the birth of the Saviour. As far back as the fall, God had promised to our first parents that "the seed of the woman should broise the serpent's head," and the fulfilment of this promise was looked forward to with much anxiety. Promises made subsequently to this could never have been realized had this one failed. Types and figures and shadows would have been meaningless had not the promised Messiah been born. More than seven hundred years before its fulfilment, Isaiah declared among other predictions-" Unto us a child is born ; unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulders, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." No doubt, during the long years that intervened from the time the mornise was made till it was fully realiz were entertained that the "consolation of Israel would not come. But God had promised. The years rolled round ; events were continually transpiring which were paving the way for the crowning eventthe advent into our world of the Son of God. It cannot be said that anything in connection with it was accidental, for no events were ever surrounded by such an array of evidences, no events are recorded with such wonderful accuracy, and no events were ever attested to so clearly, and by so many witnesses. as those connected with the birth, life, death and resurrection of the Blessed Rodeemer. Not only is the while the Father and Spirit also join in bearing witness to the fact that Jesus is the Son of God. Astonishment and wonder should be excited, and we are provoked to the deepest humility when we consider the wonderful circumstances connected with His birth. The King of kings, the Lord of lords, the Maker and Ruler of the Universe, and yet "no room for him in the inn." A host of angels worshipped him at his birth, yet he was born in abject poverty. But even in his deep humiliation how brightly is the glory of the Messiah reflected in the message of glad tidings to the shepherds of Bethlehem : "Unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord ;" and then again in the angelic chorus (which we repeat) that followed that announcement-" Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men." The birth of Christ! How wonderful an event! God manifest in the flesh. The first-begotten of the Father-the God-man-all the angels of God summoned to sing his natal song. Surely this event, the first of a series of memorable events in the life-history of the man Christ Jesus-events that were to porary speaks thus of the Parisian Sabbath complete the glorious plan of Redemption-a plan so have been passed in our room in quiet. Thoughts of great that it could be conceived in the heart of no the caim, placid Lord's-days we have spent in our from the friends of our F. Mission-cause. I know other than the great God, and which could only be own land, come to us like gentle winds over a sumwrought out by the incarnation, suffering and resurrection of the Redeemer. Surely, we say, such an event is sufficient reason that the followers of Christ should have some definite period fixed to commemo- day, and not Sunday. The streets are crowded. rate so great, so glorious, and so important an occur. The shops are all open. The omnibuses for the Exrence. There is no probability that the day now kept as Christmas is the true anniversary of the event osteamers on the river are covered with men, women referred to, and which it is designed to commemo- and children. All Paris has turned out for a gala rate; neither do we consider it important that it day. In front of the innumerable cafes all the chairs should be. How many keep Christmas without seeming to give a single thought to the event it is intended to bazaar of the Palais Royal, and never before have we commemorate. It should be a day of gladness and seen such a jum of people making the tour of the joy jit should remind us of God's "unspeakable gift" shops. The workmen everywhere are at their places, to man. But how many instead only know the day as one of idleness, mirth, feasting, dissipation and is the Roman Catholic Sunday. Paris, with one sinful pleasure of every kind. We have no doubt million eight hundred thousand people, has a Protesthat thousands of believers sacredly believe it ; but we cannot shut our eyes and ears to the fact that that there are tens of thousands who wickedly dese- two flights of steps, and enter a room some fifty feet crate it.

### WANTED IMMEDIATELY-THREE HUND-RED DOLLARS.

In another column will be found the statement and appeal of the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Solumns several times of late; but there seems to be an unusual apathy painfully prevalent among the people. As will be seen by the statement of Bro. Peters, comparatively nothing has been done. Only Eighty-Two Dollars in the Treasury ! and with this trifling amount a payment of Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars is expected to be made. We are sure Bro. P. will have to do some very skilfol financing if he would succeed in converting \$82.00 into \$350.-We do not know that ever before since the organization of our Foreign Mission Society were the funds so low so near the time when a payment was due.-The Treasurer, in his letter, says: "I know there are hundreds of our people who will say Bro. Phillips must be sustained." We are glad to believe with Bro. Peters that this is so. Since the organization of our Society, our missionary has been liberally supported ; but the present state of the finances of the

Society seem to indicate that the warm interest hitherto evinced has considerably declined, rather than increased, as should have been the case. The question naturally suggests itself, What course is to be pursued? We cannot believe that any are so indifferent to their own interests, and the interests of the perishing millions of heathendom, as to stand quietly by and see the operations of our Missionaries cease ithout at least putting forth an effort to support the good cause. The money might be hired, and the emi-annual payment be made in this way ; but we elieve this course would be suicidal ; it would entail a debt upon the Society which would probably never be removed ; a continual embarrassment would thus be experienced, and would result in putting an end to the Foreign Missionary enterprise as far as we as a body are concerned. We sincerely hope this step will not be made necessary. We do not believe that God would be well pleased with such a movement.-He will not be satisfied that His work should be carried on on credit, when He has supplied His people with the eash to do it. It can be avoided ; and the ability to avoid it is in our hands. Will we be true to the charge committed to us? If we would, let us begin our work at once. There are very many who, when they read a statement such as the Treasurer makes this week, feel very sorry that such a state of things does exist, and either from some peculiarity in their temperament, or from habit or some other cause, they sit down with folded hands, and lament over the coldness and inactivity of the people; they indulge in long. drawn sighs, but never once seem to realize that man Hall, the great English minister, who is now so

will never do; it will never raise the necessary funds; has been strongly impressed with the evils of the given us here every day, there is no other work on is simply a waste of precious time, that might be employed in extricating the Society from its difficulty. The circumstances, as now existing, call more loudly than ever before for something more than lamentation and sorrow for the anathy so painfully evidenced. They call for a more tangible sympathya sympathy expressed not in prayers only and tears only, but in dollars and cents. There is now the most absolute necessity for action-prompt and vigorous action. Who will go to work? There are yet | sung generally by the choir alone, then the sermon, two weeks before the Treasurer will have to make a remittance. In that time three times the amount required could be raised. We suggest that our ministestimony of men given, but that of angels as well, ters, deacons, church members-young and old, male and female, begin at once to canvass their respective localities, canvass each other, canvass every body, do not pass any, but solicit everybody to contribute omething to the good cause of Foreign Missions .-We want contributions-large and small-copper, silver, gold, paper ; indeed, money of any and every description is the commodity most needed just now, and that which will be gratefully received. Brethren, sisters-one and all-do something-do all you public meetings, I infer that a change would be hailed can, and the blessing of the God of Missions will be by a great majority of the people. There is already upen you. Hallo and a start sile Send to the Treasurer, Wm. Peters, Esquire, St. John ; or, as previously stated, we will continue to receive and acknowledge contributions, which will be at once handed over to the Treasurer. Subscribers remitting to us for the paper have a good opportunity of sending in their contributions to the Foreign Mis-

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gued with the Romanists. Now I want you to mark hat while in Germany and Sweden most of the Bap- preciated, not only by your present subscribers, but clearly there are evidences of a taste for such subjects tists have come out of the Protestant churches, France, with very few exceptions (not five per cent. our members are converts from the heart of Catholicciety. This subject has been referred to in our co- ism. They must renounce everything to be Baptists ; you must otherwise sustain. I could not believe, till with the examination, and remarked that while the of vessels owned in Yarmouth is 428, tonnage 99 and when they do become Baptists, they are strong compelled, that the members of the Commons would young men at the University studied such a variety 337 and value \$3,547,760. We do not know what in the faith

God's seed are oftenest mustard-seeds. Jonah's a very unpopular measure, and not only unpopular, gourds, that spring up in a night, give shade one day, but wither very soon-while the tree that slowly but unnecessary and unwise. Yours, &c. x. rises from that small seed gives foothold and rest to God's winged hymns. Look now at these Alpine

orrents of European politics-nation against nation, singdom against kingdom-every inch of those broad lands have been wet with human blood. Beneath the apparent exciting causes of so many of these wars lies the unsolved, to them yet insoluble question | £300,000. of Church and State, which has drawn after it the

wars and woes of centuries.

The mustard-seed of a despised refugee Baptist church in Rhode Island sent forth a waving harvest peoples.

#### ONLY EFFORT REQUIRED

The following letter to the publisher of the Christian Freeman, we transfer to our columns, showing, as it does, how much can be accomplished with but a slight effort, and hoping, it may induce some friend collections amounted to nearly eight millions of of the Intelligencer to "go and do likewise" in its dollars; that the number of houses, of worship behalf. Who will make the attempt?

DEAR BROTHER ;- Enclosed find (\$26.00) twenty-six added more than seven millions of dellars to the church ollars, for which please send the CHRISTIAN FREE. MAN until Jan. 2d, 1869, to the following persons and places : \_\* \* \* These subscribers were nearly all obtained in the First and Second Wayne churches, and only cost me a part of two days' canvassing while attending the recent Q. M. session at the former

West would do their whole duty to your noble enter- formed among the Freedmen should be by colored prise, the number of subscribers would be doubled in hree months.

I assure you that you shall have our hearty cooperation in your noble work.

We intend to wrestle with the people as Jacob did, ported and much blessed. and not let them go until they bless us with two dollars for the FREEMAN.

Hoping and praying for your personal prosperity, and that of your good cause, I subscribe myself, P. W. PERRY.

# NEWMAN HALL ON CHOIR-SINGING.

Among the most successful devices of Satan for preventing congregations from entering fully into the as a port of refuge, and, in case of war, convenient for coaling her navy. The price paid for it is \$6,worship of the Lord's house, is the modern choir, by 500.000 which the singing, which should be done by the whole congregation, is monopolized by a few, often irreligious and vain persons, who sing with none of the true spirit of worship in their hearts. Rev. New-

INTERESTING MISCELLANY. There are 272 C. Baptist Churches in the State of Maine, and of these 160 are without pastors. The cost of the Abyssinian war is estimated at

ermined to send sixty men to China.

There are eight newspapers published by colored of blessings in this land. The mustard seeds of Bap- men in the United States. The New Orleans Tritist churches in Europe contain, in the germ, the bune has the largest circulation-10,000 copies daily. perfect solution of the vexed question of these mighty About a million of children gather weekly in the lethodist Sunday schools in the United States under

the instruction of 160,000 teachers. The M. E. Sunday School Union last year expended nearly \$30,-000 in assisting feeble schools. It is stated that the Methodists, during their cen-

enary year, raised thirty-eight hundred thousand dollars for missionary purposes; that the centenary erected during the year averaged more than two for every week-day, and that they, with the parsonages,

REV. A. H. MORRILL, of the Freedmen's Mission Western Virginia, writes to the Morning Star the cheering news that conversions continue to take place, and that a large proportion of the converts are young The fact is, if the pastors of our churches in the men. He thinks a large percentage of the labour perpreachers, they being best adapted to preach to their own race. The object of this work among the Freedmen is a good one, and we trust it may be well sup-

> chased by the United States, of Denmark, is about seventeen miles long and five in breadth. It is only productive in sugar cane and that in but small quantilies, the soil being but indifferent and the heat excessive. It is but a short distance from Porto Rico. Its commercial importance is considerable, and its defences good. It is of great value to the United States

NO WORK ON EARTH PAYS SO WELL .- A Mission. ary once writing from India to some of his friends. who thought he would wish to return home, oh account of his many trials, says, "Our work is hard. It taxes both body and mind. What our reward will be hereafter we know not. But one thing we do As the tariff is now interpreted, much ground exists something more than this is required of them. This widely and warmly welcomed in American churches, know, if we receive no other reward than what is for fault-finding by those so disposed, and a strong 15 cents per lb.

I hope, sir, your noble decision will be duly ap- | could not be expected to show much proficiency, yet by the public at large, so as to swell your present At the close, His Lordship the Bishop delivered a gest ship-owner in the Dominion. In reply the Mon. subscription list, and thus make up your loss, which short address, observing that he was well pleased the Year Book he would have found that the number vote to tax newspapers, as they must know it to be of subjects, which were all necessary, he hoped they proportion Mr. Killam owns of the whole; but if Mr. would each select some one subject, on leaving college, according to taste, and make that the business 000,000 invested in their vessels."

of life, so that each would excel in the subject of his selves, they would at the same time benefit society. The President said that the students had been closely engaged at their written examinations for four days, and were no doubt weary. He united with The American Board of Foreign Missions have de- His Lordship in wishing them much happiness durthem all in their places again, at the close of vacation, to pursue their studies as usual.

> alike to all religious creeds, and at present represen- to that Province of \$9,733." most honorable, as well as one of the most convenient | gold the past eighteen years.

Considerable excitement has been created in this ferer nearly as much pain as the sufferer himself. city over the new tariff, which came into force last Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry will certainly week. The enemies of Union are now jubilant over cure coughs, colds, arrest consumption, and that the fulfilment, as they think, of their prognostica- speedily. tions of increase of taxation, which they affirmed

would naturally accrue from Confederation, and many, who have been warm and active friends of Union, feel disappointed with this measure of the first Parliament now in session at Ottawa. That there is ground for complaint we are satisfied, but until we receive more information and explana- ed by this move on the whole \$13,000. tion than have yet come to hand, we cannot give the new tariff that wholesale condemnation that has already been passed on it by both friends and focs of placed on many articles, such as tea, sugar, molasses, The West India island of St. Thomas, lately pur- and flour, &c., which are absolutely indispensable in the families of the poor as well as the rich, while, on gallon, the other hand, a reduction has been made on other commodities, coming under the head of luxuries, and which should properly pay a heavier tax. Again,

> ence, have been taxed nine or ten per cent. aditional. The increase on spirits, tobacco, and patent medicines, articles not essential to our good, as well as such minion, is, we hold, a wise provision, and had the du- new policy as soon as circumstances admit. ties been even higher we would not have complained.

In a recent debate at Ottawa, Mr. Howe stated that his friend, Mr. Killam, of Yarmouth, N. S., was the la treal Gazette says: "If Mr. Howe had looked into Howe had forther looked into the Year Book he would have found that the Allen Company have \$5.

QUEBEC, Dec. 13.- A despatch from Gaspe says: choice, and in this way, while they benefitted them- A timber laden ship, name unknown, went ashore near Magdaten River, last week, and the captain, two mates and nine seamen were drowned. Ten men were saved but badly frozen.

The Halifax Express, giving details of Mr. Rose's statement contains the following : "The New Bruns wick receipts for the same period were \$491,293. ing recess, and closed by saying, he hoped to see against expenditure of \$471,936, showing an apparent surplus of \$19,330, which had been more than counterbalanced by payments of interest on debentures.

to the amount of \$604,605, which, taking into ac-It is to be hoped that the readers of the INTELLIGEN- count the cash balance in the New Brunswick Trea-CER will not forget that this Institution, now open sury on the 1st July of \$275,542, showed an advance

ted in its students by nearly all, opens up one of the GOLD.-The world has produced \$3,341,500,000 of

and profitable, ways to settle their sons for life. A DISTRESSING COUGH causes the friends of the suf-

DOMINION PARLIAMENT. (From Telegrams to the City Press.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 13 .- Debate in Senate on Contingent inmittee reports recommends dismissal of eleven pployees of late Legislative Council, and reduce salaries of others. The proposed saving to be effect-In the Commons, Galt made explanations relative o the failure of the Commercial Bank, and the causes I his resignation.

Rose in Committee proposed the excise resolutions. the administration. Additional duties have been They repeal excise laws. Excise duty on spirits sixty cents, and on malt one cent per 1b. instead of luty on malt liquors. Liquors brewed from other articles than malt, three and a quarter cents per

> Tobacco, common twist, better kinds, seven cents. Cigars one to five dollars per thousand.

Authorizes manufacture in bond from dutiable articles, excession which shall be equal to customs many articles which cannot be produced in this cli- duty, it imported from England for distilling. 250 mate, and are essential to our comfort and convenis maiting, 200 brewing ; manufacturing tobacco, maunfactory in bond \$50 more.

At a later period Tilley introduced Tariff resoluions in a remarkable clear speech which was well received. He said it was the desire of Government goods which may be manufactured within the Do- to equalize by making a few changes in duties on

Decided to fix tariff on Spirits at 80 cents per allon. Tobacco, except Cigars, 5 per cent advalorem, and

anvass will be made against our representatives in Malt 40 cts. per bushel; Tea. black, fifteen per the Cabinet, but we prefer to get a better understand- cent. advalorem ; specific duty three and a half cents Molasses, if used for refining purposes, or manu-Molasses for general use, 55 cents per 100 lbs. Wine, according to strength. Flour and Meal 25 cents per barrel.

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change friendly greetings, and to renew family friendships. Among the pleasant duties and employments They live in all the quarters of this vast city, and it of the festive day are social re-unions and family ga- is a long walk for most of them to come to this meetling little child, who is deeply interested in the fact Off in the corner sit a gentieman and his wife. "The that Santa Claus has a wonderful power to supply bonds of Christ are manifest in the Palace"-that all the real and imaginary wants of the little ones; gentleman is an under-Secretary at the Tuilleries. and the grey-haired grandfather, the wrinkles on Here is a face that tells of gentle blood and nurture, whose brow give evidence of his having seen many of her worldly prosperity, God converted her through Christmases, are alike charmed with the return of the preaching of the Nestor of the French Mission-Christmas, and each in his own way enjoys the fes- brother Cretin. When God gave her Jesus, He took tive season. If there is one season of the year more away her wealth that she " might find her all in than another when old age and infancy meet on a level, and distinctions of age and experience are forgot- for instruction in the truth." ten, it is certainly Christmas. These friendly greet- You have been in a Baptist meeting, I believe. ings, these social re-unions, these generally happy Well, go to our churches in Europe, and it is the you will "furnish the INTELLIGENCER at the old price, me seasons, may all be made productive of much good. same thing over again -- only they speak French, or whatever may be the tax imposed by Government." THE NEWS and THE PRESS. Acknowledge God in them; keep an eye to the design of the day we celebrate, which is to commemo- ago, with four members. For a long time it met in people, they are taxing newspaper proprietors to the rate the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus such a room as we would not use to store wood. It amount of from two to four hundred dollars per an-Christ.

### A SUNDAY IN FARIS.

A correspondent writing to an American contem-

It is Sunday morning in Paris. The earlier hours mer sea. God bless this day to our souls, is our prayer as we go out to attend the assembly of our laptist brethren. We reach the street. We certainly must have mistaken the day. It must be Saturposition are filled. The gardens of the Tuilleries warm with people bent on pleasure. The little are occupied. Here goes a rollicking battalion of Zouaves, preceded by their fine band, to relieve guard at the Palace. We have to pass through the great

and as busy as on other days. No, we have not mistaken the day. This is a Sunday in Paris. This tant population of less than a hundred thousand. But making our way through these streams of men and women, we turn up a little narrow street, ascend by twenty, furnished with a small pulpit and many It is an established custom at this season to ex. rows of plain chairs. A congregation of sixty to a about eighty members, most of them very poor.

choir system, and hopes that it may not find its way | earth that pays so well. In all the pursuits of this across the Atlantic to defraud the hearty English wor. London paper, dated Oct. 10th, Mr. Hall wrote :--

pits of Congregationalists, Baptists, Methodists, and fully sing: Presbyterians. In all of these the order of service. much the same. First a piece of sacred music per formed by the organ, and a choir of four cultivated voices, then a chapter, then a prayer, then a hymn, followed by prayer and a hymn in which the whole Americans, but I hope it will never be introduced among ourselves. The performances I have heard quite understand, has been a means of grace to a congregation sitting quiet with their hymn-books nowever discordant some of the elements of it might not that the experience of most conductors of religious be; and from the manner in which my allusion to our own method has been received in one or two a some districts a steady progress toward making the psalmody more congregational.

For the Religious Intelligencer. STATEMENT AND APPEAL.

DEAR BRO. McLEOD .- For some time past 1 have felt considerable uneasiness on account of the low Society. I have on hand about eighty-two dollars to that we hardly ever think of the latter in the retrosmeet three hundred and fifty dollars due January 1st. In two weeks this amount must be paid. As there the responsibilities, the friendships, the toils, and the are some unpaid pledges I am hoping to receive thousand sweet and sacred influences of Christian them; but even these would not make the amount journalism; and if any man has warmer friends, or required ; and I would respectfully solicit donations there are hundreds of our people who will say Bro. Phillips must be sustained; a few dollars from each of those would relieve the treasurer in his present strait. Will not our friends come to our aid?

Hoping to hear a hearty yea, I wait. Yours, &c., W. PETERS, Treasurer F. M. Society. St. John, Dec. 16th, 1867.

# HOME MISSION REPORT.

To REV. G. A. HARTLEY, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Society :---

I have delayed sending the report of my last the colony would have starved to death for the want month's mission labour until now. I am still at the of means; Adams having from the first start managed Narrows, in Johnston, I have now been here nine to become the custodian of the funds. Appearances weeks, and have held two meetings each day. Bro, would indicate that the followers of Adams have be-Reud was with me three weeks, and laboured hard, come sadly demoralized. Although rejoiced to again and to good advantage. He is a young man of good tread the soil of their native heath, they find themabilities, and sound in the Free Baptist faith. He is selves without cash or property, having invested and a good labourer in revival, and I can recommend him lost their all in the visionary schemes of Adams. with all confidence to any of our churches. They left their homes in good circumstances, and We have had a good revival. God has been with were all, or nearly all, professing Christians of the us, and much good has been effected. Twenty-seven | Baptist or Methodist persuasion. Many of them now have been baptized, and thirty have been added to return undone, entertaining the faith of the infidel. hundred people is present. The church numbers the church. We expect others will be baptized next After months of untold suffering the veil is removed, Sabbath. This church is now in good standing. It and Adams, instead of being inspired of God to raise

world, even in my childhood hours, I never have ing of the whole matter ere we go further into its per 16. found so much real pleasure as in preaching Christ, shipper as it defrauds Americans. In a letter to a the way, the truth, and the life, to these perishing merits and demerits. One apparently strong ground facture of Sugar, 73 cents per 100 lbs. heathen. It is a work that perfectly satisfies the of complaint on the part of our millers is the duty of I have been welcomed indiscriminately to the pul. cravings of my soul; and as I pursue it I can cheerten cents per bushel on corn, while foreign meal is admitted at twenty-five cents per barrel, thus giving "Go then earthly fame and treasure, Come disaster, scorn and pain:

> ler. We have been informed that Government will grant permits to grind corn " in bond," which may then be "duty paid " at the rate of meal. It is also promised that this duty on corn will be entirely removed at the March session of Parliament. Next week we shall probably have more to say on this subject as well as the Postal and Internal Revenue

We learn that S. Watts, Esq., editor of the Carleton Sentinel, has been appointed Secretary to the Emigration and Colonization Committee at Ottawa.

We suppose the time never was, when a man could regularity in the transmission of mail matter.-St. son, Ferris, McMillan, Gray, Tilley, Burpee. Absent Croix Courier.

We would remind the travelling public that and Fredericton and Woodstock every morning, Sunday excepted. Passengers may leave Woodstock in service of an Editor has been to us a service in which the morning and be in St. John next morning. Good by Hon. John Robertson, Hon. W. H. Steeves, Senastate of funds in the treasury of the Foreign Mission the pleasure of it has so far outweighed its trials, time is made, and travellers made as comfortable as tors from St. John, and by Messrs. Gray, Ferris and is possible on a long drive in winter.

> on what appears to be reliable authority, that the mittee have ordered the republication of Major Robinmore of them than we have, he is a man to be proud

> > Hon. Joseph Howe, -Journal.

#### NOVA SCOTIA ITEMS.

f erection at New Glasgow.

The Hon. Mr. Vail, Provincial Secretary, was electd by a large majority.

7th ultimo.

A house and barn, occupied by the Rev. Mr. Ancaped with their lives.

Rev. A. S. Hunt, pastor of the first Baptist Church, Cornwallis, has, owing to ill health, resigned his pas- has just passed after a few minutes disc

Free goods and other articles to be the same as an advantage of about fifteen cents to the foreign mil- | Canadian Tariff.

Holton and Galt expressed dissatisfaction of the apparent departure from free trade principles, espeally referring to distilleries. Read, of Ontario, a distiller, declared Galt's reasonings fallacious

The new Tariff takes effect to-day.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11,-House sat till one o'clock this morning, discussing Dorion's want of confidence motion There was no concerted action among opposition on the subject, and motion was negatived by 115 to 21. Seven Lower Province men voted in minority - Cameron, Chipman, Coffin, Crocker, Power, Ray, Savary. Estimates were then voted in lommittee en bloc

We are glad to learn that arrangements are nearly OTTAWA, Dec. 12 .- Holton's amendment on North ompleted for the transmission of a daily mail over- West resolutions after long debate was negatived by land hence through the State of Maine to Montreal. 104 to 41. New Brunswick vote was-Yeas: Con-This will obviate existing inconveniences, and insure nell, Angha., Smith. Nays : Bolton, Renaud, John--Wallace, Ryan, Costigan, Fisher. Only one Nova

Scotian, Campbell, voted nay. Mr. Rose gives George R. Atherton & Son's line of Mail Stages con- Dominion Stock, terminable annuities and issue of otice of resolutions providing for establishment of a tinues to run between St. John and Woodstock .-- Exchequer Bills, and also extending to Lower Pro-Stages leave St. John and Fredericton every evening, vinces of tax on Bank circulation of one per cent, and the Stamp duties now payable in Canada on Promissory Notes, &c. There is a strong feeling in avor of the Northern Central Route. It is favored Ryan. Northern members will accept it. Nova Scotia will do so if she does not get the old Major A MINE OF UNTOLD WEALTH .- We are informed, Robinson line, pure and simple. The Railway Com-

silver mine, discovered in Prince William, is capable son's Report. One thousand English and five hunof producing silver ore to the value of \$10,000 per dred French copies have been ordered for distribution. day, and that the antimony extracted from the ore is The same Committee rejected the motion, for repubsufficiently valuable to pay all the expense of mining. | lication of Fleming's Report, and expressed strong We have been further told that Mr. Lawrence, the feeling against the Frontier and Central Routes. owner of this mine, has refused \$200,000 for a single The Committee is composed of forty members. acre of this silvery soil. He owns, it is said, a thou- The Route is considered by Northern men and others, sand acres, thinks the mine inexhaustible, and sup- as practically settled. It is alleged if St. John will poses himself to be the richest man on this continent. not accept " Northern Central" at Apohaqui, that it will only get North Shore route direct to Shediac.

The death of the Hon. Edward Whelan, Editor of OTTAWA, Dec. 14.-All Nova Scotians and A. J. he Examiner, is, we regret to say, announced. Mr. Smith left here to-day. Discussion on the item in helan has for many years taken a prominent part | Tariff imposing duty of 15 per cent on American n the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, and was silver. General opinion that it was a nuisance, and espected and admired for his aniability of character, very desirable to get rid of. But there was a differis commanding abilities, and his steady and eloquent | ence of opinion as to the mode of accomplishing that advocacy of progressive measures. He was a practi- object. Resolutions all passed except eleventh, havcal printer, and served his apprenticeship to the ing reference to export duty in Ontario and Quebec, which was withdrawn by the Government. The Customs Bill was introduced. No doubt important changes in Tariff will be decided upon during the Extensive brick and pottery works are in course recess. In the debate last night a firm stand was taken by New Brunswickers to help Tilley to get

modification agreeable to the Lower Provinces. OTTAWA, Dec. 16 .- The Tariff resolutions were carried without alteration. Every New Brunswick The Hon. Anselm F. Coneau, M. L. C., died on the member present, except Tilley, voted against the duty on Flour. Gray, who was in favor of the duty, paired off with Howe. The duty of 15 per cent, on American silver caused much discussion, but passed. derson, Kirk minister at Wallace, were destroyed by The Government are rushing Bills organizing Defire on the 5th instant. Mr. and Mrs. A. barely es- partments through the House. Several members complain that they have not time to read the many volumnious Bills brought in within a few days.

The Customs Bill of one hundred and forty clauses,

resolutions imposing stamp duties have been moved.

they pass, the Government will not be able to return

OTTAWA, Dec. 17 .- A debate took place on motion

or second reading of Intercolonial Railway Bill and

was adjourned till to-day. The Public Works Bill,

of Revenue passed. Fisher, seconded by Burpee,

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a great number of mock funer gard. It is though

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CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH-Breaking up of the Jaffa Colony .- The Jaffa colony, about which so much has been said in the papers during the past year, originated in this section. Twenty-three of the ill-starred colony returned to this State a few days since, having been assisted by the charities of managers of steamship and packet lines. Some of these persons tell hard stories of Adams, the leader. They looked upon him as an impostor and swindler of the deepest dye. Had it not been for the American Consul in Jaffa,

and grateful every moment of his life.

The Editor of the New York Examiner and Chroongregation unite, and then the benediction. This nicle, after twelve and a half years editorial connecartette singing is almost universal. It may suit tion with that paper, indulges himself in a social chat with his readers, in which he reminds them of some have frequently been of great excellence. The sing- things they know and tells them of many things they ing of a hymn by four perfectly-trained voices, and did not know. We make a short extract in which with great taste, has thrilled my soul, and, I can he just refers to the work of an editor and to his experience during his connection with the Press, exopen before him. But I have longed nevertheless to pressing his ardent love for the work, notwithstandear the roar of voices from the great congregation, ing the serious difficulties of the position. We doubt

In Christ's service pain is pleasure,

With His favour loss is gain."

ournals will accord with his: be the editor of a journal, having some positive character of its own, without making very earnest fault. finders, and some pretty decided enemies. He can-

not always say, Yes; and because he is sometimes obliged to say No, the fault-finding and dislike are inevitable. But notwithstanding the remarkable character of the times through which the country and the churches have passed, in these last twelve years we every day find reasons for thankfulness that the pect. There is no position in this wide world that we would exchange for the one we occupy. We love

peaceable Christmas ! May they have many returns heart. Not willing to be a burden upon the funds of of the festive season ; and above all, may they have the Mission, he has taken a situation in a bank. Yet, mas is designed to commemorate!

## DEDICATION.

commence at 11 o'clock, A. M. The dedication ser- to preach His Word.

though marked with the lines of care. In the days ges.

In Paris this church was organized fifteen years

is now comfortably placed. Brother Dez, who was num. This, certainly, is a handsome return for the The usual oral examination of the classes at the To all our readers we wish a joyous, happy and is taid aside from pastoral duties by disease of the heard him preach.

Brother Lepoids, the active pastor, is a man about fifty years of age. For twenty-three years he was

is so situated that it needs constant labour and care, up a "new nation" beneath the shadow of Jerusalem, therings. Christmas has charms for all of every age ing. There, on that side, are three soldiers : they I expect to leave here in a few days to go on up the was only a tool in the hands of Brigham Young to and every grade of society. The bright-eyed, pratt- join most heartily in the singing, and pay strict at- river. This good work is still progressing, and looks establish and propagate Mormonism. The Christian as though it would continue all winter if the labour world is thankful for the failure of the Jaffa scheme. could be continued. There have been over sixty bap- - Cor. Boston Advertiser. tized in this revival in the two churches.

> I have received \$15,00 in cash, and \$15.00 in pled-W. E. PENNINGTON. NARROWS, Johnston, Q. C., Dec. 7th, 1876.

The article in our last issue entitled "Christ the Preacher's Example," should have been credited to the Star. It was by some means overlooked.

For the Religious Intelligencer. CORRECTION .- In our last issue our printers made MR. EDITOR - Nothing could more fully demon- us say, "there are at present eight students attendstrate the absurdity of taxing newspapers, than your ing the Baptist Seminary," it should have been announcement in your paper of the 13th inst., that eighty-one.

This only goes to prove that instead of taxing the

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for ten years pastor, and faithfully served the church, aid, many of them rendered in carrying Confedera- University, took place on Monday last, beginning at tion. Why such a tax is needed I can't conceive, 9 A. M., and continuing over four hours. In addition when thousands of dollars might very easily be saved to the Professors, there were present His Lordship an intercest in the death of Him whose birth Christ- though laid aside from continuous work, I shall not at Ottawa, which are uselessly spent by paying un- the Bishop of Fredericton, Justice Wilmot, Drs. soon forget the simple, direct, excellent sermon I necessary officials, which would more than equal all Brooke, Spurden and Hurd, the Provincial Secretary, that will be realized from a newspaper tax. and a few other gentlemen.

One would have supposed that instead of taxing The classes were examined in the following order : pastor at Chauny. He is known as the friend of the one of the most ready and rapid modes of educating 1st. Freshmen, in Virgil, by Professor Campbell; The new Free Baptist meeting-house in Lower poor-the constant visitor at the bedside of the suffer- the people, our representatives would have sought to Juniors, in Mathematics, by Dr. Jack; Seniors and Queensbury, York Co., will (D. V.) be opened for di-vine service on Sabbath, the 20th inst., service to ly, whether a newspaper is taken and read by the fa- in Logic, by Prof. Jardine; Seniors, in Greek, by mon will be preached by the Rev. Wm. Downey. Is there anything more antipodal to Roman Catho- mily or not. The tax on papers will not only cripple Prof. Campbell, and also in Ancient Philosophy, by The committee of management extends a cordial invi- licism, in all its pomp and circumstance, than a sim- newspaper publishers, but must reduce the number Prof. Jardine. The examination was alike creditable tation to all our ministers, and hopes that as many as battle with the Baptists as greater heretics than even of readers greatly, so that a double injury will be the to the Professors and students. The classes under can possibly come will be present. The public, gen- Roman Catholics? They, in the spirit of their times, result, as there are many who will not pay a tax in the management of Prof. Jardine, having had so little sher. The captain and most of the crew were mar- sons to the use of fire arms passed second reading. erally, is invited. Seats free, delivered Baptists to the slaughter. They only ar- this way-they will stop the paper first. I time for preparation in the subjects treated by him, ried men, and live in Hants County.

torate.

Three, of a gang of robbers, engaged in stealing Fisher opposes the resolutions, and states that if cattle, &c., in the Western Counties, were arrested the other day in King's County,

garded as most odious and detestable. Howe and Four additional policemen have been added to the about a dozen of the Nova Scotia members left here Halifax force. on Saturaay.

Dickens will probably give one or two readings in Halifax in April or May.

About six hundred young men and boys are now the Revenue Bill for the management and collection attending the free evening schools in Halifax.

moved amendment to clause extending Stamp Duty A young man, named Thomas Harner, employed Act to Maritime Provinces. The motion was, of in the factory of John P. Mott, Esq., Dartmouth, was course, lost, twelve to one hundred and eighteen. so seriously injured by a cart passing over his legs Fisher, Connell, Savary, Wallace, Forbes, Burpee, Renaud, Cameron, and Anglin were among those that one leg had to be amputated. who voted against it. Tilley, Bolton, McMillan, and

Four cases of death, from exposure, have occurred Ontario and Quebec Members voted in favor of it. within a month. The last was that of Mr. William In reply to Holton, Government stated that it was Isles, of Halifax, who was found frozen to death on not yet known what salaries would be paid to the Governors of Provinces, nor whether these salaries the Liverpool road.

would be all alike. Government stated further that -MYSTERIOUS APPARITION .- A mysterious figure has Governors had not yet received anything on account been seen about the streets the past few nights which of salaries. Most of the New Brunswick members, has caused a great excitement. It appears to be a exclusive of the two members of Government, leave very tall person-some say eight feet high. This ap- Ottawa to-morrow night. parition has been chased, but it is too fleet to be cap- OTTAWA, Dec. 18.-Rose introduced a bill re-

tured. The feet are a yard long. We are inclined specting Banks, extending the Canadian laws reto think it is some tall person on snow shoes; but specting banking throughout the Dominion. there is no doubt of the fact. Detective Hutt gave In debate on Inland Revenue Bill strong feeling chase a night or two ago, but he could not catch the was manifested against brewers' licence too high, and inystery."-Halifux Reporter. Government postponed the Bill.

Intercolonial Railroad Bill was read second time ; The fishing licenses paid for by Americans in amendment was moved that route be sanctioned by Nova Scotia during the present year amounted to Parliament and will be considered to-day.

On the third reading of the bill respecting Inland The brigantine Ada, of Walton, Hants County, Revenue, an amendment to allow growers of tobacco Captain A. Tobin, from Portland for Halifax, with in Lower Canada to sell surplus without paying tax, a cargo of flour, is reported to have been wrecked at was lost. Division 26 to 104. Cape Sable on the night of the 4th inst., and all The bill relating to Public Works passed in Comhands lost. The boat and portions of the wreck were mittee.

Debate resumed on the Intercolonial Bailmay,

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