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#### UNNECESSARY BURDENS.

Many there are, who hold connection with th church of Christ, and who, by profession, have declared their faith in the true and living God, and the faithfulness of His promises, who are perpetually in trouble. Not satisfied with the trials they must necessarily bear, which are peculiar to christian life, and for which we are assured grace shall be given. they are constantly diving into the future, loading themselves with prospective ills, and by their sadness and doleful groaning, making themselves and all around them, unhappy. This world is often called a " valley of tears," and a " waste, howling wilderness," and, in one sense, this is true. In consequence of sin, a grievous curse rests upon this world. But to ignore the presence of joy or happiness, or the possibility of their possession, would be to render the curse more effective in its wretched work and consequences than ever Satan bimself anticipated when he succeeded in destroying the innocence of our parents in the garden. Take from the people of God their unnecessary trouble, and we feel certain that the greater part of their sorrows would be unknown, and the rest would be relieved of much of their poignancy and bitterness. The Apostle Paul, who had learned the " omega" in the alphabet of christian experience, says ; "I have learned in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content." Had the Apostle a smooth, easy time in life ? Had he no trials, no sorrows, no discouragements, no enemies, nothing to mar his enjoyments or to interfere with his contentment? He could tell of imprisonments, of acourgings, of perils by sea and by land, of bonds, and hunger, and yet could call them all "light afflictions," which would work out for him a "far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." He was therewith content. We have quite enough real and present cares and trials, without borrowing or trying to create others. For those we are righteously called to endure, we have the promise of grace equal to ou needs. To exemplify the true christian spirit and character, in the eyes of the world, is an important part of christian duty. The impression never should be given that there are so many trials and sorrows to be experienced in the service of God, that the Lord's people are necessarily a sad and dejected people .--When Paul said he had learned to be content, he spake as a christian. He did not mean that kind of contentment that is the offspring of ignorance, indolence or indifference. Contentment in ignorance, when we possess the means of acquiring knowledge, is a sin ; indolence and indifference are also sinful when there is so much to be done. Christian contentment is to be satisfied with our providential allotments, and to have pleasure in bearing just what God wishes us to suffer, and cheerfully doing just what our Heavenly Father wishes us to do. True happiness and contentment are found in earness labor and sacrificing toil. Were we more indefatigable and zealous in christian labour, we would have less time to think over, and to borrow troubles. Do any think their cases exceptional; that their "waters of Marah" are bitterer than all others, let them remember that, if, in their afflictions, they are partakers of Christ's sufferings, they may " be glad also with exceeding joy." But it may be that those groanings are under burdens God never intended to be borne. It is quite probable that God's especial prerogatives have been invaded, and some unknown and imagined burden heaped upon the soul. Some, through fear of death, are all their life-time in bondage. What have we to do with death, beyond a preparation for it, before we meet it ? Now we have to do with living. Faithfully discharge the duties of life, and when death comes it will be robbed of its poisonous sting, and will be powerless to harm. We have often heard a good brother say, " If I die daily, I shall not have much dying to do when death comes." Are any bearing unnecessary burdens about raiment for the body. Listen to that preacher who has taken a lily and that the law of the land agrees with the Word of for his text. He exhibits to his wondering, faithless congregation the beauty of its proportions, the rich- day to keep it holy." ness and delicacy of its colours ; he tells them that " it toils not, neither does it spin, and yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these," and then, in his application, says, " If God so clothe the grass of the field, will he not clothe you ?" Are any fearing hunger or want of food, listen again as he points to the racen. That bird owns no farm, tills no broad acres, has no barns or store-houses filled with golden grain, he is free from anxiety about the future. God will feed him, and will he not feed his people .---" O ye of little faith !" For christians to doubt the ability or willingness of God, who notices the falling sparrow, and numbers the hairs of our head, to care for them, is to cherish a species of unbelief that is damaging to their reputation for christian consisteney. Such troubles should be dismissed ; they are unbecoming and unnecessary burdens. To do the best we can and trust in God, is more christian-like than to sit down and brood over and magnify our care and wants. God will care for those who trust in Him and use all the means he places within their reach. Do any fear they may be overcome by the

#### REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY TO KEEP IT HOLY."

enforced in this as in the former case, that divests it legitimate fruits.

river. Thus the Sabbath was spent in a settlement | the Lord of the harvest may raise up young men of loug blest with the light of the Gospel, but where | real worth, and send them into the vineyard. now "iniquity abounds, and the love of many has waxed cold." How strongly corroborative of that to do evil."

But retributive justice does not always delay. A miles from where these lines are now penned. A rain at home. Yours, in best of bonds, WM. Downey. coming on during Saturday and Saturday night, afforded an opportunity for starting the logs on the Sabbath; but in a little while the owner was precipitated among the logs into the surging waters beneath, and thus was hurried into the presence of his Judge. Truly the mercy and long suffering of God have their imits. The Saviour's admonition to all is, "Take heed."

But while the lumbering operations of the past Sabbath were going on, another party was employed driving fat cattle to market from a neighboring settlement. Thus the Sabbath is polluted ; while the enforcement of the law by the "powers that be" is not dreaded by those who choose to attend to their worldly business on the holy day. If in addition to the pre- We next visited Alma, where we attended two meetsent magistracy, we had a few good old Nehemiahs ings. On the 22nd of the month I went to Williams- Prospect for Tanna -- 1 have had a visit from a to look after that particular class of cases where the town; there I was glad to meet friends, with whom I most interesting stranger. His name is Nauka, the aws of God are so openly set at defiance, a much needed improvement in morality would soon be the result. (See last chapter of Nehemiah.) Again, it is a question worthy of inquiry : "Who who are so frequently seen under its influence on the Sabbath day?

## THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

## and Elder Porter at the other house at 10 o'clock, A.

the observance of the Lord's day a matter of history. God surely presided at His own table. At half-past Jesus. There are many acts of injustice, and even of crime, 7 o'c' sck Elder D. Oram addressed the people in an I expect (D. v.) to take a tour through Shelburne that one man would be guilty of towards another, earnest and solemn manner. Monday morning, most and Yarmouth County next June, and labour in concountry's laws require obedience to the divine com- Elder W. C. Weston, pastor of the Church, and the summer. Yours, in Christ, B. MINARD. mand, it is the fact that the statute is not likely to be writer have continued the meetings, and have been blessed to see some revival. Last Sabbath we had of its restraining influence; and thus the inducements | the happy privilege of baptizing four converts. A to violate the Sabbath are too plainly producing their | considerable interest is apparent in the meetings. Nearly all of the males are absent from home engaged These thoughts were suggested by some incidents in the fishing business just now, hence it is a very connected with a recent Sabbath. While the Sab. unfavorable time for protracted effort. We shall bath school, the morning preaching, and the after- continue the effort for a few days longer, and then noon meeting for prayer and exhortation were attend. pass on to Bear Point and " The Central," at which ed by those who felt an interest in the services of places we hope to see a good work of grace. The God's house, a party of men were engaged with the fields throughout this Province are all white and usual implements in driving a lot of logs down the | ready to harvest; but the laborers are few. O, that

We greatly rejoice in the success that has attended the labors of several of our good brethren at home. saying of the wise man : "Because judgment against | We hope to be at the Conference, and again meet our an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the dear brethren in general assembly; but alas I some of hearts of the children of men are fully set in them the dearest will be missing. Oh ! how sad we feel while we think we shall never meet your dear father again until we meet beyond this world of strife and case is now in mind where only a few years ago the sin. Thank God, we have not always to toil and lawriter assisted in surveying a lot of logs not many bour here. We shall soon rest with our dear Jesus

### HOME MISSION REPORT.

To the Cor. Secretary of the "Presquisle Voluntary Home Mission Society

DEAR BRO. - Another month has passed since my last report as your missionary. It now becomes my duty to report my labor during the last month. The first Sabbath I spent with our own Church in combaptism to two happy converts, one of whom received the right hand of fellowship. In the evenwe remained a short time; a good season was enjoyed, and one candidate was baptized by Brother Connor.

M.; both services were deeply solemn and impressive. the Lord continue to bless His people. I have been In this age of selfishness and greed of worldly gain, It was announced that the writer would preach at home all winter holding meetings on the Sabbaths as In this age of selfishness and greed of worldly gain, it was announced that the writer would preach at note an other would admit. During the spring often as the weather would admit. During the spring action, and asked me for a copy, which I gave him. I was announced that the writer in Halifax also. The other action, and asked me for a copy, which I gave him. I have all fax merchant received an order from Canada God are regarded, and how deliberately they are set before the appointed hour the people began to assem- I was on a tour of five or six weeks in Annapolis The other manifestly scorned the truth. I pointed for a thousand sides, at the market price, and iotima. subserved. Not only is the Sabbath day not kept | in and at the windows without. We endeavoured to | we enjoyed some blessed seasons together while enholy, but it is openly desecrated in many places; and preach to them the Word of Life, and hope good was deavouring to serve God, and I hombly trust that the only plea for such a course, if admitted, would done. At the close of the service the sacrament was the efforts put forth may be the means of bringing eventually supersede the divine command and render administered to a large assembly of communicants. some to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in

Harmony, May 15, 1867.

The Rev. Mr. Geddie, Missionary to the "South provinces not long since, and gave some very interesting accounts of his labours, has recently returned, to his field. In writing to the Home and Foreign Record, he thus describes his reception at Aneiteum, New Hebrides, in November last. He says :--

The ship which had been daily expected was reognized in the distance, and as we approached the and, clusters of natives could be seen gathering on the shore. As soon as we entered the harbor a boat came off to receive us, and we accompanied our friends ashore. A large number of natives were asembled to give us a cordial welcome to the spot where we had spent so many eventful and happy years. They would not allow us to leave the boat, ut gathered around it, raised it on their shoulders, and carried us in this way to the gate in front of our house. As soon as we were released from our novel onveyance, men, women and children came and shook hands with us. They seemed glad to see us once more, and this feeling was reciprocated on our part. Many tears were shed by the natives, and we found it difficult to suppress our feelings also. Our return to this people presented a strange and happy contrast to our first landing among them, when they were naked, painted, and armed savages. O, what a change has the gospel wrought among them.

Missionary work on Aneiteum. - I have little to eport about the missionary work on this island, The late sickness led to the suspension of several of the schools, and little work was done for some months. I have recently visited the whole of my listrict and endeavored to instruct, encourage and omfort the natives under their trials. The book of pany with Brother Connor. At the close of the Psalms which I brought with me is now in general morning services he administered the ordinance of circulation, and is a favourite book with the natives. The communion has been dispensed once since my return, and twenty-seven persons took their seats at the Lord's table for the first time. There are at ing we were with the friends in Knoxford, where present about twenty candidates for church membership, and the number increases. The novelty of christianity has now passed away on this island, and I trust that many persons seek religious privileges

The revival intelligence is very encouraging ; may gentlemen. They seem disposed to treat the matter with the utmost lightness. When I quoted "God of the Charlottetown tanneries has met with ready so loved the world," &c., one of them was so struck sale in Canada at remunerative rates; the Canadians him to some of the truths contained in the Second of tions have been received from Canada that several Romans. He replied, "I do not believe in eternal orders, equally as large, will be forwarded to Halifax life." Superstition has driven many of the thinking in course of a few weeks. Nova Scotia coal is bento infidelity, and, it is to be feared, into atheism. gnning to figure largely among the imports of Canada, "I am an atheist," said an Italian merchant. But and the Cape Breton Coal Mining Company has when he was shown the more excellent way, he asked opened agencies in Toronto and Montreal for the sale if I had not an old book at home, meaning, of course, of its products. Our Halifax exchange tells us that THE BOOK. I said, "Yes." After some delay I took "there is a prospect that this as well as other coal it to his house, read to him from it, and pointed out companies, will do a large business with Canada, to were it not for the law of the land; and while our of the strangers returned to their homes. Since then, nection with the Free Baptist interest the ensuing was it to listen to some of the questions, such as, Since the establishment of the Portland line of What is sin ?" He had a very high opinion of his steamers trade between Nova Scotia and Canada has moral rectitude, and said that no one could bring a largely increased, and doubtless there will soon be charge against him. I said, some persons were in other channels for the profitable exchange of comthe habit of calling on God on the most trivial occa- modies with all the Provinces comprising the Consions. "Why," said he, "that is just what the federation."-Telegraph. Sea," from the Presbyterian Board, who visited these Italians do-it is the practice among them." It was an arrow drawn at a venture. The man felt himself condemned. Other conversations and readings folowed. Eventually he confessed, "I embrace your

views of Christianity, and do not think of me as not oving God. I wish I could commit all the New l'estament to memory." - M. News.

ROMISH INTOLERANCE TO THE BODY OF COLONEL ST. OHN NEALE, AT QUITO, - The following is taken from the Bulwark ; - " Colonial Edward St. John Neale, in session passed a Bill authorising a loan in he British charge d' affaires at Quito, died on De- the English Money Market of \$500,000, with recember 13. Mr. Coggeshall, the United States min- ference to the purchase of the proprietary estates ster-resident, read prayers over the body. As Eng- on the Island, which have occasioned so much trouble ishmen are not allowed Christian burial in Ecuador, in the past. he family of the deceased gentleman caused the body

be embalmed, with the view of transporting it to England; and permission was given by the Quito athorities to allow the body to be deposited tem- erection of their building. Some ten or twelve workorarily in a deserted hovel situate without the city. the foreign diplomatic corps residing at Quito, to gether with some Government officials and an armed and ready for the commencement of operations, by scort, followed the body to the place of deposit. In the middle of June.-1b. the suburb, on the side of the funeral cortege, the procession had to pass by the courtyard of a little chapel, the high road running through it. Upon the rocession arriving at this point, the entrance was topped by Monsignor Tavini, the Pope's legate, and ome other priests, who declared that the body of a eretic could not be allowed to pass, as the ground was consecrated. The Government officials who attended the procession remonstrated, alleging the orders of the Government; and the President, Mr. Jarrion, on being informed of the unseemly interrupton, ordered that the procession should be allowed to ass, by force if necessary. The foreign diplomatic orps protested loudly against the indignity offered e remains of their departed colleague, and Mr. lurtado, the Chilian minister, inveighed in no meaared terms against the fanaticism that denied to a Protestant Englisman, and the representative of Great Britain, not only the poor privilege of sepulture, but even permission to pass by a chapel on the high road tion that balances found to be due be forthwith paid

sooth, it was consecrated ground. 'No!' vociferated ies, immediate displacement will follow. The Postbe suffered to pass through the precincts of a Roman Catholic chapel, much less shall be allowed to be de- Howe, but thinks there has been great laxity of mawithstanding this indecent display of superstitious igotry on the part of the clergy, both the Governnent and the people of Quito exhibited the utmost nergy and sympathy. The President caused his ters for the deposit of the body to be obeyed, and s people were with difficulty prevented from thrustg aside the uncharitable fanatics who endeavored to op the funeral procession."- Daily Review.

INTER-COLONIAL TRADE INCREASING. - The product A Lodge of the British Order of Good Templars

was recently organized at Watson Settlement, N. Richmond.

Saint John is to be represented at the great International Regatta which is soon to come off in Paris by Sheriff Harding, and Messrs, G. and J. Price, S. Hutton, E. Ross and R. Fulton, who take with them the boats Nos. 1 and 2 " New Brunswick.

The Legislature of Prince Edward's Island while

We understand that the proprietors of the Sussex Cheese Factory are making good progress in the men are engaged on it, under the superintendence of Mr. G. H. Wallace, It will probably be finished,

A contractor of the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, and two Engineers, came to Halifax by the last boat from England. The work is to go on with the greatest energy possible. The line is graded some distance beyond Windsor.

SUICIDE .- A woman named Campbell, residing on the Nashwark, whose husband was killed last winter by a sliding brow of logs, and who has since been partially insane, committed suicide by hanging, on Tuesday morning. - Globe.

The Government debentures of the Confederate Provinces are rising in the English Market.

A Canadian gentleman is about opening a coal mine in Cape Breton, on which he proposes to expend this year nearly \$50,000.

The News believes that Mr. Howe will be continued as Saint John Postmaster, on condicommon to cattle and beasts of burden, because, for- up; but in the event of a recurrence of past difficultmaster Goneral, we understand, after careful investigation, brings no charge of dishonesty against Mr. nagement in his department.

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It is also to be regretted that, in the construction of great public works, there is often the plea of necessity got up for the performance of labour on the Sabbath. When railways are about to be constructed, public officials sometimes travel around on the Sabbath to inspect the country, and discuss the chances and probabilities of route. Then when explorations ried on upon the ground, how often the sacred hours are spent in toilsome computation. The same is joyed. equally true when the work of construction is going I have attended, during the month, thirty-eight my absence. I reminded him however that I had on on, in what the advocates of the practice would plead to be urgent cases. Official subordination then puts to the test a man's conscience and respect for the down river during the coming month. I carnestly commands of God, when dismissal from office or em- pray that my journey may be a prosperous one; and ploy is presented as the consequence of "obeying I solicit an interest in your prayers that I may be God rather than man." Perhaps some may suppose successful in laboring for the welfare of precious that such a case could hardly come within the history souls. Our Father requires us to aid in the good ly, who told them that it was wrong to fight, and of the past or the probabilities of the future in New work by our contributions, our influence, and our Brunswick ; but the better informed have reason to prayers. There is much to be done, and but a short fear that in connection with our Provincial public time in which to work. Let us be faithful in disworks there has been a considerable amount of Sabbath desecration; and, since it prevails to a most flagrant and alarming extent in the neighboring Republic, and is insidiously making advances to become established in our midst, it is to be hoped that this point will be carefully guarded in the arrangement for the construction of the Inter-Colonial Railway. Not only should those who superintend this great work be men who fear God and have respect to His commands; but all who in subordinate positions become identified with it, hould feel that our Colonial institutions are framed in accordance with the Bible. God in requiring of all to "Remember the Sabbath

King's County, May, 1867.

### LETTER FROM REV. WM. DOWNEY. Shag Harbor, Barrington, Nova Scotia,

May 18th, 1867. DEAR BRO. McLeon --- We came to this place ten days ago to attend the Yarmouth and Shelbourne Quarterly Meeting. The business session commenced on Friday the 3rd inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M. There were present Elders E. G. Eaton, D. Oram, C. J. Oram, W. C. Weston, J. I. Porter, and the writer. Licentiates-T. H. Crowell and J. F. Smith ; and but a small representation of delegates. Elder A. Swim subsequently arrived. Elder Brown, of the Free Will Baptists of the U.S., who formerly laboured in this part of the Province, being over on a visit, availed himself of the opportunity of attending this meeting, and had the pleasure of meeting old friends; all of whom seemed very glad to meet him again. Friday afternoon, evening, and Saturday forenoon, were spent in the transaction of business. Several subjects of minor importance were disposed of. Reports announcing the demise of the Editor of the RELIGIOU were received from but a few of the Churches. These INTELLIGENCER. To me, as to many others, the sad received were very encouraging, showing an increase news was doubly so. I became acquainted with in membership since the organization of this Quarter- him, through the medium of his paper, almost as of St. John's Gospel, says Rev. F. Clarke. to a workly Meeting-four months and a half ago-of about soon as it was issued; but not personally until last man in the Government works. He was not only three hundred and twenty-five. A committee was June at a Quarterly Meeting convened at Harmony. Quarterly Meeting to draft a constitution and bye- suggested to me the advisability of going to New after, meeting a guard of a number of convicts, I laws for a Home Mission Society. The most impor- Brunswick to commence my studies, preparatory to gave him one. As I passed on the road with a book the Quarterly Meeting, and arranged to have a public missionary meeting on Saturday evening. A: half-past 7 o'clock quite a large congregation had as sembled. After singing and prayer, several earnes and effective speeches were delivered. A collection through the congregation. Soon it was announced that upwards of one hundred dollars had been raised. The meeting then broke up, and, we doubt not, many went from the sanctuary that evening feeling mordeeply than ever, that they owed something more tthe Almighty than mere words and affections. Saturday afternoon was spent in social christian through the week and on the Sabbath, this is the se- on my presenting him with a copy, he received it conference. It was a season of deep interest, and many gave expression of their strong confidence in God : and we think all present felt, "This is non fles ; but earnestly press them home upon the hearts other than the House of God and the very gate o heaven." Sabbath morning the people began to as only in immediate action." The G. Scribe of the Sons of Temperance, Nova Sco- semble at an early hour ; soon the house was literally packed, and yet the people were coming in crowd: there would be preaching in another building near the best and most useful are the first to fall, and those may imagine the phrenzying effect of such language

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very poor, but with all my strength of body, and what light and understanding I had, I labored for the this man to say whether or not the island of Tanna prosperity of God's cause, and the salvation of souls. shall receive the gospel, and therefore I had a great furnishes the liquor, or where is it procured by those I trust my visit there was not in vain. God was desire to see him. He was one of the chiefs whose pleased to hear praayer, and the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the community ; His people were much revived; some wanderers have been reclaimed, ly that he went after night, at some risk, during the and several professed faith in Christ, and would have prevalence of civil war, and nailed up his house to been baptized if we could have obtained the services of an elder.

went, by request, to visit a sick brother in Greenfield, induced to go on board of the Dayspring, and has where I spent the Sabbath, The last Sabbath I spent are in progress, if the engineering is not actually car- with Brother Connor with our own church ; the Lord was with us of a truth, and a good season was en- the man-of-war's doing in his land, but I declined ex-

> meetings. Collected for the mission fund \$5.83. I expect, my health permitting, to make a tour charging our duty-that it may be said of us as it son-in-law, was not settled yet, and perhaps he might was of the woman in the gospel, "she hath done go to Tana. He shook hands with him though he what she could." Your brother in Christ,

Presquisle, May 15th, 1867.

#### HOME MISSION REPORT. REV.G. A. HARTLEY, C. S. H. M. S.

H. MILLS.

monthly report. I shall confine myself to a brief notable warrior, I have always found him straightstatement. After writing my last report I went to he Fitzherbert neighborhood, and was there Sabbath morning; in the afternoon was at a school house in shall be known throughout the length and breadth the Inman neighborhood, and then returned to Fitz- of that dark island. I look on the visit of Nauka to herbert neighborhood, where I held meetings through this island as most providential. The Dayspring the week. We had a Conference on Friday afternoon, and enjoyed a very good season. I gave four persons intended to settle as closed. Our thoughts turned the right hand of fellowship and united them to the to Tanna, but the barrier there was the want of Church. Bro. Gray, one of our Licentiates, has la- Nauka's consent, and it seemed very doubtful if it. boured here, and has been a good deal of benefit to the people. Saturday I went to Peel, and laboured there for a week or more. Last winter I left the and that Mr. Neilson if he goes to it may soon be people here in a good condition, union and love joined by others. abounding. Division and separation had entered in and left the people in a bad state. But we labored as well as we could, and soon had the satisfaction to stored in a great measure. I then returned to Perth, where I have been till now. I think this month's la-Collected this month \$2.50 for the Mission. May 15, 1867. A. TAYLOR.

For the Religious Intelligencer. DEAR BROTHER MCLEOD-How sad the intelligence that has reached every home of our denomination, in the distance.

had previously labored in revival. My health was principal chief of Port Resolution, island of Tanna He came here most unexpectedly in a vessel which was taking him from Futuna to Tanna, It is with district was devastated when the Curacoa visited Tana. It was supposed that he was one of Mr Paton's enemies, but the latter has found out recentsave his contents, in the meantime he has been

punished for destroying the property which he made every effort to save. Since this unhappy affair be The first Saturday in the present month (May) I has assumed a hostile attitude. He could never be always treated missionaries with a gloomy, reserve. He came to see me on his arrival here, for we were friends in former years. He began to tell me about pressing an opinion about events which took place in former occasion stood between the Tannese and trouble with a man-of war, and would do so if necessary in time to come. I asked him to accompany me on board of the Dayspring, which he did, and I introduced him to Capt. Fraser, who gave him a present, and the receipt of this makes them friends. The question of receiving a missionary next came advised them to give up their wars ; and then brought a man of-war to kill them and destroy their property. He wanted to know the missionary before he would give his consent. I told him that Mr. Neilson, my would not speak to him a few weeks ago on Tanna,

and said he was welcome to take up his abode on Tana, that no person should injure him if he could prevent it; and he might choose any spot of land for a house and it would be given to him. I trust that our interview will lead to some important results in relation to Tana. I have known Nauka for many Dear Bro .- I herewith submit to you my seventh | years and though he is a dark hearted heathen and a forward, and have much confidence in him. His consent opens Tana once more for the gospel, never again to be closed I hope, until the name of Jesus had just arrived from Fate bringing such tidings as led us to consider the part of Fate where Mr. Neilson would be given. Let us thank God that the way is now so clear. I trust that the missionary brethren will consent to the speedy occupation of this island, Conclusion .-- I beg in conclusion to call your at-

ention to the claims of this large group of islands. We want a few more missionaries at present to fill up openings, and we want others to help to open for know that our labor was not in vain; union was re- themselves. We need men of intellect, energy and enterprise; mer of faith and prayer, whose hearts have been warmed with love to Christ and who are willing to "spend and be spent for him ;" men who bour will bear fruit another day. The travelling has have counted the cost, and are prepared to stand in unsearchable riches of Christ? If the missionary work has its troubles it has its joys also, and its re-

CURSING .- The following curse is given in an Irish paper as having been pronounced by the priest on the children of some Roman Catholics who attended the Kiltrillig school, Kilrush, Clare, where the Scriptures were read ;----

" I pray God to pour down all vengeance on those who sent their children to Kiltrillig school last week, -particularly two. May the devil be their guide on ic right hand and on the left, lying and rising, and, a bed and out of bed, sitting and standing, within and without. May all misfortunes attend their families and their labors; and any person or persons ending their children to this school henceforth, may they be struck blind and deaf, so as never to see any of their children again, and may the children sent to the school go wild (mad). May they never leave the world until they become such examples as that the marrow may come through their shin-bones. May they by pained both standing and sitting, and may they never leave this world until they be in such a state that the dogs could not bear coming near their carcasses when dead. I pray to God that every child who goes to this school, that for every day he pends in it, his life may be curtailed a twelvemonth and that he may never enjoy the year of maturity and that those people who send their children to this chool, that their crops and their goods may be taken by the devil; and may all these misfortunes attend y person taking their posterity in marriage thirty ars hence. "As the minister of God [should b f Antichrist] I pray the Almighty to hear this prayer, and I now strictly command this congregaion to kneel down and pray to God to grant my prayer."

In reading these curses we are inclined to ask whether or not Ireland knows that this is the nineteenth century ? --- Montroal Witness.

# THE NEWS and THE PRESS

#### MAY 31, 1867.

A PAINFUL SIGHT .-- On Sabbath evening last we observed two lads carrying between them a handled basket, followed by a score or more of little children of both sexes, who were evidently attracted by something, of more than ordinary interest, contained in the basket. On enquiring we were told that it contained the dead body of an infant found a short distance from the city. Ignorant, as we were then of the circumstances, or how these lads came into possession of the unfortunate waif, the sight was to us a painful one, and at once suggested to our mind the the powers of darkness. Are there no young men unfortunately, of a kind that is becoming painfully willing to forsake the endearments of home and to frequent in our community-had been committed, but by whom it was not then; and perhaps may never be known, except to Him who knows all things, pulsiveness as well as its fascination appears greatest and the guilty ones. Why was this exhibition of the to incorporate the Disciples of Christ, and a bill refoul deed allowed to be made in on the public streets on a quiet Sabbath evening ? Why were two young lads, as we have since learned from a morning contemporary, sent to bring the body to the city in this with regard to the sale of intoxicating liquors. public manner, to attract a crowd of little childrenwe doubt if there were any of those we saw over ten appointed at the time of the organization of this He encouraged my desires to enter the ministry, and copy was an aged man in a ferry-boat; and soon thorities wish to pander to the depraved curiosity of the vicious or harden the hearts of the youth to Lawrence and Bay of Fundy Uanal Co., and a petiscenes of wretchedness, guilt, and crime ? adopting of that report ; after which the friends of me, and he a father in the ministry. Many an op- John iii. 15. She and a young woman at her side have the body of the unfortunate child conveyed to We think there is an officer whose duty it was to Co. ; Mr. Sutton a bill and petition from Neil Meportunity had I to converse with him, respecting listened with deep interest. I asked the young wo- the Dead House in a proper and decent manner, and without shocking the public mind by such a sad and connected therewith. Gemoralizing spectacle as we refer to. The Day, de-I met a man bearing some beautiful fruit, to whom cency, humanity, all demanded greater care, and we hope never again to have to urge its necessity on those whose duty it is.

## PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

FREDERICTON, May 23. Tilley read the following despatch from England : .... A Proclamation uniting on the first day of July next the three Provinces, has this day been approved y the Queen in Council.

The bill to incorporate St. John TradesCo-operative Association agreed to in Council without amend-

The bill to amend Act incorporating Albert County Bank, passed in committee

House in committee on supply for bye-roads. Mr. filley introduced a resolution that the sum of fiftyfive thousand dollars be granted for bye-roads. Smith wished the Government could have made a larger appropriation for this purpose.

Fisher thought the appropriation a generous one ; it was ten thousand dollars more than that of last year. He believed that no country in the world gave as much for roads and education for its population as this Province.

The resolution appropriating fifty five thousand lollars to bye-roads was then put and passed, Bill to empower City of Fredericton to contract a loan in aid of Branch Railway agreed to in committee, Wetmore introduced bill relating to admission of attorneys of Supreme Court.

It provides that students who have become graduates of Harvard or any other legally authorized college or university at any time previous to their applisation for admission shall be entitled to admissi after three years study.

Fisher introduced bill relating to Fredericton Railway Company ; also a bill to establish County Courts. It proposes to establish a County Court in each Jounty. The Province to be divided into districts, a Judge in each. To hold a court three times a year in each County, with jurisdiction in all personal acions to the extent of two hundred dollars.

The Judges to be barristers of seven years' standng. A clerk for each district who shall be an attor-

A division bill also in contemplation, presided over by some Judge, to be held in several divisions of each County at stated times, to take cognizance of small debts. Magistrates' Courts and inferior Court of lommon Pleas to be abolished.

May the 24th, being the Queen's Birthday, no legisative business was transacted.

FREDERICTON, May 25. Chandler introduced a bill to incorporate the St. Andrews Deep Sca Wharf and Railway Company. House went into committee on bill to incorporate the Governors of the Male Wiggins Orphan Asylum. Bill passed in committee.

Bills relating to St. David's Town Hall, and to enble the City to aid Fredericton Railway read third ine and passed the House.

Ferris brought in a bill to authorize the opening of vinter roads for lumbering purposes in certain cases. Bill to authorize the Municipal Council of York. County to grant a subsidy to the Fredericton Branch Railway Company passed in committee.

Smith asked the Secretary for information of recommendation for Senators by Government. Tilley said he could give no information until the Proclamation came out; that the Government would hold themselves responsible for the appointment of Senaors if the recommendation had been taken.

A messenger from the Legislative Council reported that the Council had agreed to the following bills : A lating to BL John Bridge bonds Hon. Mr. McClelan presented a petition of some sighty persons, inhabitants of Albert County, praying that more stringent regulations may be made FREDERICTON, May 27. Mr. McAdam introduced a bill to amend the law regulating the Milltown fire department, and a bill preventing non-resident peddiars from vending wares tion ; Mr. Cale a bill to incorporate Richibucto Boom Coy, Philip Keogh, Michael Whitman, Jeremiah M'Carthy, Daniel Murphy, and others for incorporation of the Grand Ribond Lodge and small lodges Afternoon occupied in discussing Bill to incorporate Western Telegraph and International Telegraph Jompanies--- both passing. Former purpose creating single or double line ilong line of Western Extension, with branches, Latter contemplate creating lines east and west rom St. John, with branches where desirable. Its capital \$100,000, with power to increase to views held by Smith and Wetmore that it was desirable to hold stockholders liable for double amount of

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been so bad it has been very difficult to get around, the might of God, and do battle for His truth against old story-sin, wretchedness, and crime. A crime-

enemy, we say live by the day, and put your trust in God. What a bulwark of strength against such insinuations of the adversary, as here whispered in the ear of David, " His God has forsaken him, persecute and take him," is the glorious assurance, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." Planting our feet firmly upon the secure rock of promise, we may watch with undismayed hearts, though storms rage and tempests roar. No rude gale of affliction, or high rolling billows of unbelief need ever drive us from the secure, unshaken, eternal rock of God's promised faithfulness.

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Child of God, fight on, toil on, pray on, and if need be, suffer on. Your own watchful Father regards you with more complacency than you do that loved child that nestles in your bosom. He deems you more valuable than the dead material of which the sun and stars and the whole universe consists, and intends that you shall, if faithful to the grace given, live and sing with him when they shall be no more. Like christians, then, we should bear necessary burdens, and like christians should decline those that are unnecessary.

To CORRESPONDENTS. -- Communications from " Alpha," "R. W." and "U. T. P.," have been received and will be attended to. Bro. Babcock's Missionary Report also received, and will appear next week.

tis, reports whole number of members on the books, 7,332. Cash on hand, \$10,929.76%.

The Methodist believes that a more systematic arrangement of scholars and instruction in Sabbath tant business of this session was the receiving and my labours. While there, his house was a home for fore I left to come home. I will note a few of his was then taken up, and subscription lists circulated Christ, depends entirely upon yourself; make full

> much and earnestly, especially in preparing for the them all a copy, and all accepted. pulpit." " And bring no reproach upon the cause of quel of your success." At another time he said .--- | with thanks. " Brother, treat not the principles of religion as tri-

He who is too wise to err, and too good to be unmeeting-house. The people, who were without and who are no apparent benefit are spared ; we cannot on the priests, who now see with horror that that schools would be a great improvement on the present coming, were directed thereto, and soon it was als. help asking " why ?" but no answer comes, save this, a reality I filled. Elder Brown preached at the meeting-house, [" He doeth all things well."

ITALY.

MISSIONARY COLPORTAGE - I offered to give a copy very grateful for the copy, but desired to buy the in my hand, a female in an olive yard asked what especially the conversation had on the afternoon be- persuasion I induced her to do so, and then gave her a copy of St. John's Gospel.

remarks, hoping that they may prove a blessing to I quoted Romans v. He replied, "It is right." others ; "Your success," said he, " as a minister of A soldier on guard was alraid it was a Protestant book. However, I insisted on its being the Word of proof of your ministry; and His blessing will rest him, that, though trembling, he took it. God, which consideration at length so weighed with upon your labours." " Above all be bumble ; pray Passing some masons building a wall, I offered

Christ by disorderly walk or conversation ; but live, politely stopped, and I repeated God's message of sword. I ventured to offer him a portion. He walk, act, dress and conduct yourself like a minister love to man; he and the convict stood listening, and A gentleman I soon afterwards met said, " I most

willingly accept your gift."

of the people, as there is danger in delay, and safety he believed the religion of the Bible was the only one fine. A number of the citizens were out to witness worth anything. Happily, this feeling is gaining ground, and one of the leading papers of Italy has kind, will sanctify this bereavement to our good. It that there is but little hope for Italy, in the highest ventured to make this open and broad statement, which the journal proclaims a necessity may become

SAD ACCIDENT .- A promising little boy, only son of Mrs. Gunter, widow of the late A. G. Gunter Esq., was drowned in the river at Fredericton on Tuesday, \$200,000. Stockholders liable only for amount of I met an officer following a convict with a drawn 28th inst. He had been playing in a boat, and by stock subscribed. Discussion arose principally on some means fell out. He was about seven years of age, very intelligent and promising. How fleeting stock. Amendment with this object rejected. are all our earthly joys. We sincerely sympathise with the mother in her heavy bereavement.

The anniversary of Her Majesty's birth day passed An officer at an albeigo gave me to understand that off very quietly in Fredericton. The day was quite wick

the parade of the 224 Regiment, within the enclosure known as the race course. We noticed a number of the from all directions. It was then announced that frequently occurs-and how mysterious too-that the point of view, until she becomes Protestant 1 We a royal salute was fired, accompanied with that soulstirring music, "God save the Queen," after which Company.

all quietly withdrew. His Excellency Major General Doyle, and Col. Harding, both being absent, caused Canal off the hands of the Company at cost. Smith

FREDERICTON, May 28. Babbit presented a petition from the inhabitants of Queen's County praying that an Act may pass to corporate the Grand Orange Lodge of New Bruns-

Stevens moved the House into committee on the bill to increase the capital stock of the St. Stephen Bank. The bill passed in committee without am-

The House went into committee on the bill to incorporate the St. Lawrence and Bay of Fundy Canal

Gray offered as an amendment that whenever the I had an opportunity of speaking to two young less display than usual on an occasion of this kind. | opposed the amendment, and said no one would em-

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