

# THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

attended by tens of thousands of men, women and children. Some of our most fashionable and so-called respectable places of amusement, theatres, opera houses, and well-known halls, are open on Sunday nights for concerts and entertainments. Paid lectures are common on literary and comic subjects, with broad burlesques. One of our churches was opened on Sunday night for a service purely secular, and some clergymen have taken Sunday night to give secular lectures; one announces his subject on "Work and Play." Unable to get an audience on religion, he is trying some other theme. This shows the drift of things; the old landmarks on Sunday are being rapidly obliterated. With continental fashions comes the continental Sunday.

## The News and the Press.

ST. JOHN, N. B., FEBRUARY 16, 1872.

BREVITIES.—The Rotessy House, formerly known as the St. John Hotel, was burned on Tuesday morning, between 8 and 9 o'clock. The lower flat was occupied by several stores. The loss altogether is quite heavy, and but partially covered by insurance.—Patrick Healy and Joannah Hamilton, were hanged in Newfoundland, on the 2d inst., for the murder of the wife of the former and her brother. No execution had taken place on the Island before, within a century.—The Tug Boat, *Harrington*, took fire on Sunday night, and was considerably damaged.—Bishop Medley is in St. John, where he is to spend about a month.—The customs returns for the port of Halifax, show this in a healthy state.—The iron merchants of this city have again advanced their prices, as late advices from England show a change to have taken place there.—Windham, N. S., is to have a system of waterworks soon.—A man stole a half barrel of senna from the door of a King Street shop the other day. He must have been sick, or else he intends to be very soon.—Large quantities of hay are being hauled into the city now. It is worth about \$20 a ton.—The Tantramar Railway Bridge, has been injured by the ice jamming. Trains for the present only run to Sackville.—Geo. Kerr, Esq., for many years a representative of Northumberland County, died a few days ago. He was at the time seeking to recruit his health in the South. He was universally and deservedly respected.—A great many of the policemen of this city have signified their intention of leaving the force in the spring, unless their pay is increased. They get \$400 each a year, which is certainly a small sum to live on.—The Spanish government has ordered that a further reinforcement of 8,000 troops be despatched to Cuba.—The Chicago Relief and Aid Society announces that its resources will meet the wants of the present winter, and make temporary provision for the charitable institutions whose support was cut off by the fire.—The disease known as the "black tongue" is reported as epidemic among the cattle of some parts of the West.—The work of restoring the Vendome column in Paris has been commenced. All the pieces, 272 in number, are carefully preserved and housed in the Rue L'Université but the bas-relief representing the battle of Austerlitz was so badly damaged, that it had to be re-cast.—A serious attempt at revolt has occurred in the Philippine Islands, belonging to Spain. A company of 200 native artillery men mutinied and took possession of a fort. This was subsequently carried by assault by the regular troops, and all the insurgents were killed.—The Spanish radicals have held mass meetings in Madrid to protest against the cruelties of the war in Cuba, and to demand the abolition of slavery in the Colonies. This has been a bad winter for the wheat sown on the light black loam of the Illinois prairies. Always a precarious crop on such lands, it has been frozen out to an unusual extent.—In four days, last week, Provincetown fishermen took 224,940 pounds of cod, mostly by trawling with dories.—There are over sixty thousand miles of railroad in the United States, of which six thousand nine hundred and eighty were built last year.—In Manila, twenty-five thousand women and girls make cigars at average wages of seven cents per day.—A despatch from St. Petersburg announces the total destruction on Sunday of last week by an earthquake of Schamachia, a town of Asiatic Russia, Trans-Caucasia. From the few details received of this terrible disaster it is learned that the shocks were protracted, and that many persons are dying daily.

Despatches from Teheran state that the famine in Persia continues with unabated fury. Many persons are dying daily.

The Anglo-American Association, at a meeting in London last night, adopted a resolution that it would not publicly discuss the Alabama difficulty while there was hope of its being settled in a friendly spirit.

The Prince proceeded to express the regret the whole country would feel at the sudden death of so distinguished a statesman. He was followed by Disraeli, who referred to the great public services of the deceased in terms of the highest praise.

Mr. Bancroft, American Minister at Berlin, has completed a reply to the British case on the San Juan boundary question, and will submit it to the Ambassador, the Emperor William.

Gladstone, replying to a question in the Commons, stated that the case of the American government submitted to the Geneva arbitration had not yet been printed, and it would be unjust to publish the document here at present.

A Special Session of the Yearly Meeting of the Free Baptists of Nova Scotia (D. V.) will be held at the Hill Church, Yarmouth County, on Friday, the 23d day of February next, at 2 o'clock p.m.

It is intended to attend to the ordination of Brother Royal (if it be deemed proper), as the churches with which he is laboring request it.

By request of the required number of Elders and brethren, J. I. PORTER, Clerk Y. M. Barrington, Jan. 22, 1872.

NOTICE.

Reported for the *Intelligencer* by Ma. J. W. Potts, Prudential Dealer, No. 6 Market Street.

Thursday, February 15, 1872.

BUTTER, rolls, per lb. 25 to 25c. DAIRY packed per lb. 1 to 19c. DAIRY per lb. 13 to 14c. EGGS, per lb. 28 to 30c. OATS, (Prov.) per bushel. 55 to 61c. POTATOES, (kidney) 80 to 90c. TURKEYS, per lb. 70 to 75c. CHEESE, Dairy, per lb. 12 to 15c. BEEF, 6 to 8c. BISON, 6 to 8c. VENISON, 6 to 8c. LAMB, 6 to 8c. PORK, 6 to 8c. CHICKENS, per pair, 40 to 50c. TURKEYS, per lb. 50 to 70c. DUCKS, per pair, 14 to 15c. DUCKS, per pair, 12 to 15c. SQUASH, per 100 lbs. 80 to 125c. CARROTS per bushel, 69 to 70c. CARRIERS per bushel, 55 to 60c. HONEY, 12 to 14c. YARNS per lb. 6 to 10c. PARTRIDGES, per pair, 10 to 12c. DO. smoked, 8 to 10c. BUCKWHEAT Meal (green) 9 to 20c. DO. (yellow) 2 to 40c to 50c. 60 to 170c.

The statement made in Bro. Phillips' note at the head of the above lists is no doubt correct, all that is needed is the effort to be made, and sufficient funds would be had. Will not all our ministers appoint collectors forthwith?

W. M. PETERS, Treasurer.

NOTICE.

At the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bank of Nova Scotia, held on Wednesday evening, Feb. 15, 1872, it was voted to increase the capital stock of the Bank by \$100,000, and to issue additional shares of stock.

At the same meeting it was voted to increase the amount of the loan to the Bank of Montreal by \$100,000, and to issue additional shares of stock.

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