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it wisely. Make the most of all its opportunities. Never put off till to-morrow what can be done toyou live ar die. Said an eminent saint when on what promised to be his death bed, "It makes no difference to me whether I live or die. If I live Jesus." Live so that you may have similar ex-His son Jesus Christ.

AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND A

Entering upon another year, we desire thus to record our sense of indebtedness to God for the great favor He has been pleased to bestow upon the lives to the use of alcoholic liquors. They may, Alabama, who has brought forward a bill to tax INTELLIGENCER during the quarter century since it perhaps, be anxious to save their boys of the pre- Chinese immigrants out of existence. \$250 each is started on its mission. The assurances that it has sent generation from temptations to drunkenness, done good are a great joy to us. If the paper were ever so great a financial success, and there was no testimony that it had comforted sorrowing saints, helped the struggling and directed the straying and that some homes have been destroyed by it, and States, as a Christian nation, drive them away. liable to stray, we should feel bitter disappointment. We thank God that He has caused it to do some

We desire that it may be increasingly useful. On this first day of the year we have sought anew again and again by judges and other gentlemen of God's blessing upon it, praying Him that He will high official position, that a very large proportion direct in its management, and that He will make it more than ever the bearer of good to its readers. And we feel moved to request in its behalf the prayers of every christian reader. That many zealots that the liquor traffic impoverishes a great creases is not so large as a week or two ago, the ground of verdurous hillside sloping up from the prayers have in past years been offered for it we many to enrich a few; and that the amount of tax reason for which is, that there are comparatively meadow fringe of the river to break the monotony of the country. agement. Will they, in the goodness of their tian readers of this join them? "And God will which have been quite freely circulated amongst cause His face to shine upon us;....God, even our the people; and, unfortunately for the Freeman Reform Club House, and the work of repairing it the only trees in the country grow. There is no respectable Bro. Rev. J. W. Carr, awaiting our ar- Feb. 7th. January 1st.

We hope to have many subscribers now on our list, continue with us during 1878.

THE CONDITION OF INDIA. While everybody is rejoicing that the worst of the Famine is over, it is a fact that British help will be needed for sometime yet. A Missionary who has spent thirty-two years in Southern India, confirms this view, and points out that the harvest which will be gathered in at the commencement of next year, will not be fit to be taken to market until the beginning of April; just as the fruits of the little or first harvest, which were reaped in October, are only now becoming suitable for consumption, the reason being that new grain is not wholesome food, and generally brings on diarrhoea and other complaints: he shows, also, that distress arising from scarcity of food is not all that the natives of India are now suffering from. Their thatched huts have been unroofed by the violent winds of the south-west monsoon, and the long grass used for thatch is, owing to the late rains, very scarce. Poverty, again, has compelled them to wear their old clothes until they have rotted on them. In one district alone 15,000 adults and children are without clothes to defend them from the cold and wet. Missionaries, in his opinion, especially those engaged in itinerant labours, are the best fitted to distribute relief, as they come into contact with the distressed natives more than other classes of Europeans. He quotes from the Indian Mirror, a native paper, the following passage, as illustrative of the effect which British charity has produced upon the Hindoo mind :- "The noble sympathy which England has so readily shown to India by raising within a short time thirty lacs of rupees, in aid of the famine sufferers in the Madras presidency calls for the deepest gratitude from the people of India. We do not remember to have heard or read of such hearty and substantial sympathy shown by any other country to a foreign people in distress.

ALARMED.

The Freeman is a good deal uneasy just now. The Temperance Reform Movement worries the editor considerably. True, he expresses the hope that the men who have signed the pledge will keep it. How much of genuineness there is in the hope expressed we do not pretend to say. We know that the Freeman does not deny that one of its proprietors is a rumseller; and if it be true that a rumseller is part proprietor, our readers may, perhaps, judge for themselves how much sincerity there is in the expressed hope that men should cease drinking that most interferes with their business. The Freeman's trouble is told in the following paragraph.

"The advocates of Prohibition are preparing to assume the offensive along the whole line immediately. Probably they think that the labours of such men as Dutcher, Rine, Banks Mackenzie, &c., to such an extent that none will dare resist their de nands on the eve of a general election. There are not a few who say that the whole movement is sage of the same. The members of the Alliance for

minion Alliance have resolved to present a petition another column. He thinks then it is probable the local Legislature will, if asked, pass a resolution local Legislature will, if asked, pass a resolution local Legislature will be forwarded to their respective destinations. It costs from sixteen to thirty dollars to propage an acre of local lo petitioning the Dominion Parliament to pass the bird for possession of a wood land for seed in the east, and then the surface church, and borne away to the land of rest our dear is 240 years old. Bishop Ken was the author. required law, and is in mortal terror lest the peoing for or against a traffic which intimately concerns.

The people of any district or town speaking for or against a traffic which intimately concerns.

To free brother George Secord. One year ago last summer ply of this country will have thrust upon them them is a reasonable one, and one which, if backthe terrible curse of a law greatly restricting the rum | ed by the petitions of all our societies, will, we trade, perhaps wholly prohibiting it. That numer- hope, find recognition and embodiment in our Doously signed petitions in favour of a stringent liquor of a string Legislature, when asked, will present an address to Padiament praying that the law asked for be passed, and there is but little doubt that Parliament will pass such a measure as is demanded. There is reason for the trembling of the Freeman and its kind. They have held sway a long time, To His Excellency the Governor General.

rity of the people of this Province would, whenever to provide for the Local prohibition of the sale of this question was raised, again remain passive and intoxicating liquors throughout the Dominion of appear to be indifferent, until a law was passed and Canada, may pass and become law. actually put in operation for the prohibition of the

shudder? What a calamity if the poor down- EDITORIAL NOTES AND COMMENTS. trodden people should remain passive while a few wretches (calling themselves temperance men) are -Chicago Alarmed. -Chicago is getting alarm-

SAINT JOHN, N. B., JANUARY 4, 1878. Let the people rally round the Freeman standard. principal object of the society is to insist upon the A new year! We hope each reader has begun it ing boys and transforms them into first-class ment of the desired end. well. It may be the last to a great many of them. drunkards—the pride of their parents, and the joy It will certainly be the last for some of them. Use and hope of the country ? Surely they have more day. Live as though every day were your last. It would lead the host against the threatened dis-Love God. Seek direction and aid from Him. Keep aster-a disaster compared with which the burning the pledge, and put on the blue ribbon. On Satur-His commandments. Then all will be well whether of St. John, aye, the overthrow of a kingdom is day evening another meeting was held, and a Reform

> For the enlightenment of the Freeman it may not parts of the Province. be improper to say that the people may, with No family can afford to do witnout the regular visits of a strange perversity no doubt, be thinking of some religious paper. other "dearly bought experience." They may, perhaps, think some times of sons and brothers, that occasionally a man loses his life because he was drunk, or that in a frenzy produced by drinking one becomes the murderer of his fellow, or of one of his loved ones. Perhaps they have been foolish enough to believe the statements made of all the crime and pauperism in the world is the they have not investigated sufficiently to discover

to be the champion, the people seem inclined to believe them.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

For the information of those who may have failed to see the programme for the Week of Prayer, printed several weeks ago, we republish it. W hope it may be observed in every community. Where the churches do not hold union prayer meetings, every Christian family should unite with the christian world in making supplication for blessings indicated in the following programme :

nion perfected. Rev. vii. 9-10. Monday, 7th.-Prayer and Praise :- Remen prance of personal and relative mercies; prayer for numble and contrite spirit.

hrist in all lands; for its deliverance from error; or its increase in faith and holiness, and in power as a witness of the Lord Jesus Christ; for the grace nd guidance of the Holy Spirit. Wednesday, 9th. - Prayer for Christian Families bor sick and afflicted members; for children at school; for young men entering upon the active ousiness of life, and for those abroad; for our sons nd daughters openly confessing Christ.

and Navy; for the benevolent and philanthropi astitutions; for religious liberty and the opening pel; for the cessation of war and for the reign of voters could not be so easily imposed upon." Friday, 11th. - Prayer for Christian Missions to he Jews and Gentiles :- For Sunday schools, and

or the Divine blessing on all effort; to spread the glad tidings of the Gospel of Salvation. Saturday, 12th.-Prayer for the Circulation the Bible :- For the observance of the Sabbath ;

your light shine."-Matt. v. 16.

PETITIONS ASKED FOR.

The following circular letter is being published in he papers. It was prepared by the New Brunswick Members of the Dominion Prohibition Alliance and it tells its own story :

The Dominion Alliance, for the suppression of temperance, has determined to ask Parliament at ts approaching session for the enactment of a Genwithin its borders. They are now at work upon a litical concerns and partisanship less. ill which, it is hoped, will be comprehensive an strong enough to effect this, and with the promise support of the Premier, and good will of a large reportion of the members of Parliament, will mee with a fair and impartial consideration. To back ported horrors there. The famished dogs were less than ten acres within three years from the pubhave increased their members and their strength this bill, the Alliance has resolved to seek all sociepetition, thorough their proper officers, for the pas

C. E EVERETT, G. J. BLISS, E. C. FREEZE, JAS. S. BEEK, PROF. FOSTER, R. T. BABBIT, Members of Alliance for New Brunswick.

FORMS OF PETITION.

"We have feared for some time that, notwith-standing their dearly bought experience, the majo-duced into your Honorable House, entitled a bill

(Signed by the proper Officers.)

passing and actually putting in operation a law for ed for the welfare of its boys. The alarm is not the prohibition of the highly christian, and emi- without cause, nor is it experienced an hour too nently philanthropic traffic in rum? Cannot the soon. We see it stated that a society has been ountry be saved from the dire calamity that the formed in that city, composed of the highest udacious villains are so openly and unblushingly business and social elements, entitled "The threatening it with ! The Freeman-brave fellow! Citizens League for the Suppression of the Sale of sounds the alarm. His craft is in danger, there- Liquor to Minors." An address to the people has fore the country is in danger. Of course it is, for been issued, reciting the results of the dangerous what is a country for if not to satisfy the rapacity and abominably wicked practices, quoting the law f the high-toned gentlemen who deal in rum ! prohibiting the sale of liquor to minors. The Stand by the rum trade. Will they sit listlessly faithful enforcement of the law. A meeting of the down and see that business restricted or prohi- officers and friends was held the other day, at which bited which takes their miserable and good-for-noth- important action was taken towards the accomplish-

spirit than to allow such an outrage to be perpe- last week, Prof. Foster delivered a Temperance rated. To allow it would be to forever disgrace | Lecture in Sussex, which made so deep an impresthemselves. The Freeman comes to the rescue. sion that he was requested to write a pledge and Club was organized, the signatures to the pledge But, somehow we have a notion that it is just numbering about two hundred at the close of the ossible the people won't follow the Freeman's lead meeting. Prof. Foster and Mr. J. R. Pidgeon in this matter. No doubt the Freeman will think addressed the Saturday evening meeting. The Jesus will be with me; if I die I will go to be with it strange, and perhaps will be as sulky about it as work has been progressing finely since, and there t has for years been about the defeat of its editor is a prospect of Sussex being freed from a traffic perience. It is the right of every lover of God and by the electors of St. John County a long tims ago. which so long has had sway in one of the fairest

-DEATH TO THE CHINESE. - Certain classes and husbands and friends who promised well, but United States citizens are bound, if possible, to who disappointed all hopes; and they may be crush the Chinese who have come to their shores. fanatical enough te attribute their wasted, blighted | The latest proposal is made by a Mr. Shelly, of throught to be a protective tariff. The monstrosity and are unable to see any way to remove the temp- of such a measure, says the Advocate, can be equaltations but by the prohibition of the trade in rum. ed only by its intense demagogism. Many young They may have heard, and actually believed, that | Asiatics are coming to America to avail themselves a great many people are made unhappy by rum, of the advantages of the schools. Can the United

> -LIBEL. -The Union Advocate of Newcastle has the Chatham Advance, and the latter gentleman has general surface of the plain. The bold and beauti-

lirect result of the liquor traffic. It is possible held in the City Hall, and the attendance at the river the plain on each side is but little above the meetings is simply astonishing. The number on level of the lake; swampy regions, frequently subany error in the statement made by certain teetotal the pledge roll increases every day. The daily in- merged, lie around the lakes. There is no backthe country has to pay directly and indirectly to few who have not signed. The Governor made or relieve the strained sight. Plains right and left, The Stone Barracks have been secured for a is now going on.

- THE TRAMP NUISANCE in the United States Shame! that in this day in a christian country, has assumed immense proportions, and the people, but swamps and wet ground remain undenuded of Brother, where refreshments were made for our use, ing the policy of the Government in various respects. with all the ghastly facts concerning the rum busiled by the most prominent citizens, are trying to
trees. The varieties that remain are the balsam and after which we were conducted to the place of trees. The varieties that remain are the balsam ness full in view, any paper can be found to chamdevise means to check it. An exchange tells of a
poplar, soft maple, elm, birch, and oak, in quantity
public gathering, where a large audience awaited

Whereas, The present Government have largely
increased the public expenditure by the execution State Convention held recently in Baltimore, to about in the order named; spruce and pine are our arrival, and to whom we tried as best we were Blair presided and made a brief address. He fuel exist but in very limited quantities, though excellent meeting was enjoyed that evening. The the co-operation of the churches, and the aid of from the upper Red and Assimboine rivers for worship being nearly full at each of the services, place Toll Gates across the public roads, business men with their million of capital and acres building purposes. Cordwood also comes down the and the best of all was, God was present by his of colonies and the establishment of manufactories and fencing the poplar is used, as it is in greater throughout were of a very special character, and to give them employment. Other speakers advo- abundance than other species, and serves the pur- when they closed on Sunday evening, we could all cated a law compelling tramps to either work or poses well. All the timber, except in a small sec-say, surely it was good to be there; and we have it is said, to be opposed in Yarmouth.

- A Suggestion .- A correspondent of the Montreal Witness makes the following suggestion, Sunday, January 6th. - Sermons: - Christian | which certainly is worthy of consideration. He says: Would it not be well (before the election comes too close to allow good time for it) for the temperthe Divine blessing on past privileges, and for a ance men through the country to come to an understanding as to the pledge that should be demanded Tuesday, 8th.—Prayer: -For the Church of from the candidates? It is an easy thing for a candidate who understands parliamentary matters, (when speaking to a voter who does not) to give some plausible reason against the propriety of any pledge that may be demanded of him, and offer instead one that is no real use. Now, if some responsible body, such as the Dominion Alliance, would come to a decision as to how much it is best Thursday, 10th. - Prayer for Nations:-For to ask, and make public a form of pledge that rulers, magistrates, and statesmen; for the Army would be sufficiently clear to prevent dodging, and yet would promise no more than any member of of doors great and effectual for publishing the Gos. Parliament would be perfectly able to perform, the

that better views are gaining ground. Prominent green stump land. ministers are showing their people the importance | The only expense in bringing prairie land under for the removal of intemperance; for the rescue of of christians exercising more influence in public perfect tillage is to plough it once, a labour for matters. Dr. Dall (we quote the Standard) says which one yoke of oxen is fully sufficient. And he expects to see the time when churches will dis- even the first ploughing will produce a crop that Currie writes (Dec. 25), I have been holding meet-Sunday, 13th. - Sermons :- Christian life. "Let the path of duty. He also advocates having the portant fact for intending settlers. A farmer may children in our schools taught the elements of po- secure a location in April or May, and gather a that considerable religious interest is being enjoyed litical ethics, the laws of public morality, the im- harvest in August or September, that will be a good at Victoria Corner. The pastor of the church, Rev. ism, and the honor of serving the state. Others Ontario arrived in Winnipeg one Saturday early in which are resulting in much good. are impressing the same principles upon the atten- May, rested on Sunday, prospected on Monday, rum. Men do not often wish success to the thing eral Permissive Bill, by which every County, Town tion of their people. Good will result from this made his purchases on Tuesday, and started his or incorporated village in the Dominion, shall have kind of teaching, especially if it will cause Christeams ploughing on Wednesday. That procedure authority to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors | tians to regard right, truth and justice more in po. | may be repeated indefinitely.

dition of Plevna when captured, confirms the re- locatee shall chop down, cultivate and clear not feeding on corpses of the dead, and bodies of still lication in the Royal Gazette of the approval of his living wounded. The savage howls of the greedy application for a piece of land." Chop down and essentially political, and that the friends of the Dominion are at the political polit dogs, might be heard for miles around, and made in Manitoba, and repeat the work the some effort to obtain salvation, but for some cause money for churches by means of lotteries.... The All societies and bodies in New Brunswick are the soul sick. Birds were picking at skulls, hop-next week, and the next. Farms are to requested to have two petitions of the form body to body with beaks and plumage bebe had ready made all over the fertile May the great Shepherd yet gather them into His forms after New Year's... The Moravians have missionary steamboat. It is to run from one new iven below signed and forwarded as soon as pos-ible to Prof. G. E. Foster. Fredericton whomas smeared with human blood, and screaming with belt; all they lack is the buildings. It costs fold.

> three wounded Turks were found, some of the 25 years of the best of a man's life to cut a farm children. But consumption had fastened on his Christmas day. He had been to the station with a tonelli, against the executors of his estate has not wounded in a condition that can be better imagined able in cultivable qualities to the vergin prairie, of of eternal life. He leaves a wife and eight child- when the fatal occurrence took place. It is not It is said that the Countess Lambertini will lose the than described. Some of the wounded were able Manitoba and the northwest. When done, it is ren, father, two sisters and two brothers (one of known with any certainty how the accident occur-

- THE DUNKARDS, according to the Indepens of the prairie is in general not deep nor tough. If interest in the meetings is good.

CALIFORNIA vs. MANITOBA.

No. 8.—MANITOBA.

BY BLUENOSE. Manitoba "is but a speck on the map of the northwest territory." It lies very nearly in the centre of the continent. It extends from the Internear the 96th meridian 120 miles. Its area is about ine million acres. It occupies the upper end of the basin into which the rivers Winnipeg, Red, ssimboine, and Saskatchewan flow, the lower or northern end of the basin being still a lake region. Much of its soil seems to have been formed by the silt brought down by these rivers in remote ages. On the north of it lie the lakes Manitoba, Winnipeg and Winnipegosis, which are drained into Hudson's Bay; on the east is a comparative barren re-- Reform in Sussex. - Wednesday evening of gion, rocky and swampy; on the south is Minnesota the best wheat-growing state in the Union, having in places a soil approaching in excellence that cultivated farms, the stretch of meadow and wood-Manitoba itself; while on the west lies the continua-

> more miles away to the Rocky Mountains. The province is rectangular and nearly square. Through it from south to north flows the Red River, so dividing it that one third lies on the east. the remainder west of the river. The western part is divided into two nearly equal portions by the Aswith a devout sensation of gratitude to the giver of simboine, a tributary of the Red from the west. the west, draining specially fertile tracts, but the substantial school-houses that have a place in the Baptist Church, in Yarmouth, gave Rev. Mr. streams are small and unimportant.

tion of the fertile belt stretching eight hundred or

The Red River rises in the United States, west follows from that point to lake Winnipeg. Total taught, and the intellects of the rising generation tional) Yarmouth, presented their pastor. Rev. 20th of April and ceases about the 25th of October. | the lasting gratitude of the present generation, and | received a donation on Christmas. It amounted to share in the ruin they have brought upon The Assimboine tributary is over 600 miles in they will doubtless receive the benedictions of the to \$85.00 The wife of Rev. Mr. North, Rector others. length, navigable during high water for 100 miles, generations that are yet to come, for their praise- of the Reformed Episcopal Church at Sussex recapable of being made navigable throughout the worthy efforts, to give us a system that insures an ceived a present of \$32.00 from the Sunday school summer for a much greater distance.

These rivers and streams flow through a rolling growing province. It is a great pleasure, to behold

prairie, a surface which to us would appear flat and | what the law has done already even in the improvemonotonous, not as our eastern streams flow, level | ment of school-houses; while in the system of inwith the surface of the meadows, but in deep, trough-like channels which they have worn in the been saying naughty things about the proprietor of soft rock and clay, whose beds are far below the proceeded against the publishers of the Advocate ful and ever-varying scenery of the St. John is a thing impossible to the rivers of the northwest. Down towards the lakes in Manitoba the land is THE REFORM movement in Fredericton goes | not so high and the river beds, consequently, not so on with unabated interest. Frequent meetings are deep. For some distance from the mouth of the

forest such as is found in the east. Fires fed by rival, and the earnest grasp of the hand told that The opposition to the Local Government in Prince the prairie grasses have swept the plains, lessening we were welcome to their society once more. We Edward Island is decidedly active. Public meetestimated the number of tramps in the country at enough to supply all ordinary demands for many meetings on Saturday and Sabbath were well atof idle land. He recommended the organization Red, and sells at a moderate price. For frames Spirit to own and bless his people. The meetings dence of the country and should resign.

tion or two, is of small growth. The restocking of the country with good serviceable species of trees of rapid growth is a matter already provided for in the laws of the province. Forest tree culture is asserted to be a profitable industry in the west. Reference will be made to this

Natural grasses of excellent nutritive qualities, God, and our sincere prayer is that great prosperity and wild fruits in great variety, grow luxuriantly over all the country.

What is of the greatest importance to the agricul- House in Fort Fairfield, a neat and commodious buildtural immigrant is the fact, apparent from the fore- ing that well supplies them with every accommoda going, that the country is by nature, or by fire, pre- tion they need in the service of our common Lord. pared for farming operations as it stands. There Bro. Carr has been blessed to see a great revival is no stumping or picking of stones, no clearing this fall in this town, as well as in other towns in away of timber to be done before the plough can be the vicinity, and he had the help of two Brethren set going. The land is ready for the plough now. sent out by the Young Men's Christian Association, In the east the clearing of land situated far from from Bangor, I tlink. They rendered efficient aid, market, is an expense which often equals many and great good was done in all the Evangelical times the first cost of the land. Not only is much | Denominations in that part of the country. We expense incurred, but time also must be allowed for returned to our home on Monday, thankful to the decay of roots, before the plough can be started God for the blessing we enjoyed in this visit. - POLITICAL DUTIES. - The notion has too long | with profit; and however good crops may in the prevailed that christians should not take a very ac- mean time be, they never pay for the expense of tive part in political affairs. It is pleasing to notice | clearing and the inconvenience of working over

cipline their members for sins of omission in regard will pay for that labour, without sensibly affecting ings in Campbell Settlement and Middle Southto their political duties. Rev. James Freeman the next crop. There is, therefore, really no ex- ampton. The Lord is truly with the people in Clarke would have a man who refuses to do his part pense in subduing such land, and no inconvenience | Campbell Settlement. The cause of God in Middle n public affairs regarded as one who has abandoned in working it from the first. This is a very im- Southampton is not so good. Pray for me.

This contrasts strongly with the conditions of settlement of new land in the east. "The Free Grants - The Plevna Horrors. - Details of the con- Act 1872" of New Brunswick provides that "The it of stumps and fit it for the plough is an additional he superintended the Sabbath-school in this place, SAD ACCIDENT. - Mr. Abner D. Freeze, of Penob-In one house alone thirty-seven dead and fiftyexpense, of indefinite magnitude. It takes 15 to and manifested a deep interest in the welfare of the squis was killed by a train on the I. C. R. R. on claims to be the daughter of the late Cardinal An-

to crawl about, and clutched at odd morsels of food of a limited, definite area, whose extent is always whom is very low with typhoid fever), to mourn red. One opinion is that Mr. Freeze saw the apcount of a limited, definite area, whose extent is always whom is very low with typhoid fever), to mourn red. One opinion is that Mr. Freeze saw the apcount of a limited, definite area, whose extent is always counsel says can be done, in case of extreme necessary to the counsel says can be done, in avidity, but thousands were utterly helpless, and Manitoba the area is limited only by the resources Diphtheria has been very bad about Norton Sta- as to its distance or rate of speed, and thought he awaited death or succor with matchless fatalism. of labour for tilling. The man who settles this in tion. Daniel Robertson has lost four children. had time to cross. Another opinion is that the Eighteen hundred prisoners were huddled together | Manitoba on new land has twenty years the start | May God sustain them in this day of trial, on the banks of the Vid, and the horrors of their of the man who goes into the woods of N. B., in We have had no very cold weather yet. The waggon an instant before the train struck it, leaving decline the Presidence of Szekville College. but the end of their reign is drawing near. Here the House of Commons of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Commons of the D dead were piled together promiscuously, in heaps, The report has been circulated that the sod is good sleighing. like wood, and carted away. There were only tough and that it requires two span of horses to Middleland, K. Co., Dec. 24. three carts available for this work, and the confusplough the prairie the first time, Thefact is, a yoke of Carletton.—Three more were baptized in Carletton.—Three more wer

dent, are taking a new departure. They have turned in May or June, or April, or at any time Home Mission Report. Dear Bro. Hartley, manufacture, importation or sale of all liquors that

The second form for our Provincial Legislature | Mission Society, The correspondent says:

When the land is not hard from lack of moisture, a correspondent says:

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With a Permissive Law in operation a great deal Extension Union," the first society of the ruin caused by the run trade may be taken from the above, with the proper substitutions.

With a Permissive Law in operation a great deal Extension Union," the first society of the kind the southeast and southwest patches with boulders but the entire community here. Leaving the late residue was pleased to bless the labors of his children in the dence of the description.

the least.

LETTER EROM REV. A. TAYLOR.

land, the neat, commodious, and even beautiful

struction it has been doubtless done, and is still

interests of the province would be destroyed alto-

gether, and that taxes would be so heavy that

farmers would not be able to live, but if the pros-

destroyed the agricultural interests, nor does it

seem likely to do so; but has rather given an im-

the chief causes of the prosperity and advancement

Their Pastor is an earnest, hard working man of

Yours in Gospel bonds,

DENOMINATIONAL

Tracey's Mills, Dec. 26th, 1877

sulting from his labour.

nor stems interfere with agricultural operations in the time drang the year. I left St. Martins for The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. C T. small and much in need of labour. There is some a very solemn and affecting nature. Bro. McLeon-I have thought that perhaps a interest; four have decided to seek a Saviour. In few lines from me might not be unacceptable to for some days she had wished to speak with me national boundary north 102 miles, and west from your numerous readers, especially as I have recent- about her soul's salvation. I pointed her to the ly attended at Fort Fairfield, Me., the December only Saviour. We bowed in prayer, and she gave session of the Aroostook Quarterly Meeting of the herself to God. She went at once to her father and Free W. Baptists; an account of which may not be of whom she had found, and the father, with out of place in your excellent paper. Partly from streaming eyes, exclaimed, "that is the best news you could have told me." sage in the cars at Kent Station, on the line of the Diphtheria is doing its dreadful work of death.

Our dear brother Lewis's family has been greatly N. B. R. Road, which in a few hours took us to the afflicted. They have lost three children in two and trust companies and savings banks, is leading place where the meeting was in session. It has weeks. We are glad to know that the disease is been some ten or twelve years since we were in not very prevalent as yet. I expect to go to Mill-Victoria County, and we were both surprised and stream Mountain or Canaar. river soon. Very respectfully your Missionary. lelighted at improvements that every where manifested themselves, as we passed along the line of railway to the place of our destination. The

REVIVAL NOTES, -A revival in Rockville, Conn. under the labours of Rev. A. B. Earle, has resultthat strikes the traveller with a joyful surprise, and usual active part.

upper part of the country; and it would appear Day, the pastor, a present of a gold watch chain, that in places where the education of the youth Mrs. Day some pieces of silver-plate, and the education to all the youth of our beatuiful and on Christmas.

PERSONAL.

Rev. J. D. Pope, of Lienster street Baptist church, has returned from England. He was quite first enacted a great cry was raised that the farming churches that were destroyed by the great fire.

- Rev. G. W. M. Carey, who has been in the Upper Provinces and the United States on a simithen it is a fixed fact that the taxes have not as yet | considerable success.

POLITICAL.

petus to the cultivation of the soil, and is one of It is rumored that several M. P.'s contemplate resigning their seats because they have violated the that abounds—that everywhere abound in this part Independence of Parliament Act. Mr. Moffatt of showing the use of wine and beer usually causes an The improvments around Fort Fairfield are even and Mr. Vail, Minister of Militia, are mentioned use of opium in California is alarmingly on the in support the results of runselling is greatly in exanother admirable speech in the Saturday evening in front and rear, rising here and falling there, like more marked than in our own province, and I am as among those likely to resign. We cannot say to be virtuous, by inviting him to enter the outer cess of the revenue derived from the trade. There meeting. New Year's evening the Club Choir gave broad, gentle pulsations in the great Pacific, is the how much truth there is in the rumor. The Toronto circles of vice, as to train him to be temperate by after all in the scale of material advancement and Globe announces, doubtless by authority, that the giving him cider, beer and wine. Along the streams and in patches over the plains progress. At Fort Fairfield station we found our Dominion Parliament will meet for business about

yearly the extent of forest, till nothing scarcely were then driven rapidly to the house of a good ings are being held and resolutions passed condemn-

well as increased the pay of some of the old ones, one of Mary A. Lathbury's exquisitely drawn 1,200,000. As a remedy, he said, we must have years is said to exist. Lumber is brought down tended by appreciative audiences, the large place of Lieutenant Governor may, by order in Council, Resolved Therefore, That in the opinion of this

meeting, the Government have forfeited the confi-Hon. Albert Gayton, the newly appointed Com. missioner of Public Works in Nova Scotia, is not, tributed by Mr. Lyman of the N. Y. Tribune, callbut little doubt that the meeting will bear fruit to

the glory of God in the days to come. The Free that it is reported there that Mr. Moffat, M. P. for Restigouche has actually resigned his seat in the other serial, "A General Misunderstanding," by W. Baptist church in Fort Fairfield is an excellent body of Christian workers, and it is a very great Commons, and will run his election again. He Charles R. Talbot, is marked by still more decided pleasure to see so many humble and strong men will probably be opposed by Mr. Haddow. The vigor and originality—one may safely predict that and women for God as is represented by this body. event has given rise to considerable political dis- Royal Lowrie is the "Coming Boy" in this year's cussion in the county.

may attend them as together they work and toil for Those who sent 1878 subscriptions, will please accept our the Master. They worship at the Union Meeting

This and That.—The new temporary College | Thought," by Ella Farnam. ouildings at Wolfville, N. S., are progressing rapidly. mas Thoughts," poetry, written by a convict in the john, "King Marshmellow," with drawings by Penitentiary.... The Telegraph says, that Rev. D. "Boz," and the First Misfortune of "Little Miss Macrae of this city has for several years received Musslin of Quiutillion Square," illustrated by Hopthe sum of \$400 annually, from a young man in |

Newfoundland, as a contribution to the schemes of Pratt about "What Bob Saw at Gwampa's," the Presbyterian Church. The young man is not where, as shown in six pictures, Bob peeps inrich, but desires to increase his gifts to good objects to some very odd mirrors. and does not wish his name to be made public. . His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, ever mindful of the wants and comfort of the poor, directed the Only \$2.00 per annum. 20 cts. per number. Fredericton Alms House Commissioners to provide Ella Farnam, Editor. D. Lothrop & Co., publish-The New Year's present most acceptable to the editor is a a good and substantial dinner for the inmates of ers, Boston. the Alms House on Christmas day, . . . Fredericton has contributed upwards of 2,500 in behalf of the fund for rebuilding Acadia College. . . . The state- writing from Ottawa (Dec. 16th) says : "There CAMPBELL SETTLEMENT, YORK CO.-Rev. S. E. What woman, good for anything, cannot sew Major Whittle, the revivalist, says: "No man can be a true child of God if he has anything to do with the rum traffie.".... In a drunken row at Methuen, now.... Jacob Rideout: Have not had any letters portance of good government, the virtue of patriot- return for the summer's work. A farmer from John Perry, is holding a series of special meetings, the St. Andrews Church services, last Sunday, a map named Doran . . . The St. Andrews Standard amounted to the sum of \$135.45...Liverpool, N. REV. THOS. CONNOR gave us a call a few days S., is to have another paper, to be named the Livago. We were glad to see him looking well, and erpool Adeance.... A new church at Thorntown, fuil of zeal and hope in his Master's cause. He is Queen's County, was dedicated on Sunday, Decem-

... One hundred and four candidates presented \$46,000. themselves for baptism at the American Baptist MIDDLELAND, K. Co. Dear Bro. McLeo.l. - In | Station, at Swatow, China, on the 3d of September addition to what I have already written you with last In Italy the Waldenses report 83 Sunday reference to the revival in this place, I wish to say schools, with 3,323 scholars.... The Gospel of Mat-Others were moved to seek the Saviour and made have united in denouncing the custom of obtaining best place for them. on their part were not able to emerge into light. postal clerks on the Intercolonial are to wear uni-

proaching train, and in the darkness was deceived sity. horse, making a sudden start, broke away from the S. W. G. late Samuel Freeze, M. P. P., and a brother of ordinary oxen is fully competent to do it. The sod ton last Sabbath by the pastor, Bro. Hartley. The able man. The sad affair has cast a gloom over the whole community. To the widow and relatives we tender our sympathy. Of the funeral the Telegraph

Extension Union," the first society of the kind the of twenty years ago. What a terrible experience of the Prohibitory Law of twenty years ago. What a terrible experience that was to be sure? How many lives must have lend by that wicked attempt to preven the blasted by that wicked attempt to preven the many lives must have lend by that wicked attempt to preven the many lives must have lend by that wicked attempt to preven the many lives must have lend the position of the ruin caused by the runn trade may be prevented, and its entire prohibition be ultimately union, it is to organize and extend the home mission work of the deceased at II. Caving the late residence in the conversion of more souls. Eight have been bapting. Mowing machines are used over the unbroken arise and ministers. The secretary is to be a salar full members of the church, and bif fair to be among the most used. With a Permissive Law in operation a great deal to the first society of the kind the vented, and its entire prohibition has ever had. The purpose of the deceased at II. Clored the funding the conversion of more souls. Eight have been bapting. Mowing machines are used over the unbroken arise and ministers. The secretary is to be a salar full members of the church, and bif fair to our aid, and rendered efficient service. and the harvesting of grains is performed with came to our aid, and rendered efficient service. was a member, read the burial service, and Rev. greatly.

reaping machines generally. Neither stumps, roots, He has engaged to labor with them one quarter of Mr. North, of Sussex, offered prayer at the grave. home on the 18th ultimo, and found all well; and | Phillips at the new F. C. B. meeting house, from as I purposed to stop home till after Christmas, I Deut. xxxii. 29. Rev. Messrs. Corey, Prince, North commenced to hold meetings here. This church is and French assisted in the services, which were of

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES. RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT.

Referring to the recent conviction and imprisonment of Insurance Companies Officers for swearing to false returns, the Watchmin says:

"The failure of dishonest life insurance companies to one good result, which may compensate, in some legree, for the distress it has produced. It has led to the punishment of presidents and directors for eriminal negligence in the conduct of the business entrusted to their care. When presidents make oath to accounts which they have not inspected, they must take their risk of prosecution for perhouses, and outhouses and barns, and indeed all ed in three hundred conversions ... Mr. Moody's jury, should the accounts prove fraudulent. When the surroundings, had a pleasing and an improved | work in Providence maintains its interest. The | directors neglect to direct the affairs the law comappearance, and certainly testify that advancment | Music Hall and three of the Baptist churches are | mits to their hands, and certify, with their eyes and progress are the order of the day in the upper utilized for the meetings. Besides Messrs. Moody shut, to assets which have no existence, they must sections of the St. John river. There is one thing and Sankey, Mr. Henry Morehouse is taking his take their risks of suits in which they will be held personally liable for the losses sustained through their guilty carelessness. Where such persons Other tributaries there are, on both the east and every good, and that is, to see so many good and THE SUNNY-SIDE.—The young ladies of the 1st have used due diligence, and have been unable to save their institutions from the troubles incident to a general shrinkage of values, no one will utter a word of censure. But where they have permitted of the sources of the Mississippi, runs southeast by was entirely neglected only a few years ago, the children sundry articles on Christmas day . . . The deception, which it was their duty to prevent or different branches to the 97th meridian, which it rudiments of a sound education are now being members of the Tabernacle Church (Congrega- expose, where they have accepted the word of subordinates without inspection, as a sufficient ground length about 1000 miles; navigable for boats of are being developed in a way that must tell well upon Mr. McGregor, with a Sewing Machine, and his of confidence, where they have sworn falsely because ight draft 400 miles, 120 of which are within the the future of this advancing country. The men family with various other articles, on Christmas they have been too easy and indolent to search. province. Traffic on this river begins about the that inaugurated our present School Law deserve eve ... Rev. Mr. Jack, of Springfield, K. Co., they will have little sympathy when they are made

> " LIGHT WINES." (Lewiston Journal.)

"It has been a favorite idea with some that the use of light wines and lager beers and ales, as a beverage, would promote temperance by leading people to drink these instead of stronger liquors. Great Britain tried the 'beer' remedy by encoudoing a hundred fold more. When the law was successful in obtaining aid to rebuild the Baptist beers have largely increased the consumption of raging its sale and use, and the result is that the stronger liquors, and fearfully increased intemperance among the English people. More recently California has tried the experiment of encouraging the manufacture and use of light wines. "The reperity of this part of the country is an indication, lar mission, has also returned. He too met with pondent of the Boston Journal—that the Californians not only drink more rum and beer, but also more spirituous liquors than any other portion of our population. The same correspondent says that some of the California hotels have provided drunk rooms for those customers who become so intoxicated as to become helpless." "A snifter of Bour-Restigouche in this Province, Mr. Jones of Halifax, appetite which calls for something stronger. The

LITERARY NOTICES.

Hidden Springs, a New Year's address to Sunday School Teachers; and The Pilot at the Helm, a New Year's address to S. S. Scholars, have been issued by Shen Shute, 52 Broomfield St., Boston. Price 10 cents each. They are profitable reading :

consider the tramp nuisance: "Hon. Montgomery found in some localities. On the whole, timber and able to preach the word of Life, and certainly an of a large batch of new and unnecessary officials, as larger than usual by sixteen pages. It opens with well as increased the pay of some of the old ones. frontispieces, illustrating Mrs. Clara Dotty Bates' Whereas, They have provided by law, that the poem of "The Little Mother." Then, after the delicious Christmas poem by Mrs. L. C. Whiton, comes the "star" story of the number, a very long one too, it is, by Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney, entitled "The Little Savages of Beetle Rock." No. 1. of The Child Toilers of Boston Streets," by Emma E. Brown, treats of the little sellers of Christmas Greens. An especially Christmas-y paper is coned, "Christmas Roast Beef," being the story of a A despatch from Campbellton to the Telegraph says, steer, with seven illustrations. The new serial, True Blue," by Mrs. Lucia Chase Bell, opens uvenile literature.

There are several Christmas stories," Christmas in Cabin," by Sargent Flint, "Kitty's Christmas," by Charles E. Hurd of the Boston Transcript, Christmas in an Insane Asyhun," by Katherine Conger, with six pictures, and "Kitty's Happy

There are several pictorial humorous poems, . The News a few days ago published "Christ-Hopkins, and a brace by the inimitable John Brown The Jolly Christmas of Seven's" illustrated by kins. Margaret Eytinge tells, in large print about "Plum Santa Claus," and Charles Stuart Then, following, is a Christmas Comedy, written especially for students in French, just the thing for school exhibitions.

STEAMBOAT EXCURSION CHRISTMAS. - A friend ment is made as though it were something wonder- was a steamboat excursion on Grand River yesterful, that the Empress of Russia is a good seamstress, day (Christmas). There is no sleighing here; the weather is more like March than December. To Correspondents. -Mrs. E. Ready: Have from Kansas recently.

Ad- We have received the Baptist Year Book of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island for 1877. It contains statistics of the Bap-78 The statistics of Plymouth Church (Henry

now in Greenwich, and he purposes spending sev- ber 23. The Rev. Messrs. McDonald, Corey and The church has lost by death, dismission, etc., 104. eral weeks with the churches with which he labored Harris assisted Rev. Mr. Howe on the occasion. Contributions and collections, \$10,429; pew-rentals Jed Wise young men stay at home and work out

success. They who go away in hope of securing

thus be enabled to reach hundreds who could not be reached in any other way.

The statement is made that the members of Sheriff Freeze of Kings County. He was an enter- A Remittance from every sub-

scriber who has not already paid for 1878, is now expected. We are anxious to have the old scores settled and to begin this year with a paid up list. We do not think we have twenty-five subscribers who cannot at once pay all they owe and the advance for 1878, Will each subscriber do us the kindness to forward his payment

immediately? It will help us

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